ONE MAN HAS THE DIAMONDS THE OTHER BUYS THE DOOR

HE THINKS HE'D LIKE TO HAVE WHAT HIS NEIGHBOR DOES

IF HE COULD ONLY HAVE A DIAMOND MORE

AND IF HE STRIKES IT RICH HIS FRIENDS WILL ALL DRINK WINE

FROM THE FINEST CELLARS IN THE DARKEST DIAMOND MINE

MAN SAID TO HIS CHILDREN WHEN THEY'VE HAD THEIR PLAY

THAT I WON'T HAVE TO WORK IN THE DIAMOND MINES A SINGLE NIGHT OR DAY

HE'S GOT BIG PLANS WITH BIG FOREIGN LANDS

HE'D LIKE TO BE AMONG THE RICHEST LORDS IN THE DIAMOND MINES

I KNEW OF TWO BROTHERS WHO SET OUT FOR THE MINES

THEY CHIPPED AND PICKED AND SCHEMED AND DREAMED

AND ONE DAY THEY DID FIND

A DIAMOND AS HUGH AS ALL THEIR WILDEST DESIGNS

ONE SLIT THE THROAT OF THE OTHER AND THEN LIT OUT OF THE DIAMOND MINES

TELL ME, MY BROTHER, HOW DID THIS ALL START

DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN WE'D ROLL THE DICE, NO DIAMONDS IN OUR HEARTS

WHAT HAS BECOME OF YOUR PRINCELY CHARITY

ARE YOU FEELIN' LESS THAN EVEN? NEXT ROUND IS ON ME

AND WE'LL DRINK A TOAST TO OUR GREAT SUCCESS

THAT IN OUR LIFE AND TIME

WE'VE BEEN BLESSED TO HAVE NOT BEEN LOST

SOMEWHERE IN THE DIAMOND MINE

WE SING LAI, LAI DAI DA DA DA DAI LAI DAI LAI DA DAI

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WOMAN I KNOW SHE GAVE IT ALL 'TIL HER LIFE WENT DOWN THE LINE

WITH A DEAL FOR GOOD BEHAVIOR SHE QUIETLY DID HER TIME

NOW SHE'S FREE, SHE CAN DO WHAT SHE WANTS

BUT SHE'S SO SAD TO FIND

THE ONLY THING THAT SHE KNOWS HOW TO DO IS

TO WORK IN THE DIAMOND MINES

WHO STANDS TO PROFIT BY THE DIAMONDS ON HER HAND

THE BOB AND DEAN, THE WINNERS SHARE AND THE WINNERS IN THE LAND

COUNT THEIR BLESSINGS BY THE BILL AND WEEKLY GREASE THE BAND

FOR THE CUNNING FOOLS, THE MINERS IN THE SHASTA DIAMOND MINE

I CONSIDER MYSELF A GREAT SUCCESS IN MY LIFE AND TIMES

I'VE BEEN BLESSED TO HAVE NOT BEEN LOST SOMEWHERE IN THE DIAMOND MINES

WE SING LAI, LAI DAI DA DA DA DAI LAI DAI DAI LAI DA DAI

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IT'S BEEN SAID REBELLION IS A LUXURY OF CLASS

YOU'LL NOT HAVE TIME IF YOU'VE BEEN WORKIN' IN THE DIAMOND SHAFTS

YOU'LL NOT RAISE A RUCKUS OR A QUESTION ABOUT THE TAKE

AS LONG AS YOU BELIEVE YOU COULD OWN IT ALL TOO

IN THE VERY NEXT SWING YOU MAKE.

THE EVILS OF PURSUIT CAN TAKE YOU BY SURPRISE

YOU'RE TALKIN' WITH YOUR FRIEND AND SEE DIAMONDS IN HIS EYES

LIFE'S A RISK WILL NOT LET GOT OR WILL NOT COMPROMISE

I'VE SEEN HIS GRAVE AND I'VE ALSO SEEN DIAMONDS IN THE SKY

I CONSIDER MYSELF A GREAT SUCCESS IN MY LIFE AND TIMES

I'VE BEEN BLESSED TO HAVE NOT BEEN LOST SOMEWHERE IN THE DIAMOND MINES

WE SING LAI, LAI DAI DA DA DA DAI LAI DAI LAI DA DAI

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