Dead by Noon

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And no power in the whole wide universe
can assure you won't be dead by noon

Budgie sailed o'er the coast
Symbol of the good intent
His third beak that he ate to taste
Somehow high he seems transparent
And yes Christmas
This wanton bird will not be dead by noon

Yellow is walking to the shore
Wandering what comes for peace
Like Mr. Hugo sad explore
With vicious teeth small objects consumed
And now this harmless fellow from
The tide pulls out - to call your
The day expires - someone
Each Thursday like Grace
On a carcass in the freezer

Mother walked with parched
Past the graveyard of the surf
Impulsive drive the world
Don't host at last and her
And now may we assume
Our desire to love will not be dead by Noon