## WE BEGAN

We began set a blaze, skin on skin aching for praise If we'd only known how/we could understand now The strike of the match was just a scratch/without oxygen it decays We perished in the flicker of red, never reaching our burst of blue Who could have seen tea leaves in bed/I still dream of you

You told me my body was a cello, too afraid to learn how to play Plucked all the strings/but yellow, a coward you stayed The things I loved about you were the things that scared you away I could have been a hero/you'd still say something snark The things you loved about me were zero until it was dark

Naked and pining in the house on Bay/with the shiny red door My love was humble/yours a frat boy's stumble All I wanted was a little, you thought I wanted more You said I was conceited, Narcissus, your reflection's blinding snow I was minding my own business, you were craving the echo

> Holding mooring ropes listless and adrift/thought I'd find an anchor in your treasure How was I to know I didn't need your cold harbor/I'd reach my own measure Rewarded my tenacity/calling BS on your mendacity/and your god, Vanity

The things I loved about you were the things that scared you away I could have been all you wanted/understood you're haunted Things I should have said, but expected you knew Cause we were the same/my bad, I thought I was you

> We began set a blaze, skin on skin aching for praise If we'd only known how/we could understand now You'd set the house on fire escaping your pain I'd run back in with nothing to gain We began set a blaze, skin on skin aching for praise Covered in ashes/only embers remain/aching for praise