

## I Didn't See

*I made this one up in the Fall of 2016. Unfortunately, it is still relevant.*

When they were putting down and when we were shouting over  
Tell me what did we not see today  
The radio blaring loud, the TV screaming out  
What did we not see today

I didn't see vermillion sky nor stallion clouds all hurtling west  
No jeweled tree in dappled dress  
I didn't salute the autumn flags, those seed pods bold and brave  
I didn't feel the rain

When they were rattling whining screaming talking under  
Tell me what did we not hear today  
The tumult and tearing carcass, wheeling and dealing plunder  
What did we not see today

I didn't spy the wagging wren, nor chortling gagging gangs of cranes  
No dew in leafy glade  
I didn't kneel at the rising moon with rainbow misted round  
I didn't lie on the grassy ground

When they were jabbing, jibing, filling the air with fury  
What did we not choose today  
All of the pushing prying making up stories, lying  
What did we not see today

I didn't see the tiny child wrapped in weary arms  
No home safe and warm  
I didn't feel the rising seas as we went screaming by  
Higher, richer, dry  
And I didn't see the millions more streaming across the land  
I didn't lend a hand

Turn off the noise so I can see you  
Now in the quiet night I'll hear you  
Then I can hold both pain and soft light  
Burning of tears and bright eyes

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