Jimmy Buffett, In The City

As a child on the farm I was warned of the wiles of the city Of that demon disguise As the dirt in the skies of the city

Well they say the proximity warps their minds Until they're shooting one another just pass the time And we live it appears Both in spite and in fear of the city

I was constantly told How our lives were controlled by the city How they keep us in debt With the trends that they set it's a pity

Now the beautiful people in the magazines Got the normal ones living beyond their means And the things that they said Made me go in my head to the city

When I finally came
There's some things still the same in the city
You still lie under the thumb
Of the rich and the young and the pretty

Well they weren't much different than we might act If there was that many others that closely packed It's an ancient idea
But it struck me so clear in the city