

42-The Boxer

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C **C/B** **Am**

I am just a poor boy though my story's seldom told

G **G7** **C**

I have squandered my resistance For a pocket full of mumbles, such are promises

C/B **Am** **G** **F** **C**

All lies and jest, still a man hears what he wants to hear And disregards the rest

G **G7** **G6** **C**

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When I left my home and my family, I was no more than a boy

In the company of strangers In the quiet of a railway station, running scared

Laying low, seeking out the poorer quarters Where the ragged people go

Looking for the places only they would know

Am **G** **Am** **F** **G** **C**

Lie la lie, lie la la la lie la lie, lie la lie Lie la la la lie la lie, la la la la lie

C **C/B** **Am**

Asking only workman's wages I come looking for a job

G **G7** **G6** **C**

But I get no offers Just a come-on from the whores on Seventh Avenue

C/B **Am** **G** **F** **C**

I do declare, there were times when I was so lonesome I took some comfort there

G **G7** **G6** **C**

Oooo, la la la la la la la la la la

Now I'm laying out my winter clothes and wishing I was gone,

Going home Where the New York City winters aren't bleeding me

Leading meeeeee, going home

In the clearing stands a boxer, and a fighter by his trade

And he carries the reminders of every glove that laid him down or cut him 'til he cried out

In his anger and his shame, I am leaving, I am leaving, but the fighter still remains

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