

THE BOXER

C-4 C-1 G/B-1 Am-2
I am just a poor boy though my story's seldom told
G-4
I have squandered my resistance
G7-4 C-4
For a pocket full of mumbles, such are promises
C-1 G/B-1 Am-2 G-2 F-2
All lies and jest, still a man hears what he wants to hear
F-2 C-2 G-4 G7-2 C-8
And disregards the rest

C-4 C-1 G/B-1 Am-2
When I left my home and my family, I was no more than a boy
G-4
In the company of strangers
G7-4 C-4
In the quiet of a railway station, running scared
C-1 G/B-1 Am-2 G-2 F-2
Laying low, seeking out the poorer quarters
F-2 C-2
Where the ragged people go
G-2 F-2 C-4
Looking for the places only they would know

Am-4 Em-4 Am-4 G-4 C-8
Lie la lie Lie la lie Lie la lie Lie la lie Lie la lie

C-4 C-1 G/B-1 Am-2
Asking only workman's wages I come looking for a job
G-4
But I get no offers
G7-4 C-4
Just a come-on from the whores on Seventh Avenue
C-1 G/B-1 Am-2 G-2 F-2
I do declare, there were times when I was so lonesome
F-2 C-2
I took some comfort there
G-4 G7-2 C-4
Lie lie lie lie la

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C-4 C-1 G/B-1 Am-2
Then I'm laying out my winter clothes and wishing I was gone
G-4 G7-4 C-4
Going home where the New York City winters aren't bleeding me
Em-4 Am-4 G-4 G7-2 C-8
Leading me, going home.

C-4 C-1 G/B-1 Am-2
In the clearing stands a boxer and a fighter by his trade
G-4 G7-4
And he carries a reminder of ev'ry glove that laid him down
C-4 C-1 G/B-1 Am-2
Or cut him till he cried out in his anger and his shame
G-2 F-2
I am leaving, I am leaving
F-2 C-2 G-2 F-2 C-4
But the fighter still remains

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OUTRO || C-4 C-1 G/B-1 Am-2 G-4 G7-4 ||
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