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Moderate tempo

C

I am just a poor boy. Though my

Am G

sto - ry's sel - dom told, I have squan - dered my re - sis - tance For a

C

pock - et - ful of mum - bles, such are prom - is - es

Am G F

All lies and jest still a man hears what he wants to hear — And

dis - re - gards the rest.

When I

left my home and my fam - i - ly, — I was no more than a boy in the

com - pa - ny — of stran - gers in the qui - et of a rail - way sta - tion

run - ning scared, — Lay - ing low, seek - ing out the poor - er

F G F Em Dm

quar - ters Where the rag - ged peo - ple go, Look - ing for the plac - es on - ly they would

C Am G

know. Lie - la - lie, Lie - la - lie la lie - la -

Am G

lie lie - la - lie Lie - la - lie la la la la Lie -

F G C

la la la la lie. Ask - ing

Am

on - ly work - man's wag - es I come look - ing for a job, but I get no of -

G Dm7 C

fers, Just a come-on from the whor-es on Sev-enth Av-

Am Dm7 G

e - nue I do de - clare, there were times — when I was

F C G

so lone - some I took some com - fort there. Ooo - la - la — la - la — la la..

C C

Then I'm lay - ing out my

G7 C Am G

win - ter clothes — and wish - ing I was gone, — go - ing home

Dm7 G7 G C

Where the New York Cit - y win - ters are - n't bleed - ing me,

Am

Lead - ing me, go - ing

G C C

home. In the clear - ing stands a

Am G

box - er, and a fight - er by his trade And he car - ries the re -

G7 C > > Dm7 G7

mind - ers of ev - 'ry glove that laid him down - Or cut him till he cried -

C Am

out in his an - ger and his shame, — "I am

G F C

leav - ing, I am leav - ing." But the fight - er still re - mains. —

G C G F C

Lie - la

Am G Am

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

Repeat and fade

G F C

Lie - la lie la la la la lie - la la la la lie. Lie - la



