

The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down.tef

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Intro

VERSE

Am

C/G

Po

F

Fmaj7/E

Vir - gil Caine is the name and I served on the Dan - ville

Dm

Am

C/G

Po

F

Fmaj7/E

train _____ 'til Stone - man's cav - al - ry came and tore up the tracks a -

Dm

Am/E

F

Po

C

gain _____ In the wint - er of 'six - ty - five we were hung - ry just

F

Am/E

F

Po

C

Po

bare - ly a - live _____ By May the tenth Rich - mond had fell , it's a time I re -

Dm

D

CHORUS

C/G

F

mem - ber oh so well _____ The night they drove old Dix - ie

C/G

F

C/G

F

down _____ and the bells were ring - in' the night _____ they drove old Dix - ie

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C/G F C/G Am H

down _____ and the peop - le were sing - in' they went "Na _____ na na na _____ na na

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Gsus F C/E C/E

na na na na na na na _____ "

[Verse 1]:
 Virgil Caine is the name and I served on the Danville train
 'Til Stoneman's cavalry came and tore up the tracks again
 In the winter of '65, we were hungry, just barely alive
 By May the tenth, Richmond had fell
 It's a time I remember, oh so well

[Chorus]:
 The night they drove old Dixie down
 And the bells were ringing
 The night they drove old Dixie down
 And the people were singing
 They went, "La, la, la"

[Verse 2]:
 Back with my wife in Tennessee
 When one day she called to me
 "Virgil, quick, come see, there go the Robert E. Lee"
 Now I don't mind choppin' wood
 And I don't care if the money's no good
 Ya take what ya need and ya leave the rest
 But they should never have taken the very best

[Chorus]
 The night they drove old Dixie down
 And the bells were ringing
 The night they drove old Dixie down
 And the people were singing
 They went, "La, la, la"

[Verse 3]
 Like my father before me, I will work the land
 And like my brother above me, who took a rebel stand
 He was just eighteen, proud and brave
 But a Yankee laid him in his grave
 I swear by the mud below my feet
 You can't raise a Caine back up when he's in defeat

[Chorus]
 The night they drove old Dixie down
 And the bells were ringing
 The night they drove old Dixie down
 And the people were singing
 They went, "La, la, la"
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