

The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down by Joan Baez

Capo I

Am C 2x C Am

Am C F Am  
Virgil Caine is my name, and I drove on the Danville train  
C Am F Am  
'Til Stoneman's cavalry came, and tore up the tracks again.  
F C Am F  
In the winter of '65, we were hungry, just barely alive.  
Am F C Am D  
I took the train to Richmond, it fell, it was a time I remember, oh so well,

C F C Am  
The night they drove old Dixie down, and all the bells were ringing,  
C F C Am  
The night they drove old Dixie down, and all the people were singin'. They went  
C Am D F  
La, La

Am C Am C 2x C Am

Am C F Am  
Back with my wife in Tennessee, when one day she said to me  
C Am F Am  
"Virgil, quick, come see, there goes Robert E. Lee!"  
F Am C Am  
Now I don't mind' choppin' wood, and I don't care if the money's no good.  
F Am  
Ya take what ya need, and leave the rest,  
C Am D  
but they should never have taken the very best.

C F C Am  
The night they drove old Dixie down, and all the bells were ringing,  
C F C Am  
The night they drove old Dixie down, and all the people were singin'. They went  
C Am D F  
La, La

Am C Am C 2x C Am

Am                    C            F                    Am  
Like my father before me, I'm a workin' man  
C                            Am            F                    Am  
  Like my brother before me, I took a rebel stand.  
          F                    Am                    C                    Am  
He was just eighteen, proud and brave, but a Yankee laid him in his grave  
  F                            Am  
I swear by the blood below my feet,  
          C                            Am                    D  
you can't raise the cane back up when it's in the seed.

          C                    F                    C                    Am  
The night they drove old Dixie down, and all the bells were ringing,  
          C                    F                    C                    Am  
The night they drove old Dixie down, and all the people were singin'. They  
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  La, La