

C **Cmaj7 Am**
 I am just a poor boy, though my story's seldom told
G
 I have squandered my resistance
G7 **C**
 For a pocketful of mumbles such are promises
Cmaj7 Am **G** **F**
 All lies and jest still a man hears what he wants to hear
C G G7 C
 And disregards the rest
C **Cmaj7 Am**
 When I left my home and family I was no more than a boy
G
 In the company of strangers
G7 **C**
 In the quiet of a railway station running scared
Cmaj7 Am **G** **F**
 Laying low seeking out the poorer quarters
C
 Where the ragged people go
G **F** **C**
 Looking for the places only they would know

CHORUS

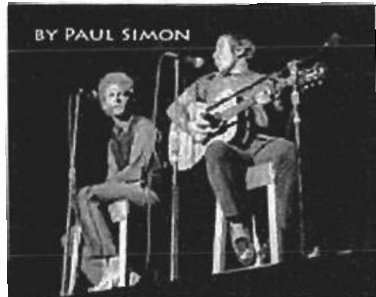
C **Cmaj7 Am** **G**
 Asking only workmans wages I come looking for a job, but I get no offers,
G7 **C**
 Just a come-on from the whores on seventh avenue
Cmaj7 Am **G** **F** **C**
 I do declare there were times when I was so lonesome I took some comfort there
G F C
 Ooo-ooo-oooo-oooo-la-la la la la

CHORUS

C **Cmaj7 Am**
 Then I'm laying out my winter clothes, and wishing I was gone
G **G7** **C**
 Going home where the New York City winters aren't bleeding me
Cmaj7 Am **G**
 Leading me, going home...
C **Cmaj7 Am**
 In the clearing stands a boxer and a fighter by his trade
G
 And he carries the reminders
G7 **C** **Cmaj7 Am**
 Of ev'ry glove that laid him down or cut him 'till he cried out In his anger and his shame
G F C G F C
 "I am Leaving, I am Leaving." But the Fighter still remains

CHORUS:

Cmaj7 Am	On last chorus, repeat this section 3 times before ending
Lie - la - lie	
G	
Lie-la-lie la lie-la-lie	
Am	
Lie la lie	
F G C	
Lie-la-lie la la lie la la la lie	



CHORUS with REPEATS

