

Powderfinger - Neil Young

G C G
Look out, Ma, there's a white boat comin' up the river
C G
With a big red beacon and a flag and a man on the rail
C Bm C
I think you'd better call John 'cause it don't look like they're here to deliver the mail
Bm7 Cmaj7
And it's less than a mile away
Bm7 Cmaj7
I hope they didn't come to stay
Bm7 Cmaj7 D (2 w/riff)
It's got numbers on the side and a gun and it's makin' big waves
/ G--- / C--- / G--C / G--- /

G C G
Daddy's gone and my brother's out huntin' in the mountains
C G
Big John's been drinkin' since the river took Emmy Lou
C Bm C
So the powers that be left me here to do the thinkin'
Bm7 Cmaj7
And I just turned twenty-two
Bm7 Cmaj7
I was wonderin' what to do
Bm7 Cmaj7 D (2 w/riff)
And the closer they gott, the more those feelin's grew
/ G--- / C--- / G--C / G--- /

G C G
Daddy's rifle in my hand felt reassurin'
C G
He told me "Red means run, son, and numbers add up to nothin'"
C Bm C
When the first shot hit the dock I saw it comin'
Bm7 Cmaj7
Raised my rifle to my eye
Bm7 Cmaj7
Never stopped to wonder why
Bm7 Cmaj7 D (2 w/riff)
Then I saw black and my face splashed in the sky
/ G--- / C--- / G--C / G--- /

G C G
Shelter me from the powder and the finger
C G
Cover me with the thought that pulled the trigger
C Bm C
Just think of me as one you never figured
Bm7 Cmaj7
Would fade away so young
Bm7 Cmaj7
So much left undone
Bm7 Cmaj7 D (2 w/riff)
Remember me to my love, I know I'll miss her