

# THE NIGHT THEY DROVE OLD DIXIE DOWN

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G G (just after the third beat, single note run G A-B C-D)  
**Verse 1**

Em G C Em  
Virgil Cain is my name and I served on the Danville Train  
G Em C Em  
Till Stoneman's cavalry came and tore up the tracks again  
C G Em C  
In the winter of '65, we were hungry, just barely alive  
Em C G Em A  
By May the 10th, Richmond had fell, it was a time i remember oh so well

## **Chorus**

G Em C G Em  
The night they drove old Dixie down, and all the bells were ringin'  
G Em C G Em  
The night they drove old Dixie down, and all the people were singin', (they w  
G Em A C G G intro  
"Naa na-na naa na-na, na-naa na-naa na-naa naa na-naa na-na-naa"

## **Verse 2**

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

## **Verse 3**

Like my father before me, I'm a workin' man  
Like my brother above me, who took a rebel stand  
He was eighteen, proud and brave, but a Yankee laid him in his grave  
I swear by the blood beneath my feet, you can't raise a Cain back up  
when he's in defeat.