

One for the Road

The Rumjacks

He threw his pike beside the spikes beneath the ashes
Where he was going, didn't know, but saw no call for clashes
He jumped out of the hopper as the train pulled in the yard
Dodged the bulls and slid off in the night

With the blood around your ankles from them pullin' at your shackles
And you cannot seem to fight or break away
You'll find a taste of freedom, when they tell you that you need 'em
And you hunt 'em down just like a bird of prey

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Pour it on the ground to the frozen snow
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We're singing as we rove and venture

He hitched a ride and pitched a sign beside the station
We finally reached the edge of 48 and all creation
They speak of California with a timbre that'll warn ya
He found where he could finally stake his claim

And when you're swingin' from handles and they're blowin' out the candles
They don't care about who you are, it's who you know
And with the phony friends you're makin' and the smiles that you're fakin'
It beats the life you left back in the snow

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