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"Diamonds In The Coal"

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My name is jackson jameson, a coal miner by trade From a part of pennsylvania even jesus couldnt save With towns named after indian chiefs and union army generals

Its nowhere in particular but everywhere in general

History says americans, we have the right to choose But they never mention those of us whose opinions aren't used

Well, the big flood came in 72 and tore the railroad bridges down

Washed away our only means of getting shipments out of town

And the government wont subsidize rebuilding the central line

So there's barroom fights and anthracite and loads of extra time

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Chorus

There's diamonds in the coal everybody ignores A man never finds what he aint looking for A tree only grows if you nurture the seed There's too many gems this world doesnt't't't need

The people left like rainwater flowing through an open drain

But here I sit too proud to admit and too damn old to change

Now, the monuments at gettysburg keep the tourists going there

But we died too slow and quietly for anyone to care

History says americans, we have the right to choose But they never mention those of us whose opinions aren't used

Chorus

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