

Badlees

"Diamonds In The Coal"

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by trade

>From a part of Pennsylvania even Jesus couldn't
save

With towns named after Indian chiefs and Union
Army Generals

It's 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 won't 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 ain't looking
for

A tree only grows if you nurture the
seed

There's too many gems this world doesn'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

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Chorus

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