

## **Hugh Cornwell**

### **"Big Bug"**

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Black, black track  
Black track steel gray train  
Along the big vein across the big leaf  
Cold, cold steel larva

Its edges warm edges  
Its way across the big leaf  
Air, aircraft engines menace  
The black track steel train

Says hello to many brothers  
Digging holes to save the others  
On the big red leaf big bug  
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Big bug

Black leather badge shouldered  
Hoot tooting duty boys  
In the right place at the right time  
Saved the nibbler stayed in the line

Its bristles with arms  
And legs didn't sleep at night  
Derailed all failed  
Derailed all failed

And rattled the bug on its vein  
And rattled the bug on its vein

Around the world five times  
Around the world five times  
Around the world five times  
Around the world five times  
Around the world five times

A victim of crimes  
A victim of crimes  
A victim of crimes  
A victim of crimes

And the white cabbages all took a dive  
And the big red leaf was still alive

And after two years the big bug curled  
And rested after eating its world

And out popped  
And out popped  
And out popped  
And out popped

And out popped  
And out popped  
And out popped  
A fly

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