



p.2. The Boxer Asking only workman's wages, I come looking for a job, but I get no offers Just a come-on from the whores on Seventh Avenue I do de-clare there were times when I was so lonesome, I took some comfort there... la-la-la..... **Interlude:** Ly-la-ly..... Then I'm laying out my winter clothes, and wishing I was gone, going home, Where the New York City winters aren't bleeding me, leading me, going home In the clearing stands a boxer, and a fighter by his trade And he carries the reminders of every glove that laid him down Or cut him, 'til he cried out, in his anger and his shame "I am leaving, I am leaving", but the fighter still re-mains

Ly-la-ly.....

THE BOXER-Paul Simon

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Intro: A (4 measures) F#m I am just a poor boy, though my story's seldom told I have squandered my resistance for a pocketful of mumbles Such are promises, all lies in jest A E7 A Still, a man hears what he wants to hear, and disregards the rest When I left my home and my family, I was no more than a boy In the company of strangers, in the quiet of a railway station, running scared Laying low, seeking out the poorer quarters, where the ragged people go Looking for the places only they would know F#m C#m F#m E7 A Ly-la-ly..... F#m Asking only workman's wages, I come looking for a job, but I get no offers Just a come-on from the whores on Seventh Avenue E7 A I do de-clare there were times when I was so lonesome, I took some comfort there... ly-la-ly...... Interlude: A F#m E7 A F#m E7 D A E7 D A C#m F#m E7 A F#m Ly-la-ly..... F#m Then I'm laying out my winter clothes, and wishing I was gone, going home, C#m E7 A Where the New York City winters aren't bleeding me, going home leading me, In the clearing stands a boxer, and a fighter by his trade And he carries the reminders of every glove that laid him down Or cut him, 'til he cried out, in his anger and his shame A E7 D A "I am leaving, I am leaving", but the fighter still re-mains

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