

Wharf Rat

Asus2 **Em** **Asus2**
Old man down, Way down down, down by the docks of the city.
Asus2 **Em** **Asus2**
Blind and dirty, Asked me for a dime, a dime for a cup of coffee.
Em **D** **Asus2**
I got no dime but I got some time to hear his story.

Asus2 **Em** **Asus2**
My name is August West, And I love my Pearly Baker best more than my wine.
Asus2 **Em** **Asus2**
More than my wine, More than my maker, though he's no friend of mine.

Asus2 **Em** **Asus2**
Everyone said, I'd come to no good, I knew I would Pearly, believe them.
Asus2 **Em** **Asus2**
Half of my life, I spent doin' time for some other fucker's crime
Em **D** **Asus2**
The other half found me stumbling a-round drunk on Burgundy wine

[Bridge] (3/4 time)

G **D** **G/D** **D** **A** **D** **G/D** **D**
But I'll get back on my feet again someday,
C **G** **C** **G** **G** **D** **Dsus4** **D**
The good Lord willin', if He says I may.
D **Asus4** **Asus4** **A** **A** **Em** **Em** **A**
I know that the life I'm livin's no good,
Asus4 **A** **Asus2** **A** **A** **Em**
I'll get a new start, live the life I should.

[Break] (Back to 4/4 time)

Em **Asus2**
I'll get up and fly away, I'll get up and fly away, fly away.

Asus2 **Em** **Asus2**
Pearly's been true, True to me, true to my dyin' day he said,
Asus2 **Em** **Asus2**
I said to him, I said to him, "I'm sure she's been."
Em **D** **Asus2**
I said to him, "I'm sure she's been true to you."

Asus2 **Em** **Asus2**
I got up and wandered, Wandered downtown, nowhere to go but just hang around.
Asus2 **Em** **Asus2**
I've got a girl, Named Bonnie Lee, I know that girl's been true to me.
Em **D** **Asus2**
I know she's been, I'm sure she's been true to me.