Jedidiah 1977 Eliza Gilkyson

Standard Tuning

Key: Em

This is a great song based on a soldier in the American Civil War, written by Eliza Gilkyson on the album paradise hotel.

Refrain:

Em C Bm

Played as

Verse:

Em (

Jedidiah out in the snow

Am Bm

Walkin the frozen trenchlines

Am F#m Bm Em(refrain)

Wet boots and his wool coat comin apart at the seams.

Em C

Rations of hard-baked dough,

Am Bm

Handfuls of melting snow

Am F#m Bm Em(refrain)

What else can a man live on but his dreams?

Not twenty miles away,

in the mansions of Philadelphia,

Loyalists lay their money down on the king.

We ve provision enough for the day,

but if victory were just for the wealthy

Our noble cause wouldn t be worth the hardship we re suffering.

Chorus:

C Brr

Send the cloth for a good waistcoat,

Am G

I dream of your hearth and the fields of oat.

F#m Em(refrain)

I awake to the drum and the trembling note of the fifer.

May it please God in His great mercy, To shelter our friends and our family. I remain your son most faithfully, Jedidiah

Verse 2:

I have seen a man, who has heard the king, Tell of his intention our independence to declare.

The peace will undoubtedly bring
A great revolution in commerce;
May it be our rightful fortune to come in for a share

Chorus 2:

My regards to a certain Miss Moore, I ve stated my honorable intentions for her; That upon my return from this necessary war she ll be my wife.

May it please God in His great mercy to restore the joys of domesticity. Salutations to the family, Jedidiah

Chorus 3:

I rejoice that the cause we re engaged in is in the hands of an Almighty Sovereign; Who I doubt not is accomplishing the ends of His desire. My love to you and the fair Miss Moore; Spare me a bottle from the cellar store, and in my name let the contents pour, Jedidiah