Cell Song
Fairport Convention

Song: Cell Song (Swarbrick)
Album: Babbacombe Lee (1971)
Artist: Fairport Convention

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          C                           F
There s a tiny little window and the sun comes shining through
C                                  F       Dm
Dancing with the dust that s in my cell
          C                                  F
There s a sparrow sitting on the sill and he stays for a minute or two
         C                 F                     G
But he s frightened by the ringing of the bell

          C                               F
There s a bed that I must lie on when at night I take my rest
      C                                   F       G
And a chair for me to sit on through the day
    C                     F
The men who wait beside me always know what s best
      C               F                G
For a man who doesn t have too much to say

        C                             F                    G
Throw a laugh into the corner, blow a tear against the wall
C                                 F
Learn a game to play, improve the mind
   C                                      F
Confess your sins, you sinner, and think how the seconds fall
C                 F                    G
Leave all earthly cares and woes behind

    C                                 F             Dm
And when my short affair with life is ended and I m gone
         C                                 F
Will you tell the world the story of John Lee?
C                             F
All you see is nothing and yet everything lives on
C             F                 G
I was born to pay the hangman s fee
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