

**The Old Black Rum  
Great Big Sea**

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Chords transcribed by Barry O Brien

**G** **D** **G**  
I drank sixteen doubles for the price of one.  
**C** **D**  
Trying to find the courage to talk to one.  
**C** **G** **C** **G**  
I asked her for a dance. Not a second glance  
**D**  
My night had just begun.

When I drink to the Father or the Holy Ghost.  
I m kneeling at the altar of my nightly post.  
So I ll raise the glass. Not the first or last.  
Come join me in this toast.

(Chorus)

**D** **G**  
Because the old black rum s got a hold of me.  
**C** **D**  
Like a dog wrapped round my leg.  
**D** **G**  
And the old black rum s got a hold of me.  
**C** **D** **Em** **C**  
Well I live for another day, Hey.  
**C** **D** **G**  
Well I ll live for another day.

Well the queen of George Street just came walking on by.  
Walking on by with some guy who don t care.  
That she stood in line. Since half past nine.  
And spent three hours on her hair (on her hair).  
Her friend is looking at me with an evil grin.  
I think a bloody wracked might soon begin.  
I must have said something. To the George Street queen.  
The boys are joining in.

(Chorus)

So I drank all of my money and I slept out in the rain.  
Every day is different but the night are all the same.  
You never see the sun. On the old black rum.  
But you know I m gonna do it again.

(Chorus X 2)