

**Bachelor And The Bride**  
**The Decemberists**

Artist: The Decemberists  
Album: Her Majesty  
Song: The Bachelor And The Bride  
Capo 1st

[Verse]

**Em** **A**  
There s a wrinkle, in the water  
**D** **Cmaj7**  
Where we laid our, first daughter  
**Em** **A** **Cmaj7** **B7**  
And I think the wind blows so sweetly there, over there

And the windows, and the cinders  
And the willows, in the timbers  
The infernal rattling of the rain, still remains

[Chorus]

**Em** **B** **Em**  
But I, said the bachelor to the bride  
**B** **C**  
Am not waiting for tonight,  
**G** **A**  
No, I, I will box your ears  
**B7** **Em**  
And leave you here stripped bare

[Pre-Chorus]

**Em A D Cmaj7**  
Stripped bare...

Hear the corncrakes, and the deerhooves  
And the sleet rain on the slate roof  
A medallion locked inside her hands, in her hands

And his fingers, are they telling  
Of the barren of her belly  
Do his calluses cure her furrowed brow, even now

But I, said the bachelor to the bride  
Am not waiting for tonight,  
No, I will box your ears  
And leave you here stripped bare,

[Pre-Chorus]

**Em A D Cmaj7 Em A D Cmaj7**  
Stripped bare, stripped bare, stripped bare

[Chorus]

But I, said the bachelor to the bride

Am not waiting for tonight,

No, I will box your ears

**C**

And take your tears

**A**

**C**

**Em**

**A**

**D**

**Cmaj7**

And leave you, leave you here, stripped bare

[Instrumental]

**Em A D Cmaj7 (x2) Em**