The Wreck of the Number Nine

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'60 MCA MusicOn a cold winter's night not a star was in sight

And the north wind some howling down the line

And the north wind came howling down the line
With his sweetheart so dear stood a brave engineer
With his orders to pull old No 9
She kissed him goodbye with a tear in her eye
But the joy in his heart he could not hide

That tomorrow she'd be his blushing bride
Oh the wheels hummed a song as the train rolled along
And the black smoke came pouring from the stack

Oh the whole world seemed bright when she told him that night

And the headlight agleam seemed to brighten his dream Of tomorrow when he'd be coming back

He steered around the hill and his brave heart stood still
For a headlight was shining in his face
And he whispered a prayer as he drew on the air

or he knew this would be his final grace
In the wreck he was found lying there on the ground
And he asked them to raise his weary head

As his breath slowly went this the message he sent To the maiden who thought she would be wed

There's a little white home that I built for our own Where I dreamed we'd be happy by and by But I leave it to you for I know you'll be true Till we meet at the golden gate goodbye

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