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a cappella, freely

1
My Grand- dad fished out in this bay my- y moth- er

5
packed fish in the plant Now all that's gone And

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what re- mains are wi-dow walks fresh paint- ed by come from

12 Chorus:
a- ways And the sky is the same the same change-

15
a- ble blue and clouds same gold- -en sun

18
shin- ing bright at day- break or when day is done

2. Each day I drive the River Road to town
And work glued to my desk and screen
And wonder if this work will stay
While all around me I see jobs evaporate

3. Each night I drive the River Road
my heart in my mouth
Just like Granddad said he always felt
When he sailed south (CHORUS)

4. My brother phones from Edmonton to tell me
Life is passing me by "If you stay there, you'll never meet an
Eligible guy. You're getting older and what will happen then
If you've no kids, no man"

5. But I fell in love, when I was just a girl with waves that
Foam and curl and throw themselves, on to this land
Holding nothing back they hurl themselves
Upon the mercy of this land. And I am the same...(CHORUS)