Summer Wages

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And we'll keep rollin' on till we get to Vancouver And the woman that I love who's living there Its been six long months and more since I've seen her She may be gambled and gone like summer wa-ges

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The dreams of the season are all spilled out on the floor
All the big stands of timber just waitin' for fallin'
And the hookers standing watchfully waiting by the door

So I'll work on them towboats in my slippery city shoes Which I swore I would never do a-gain Through the grey fog bound straights Where the cedars stand watchin' I'll be far off and gone like summer wa-ges

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