

## TANEYTOWN

Am C G Am C G Am Em

Am C  
 I went down to Taneytown  
 G Am  
 I went down to Taneytown  
 C G Am Em  
 To see what I could see

Am C  
 My mama told me never go  
 G Am  
 I'm damn near 22 years old  
 C G Am Em7  
 Sometimes I feel this holler swallow me  
 Am C  
 She ran off to Gettysburg  
 G Am  
 Went off with that new beau of hers  
 C G Am Em  
 I snuck off after dark

It's a long way down the county road  
 The stars were bright and the moon was low  
 Down to where the black top highway starts  
 I went down to Taneytown  
 I went down to Taneytown  
 I went down to see what I could see

SOLO

Now everybody stared at me  
 You'd think that they ain't never seen  
 A colored boy before  
 Well they jumped at me and they called me names  
 And they whoopped me sure but the sheriff came  
 I slipped off ran through the dry goods store  
 Now I ran down Division Street  
 And some of them boys followed me  
 Down to the railroad track

Well there was four of them and I can't fight  
But I got my old Randall knife  
I cut that boy and I never did look back  
I went down to Taneytown  
I went down to Taneytown  
I went down to see what I could see

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SOLO

Across the fields and woods I run  
Like a bullet from a rabbit gun  
Back home to my bed

Now Ma come in from Gettysburg  
Her and that new beau of hers  
Boy you look like hell is all she said  
A month went by without a word  
Somebody down the holler heard  
Bout that boy they hung

He begged those men to spare his life  
But I dropped my bloody Randall knife  
He picked it up so they thought he was the one

I went down to Taneytown  
I went down to Taneytown  
I ain't going back there anymore