

Northwest Passage

 D A G Hm
Ah, for just one time, I would take the Northwest Passage
 G D Em G
To find the hand of Franklin, Reaching for the Beaufort Sea.
 D A G Hm
Tracing one warm line, Through a land so wide and savage, and
G D A D
Make a Northwest Passage, to the sea

G D A A
Westward from the Davis Strait, 'Tis there was said to lie,
 G D Em Hm
The sea route to the Orient, For which so many died,
G D A Hm
Seeking gold and glory, Leaving weathered broken bones, and
 G D A D
A long forgotten lonely cairn of stones

Chorus

Three centuries thereafter, I take passage overland
In the footsteps of brave Kelso, Here his sea of flowers began.
Watching cities rise before me, Then behind me sink again,
This ardiest explorer driving hard, Across the plains

Chorus

And through the night behind the wheel, The mileage clicking west,
I think upon Mackenzie, David Thompson, and the rest,
Who cracked the mountain ramparts, and Did show a path for me,
To race the roaring Fraser, to the sea.

Chorus

How then am I so different, From the first men through this way,
Like them, I left a settled life, I threw it all away,
To seek a Northwest Passage, At the call of many men,
To find there, but the road back home again.

Chorus 2x