

Three Fine Daughters of Farmer Brown

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Chorus

G	C G	G	D G
Breaking hearts in	Halifax county, the	three fine daughters of	Farmer Brown
G	C G	G	D G
Turning heads of the	boys in the schoolyard	catching whistles from the	men downtown
C	G	%	D G
No one knows where	they went a-rowin', the	three fine daughters of	Farmer Brown
C	G	%	D/F# Em
They didn't know that the	rocks on the river be the	three sisters island where	they all drowned

Verse

Em	D	%	Em
Widower Brown had a	girl named Nellie	She was the oldest and	toughest of three
Old man Brown had a	girl named Dottie	The middle button and the most	vain of the three
Farmer Brown had a	girl named Becca	She was the youngest and most	reverent of all
One day the three with	nothing in common	Spied upon an a-	bandoned rowboat
Some may recall the	singing of the sirens	Lured in the sailors who'd	wreck and drown
Em	D	F	C
She would take her daddy's	well sharpened sickle, and	And carve "Kill Men" in a	sycamore tree
She'd take her daddy's	fat leather boot strap	And whip anyone who'd call her	Dorothy
She would take her daddy's	King James Bible	And go study scripture at the	brethren hall
Maybe their sense of ad-	venture had pushed	The three young girls to set their	ship afloat
Some say they still hear the	fightin' and the flirtin' and the	Preachin' of the daughters of	Farmer Brown
Em	D	%	Em
The men came a-courtin' but	she'd keep her distance	Never cracked a smile just	played it coy
The men would fawn her and	she would repay them	And peck 'em where they'd find it	safe to kiss
The men would avoid her 'cuz	she would condemn them	For cussing' and drinkin' and	chasing the Browns
They didn't know the	strength of the river	The Merciless current that	pulled them down
Am	C	G	C
Some say she's as	tender as a petal	She'd act tough 'cuz her daddy	wanted a boy
Like the barn or the porch or the	upstairs parlor	Anywhere that'd keep 'em from her	father's fist
She'd say "repent and	join God forever	The pleasure of sin's not as	good as it sounds"
Maybe it was due to the	weight of their denim	But the three girls bodies were	never found