

Dan Zanes – Guysborough railway (2002)

Oh the train pulled out from Guysborough
Should be here any day
Started ninety years ago
On the Guysborough railway
It ran in to competition all along the way
I believe if what i hear is true she's east of sunny brae

She's going up by Eden Lake
Rocky Mountain Willow Dale
She'll pass by old East River
Newtown and Denver Vale
Then roll around to Aspen
Down country Harbor way
Along the Salmon River to old Chibucktow Bay

The rail bed was prepared
The abutments all in place
A few more rails and bridges
They'll have her in the race
Oh Guysborough's still waiting to hear that whistle blow
Not a sound for sixty years she's moving very slow

Will they ever see that train going down the Guysborough track?
Will they ever see that old black smoke come pouring from its stack?
Will they ever hear the rattle of the wheels upon the rail
Will they ever hear that whistle blow
Along the Guysborough trail

Here's to Guysborough county
The largest and the best
Should have had a railway
Just like all the rest
But if this one gets through
She'll soon be on the way
Guysborough can look forward to many better days

Then up stepped a politician
He stopped her in her tracks
From what I understand
He turned her sent her back
The people down in Guysborough
Still waiting for a train
The dream thy had for many years
Proved to be in vain

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