

# Thirty Years of Farming – Fred Eaglesmith

Bluegrass Classic, Key of **B** My Key: \_\_\_\_\_

There's a **1** little white note, on a gate by the road  
That a **4** man, put up yes, ter- **1** day  
And **1** when, we saw it, we all ran out, just to **2** see what, it had to **5** say  
And **1** when, we read it, our eyes, filled with tears  
And they **4** fell, to the cold hard **1** clay  
**1** Something 'bout a mortgage, something 'bout foreclosure  
**1** Something, 'bout **5** fail,ing to **1** pay

## CHORUS:

Oh and, **1** on the post by the, general store, they **4** put up, a lit,tle **1** sign  
An **1** auc,tion sale, day after tomorrow, at the **2** end of the, Lincoln **5** Line  
**1** Thirty years of farming, **1** thirty years of heart- **1**' ache  
**4** Thirty years of day, to **1** day  
Oh my **1** Daddy stopped talking, the day the farm was auctioned  
There was, **1** nothing **5** left, to **1** say

Oh my **1** Mama's tears fell, freely down  
As she- **4** walked amongst the flowers, in the **1** yard  
And **1** ev,ery number, the auctioneer called  
Was like a **2** blow, to her, precious **5** heart  
And **1** ev,ery number, the auctioneer called  
Meant an- **4** other thing was sold, that **1** day  
'Til **1** everything was auctioned, and we stood there watching  
As they **1** loaded it and **5** drove it, a- **1** way

## CHORUS

**INSTRUMENTAL:** **1** , **1** , **4** , **1** , **1** , **1** , **2** , **5**  
**1** , **1** , **4** , **1** , **1** , **1** , **1** **5** , **1**

At the **1** day's, first dawning, we awoke this morning  
There was **4** nothin', for us, to **1** do  
**1** Nothing in the granary, no hay in the meadow  
No **2** cattle, no tractor, no **5** tools  
So we **1** loaded up the car, with the clothes that we wore  
And the **4** few things, we managed to **1** save  
Mama **1** read from the Book, we took, one last look  
And **1** then, we **5** drove, a- **1** way

## CHORUS

Oh my **1** Daddy stopped talking, (**SLOW**) the day the farm was auctioned  
There was, **1** nothing, **5** left, to, **1** say...

1 = B
2 = D <sup>b</sup>
4 = E
5 = G <sup>b</sup>