## **Green Mountain**

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At the bottom of Green Mountain William Deacon stands and stare s into the rain With coal grey eyes yellow teeth and a face that shows the stra in Of his fight against the people who would cut Green Mountain do wn To pave the way for what they say is a short cut in the town There's sugar in the gas tanks of the dozers and the graders an d the mud The bridge they finished yesterday was washed away by last nigh t's ragin' flood And the dam went out with dynamite stolen from the work crew's shack But the coal grey eyes of William Deacon never once looked back They're gonna move Green Mountain he can't stand in the way But William Deacon swears Green Mountain's gonna stay They're gonna move Green Mountain at least that's what they say But there it stands lookin' twice as big as it did yesterday Four hundred years and more the Deacon Clan has claimed Green M ountain as their own But the highway department don't have the sense to leave well e nough alone With an iron hand he raised ten kids and taught 'em right from wrong And when trouble come the Deacon Clan can be mighty brave and s trong They carried William Deacon's body down from old Green Mountain yesterday He was crushed by a rollin' gravel truck when he stepped out in to the way The foreman frowned then said well now the work can start again But he forgot the family pride of all the Deacon Clan They're gonna move Green Mountain...