

St. Louis Blues

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I hate to see_ de ev' - nin' sun go down_____

Been to d Gyp - sy to ge ma for - tune tole_____

You orght to see_ dat stove - pipe brown of mine_____



hate to see_ de ev' - nin' sun go down_____

to de Gyp - sy done go ma for - tune tole_____

lak he owns_ de Di - mon Jos - eph line_____



Cause my bab - by_ he done lef dis town_____

Cause I'm most wile_ 'bout m Jel - ly Roll_____

He's make a cross - eyed - - o' man go stone blind_____



feel - in' to - mor - row lak_ Ah feel to - day_____

Gyp - sy done tole_ me, "don't_ you wear no black"_____

Blak - er than mid - night teeth_ lak flags of truce_____



feel to - mor - row lak_ Ah feel to - day_____

yes she done tole me "don't_ you wear no black"_____

black - est_ man in_ de whole St. Louis_____

2 G⁷ Gaug⁷ C

I'll pack my trunk_ make ma get a - way_ St. Lou - is
 go to St. Lou - is you can win him back_ help me to
 black - er de ber - ry sweet - er is the juice_ a - bout a

33 Cm Fm F#dim⁷ G⁷

wom - an_ wid her dia - mon' rings_ pulls dat
 Cai - ro_ make st. Louis by ma self_ git to
 crap game_ he knows a pow' - ful lot_ but when

37 Cm

man roun'_ by her a - pron strings_ 'twant for
 Cai - ro_ find ma old friend Jeff,_ gwine to
 work - time comes he's_ on de dot_ gwine to

41 Fm⁷ F#dim⁷ G⁷

pow - der_ an' for store - bought hair_ de
 pin ma - self close to_ his side_ if A
 ask him_ for a cold_ ten spot_ what it

45 Cm D⁷/A G⁷

man I love_ would not gone no - where_ Got de
 flag his train_ I sho' can ride_ I
 takes to get it he's cer - t'n - ly got_ A_

49 C C⁶ C C⁶ C C⁶ C C⁶ C C⁶ C C⁶ C C⁶ C

St. Lou - is Blues jes as blue as_ Ah_ can be_ dat_
 loves dat man tak a school boy_ loves his pie_ tak a
 black head - ed gal make a freight tran_ jump_ the track_ said a

53 F C C⁶ C C⁶ C F/C C 3

man got a heart lak a rook cast_ in the_ sea_____ or_
 Ken - tuck - y Col' - nel_ loves his__ mint an' rye_____ I'_
 black head-ed gal make a freight train_ jump the_ track_____ but a

57 C/G G⁷ C

else he__ would - n't have gone__ so__ far__ from_ me_
 love ma__ ba - by_ till__ the__ day_ Ah__ die._
 read - head_ wom - an makes a__ preach - er__ ball_ the Jack._____