

(MED.)

ST. LOUIS BLUES

- W.C. HANDY

G C G G⁷

I hate to see, — de ev' - nin' sun go down, —
 Been to de Gyp - sy, to get my for - tune tote, —
 You ought to see, — dat stove - pipe brown of mine. —

C⁷ G

Hate to see, — de ev' - nin' sun go down, —
 To de Gyp - sy, done got ma for - tune tote. —
 Lak he owns — de Di - mond Jos - eph line, —

D⁷ G

'Cause — ma ba - by, he dome left dis town. —
 'Cause I'm most wild — 'bout my Jel - ly Roll. —
 He'd make a cross - eyed wo - man go stone blin'. —

C⁷ G G⁷

Feel - in' to - mor - row lak ah — feel to - day, —
 Gyp - sy done tole me, "Don't — you wear no black." —
 Black - er than mid - night, teeth — lak flags of truce, —

C⁷ G

Feel - in' 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, —

D⁷ G

I'll pack my trunk, — make my git - a - way. — St. Lou - is
 Go to St. Louis, — You can win him back. — Help me to
 Black - er de ber - ry, sweet - er am de juice. — A - bout a

G - (HABANERA) D⁷


wo - man, — with all 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

D⁷ **G-**



man 'round,___ by her a - pron strings.____ 'Twant for
 Cai - ro,___ find ma ole friend Jeff.____ Gwine to
 work - time comes, he's___ on de dot.____ Gwine to

D⁷



pow - der,___ an' for store-bought hair,___ De___
 pin ma - self close___ to his side,___ If ah
 ask him___ for a cold ten - spot,___ What it


G- **A⁷** **D⁷**



man I love,___ would not gone no - where, no - where. Got de
 flag his train,___ I___ sho' can ride.____ I___
 takes to git it, he's___ cer - t'nly got.____ A___
 Lawd, a
 Oh,___


CHORUS (SWING)

G **C⁷** **G** **G⁷**




St. Lou - is Blue jes as blue as___ I___ can be,___ Dat___
 love dat___ man lak a school - boy___ loves his pie,___ Lak a
 black head - ed gal makes a freight train jump the track,___ Said a
 blond headed wom - an makes a good man leave the town,___ I said
 ash - es to ash - es,___ and dust to dust,___ I said

C⁷ **G**



man got a heart lak a rock cast___ in___ the sea,___ Or___
 Ken - tuck - y Col' - nel___ loves his___ mint___ an' rye,___ I'll___
 black head - ed gal makes a freight train jump the track,___ But a
 blond - head - ed woman makes a good man leave the town,___ But___
 ash - es to ash - es___ and dust to dust,___ If my

D⁷ **G**



else he___ would - n't have gone___ so___ far___ from___ me.____
 love ma___ ba - by___ till___ the___ day___ ah___ die.____
 long tall___ gal makes a preach - er___ ball___ the___ jack.____
 red - head - ed woman makes a boy___ slap his pa - pa___ down.____
 blues don't get you,___ my___ jazz - ing___ must.____