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A Down-Home Chant



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Slowly

The musical score is written in a 12-measure blues format. It begins with a piano introduction marked *mf*. The first system shows the piano accompaniment in both treble and bass clefs. The second system continues the piano accompaniment, with the right hand playing a melodic line and the left hand providing harmonic support. The third system introduces the vocal line with the lyrics: "— have o - ver - tak - en me, —" and "— just make me weep and cry, —". The piano accompaniment continues beneath the vocal line. The fourth system shows the vocal line with the lyrics: "I'm so wea-ry, Days are full o' gloom, —" and "I'm so lone-some Don't know what to do —". The piano accompaniment continues with a more active bass line. The score concludes with a final piano accompaniment system.

mf

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Blues _____
Blues _____

— have o - ver - tak - en me, _____
— just make me weep and cry, _____

I'm so wea-ry, Days are full o' gloom, _____
I'm so lone-some Don't know what to do _____

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Home - sick-ness has got me down in mind
Miss the good old days that used to be

'Way down in old Ar - kan - sas
Oh, my, what a fool am I

In old Dix - ie, My log cab-in home,
To be griev-in', To be feel-in' blue.

Where the Southern folks are good and kind, I find.
For my mammy's wait - in' pa-tient - ly for me.

CHORUS

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I'm on the right track I've got my trunk packed, And I have

p-f

asked the good Lord — to take the train back That's

head - in' South and tak - in' me to Dar - da - nelle —

Ain't got no time to lose — I'm tired of roam - in' — I'm tired of

roam - in' I long to see my mam - my and my

home in Old Log Cab - in - land 'Way down there

in the Dell I've got the Ar-kan-sas Blues,

I've got the Ar-kan-sas Blues. I'm on the