



MY GOOD MAN'S BLUES MAHALIA'S BLUES

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Moderato

Lyrics & Music
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The musical score consists of four staves of music. The top two staves are for piano/vocal, with the right hand playing chords and the left hand providing bass or harmonic support. The vocal part is labeled "VOICE". The bottom two staves are for piano alone. The music is in common time, mostly in E-flat major, with some changes indicated by key signatures. The tempo is marked "Moderato". The lyrics are integrated into the vocal line, with "VAMP" and "In West Vir-gin - ia" appearing above the vocal staff. The piano part includes dynamic markings like "s" (soft) and "p" (piano). The lyrics are:

In West Vir-gin - ia
VAMP
harvey bot-tom fair I met my good man, he was al ways there It
I met Ma - ha - lia, she was al - ways there It
seemed my love for him would never end _____ He
seemed my love for her would never end _____ She

quit me cold and I left to stay I've gambled al most all my love a way I'm
 go ing back I'm leav ing town to - day I'm

CHORUS

goin' to West Vir-gin ia to find my good man, my
 goin' Back to my good man and fall (Ma hal ia) (Ma
 (man) girl) I real-ly love will e - ven give me

good man there I'm goin' to West Vir-gin ia to find my good man
 (hal ia) knees and say I'm goin' back to my good man fall down on (Ma hal ia)
 (his) last dime the man I real-ly love will e - ven give me (his) last
 (her) girl

there
 say
 dime

I'm goin' to West Vir-gin-ia
 I'm goin' back to my good man
 The (man) girl I real-ly love

to find my good man fair
 fall down on my knees and say
 e - ven give me his last dime

Because when I don't have no money
 Take me back now pret-ty pa-pa
 So it is ve - ry plain to see that

(He) al-ways treats me
 and you can have your
 you can not make no

1st, 2nd, & 3rd

1st & 2nd only

3rd only

fair
 way
 time

I'm
 the
 here.
 time