## **Blackest Crow**

Traditional

V IV Ι As time draws near my dearest dear vi When you and I must part V IV Ι How little you know of the grief and woe In my poor aching heart Ι Each night I suffer for your sake, IV V vi You're the girl I love so dear V IV I wish that I was going with you vi Or you were staying here

I wish my breast were made of glass Wherein you might behold Upon my heart your name lies wrote In letters made of gold In letters made of gold my love, Believe me when I say You are the one that I will adore Until my dying day

The blackest crow that ever flew Would surely turn to white If ever I prove false to you Bright day will turn to night Bright day will turn to night my love, The elements will mourn If ever I prove false to you The seas will rage and burn

And when you're on some distant shore Think of your absent friend And when the wind blows high and clear A light to me pray send And when the wind blows high and clear Pray send your love to me That I might know by your hand write How time has gone with thee Chart - Verse  $\frac{3}{4} | V | IV | I | I | I |$  | I | I | vi | vi | | V | IV | I | I | | I | I | vi | vi | | I | I | I | I | I | | IV | V | vi | vi | | V | IV | I | I || I | I |vi | vi |

## **Angel Band**

Traditional

 $\begin{array}{cccc} I & IV & I \\ \text{My latest sun is sinking fast} & \\ & V & I \\ \text{My race is nearly run} & \\ & IV & I \\ \text{My strongest trials now are past} & \\ & V & I \\ \text{My triumph has begun} \end{array}$ 

## Chorus

V Ι Oh come angel band Ι V Come and around me stand IV Ι Oh bear me away on your snow white wings V I To my immortal home IV Ι Oh bear me away on your snow white wings V I To my immortal home

Oh bear my longing heart to him Who bled and died for me Who's blood now cleanses from all sin And gives me victory

Chorus

Chart – Verse  $\frac{3}{4} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{I} |$   $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{V} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} |$   $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{I} |$   $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} |$ 

## Drink up and Go Home

Jimmy Martin

 $I \qquad I7$  You sit there a-crying, crying in your beer  $IV \qquad V$  You think you got troubles, my friend listen here  $IV \qquad I$  Don't tell me your troubles, I got enough of my own  $IV \qquad V \qquad I$  Be thankful you're living, drink up and go home

## Chorus

 $\begin{array}{ccc} IV & I \\ \mbox{l'm fresh out of prison, six years in the pen} & & \\ IV & V \\ \mbox{Lost my wife and family, no one to call friend} & & \\ IV & I \\ \mbox{Don't tell me your troubles, got enough of my own} & \\ IV & V & I \\ \mbox{Be thankful you're living, drink up and go home} \end{array}$ 

Now there sits a blind man, so blind he can't see Do you think he's complaining, why should you and me? Don't tell me your troubles, I've got enough of my own Be thankful you're living, drink up and go home

Chorus

Chart - Verse  $\frac{3}{4}$  | I | I | I | I | I | I | I | I7 | I7 | | IV | IV | IV | IV | | V | V | V | V | | IV | IV | IV | IV | | IV | IV | IV | IV | | I | I | I | I | | I | I | I | I | I | | I | I | I | I | I |

## **Ashville Junction**

Traditional

Chorus I vi VI Asheville Junction, Swannanoa Tunnel, I V All caved in, babe I all caved in.

Last December, I remember The wind blowed cold, baby the wind blowed cold.

## Chorus

Hammer falling from my shoulder All day long babe All day long

## Chorus

When you hear that whistle blowing There's a train a'coming babe There's a train a'coming

## Chorus

When you hear my watchdog howling, Somebody around somebody around

## Chorus

When you hear that hoot owl squalling, Somebody dying somebody dying

Chorus

Sorry to tell you, said the railroad foreman But your husband's dead maam, your husband's dead

Chorus

Take this hammer, throw it in the river, It rings right on, babe it shines right on

## Chorus

Some of these days I'll see that woman, Well that's no dream darling that's no dream

## Chorus

I'm going back to that Swannanoa Tunnel. That's my home, babe that's my home

Chorus

## <sup>4</sup>/<sub>4</sub>| I | I | vi | IV | | I | V | I | I |

## Dark as a Dungeon

Merle Travis

 $I \qquad IV \qquad V$ Come and listen you fellows, so young and so fine,  $I \qquad IV$ And seek not your fortune in the dark, dreary Imines.  $IV \qquad V$ It will form as a habit and seep in your soul,

I IV I 'Till the stream of your blood is as black as the coal.

## Chorus

 $V \qquad IV \qquad I \\ It's dark as a dungeon and damp as the dew, \\ V \qquad IV \qquad I \\ Where danger is double and pleasures are few, \\ IV \\ Where the rain never falls and the sun never \\ V \\ Shines \\ I \qquad IV \qquad I \\ It's dark as a dungeon way down in the mine.$ 

It's a-many a man I have seen in my day, Who lived just to labor his whole life away. Like a fiend with his dope and a drunkard his wine, A man will have lust for the lure of the mines.

I hope when I'm gone and the ages shall roll, My body will blacken and turn into coal. Then I'll look from the door of my heavenly home, And pity the miner a-diggin' my bones.

The midnight, the morning, or the middle of day, Is the same to the miner who labors away. Where the demons of death often come by surprise,

One fall of the slate and you're buried alive.

Chart

**Chart - Verse** 

# $\frac{3}{4} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{V} | \mathbf{V} |$ $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} |$ $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{V} | \mathbf{V} |$ $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{V} | \mathbf{V} |$ $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} |$

## **Chart - Chorus**

## The Dreadful wind and Rain

Traditional

VIThere were two sisters of County ClareIVIVOh, the wind and rainIOne was dark and the other was fairIVVOh, the dreadful wind and rain

And they both had a love of the miller's son Oh, the wind and rain But he was fond of the fairer one Oh, the dreadful wind and rain

So she pushed her sister in the river to drown Oh, the wind and rain And watched her as she floated down Oh, the dreadful wind and rain

And she floated till she came to the miller's pond Oh, the wind and the rain Dead on the water like a golden swan Oh, the dreadful wind and rain

As she came to rest on the riverside Oh, the wind and the rain And her bones were washed by the rolling tide Oh, the dreadful wind and rain

And along the road came a fiddler fair Oh, the wind and rain And found her bones just a lying there, cried Oh, the dreadful wind and rain

So he made a fiddle peg of her long finger bone Oh, the wind and the rain He a made a fiddle peg of her long finger bone Oh, the dreadful wind and rain he strung a fiddle bow with her long yellow hair Oh, the wind and the rain He strung his fiddle bow with her long yellow hair Oh, the dreadful wind and rain

And he made a little fiddle of her breastbone Oh, the wind and rain He made a little fiddle of her breastbone, cried Oh, the dreadful wind and rain

But the only tune that the fiddle could play was Oh, the wind and rain The only tune that the fiddle would play was Oh, the dreadful wind and rain

## $\frac{4}{4} | \mathbf{V} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{V} | \mathbf{V} |$ $| \mathbf{V} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} |_{\frac{2}{4}}^{2} \mathbf{IV} |_{\frac{4}{4}}^{4} \mathbf{V} | \mathbf{V} |$

## John Henry

Traditional

I When John Henry, was a little baby boy V Sitting on his daddy's knee I IV Picked up a hammer and a little piece of steel I IV Said A hammers gonna be the death of me I V I Hammer's gonna be the death of me

John Henry went to see the captain he said I'm gonna bring my steam drill around Gonna bring my steam drill out on the job Gonna whop that steel on down, lord, lord Whop that steel on down"

John Henry said to the captain I ain't nothing but a man But before I let some steam drill beat me down Gonna die with a hammer in my hand lord, lord Gonna die with a hammer in my hand

John Henry said to his Shaker Shaker, you had better pray If you miss your six feet of steel I'll be your burying day, day, day I'll be your burying day

Now, John Henry said to his shaker A man ain't nothing but a man But before I'd let that steam drill beat me down I'll die with a hammer in my hand I'll die with a hammer in my hand

The man who invented the steam drill He thought that it was mighty fine But John Henry drove all of fifteen feet While the steam drill only made nine lord, lord The steam drill only made nine John Henry drove through the mountain When he broke on through the other side He went up to the captain, looked him in the eye Then he laid down his hammer and he He laid down his hammer and he died

So, talk about John Henry as much as you please Sing of him all that you can But there never was born in these United States Never such a steel driving man, lord, lord Never such a steel driving man

John Henry was a steel driving man lord, lord John Henry was a steel driving man

## Chart - Verse $\frac{4}{4} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} |$ $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{V} | \mathbf{V} |$ $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{IV} |$ $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{IV} |$ $| \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{I} | \mathbf{IV} | \mathbf{IV} |$

## **Deep Elem Blues**

Traditional

I When you go down in Deep Elem

to have a little fun

You better have your fifteen dollars I7 when the policeman comes

## Chorus

IV Oh, sweet mama I Daddy's got them Deep Elem Blues V Oh, sweet mama IV I Daddy's got them Deep Elem Blues

Once I had a sweetheart who meant the world to me But she hung around Deep Elem now she ain't what she used to be

Chorus

When you go down in Deep Elem keep your money in your shoes 'Cause the women in Deep Elem's got the Deep Elem Blues

Chorus

When you go down in Deep Elem keep your money in your pants 'Cause the women in Deep Elem Won't give a man a chance

Chorus

Once I knew a preacher preached the Bible through and through But he went down in Deep Elem now his preaching days are through

Chorus

When you go down in Deep Elem keep your money in your socks 'Cause them Deep Elem women Will throw you on the rocks

Chorus

## Chart - Verse <u>4</u>| I | I | I | I | | I | I | I | I | I7 |

## I Don't Love Nobody

Traditional

Chorus

I Well I don't nobody IV I Nobody loves me

All they want's my money II V They don't care for me I I want to live single IV I Happy and carefree IV I I don't love nobody V I Nobody loves me

One day I went out walking Walking down Johnson street I met a little old lady She smiled at me so sweet Said hello my honey How are you today Just as I started to kiss her These words I heard her say

Chorus

One day I went out walking Walking down Johnson street I met the same little lady She was dressed up so near She smiled at me and said hello How are you today Tipped my hat and said hello And journeyed on my way

Chorus

**Chart – Verse and Chorus** 

## $\frac{4}{4} | I | I | I | IV | I |$ | I | I | I | II | V | | I | I | I | IV | I | | IV | I | IV | I |

## **This Train**

Traditional (Sister Rosetta Tharpe)

This <u>train</u> has left the station, this train This <u>train</u> has left the station, this train This <u>train</u> has left the <u>station</u> and this <u>train</u> takes on <u>every</u> nation Because this <u>train</u> is a <u>clean</u> train, this train

It's the <u>prettiest</u> train I ever have seen, this train It's the <u>prettiest</u> train I ever have seen, this train It's the <u>prettiest</u> train I ever have seen But if you want to ride it, you <u>better</u> get redeemed Because this <u>train</u> is a <u>clean</u> train, oh, this train

This <u>train</u> is <u>bound</u> for glory, this train This <u>train</u> is <u>bound</u> for glory, this train This <u>train</u> is <u>bound</u> for glory, <u>everybody</u> riding her must be holy Because this <u>train</u> is a <u>clean</u> train, this train

You know, this <u>train</u> don't pull no jokers, This <u>train</u> don't pull no jokers, this train I said, this <u>train</u> don't pull no jokers No <u>tobacco</u> chewers and no <u>cigar</u> smokers Because this <u>train</u> is a <u>clean</u> train, this train

This <u>train</u> don't pull no <u>winkers</u> this train This <u>train</u> don't pull no winkers this train This <u>train</u> don't pull no winkers No crap <u>shooter</u>s, no <u>whisky</u> drinkers Because this <u>train</u> is a <u>clean</u> train, this train Chart - Verse  $\frac{4}{4} | I | V | I | I |$  | I | I | V | V | | I | I7 | IV | IV || I | V | I | I |