Leaving Louisiana in the Broad Daylight

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Mary took to running with a travelin' man

Left her momma crying with her head in her hands

Such a sad case, so broken heartedShe say, Momma, got to go, gotta get outta here

Gotta get out of town, tired of hanging around

I gotta roll on between the ditchesIt's just an ordinary story 'bout the way things go

'Round and around nobody knows

But the highway goes on forever

Oh, that ol' highway goes on foreverLord, she never would've done it if she hadn't got drunk Hadn't started running with a travelin' man

If she hadn't started taking those crazy changesShe said, Daughter, let me tell you 'bout the travelin' kind

Everywhere they go such a very short time

He'll be long gone before you know it

Oh, he'll be long gone before you know itShe say never have I known it when it felt so good

Never have I knew it when I knew I could

Never have I done it when it looked so right

Leaving Louisiana in the broad daylightThis is down in the swampland, anything goes

It's alligator bait and the bars don't close

It's the real thing down in LouisianaDid you ever see a Cajun when he really got mad

When he really got trouble like a daughter gone bad

It gets real hot down in LouisianaThe stranger better move it or he's gonna get killed

He's gonna have to get it or a shotgun will

It ain't no time for lengthy speeches

Lord, there ain't no time for lengthy speechesShe say, Never have I know it when it felt so good

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There ain't no way to stop the water

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