

Slow Train

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There's a slow train comin'
It's movin' on down the line
Steel wheels on iron rails
Tonight I'm fixin' to die
Whoo, I hope you don't mind, pretty mama
Whoo, hope you don't mind if I go
'Cause when the steam from the slow train rises
I ain't gonna see you anymore
There's a slow train comin'
Comin' right on time
Smokestacks and bottle lightning
This jumper on the line
Whoo, I can't do without it anymore, pretty mama
Yes, I can't do it without it anymore
'Cause when the steam from the slow train rises
I ain't gonna see you anymore
There's a slow train comin'
To march us home from war
With my leather boots and my haversack
Sure can't take it no more
Whoo, I cried for her baby when I saw you there
Whoo, I cried for her just the same
'Cause when the steam from the slow train rises
I'm gonna cry for you just the same
Well, there's a slow train comin'
Carryin' the mighty worker hordes
Eighteen days in the cotton field
Enough to put a man out of coup d'amour
Whoo, it's time to move on, pretty mama
Whoo, yes, it's time to move on as I go
As the steam from my slow train rises
It's time for me to get on board

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