

(The Man Who Shot) Liberty Valance

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When Liberty Valance rode to town the women folk would hide, they'd hide
When Liberty Valance walked around the men would step aside
'Cause the point of a gun was the only law that Liberty understood-
When it came to shooting straight and fast, he was mighty good.

From out of the East a stranger came a law book in his hand, a man
The kind of a man the West would need to tame a troubled land
'Cause the point of a gun was the only law that Liberty understood-
When it came to shooting straight and fast, he was mighty good.

Many a man would face his gun and many a man would fall
The man who shot Liberty Valance, he shot Liberty Valance-
He was the bravest of them all.

The love of a girl can make a man stay on when he should go, stay on
Just trying to build a peaceful life where love is free to grow
But the point of a gun was the only law that Liberty understood
When the final showdown came to pass, a law book was no good.

Alone and afraid she prayed that he'd return that fateful night, ah that night-
When nothing she said could keep her man from going out to fight
From the moment a girl gets to be full grown, the very first thing she learns-
When two men go out to face each other, only one returns.

Everyone heard two shots ring out
What shot made Liberty fall?
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