Maggie's Farm

Richie Havens

I ain't gonna work on Maggie's farm no more

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Well, I wake up in the morning, fold my hands and pray for rain

With a head full of ideas drivin' me insane

It's a shame the way she makes me scrub the floor

Now I ain't gonna work on Maggie's farm no moreI ain't gonna work for Maggie's brother no more

I ain't gonna work for Maggie's brother no more

He hands you a nickel, and he hands you a dime

Asks you with a grin if you're havin' a good time

Then he fines you every time you slam the door

Said, I ain't gonna work for Maggie's brother no moreI ain't gonna work for Maggie's pa no more

I ain't gonna work for Maggie's pa no more

He puts out his cigar in your face for kicks

Well, his bedroom windows are made out of bricks

The National Guard stands around his door

Said, I ain't gonna work for Maggie's pa no moreI ain't gonna work for Maggie's ma no more

I ain't gonna work for Maggie's ma no more

She talks to all the servants about man and God and law

Everybody tells me she's the brains behind pa

Sixty-eight, but says she's twenty-four

But I ain't gonna work for Maggie's pa no moreI ain't gonna work on Maggie's farm no more

I ain't gonna work on Maggie's farm no more

Well, I try my best to be like I am

Everybody wants you to be like them

They say sing while you slave, I get bored

Said, I ain't gonna work on Maggie's farm no more

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