

BANJO BLUES

(Blue Man Sam's Lament)

By SPENCER WILLIAMS

Tempo di weary

PIANO

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, including triplets. The left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The key signature has one sharp (F#).

VOICE

The first vocal line begins with a rest, followed by the lyrics "Way down South in". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes, marked with a piano (*p*) dynamic.

The second vocal line contains the lyrics "Dix - ie - land in A - la - bam_ with a ban - jo". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes, marked with a piano (*p*) dynamic.

The third vocal line contains the lyrics "in his hand, Sits Blue Man Sam_ a strum-min' a - way,". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes.

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While the dark-ies sway—

Plays and sings a Blues so sweet Some mel-o - dy—

Just to hear him it's a treat Such har-mo - ny— a hum-min' a -

way, Till the break of day he'll say

CHORUS

Rab-bit in de Briar patch, and de pos-sum in de stump—
 Fish-es in de Riv-er, and de Bees am in de hive—
 Fire in de ov-en and de fry-in' corn pone's hot—
 Ear-ly in de mor-nin' wid ole Beck hitched to de plough—

Rab-bit in de briar patch, and de pos-sum in de stump—
 Fish-es in de Riv-er and de bees am in de hive—
 Fire in de ov-en and de fry-in corn pane's hot—
 Ear-ly in de mor-nin' wid ole Beck hitched to de plough—

Sug-ah cane am sweet and so is mah sug-ah lump—
 Gon-na get some hon-ey, jis' sho' as I'm a-live—
 Then I start to cat-in, I'll make dat pos-sum trot—
 Din-ah make ma bed down I'll hit de hay right now—

1-2-3. Last

Last Chorus:- Now the rain am fallin in ma feather bed I'll snooze
 Now the rain am fallin in ma feather bed I'll snooze
 Gonna go to sleep an dream away my Banjo blues