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Moderato



VAMP



A friend of mine named Campbell, who always stole and gambled And
You re-mem-ber last e-lec-tion when the white folks was in ac-tion Try -

The vocal melody is written on a single staff, with lyrics underneath. The piano accompaniment is in 2/4 time, marked 'p' (piano). It features a steady bass line in the left hand and a melody in the right hand that follows the vocal line. The piece concludes with a final chord in the right hand.

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thought he was the sharp-est man in town _____ But
ing to get them-selves a pres-i - dent _____ A

I just found out Mon-day that he got locked up Sun-day, And they
fel-low named Bill Law-son went from New York to Bos-ton, As

put him in a pris-on way dawn town _____ He
lead-er of the col-ored folks pre - cinct _____ My

fz *p*

played a game called po - ker, Pi - no - cle, whist and Eu - chre, And
broth - er he's a vo - ter, Al - so a great pro - mo - ter, And

made his liv - ing cheat - ing all the time _____ So
al - ways look - ing for some good ad - vice _____ Bill

now he's in the jail with no one to go his bail, And the
told him at the polls to vote with all his might and soul, But in -

Judge he won't ev - en ac - cept a fine. _____
stead of vot - ing once he vot - ed twice. _____

CHORUS

He's in the jail house now

He's in the jail house now I

told him once or twice, to quit them cards and stop shooting dice
told him stay at home and let those white folks business a lone

He's in the jail house now.

He's in the, 4.