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Moderato

TILL READY

The piano introduction is in 2/4 time, marked Moderato. It features a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The piece begins with a series of chords and eighth-note patterns, leading to a section marked with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

Out on the good ship Louis - i - an - na a col - ored jaz - bo played pi - an - o  
E - ven the fish they start - ed flap - pin' when they heard Bill John - son rap - pin'

The first vocal line is in 2/4 time, matching the piano introduction. It consists of a single melodic line with lyrics written below the notes. The piano accompaniment continues in the background.

His name was John - son, he sure did bounce some, pe - cu - liar mel - o - dies  
He made a skip - per do a back flip - per, on his grand pi - an - o

The second vocal line continues the melody with lyrics. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support.

out of the i - vo - ries; And when he start - ed in to play them, e - ven the cap - tain  
on the Louis - i - an - na; That good old boat was flip - pin', flop - pin' from all the sail - ors

The third vocal line concludes the piece with lyrics. The piano accompaniment ends with a final chord.

had to sway. Then he had to trot it, he yelled to stop it, but all the sailors did cry.  
 all a-hoppin' And when he'd linger, the cap-tain's fing-er would point at him and say.

CHORUS

Oh! John - son play that mel - o - dy rag - gy, draggy mel - o - dy

Keep it float-in' thru the breeze from the glistnin' pian - o keys; Oh!

aint that synco - pa-tion great? keeps us in a ner-vous state; We can't sit be-

hind and lag when you're hit-tin' up that lov-in' Johnson rag. Oh! rag.

D.S.