Sloop John B

by Richard Le Gallienne, (1917)

We come on de Sloop John B.

Round Nassau town Drinking all night

Well I feel sobroke-up

My grand-father and me

we did roam got in a fight

I wanna go home

Chorus

So hoist up- de John B sails

See how de main sail sets

Send for de Cap-tain a Shore!

Let me go home

Well I feel so broke-up-

Let me go home!

Let me go home--

I wanna go home--

De first mate he got drunk

De constable had to come

Sheriff John Stone

Well I feel so broke-up

broke in de Captain' trunk

and take him a-way

why don't you leave me a-lone?

I wanna go home

Chorus

De poor cook he got fits

Den he took an' eat-up

Let me go home

Dis is de worst trip

tro' way-all de grits

all o' my corn!

I wanna go home

since I been born!

Chorus