

St. James Infirmary

sheet music key: E minor

Joe Primrose • 1930

When will I ev - er stop moan - in'? When will I ev - er smile?

My ba - by went and left me, She'll be gone a long, long while.

I feel so blue and heart - brok - en, What am I liv - ing for?

My ba - by went and left me, Nev - er to come back no more.

I went down to St. James In - firm - 'ry, — Heard my ba - by groan,
All was still as night,
Saw my ba - by there,

I felt so brok - en - heart - ed, — She used to be my own. I —
My gal was on the ta - ble, — Stretched out so pale, so white. Though she
Stretched on a long white ta - ble, — So sweet, so cold, so bare. Let 'er

tried — to keep from — cry - in', — My heart felt just like lead, She was
treat - ed me mean and low - down, Some - how, I did - n't care, My —
go, let 'er go, God — bless her, — Wher - ev - er she may be, She can

all I had to live for, — I wished that it — was me in - stead.
soul is sick and wear - y, — I hope we meet — a - gain up there.
look this wide world o - ver, — She'll nev - er find a sweet man like me.

When I die, I want you to dress me in straight - lace shoes, Box - back coat and a Stet - son hat, Put a

twen - ty dol - lar gold piece on my watch chain, So the boys - 'll know that I died stand - ing pat.

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