

THE ROVING GAMBLER

Key:A, Capo 2

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I am a rovin' gambler, I've gambled all around

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Ever I meet with a deck of cards, I lay my money down.

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Refrain: Lay my money down, lay my money down,

I had not been in 'Frisco, many more weeks than three
When I met up with a pretty girl, she fell in love with me
Fell in love with me, fell in love with me.

Break: Fiddle/Banjo/Mandolin

She took me to her parlor, and cooled me with a fan
Whispered low in her mother's ear, I love this gamblin' man
Love this gamblin' man, love this gamblin' man.

Oh daughter, oh daughter, how can you treat me so
Leave your dear 'ol mother, and with the gambler go.
With the gambler go, with the gambler go.

Break: Fiddle/Banjo/Mandolin

Oh mother, oh mother, I'll tell you if I can
If you ever see me coming back, I'll be with the gamblin' man
With the gamblin' man, with the gamblin' man.

I left her in 'Frisco and I wound up in Maine
There I met with a gamblin' man, we got in a poker game
Got in a poker game, got in a poker game.

Break: Fiddle/Banjo/Mandolin

He put his money in the pot, and dealt the cards around
Saw him deal from the bottom of the deck, so I shot the gambler down
Shot the gambler down, shot the gambler down.

Now I'm down in prison, got a number for my name
The warden said as he locked the door, you've gambled your last game
Gambled your last game, gambled your last game.