

# Roberta

Lead Belly

Oh Roberta! Honey where you been so long?  
Oh Roberta! Honey where you been so long?  
Yes I been across the country  
With my long clothes on  
Hon' I'm down on the river  
Sittin' down on the ground  
Way down on the river  
Sittin' down on the ground  
Gonna stay right here Lord  
Until Roberta come down  
Oh Roberta! Tell me where you been so long  
Oh Roberta! Tell me where you been so long  
'Cross the country  
With my long clothes on  
[holler]He went down to see Roberta  
And Roberta was runnin' on a freight passenger trains  
And she got tired of seein' him at the station  
And she went to runnin' on the steamboat  
He went down on the banks of the river  
When he got on the banks of the river  
He looked way up the river for Roberta[/holler]  
Oh Roberta! Sit down on my knee  
Oh Roberta! Sit down on my knee  
Got a lot to tell you  
That's been worryin' me  
Way up the river, far as I can see  
Way up the river, far as I can see  
Lord I thought I spied my  
Old time used-to-be  
[holler]He thought he spied Roberta  
Wasn't nothin' but a cypress tree[/holler]  
Lord I thought I spied my  
Old time used-to-be  
Yes I thought I spied my  
Old time used-to-be  
And it was not nothin'  
Honey but a cypress tree  
[holler]When he was down on the river  
Sittin' down on the banks of the river [fluffs a word  
here]  
Roberta come along[/holler]  
Hon' I'm down on the river  
Sittin' down on the ground  
Way down on the river  
Sittin' down on the ground  
Gonna stay right here Lord  
Until Roberta come down  
Oh Roberta! Tell me where you been so long  
Oh Roberta! Tell me where you been so long  
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[outro, 3 bars end on I7]