The first thought I was whole born hoboin' boy
You know I took a freight train
I took a freight train to be my friend
A freight to be my only friend
Shown her when I took a freight train to be my friend
I went away, I went away, I went away in the wind

Now I'm well grown man
And I remember when
I remember when my mamma followed me down railroad yard
And I watched, I watched my one
My one, my one and only son
I believe he's a goner, a believer
Somewhere in hoboin'
Somewhere in hoboin'

The first time I was in hoboin'
My hoboin' day
I thought I had so much
I thought I had so many ways to go
And now that I went away
I am away, baby away and away

I thought I had so much
So many ways to go
Just fine a years lady
I know if it wasn't for my good friend
My good look and my guitar
I wouldn't be more than a hoboin' man
Hoboin' man
I'm ok, hoboin' man