

1910

"Steamboat Bill"

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Music by
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Allegro moderato.

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand starts with a melody in G major, marked *mf*. The left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords. The piece concludes with a *fz* (forzando) dynamic marking and an accent (^) over the final chord.

The first system of the song features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a rest, then enters with the lyrics: "Down the Mis - sis - sip - pi steamed the / Up then stepped a gam - bling man from / Ri - ver's all in mourn - ing now for". The piano accompaniment includes a *p* (piano) dynamic marking, a *Till ready* instruction, and a *L.H.* (Left Hand) section with a crescendo hairpin.

The second system continues the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line has the lyrics: "Whip - per - will, com - man - ded by that pi - lot, Mis - ter Steam - boat Bill. The / Lou - is - ville, who tried to get a bet a - gainst the Whip - per - will. / Steam - boat Bill, no more you'll hear the puff - ing of the Whip - per - will. There's". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a melodic line in the right hand.

own-ers gave him or - ders on the strict Q. T.,— to— try and beat the rec-ord of the
 Bil-ly flashed a roll that sure-ly was a bear, the— boi-ler, it ex-plo-ded, blew them
 crape on ev' - ry steam-boat — that plows those streams, from Mem-phis right to Nat-chez down to

"Ro-bert E. Lee." Just feed up your fi - res, let the old smoke roll,
 up in the air. The gam-bler said to Bil - ly as they left the wreck, "I
 New Or - leans. The wife of Mis-ter Will-iam was at home in bed,

Burn up all your car-go if you run out of coal. If we don't beat that rec-ord, Bill-y
 don't know where we're go-ing, but we're neck in neck." Says Bill to the gam-bler, "I'll tell
 When she got the tel-e-gram that Steam-boat's dead. Says she to the children, "Blesse each

told— the mate, "send my mail in care of Pe-ter to the Gol-den gate."
 you what I'll do,— I will bet an-oth - er thou-sand I'll go high-er than you."
 hon - ey lamb, the next pa - pa that you have will be a rail-road man."

CHORUS

Steam - boat Bill, { steam - ing down the Mis - sis - sip - pi,
 he tore up the Mis - sis - sip - pi,
 miss - ing on the Mis - sis - sip - pi,

Steam - boat Bill, { a migh - ty man was he.
 the tide it made him swear.
 is with an an - gel band,

Steam - boat Bill, { steam - ing down the Mis - sis - sip - pi,
 he tore up the Mis - sis - sip - pi, the ex
 miss - ing on the Mis - sis - sip - pi, he's a

going to beat the re - cord of the "Ro - bert E. Lee."
 plos - ion of the boi - ler got him up in the air.
 pi - lot on a fer - ry in that Pro - mised Land.