

TELL ME JOSEY WHAR YOU BIN



The Celebrated Nigger Duett  
As sung at the New York Circus;

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Arranged for the Piano Forte.

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Piano introduction in common time (C). The right hand features a rhythmic melody of eighth notes, while the left hand provides a steady accompaniment of quarter notes.

Lubly Dinah.

Vocal line: Tell me Josey whar you bin? To leave me this way is a sin, You left me all a -  
 Piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern.

Vocal line: lone to sigh, It is a wonder I did n't die Tell me Jo-sey whar you bin?  
 Piano accompaniment continues.

Vocal line: Josey. Dinah. Josey.  
 The way I love her is a sin Tell me then or I shall die If you drop I'm  
 Piano accompaniment continues.

Vocal line: sure .... to sigh ..... Tell me Jo-sey whar you bin? To leave me this way  
 Piano accompaniment includes a *rall?* marking under the first few notes.

is a sin You left me all a-lone to sigh It is a wonder I didn't die,

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He. Lubly Dinah then I'll tell you  
 It happened in an oyster cellar  
 A nigger hit me wid a stick  
 And I laid him flat wid a large big brick  
 He. I laid him right out on the stone  
 She. Joe you didn't break his bone  
 He. Yes I heard something crack  
 She. Oh! Joe you've broke the nigger's back.

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She. Now tell me Joe if you will marry  
 Case I can no longer tarry  
 You're the nigger I admire  
 You've set my bursting heart on fire  
 She. Now tell me Joe if you love me  
 He. Dares none that I adore above thee  
 She. My heart with love now is pealing  
 He. Oh! Moses how she works my feeling.

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He. Oh! lubly Rose dares my hand  
 No wench could have it in this land  
 You are my thoughts by day and night  
 Oh! Moses she's a beautiful sight  
 He. How I do adore the creature  
 She. Moses he's got splendid feature  
 He. She's the only wench I ever see  
 She. He's stole my heart away from me.