## 5 Cent Deposit "Like A Mole In The Ground"

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(Tom Meltzer)

Based on Bascom Lunsford's "Mole in the Ground"

I wish that I was a mole in the ground Like a mole in the ground, I would root that mountain down

Tree by tree and town by town I wish I was a mole in the ground

And I wish that I was a lizard in the spring Like a lizard in the spring, I would hear the robin sing I'd feast upon the robin's eggs and I'd not regret a thing

I wish I was a lizard in the spring

But I'm just a man who loves a woman who's drifting away

The miles and miles between us grow wider every day I wish that I was strong or free or not in love or dead Better still, I wish I was a mole in the ground

I don't like working for the railroad man For the railroad will kill you just as fast as it can It drinks your blood like wine and throws your bones to the wind

I don't like working for the railroad, man

And Tempy oh Tempy wants a \$100 shawl But I got \$90, \$90, that is all Our house is not a home it's just a roof and four walls But Tempy wants a \$100 shawl

## **CHORUS**

Tempy, oh Tempy let your hair hang low Let your hair hang low while I rosin up my bow We'll pretend we are lovers like we were so long ago Tempy, let your hair hang low

I wish I was a mole in the ground etc

## Don't wait up for me 'cause tonight I think I'm going downtown

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