

**Black 47****"The Banks of the Hudson"**

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on the banks of the hudson, my love and i lay down

just above 42nd street, while the rain was pouring  
down

when i covered her with kisses, the sparks lit up her  
eyes

we made love like mad angels, while the jersey trucks  
rolled by

she said "don't you ever leave me, oh for godsake  
don't let me down"

so i made her all kinds of promises about how i'd  
always be around

but the speed was rippin' through my head, i'd only one  
thing on my mind

so goodbye my love on 42nd Street, if i don't get out of  
here, i'm gonna die

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just one more midnight left to kill, then i'm outta new  
york town

i could feel the ice man closin' in, i could almost smell  
his gun

but that 20 grand i beat him out of would help me start  
again back home

and she said "don't you ever leave me, oh for godsake  
don't let me down"

then i thought about what they'd do to her when they  
found out i'd left town

but the fire was racin' through my brain, i'd only one

thing on my mind

so goodbye my love on 42nd street, if i don't get out of  
here i'm gonna die

don't say i should have stayed with her,

you don't know the full story about the girl

i only used her just as much as she used me

but sometimes you just gotta get out of new york city

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but how could I ever take a black girl back to wexford  
town

just then the streets of fire turned to blood, a yellow  
cadillac cruised by

and as i raced up 42nd street, the ice man shouted

"hey paddy, it's time to die"

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