

Laura Veirs "John Henry Lives"

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Hear the whistle blow far off in the still night without
stars

See the tracks laid flat with a hammer's might

They're the spike driver's scars

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By the railroad ties, there a hammer lies

It's all painted in red, it's all painted in red

It's all painted in red

The West springs up from the spike driver's blues

And the Captain's new shiny shoes

Take to him this hat and hammer

And tell him I'm gone, I'm gone, I'm gone, I'm gone, I'm

gone

By the railroad ties there a hammer lies

It's all painted in red, it's all painted in red

It's all painted in red

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