

## Mississippi John Hurt "Stack O'lee Blues"

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Police officer, how can it be?  
You can 'rest everybody but cruel Stack O' Lee  
That bad man, oh, cruel Stack O' Lee  
Billy de Lyon told Stack O' Lee, "Please don't take my  
life,  
I got two little babies, and a darlin' lovin' wife"  
That bad man, oh, cruel Stack O' Lee  
"What I care about you little babies, your darlin' lovin'  
wife?  
You done stole my Stetson1 hat, I'm bound to take your  
life"  
That bad man, cruel Stack O' Lee  
...with the forty-four  
When I spied Billy de Lyon, he was lyin' down on the  
floor  
That bad man, oh cruel Stack O' Lee  
"Gentleman's of the jury, what do you think of that?  
Stack O' Lee killed Billy de Lyon about a five-dollar  
Stetson hat"  
That bad man, oh, cruel Stack O' Lee  
And all they gathered, hands way up high,  
at twelve o'clock they killed him, they's all glad to see  
him die  
That bad man, oh, cruel Stack O' Lee

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