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Mother you give good advice, always you mean well.
Now I need it more than ever I'm inside this cell.

I'm behind a prison wall, the bed's so hard and much too small
There's no pyjamas here at all, Oh Mother what'll I do now?

They told me they would treat me swell tucked inside my little cell
But up to now it's been like h...! Mother what'll I do now?

We're parted from each other and that's too bad.
You're my favourite Mother, Oh the best I ever had.

Tonight I've got a date you see but they won't let me have a key
And the Warder's won't wait up for me, Oh! Mother what'll I do now?

It's hard to pass the time away, I'm in a dangerous mood I say.
I've smoked two cigarettes today, Oh! Mother what'll I do now?

First I stand and then I sit, then I sit and stand a bit
But I can't stand much more of it, Oh! Mother what'll I do now?

We're parted from each other and that's too bad.
You're my favourite Mother, Oh the best I ever had.

I got such an awful shock, I asked the time for there's no clock
And the Warder said six months "Old Cock Oh! Mother what'll I do now?"

I ordered lunch from soup to sweet but they forgot the fish and meat
And since the soup there's nowt to eat, Oh Mother what'll I do now?

I've had such a tummy ache. All night long I've been awake.
Some castor oil they made me take, Oh! Mother what'll I do now?

We're parted from each other and that's too bad.
You're my favourite Mother, Oh the best I ever had.

I've played Peter fly away Paul, I've played tiddly winks and all
I've written rude words upon the wall, Oh! Mother what'll I do now?