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cho: Stagolee, Stagolee, he's the meanest man in town

When that boy starts gamblin', better lay your money down

Down in New Orleans where they got that Lyon's Club

Every step you step you're steppin' in Billy de Lyon's blood

I remember one September, on a cold and stormy night

Billy de Lyon and Stagolee, Lord, they had a great big fight

Billy shot a seven, and Stack he said he'd pass

Stack said to Billy de Lyon, "Brother,

You done shot your last"

The woman asked the sheriff, said "How can this be?

You got all them bad men, but you can't get Stagolee"

Deputies took their badges and they laid them on the shelf

"If you want to get that bad man, you get him by yourself"

Now send for the policemen, a hundred thousand come

Loaded down with rifles and a great big Gatling gun

On Friday we condemned him, the judge he lowered his head

On Saturday we hanged him, I was glad to see him dead

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