Clap Your Hands Till Daddy Comes Home - song lyrics

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CLAP YOUR HANDS TILL DADDY COMES HOME.

I'm a darkey from the country, O! I came to see the baby show, At Barnum's Museum I did see The babies on their mamma's knee. The biggest babe I ever saw, Was a babe that came from Arkansas; As fat and as black as a Thomas cat, A crying for his daddy, oh!

Chorus.

Clap your hands till daddy comes home, Clap your hands till daddy comes home; Hegeldy, ogeldy, my black hen, She lays eggs for gentlemen.

This baby had a daddy, oh! It's a fact, I wouldn't told you so; With calico eyes and gimblet hair, Enough to make his daddy stare. And then he took it on his knee, And says: "You little duck I see, I really think you look like me, At least your mammy told me so. " -Chorus.

This baby's daddy went to sea, And left him on his mammy's knee; He fought in the wars of Mexico, To buy the baby a trumpet, oh! And then she took it on her knee, By the single double rule of three; She gave it some pady garic, oh! And sent it up to glory, oh!- Chorus.