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Moderato

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Hear them bells, — Hon - ey, don't you
Ice and snow, — Hon - ey, they could

(Bells)

p

hear them bells? — That's the sound that tells — I'm goin' a - way, and —
nev - er grow — Where I'm goin' to go, The sun is shin - in'

Nev - er, nev - er com - in' back no more, Down the Mis - sis - sip' —
 Ev - er, ev - er where I'm goin' to roam, 'Cept on moon-light nights —

— Goin' to take a trip, — Goin' to spend my days — and
 — When the stars are bright, — Then the dark-ies sing — and

end my days, — On that Lou' - si an - a shore —
 ban - jos ring, — In my Lou' - si an - a home —

(Spoken)
 (Hear them whistles blowin'!) I'm go-in'!

CHORUS

Float - ing down the Mis - sis - sip - pi Riv - er,

The first line of the chorus features a vocal melody in treble clef and piano accompaniment in grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 2/4. The piano part includes a dynamic marking of *p-f* (piano-forte) at the beginning.

On my way to New Or - leans,

The second line continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part features a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand, with various chords and intervals.

There's no won - der that my heart's a - quiv - er,

The third line continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part features a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand, with various chords and intervals.

I'm re - turn - ing to a lone - ly heart that is yearn - ing;

The fourth line concludes the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The piano part features a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand, with various chords and intervals.

Down _____ in Lou - i - si - an - - a, There's a

gal. _____ by the name of Han - nah, So I'm

float - ing down the Mis - sis - sip - pi Riv - er, On my

way to New Or - leans.



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