

Dutchman  
Chuck Berry

Verse

**Cm**                      **Gm**                      **Cm**  
A bunch of guys was in this bar room  
**Eb**                                      **Cm**                      **Eb Cm**  
Most of them had been there half the day  
**Eb**                                      **F**                      **Ab**  
They d been telling jokes and fairy tales lying  
**F**                      **Ab Cm**  
Just to pass the time away  
**Eb**                      **Cm**                      **Eb**  
Then suddenly someone cracked the bar room door  
**Gm**  
And then pushed it open wide  
**Cm**    **Gm**  
And this huge tall dark dude  
**Cm**                                      **Eb**                      **Cm Eb**  
Bowed his head and stepped inside  
**Cm**                                      **Eb**  
I wonder where he s from?  
**Cm**  
Some blonde asked  
**Eb**    **Cm**  
The wind must have blown him in  
**Eb**  
But an old Dutchman offered him a drink  
**Cm**                                      **Eb**                      **F**  
What will it be, whisky, rum or gin?  
**Ab**                                      **F**  
Sick him Fido, a redhead shouted  
**Ab**    **Cm**  
Show him his way back to the street  
**Eb**    **Cm**  
But the Great Dane just walked over and licked his hand  
**Eb**                                      **Gm**  
And lay down at his feet  
**Gm**  
He said if you spare me that drink, Dutchman  
**Gm**    **Cm**  
I promise I ll tell you how  
**Eb**    **Cm**  
That I came to be the helpless sight  
**Eb**  
That stands before you now  
**Cm**  
I used to be an artist  
**E**    **Cm**                      **Eb**

Not one who sits and fiddle out on the curb

**Cm**

But in my day and time

**Eb F**

My music was considered superb

**F**

I wrote a song about a poor kid

**Ab Cm**

Raised down in New Orleans

**Eb**

It didn't make the hall of fame

**Cm Eb Gm**

But it bought us shrimp, rice and beans

**Ab**

He kept at it until it made the big time,

**Gm F Cm**

Playing town after town

**Ab Eb**

Until he met a woman he fell in love with

**Cm Eb**

And it really turned his life around

**Cm**

She had eyes like Cleopatra

**F Ab**

And a head of luxurious hair

**Cm Eb**

With the brilliance of her beauty

**Cm Eb**

None other could compare

**F Ab**

When she lifted her eyes to his

**F Ab**

Her lips would fall apart

**Cm Eb**

Each time she allowed him kiss her

**Cm Eb**

It near petrified his heart

**Gm**

But when he ask her would she marry him

**Gm F**

He'd give her everything he had

**Cm Eb**

She turned and walked away

**Gm Eb Cm**

And it nearly drove him mad

**Eb F**

He promised her a half a million

**Ab Cm**

And would even pay in advance

**Eb Cm**

If she would let him prove himself

**E F**

Or at least give him a chance

**Ab**

And if he should go blind

**F**

**Ab**

And had to use his hands to feel

**Cm**

**Eb**

He would hire someone to do her work

**Ab**

**Eb Gm**

And prepare her every meal

**Cm**

**Eb**

How could a man love a woman so much?

**Gm F**

Not one of you would think!

**Ab**

**Cm**

Well, I did and I still do

**Ab**

**Gm**

Hey Dutchman, you promised me a drink!