Leaving Louisiana In The Broad Daylight
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VERSE 1:
C
Lord Mary took to running with a travelin man
Left her momma crying with her head in her hands
F  C  C
Such a sad case so broken hearted
C
She say momma I got to go I gotta get out of here
I gotta get out of town, I'm tired of hanging around
F  C  C
I gotta roll on between the ditches

VERSE 2:
C
It's just an ordinary story bout the way things go
Round and round nobody knows
F  C  C
But the highway goes on forever
F  C  C
That old highway rolls on forever

VERSE 3:
C
Lord she never would have done it if she hadn't got drunk
If she hadn't started running with a traveling man
F  C  C
If she hadn't started taking those crazy chances
C
She say daughter let me tell you bout the traveling kind
Everywhere he's going such a very short time
F  C  C
He'll be long gone before you know it
F  C
He'll be long gone before you know it
VERSE 4:

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\begin{align*}
A^m & \quad G \\
\text{She say never have I known it when it felt so good} \\
F & \quad C \\
\text{Never have I knew it when I knew I could} \\
A^m & \quad G \\
\text{Never have I done it when it looked so right} \\
F & \quad F \\
\text{Leaving Louisiana in the broad daylight}
\end{align*}
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VERSE 5:

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\begin{align*}
C \\
\text{This is down in the swampland anything goes} \\
F & \quad C C \\
\text{It's alligator bait and the bars don't close} \\
C \quad C \\
\text{It's the real thing down in Louisiana} \\
C \\
\text{Did you ever see a Cajun when he really got mad} \\
F & \quad C C \\
\text{Really got trouble like a daughter gone bad} \\
F & \quad C C \\
\text{It gets real hot down in Louisiana}
\end{align*}
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VERSE 6:

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\begin{align*}
C \\
\text{The stranger better move it or he's gonna get killed} \\
F & \quad C C \\
\text{He's gonna have to get it or a shotgun will} \\
C & \quad C \\
\text{It ain't no time for lengthy speeches} \\
F & \quad C C \\
\text{Oh it ain't no time for lengthy speeches}
\end{align*}
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REPEAT VERSE #4 – 2 times

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\begin{align*}
C \\
\text{It's just an ordinary story bout the way things go} \\
F & \quad C C \\
\text{Round and round nobody knows} \\
F & \quad C C \\
\text{But the highway goes on forever} \\
F & \quad C C \\
\text{That old highway rolls on forever}
\end{align*}
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