

THE GIRL WITH THE TWINKLE IN HER EYE

© Alan Murray, 1992

The musical score is written in 6/8 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. Chord symbols (F, C, Bb, Eb) are placed above the notes to indicate the accompaniment. The lyrics are: "There were doz - ens in the bar, the crack was get - ting high when the boys swag - gered in and they gave the girls the eye. Sett - led at the tab - le or - dered up a round, and wait ed for the big Man to ap pear. And the Man took the wa - ter from the well and the beer from the girl with the twin - kle in her eye".

There were dozens in the bar, the crack was getting high when the boys swaggered in and gave the girls the eye. Settled at the table, ordered up a round, and waited for the big Man to appear.

And the Man took the water from the well and the beer from the girl with the twinkle in her eye

With her brown eyes wide, she pulled the Man a beer and asked most politely what he was doing here?
On the wrong side of the tracks, on the seedy side of town with the people from the wrong side of the world?

Then the boys all roared and called the Man a clown for talking to a scrubber from the low part of the town.
They said the girl was dirty, and hardly worth a name. They wouldn't touch a drink that she had poured.

Go on then big Man, give the girl a squeeze. From the stories that they tell us, I think that she'll be easy.
Nobody's watching, and nobody cares, and she's got nothing left to lose.

Then the Man turned around, and looked them in the eye. "If you're so much better, let me know the reason why.
The girl's rough and ready, but she treats me like a friend, which is more than I can often say for you!"

"You're turning up your noses to the girl that pours the beer.
You'd better sober up, or you'll have something real to fear.
The beer will leave you thirsty, but the water makes you well, the water from the wisdom of the Man."

There were dozens in the bar, the crack was out of hand, but the boys went quiet as they tried to understand.
The Man had made them wonder, as the Man was like to do, but the Man just watched them with a smile.