Hey porter! Hey porter! Would you tell me the time How much longer will it be 'til we cross That Mason-Dixon Line
At daylight would ya tell that engineer
To slow it down
Or better still just stop the train
'Cause I wanna look around
Hey porter! Hey porter! What time did ya say
How much longer will it be till I can
See the light of day?
When we hit Dixie will you tell that engineer
To ring his bell
And ask everybody that ain't asleep
To stand right up and yell

Hey porter! Hey porter! It's getting light outside
This old train is puffin' smoke
And I have to strain my eyes
But ask that engineer if he will
Blow his whistle please
'Cause I smell frost on cotton leaves
And I feel that Southern breeze

Hey porter! Hey porter! Please get my bags for me I need nobody to tell me now
That we're in Tennessee
Go tell that engineer to make that
Lonesome whistle scream
We're not so far from home
So take it easy on the steam

Hey porter! Hey porter! Please open up the door When they stop the train I'm gonna get off first 'Cause I can't wait no more Tell that engineer I said thanks alot And I didn't mind the fare I'm gonna set my feet on Southern soil And breathe that Southern air