London Danny

Fairport Convention

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For she always said that time would make it right
But now I always hear her sighing in the night
And don't think I don't know, if you asked her then she'd go
Ah but please now don't you take her from me, London Danny

Well I've learned to listen for your name round town
When people talk of your success in city life
But I could never tell if she heard them talk as well
Or rue the day she ever was a poor man's wife
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Well me' hands are black while yours are clean and clever There's ways you know to turn her pretty head Well it's all that I can do when me' working day is through To let her heart beat me to sleep each night in bed For she always said that time would make it right But now I always hear her sighing in the night And don't think I don't know, if you asked her then she'd go Ah but please now don't you take her from me, London Danny

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