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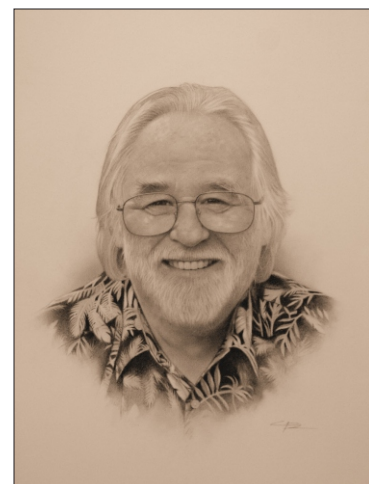
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Cup of Hope for a Fool

Fletcher Clark

Easily ♩ = 100

A A^m6 E C[#]7 F[#]7 C7 B7 E B7 E
 Pass-in' by your door-
 - step, saw your lamp - light glow. Sort of feel - in'
 E C[#]7 F[#]7 F[#]m7 B7 E
 down and out, feel-in' sad - ly low. Thought of our dis-cus -
 G[#]7 C[#]m G[#]7 C[#]m E7/B A A^m6
 - sions, thought of times at school. Won-dered if you
 E C[#]7 F[#]7 C7 B7 E D[#]7 G[#]m D[#]7 G[#]m D[#]7
 just might spare a cup of hope for a fool. Once I had a fam - ily,
 Once I had a fu - ture,
 G[#]m D[#]7 G[#]m C[#]7 F[#]m C[#]7 F[#]m
 drove them all a - way. All my friends have left me,
 threw it all a way. All my dreams have left me,
 F[#]9 F[#]m7 B7 E G[#]7
 'cept for you, you stayed. Took a chance by stop-pin'.
 'cept for one, you stayed. Took a chance you'd lis - ten.
 C[#]m G[#]7 C[#]m E7/B A A^m6 E C[#]7
 Would-n't break no rule. Took a chance you just might spare a
 Damn the ri - di - cule! Took a chance you just might spare a
 1. F[#]7 C7 B7 E D[#]7 2. E E7/B A A^m6 E C[#]7
 cup of hope for a fool. Just the thing for my de-spair
 cup of hope for a fool.
 F[#]7 C7 B7 E D[#]6 E6
 a cup of hope for a fool.

How Long Have You Waited

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Western Swing $\text{♩} = 100$

1. How
2.

long have you wait-ed to leave me? How long have you wait - ed to
When did it first cross your
go? Did you wait un - til I left the barn door o - pen to
mind? Was it on that night_ when I came home drunk_ and
hop on your horse_ and blow? Why did you car-pe this di - em
snuck up on you from be - hind? Why seize on this op - por-tu-ni-ty
to act_ so_ tru - ly just - i - fied? How long have you
to right-eous - ly, in - dig-nant - ly_ act?
wait-ed to leave me, dar-lin', while tak - in' me for a ride? You're
Too long and that's a fact.
like that gal who found a fro-zen snake, and nursed it back to health lest it
died. She was bit-ten by the un-grate - ful crea-ture who said, "You
knew I was a snake when you brought me in - side. 2. How
I re - mem-ber your sur-prise when you dis-
cov-ered that pick-in' and sing-in' was my life. I had to have a

CUP OF HOPE

by Fletcher Clark, May 29, 2013

Passin' by your doorstep,
Saw your lamplight glow.
Sort of feelin' down and out,
Feelin' sadly low.

Thought of our discussions,
Thought of times at school.
Wondered if you just might spare
A CUP OF HOPE FOR A FOOL.

Once I had a family -
Drove them all away.
All my friends have left me -
'Cept for you – you stayed.

Took a chance by stoppin'.
Wouldn't break no rule.
Took a chance you just might spare
A CUP OF HOPE FOR A FOOL.

Once I had a future -
Threw it all away.
All my dreams have left me -
'Cept for one – you stayed.

Took a chance you 'd listen.
Damn the ridicule!
Took a chance you just might spare
A CUP OF HOPE FOR A FOOL.
Just the thing for my despair -
A CUP OF HOPE FOR A FOOL.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU WAITED?

by Fletcher Clark, September 11, 1998

HOW LONG HAVE YOU WAITED to leave me?
HOW LONG HAVE YOU WAITED to go?
Did you wait until I left the barn door open
To hop on your horse and blow?
Why did you *carpe* this *diem*,
To feel so truly justified?
HOW LONG HAVE YOU WAITED to leave me, darling,
While takin' me for a ride?

You're like that gal who found a frozen snake,
And nursed it back to health lest it died.
She was bitten by the ungrateful creature who said,
"You knew I was a snake when you brought me inside."

HOW LONG HAVE YOU WAITED to leave me?
When did it first cross your mind?
Was it on that night that I came home drunk,
And snuck up on you from behind?
Why seize on this opportunity
To righteously, indignantly act?
HOW LONG HAVE YOU WAITED to leave me, darling?
Too long, and that's a fact.

I remember your surprise when you discovered
That pickin' and singin' was my life.
I had to have a stable occupation
Before you would consider bein' my wife.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU WAITED to leave me?
How long have you waited to split?
Did you quietly wait for that right moment
To say, "Baby, this is it!"
Why did you kiss me then leave me?
Just what thrill did you get?
HOW LONG HAVE YOU WAITED to leave me, darling?
From the first day that we met, I bet.
From the first day that we met.