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I Never Had A Mammy

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Moderato

The first system of the piano introduction features a treble and bass clef. The treble clef contains a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the bass clef provides a steady accompaniment of eighth notes. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C).

The second system continues the piano introduction. It includes dynamic markings such as *fz* (forzando) and accents (^) over certain notes. The bass clef continues with a consistent eighth-note accompaniment.

VOICE

The vocal line begins with a rest, followed by the lyrics: "No one ev-er paid no at- I have been un-lucky since the". The melody is written in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp.

The piano accompaniment for the first system of the vocal line. It features a treble and bass clef. The treble clef has a melodic line with dynamic markings *mf* and *p*. The bass clef provides a steady accompaniment of eighth notes.

The vocal line continues with the lyrics: "ten-tion to me, — And why — I 'jes growed' I — neb-er could see: — I day I was born — And al-ways had to wear clothes that were rag-ged and torn. — I".

The piano accompaniment for the second system of the vocal line. It continues the eighth-note accompaniment in the bass clef and provides harmonic support for the vocal melody in the treble clef.

longed to hear a mam-my croon-ing sweet lull-a-bies Like ba-by
nev-er ev-en had a home to call all my own I wish that

bun-tin'—dad's gone a hun-tin'—The ship goes sail-ing round the bend Good-
I'd been—like oth-er chil-dren,—But all those things don't hurt me much It's

bye my lov-er good-bye— And af-ter Mis-ter
just a mem-o-ry— That no sweet mam-my

sun goes down I al-ways sit and cry:
cra-dled me, or held me on her knee:

CHORUS

I nev - er had a mam - - my a

mam - my to rock me to sleep

I've al - ways been so lone - - ly

when dark sha - dows creep

I nev - er had no one to tuck me in my bed

And — no one gave a darn just where I laid my head.

I nev - er had a mam - my a mam - my to

rock me — to sleep — sleep.