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# Shovellin' Coal.

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Moderato.

Intro.

VOICE.

1. I nev - er had a meas - ly cent that I could call my own, If  
 2. A col - ored man ain't got much chance in this here hap - py land, His  
 3. In Sun - day School they told me that if I was bad I'd go, A -

we had meat the dog and me would wras - tle for the bone; I  
 brain won't get him noth - in' so he's got to work by hand; I  
 mong the fi - ery fur - nac - es the bad man's got be - low; To

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went to school and tried to learn but I was just a slob, I  
 stud - ied Lat - in, al so Greek and math - e - mat - ics too, I  
 know they got a fur - nace there just fills my heart with pain, 'Cause

did so well when I grew up I quick - ly got a job. ———  
 thought I'd get a high-toned job but all I found to do. ———  
 some-thin' tells me when I die I'll get that job a - gain. ———

## CHORUS.

At shov-el-lin' coal ——— Jess real old shov-el-lin' coal ——— The  
 Was shov-el-lin' coal ——— Jess plain old shov-el-lin' coal ——— They  
 At shov-el-lin' coal ——— That dog gone shov-el-lin' coal ——— I

*mf*

on - ly eas - y mon - ey that comes my way, - Is  
 tell me that a dia - mond and a coal's the same, - I  
 guess I'll start in right a way, - And

two big dol - lars on e - lec - tion - day; Oh bless my soul  
 nev - er had a rhine stone to my name Oh shov - el lin' coal  
 join the coon Y. M. C. A. Might save my soul

*cresc.* *ff* *mf*

I'm in an aw - ful hole; Oh I  
 You know that reg - u - lar coal; Im  
 To win that heav - en - ly goal; And

certn-ly am sick and tired of shov-el-lin'  
 pes-tered to death with this here shov-el-lin'  
 then I would be through with shov-el-lin'

Break. shov-el-lin' coal.  
 shov-el-lin' coal.  
 shov-el-lin' coal.