

Black Velvet Band

[G] In a neat little town they call Belfast
[C] Apprentice to trade I was [D] bound [D7]
[G] And many an hour of sweet [Em] happiness
[Am] I spent in that [D7] neat little [G] town

[G] Till bad misfortune befell me and
[C] Caused me to stray from the [D] land [D7]
[G] Far away from me friends and [Em] relations
[Am] Betrayed by the [D7] black velvet [G] band
[G] Oh one evening late as I rambled

[C] Not meaning to go very [D] far [D7]
[G] When I met with a gay young [Em] deceiver
She was [Am] plying her [D7] trade in a [G] bar

[G] **Her eyes they shone like diamonds**
[C] And I thought her the queen of the [D] land [D7]
[G] And her hair it hung over her [Em] shoulders
Tied [Am] up with a [D7] black velvet [G] band

[G] Oh one evening a flashman a watchman
[C] She happened to meet on the [D] sly [D7]
[G] I could tell that her mind it was [Em] altered
By the [Am] roll in her [D7] roving dark [G] eye

[G] Oh that watch that she took from his pocket
[C] She slipped it right into my [D] hand [D7]
[G] She gave me in charge to the [Em] policeman
Bad [Am] luck to the [D7] black velvet [G] band

[G] **Her eyes they shone like diamonds**
[C] And I thought her the queen of the [D] land [D7]
[G] And her hair it hung over her [Em] shoulders
Tied [Am] up with a [D7] black velvet [G] band

[G] Now before the Lord Mayor I was taken
[C] My guilt they proved quite [D] plain [D7]
[G] And he said if he was not [Em] mistaken
I should [Am] have to [D7] cross the salt [G] main
[G] It's 16 long years have they gave me
[C] To plough upon Van Diemens [D] land
Far [G] away from my friends and [Em] relations
A [Am] curse on that [D7] black velvet [G] band

[G] **Her eyes they shone like diamonds.....**