Tennessee

Gillian Welch

I kissed you cause I've never been an angel I learned to say hosannas on my knees But they threw me out of Sunday school when I was nine And the sisters said I did just as I pleased Even so I try to be a good girl It's only what I want that makes me weak I had no desire to be a child of sin Then you went and pressed your whiskers to my cheekFa la la la Fa la la lee Now let me go, my honey oh Back to Tennessee It's beef steak when I'm working Whiskey when I'm dry Sweet heaven when I die Now I've tried drinking rye and gamblin' Dancing with damnation is a ball But of all the little ways I've found to hurt myself Well you might be my favorite one of allFa la la la Fa la la lee Now let me go, my honey oh Back to Tennessee It's beef steak when I'm working Whiskey when I'm dry Sweet heaven when I dieWhy can't I go and live the life rightly? Why can't I go back home to apple pie? Cause your affront to my virtue was a touch too much But you left a little twinkle in my eye Fa la la la Fa la la lee Now let me go, my honey oh Back to Tennessee It's beef steak when I'm working Whiskey when I'm dry Sweet heaven when I dieNow some will come confessing of transgressions Some will come confessing of their love You were there strumming on your gay guitar You were trying to tell me something with your thumbFa la la la Fa la la lee Now let me go, my honey oh Back to Tennessee It's beef steak when I'm working Whiskey when I'm dry

Sweet heaven when I die

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