Pay Me The Money Down

A West Indian shore work song taken to sea and used at the pumps and at the halyards (pre 1888)

Your money young man is no object to me.

Pay me the money down

Oh money down Oh money down.

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I went for a cruise around the town.

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I there met a gal called Sally Brown.

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I put me arm around her waist.

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Sez she young man yer in great haste.

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My price for love is half a crown.

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And money down tis real money down.

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I wished I was old stormy's son.

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I'd build me a ship O a thousand ton.

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We'd stay at the ports where we was in.

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A Drinking beer and the whiskey and gin.

Pay me the money down

Now a dollar a day is a white man's pay

Pay me the money down

For screwin' cotton all the day

Pay me the money down

I wished I had ten thousand pounds

Pay me the money down

I'd sail this whole world around and around

Pay me the money down

When the ship it ties up and the voyage it is through.

Pay me the money down

I wants me pay sir every sou.

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