

Old Durham Town

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Moderato ♩ = 100

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part consists of a right-hand melody and a left-hand bass line. The lyrics are: "Leaving I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town, I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town, And the I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town. I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town, And the leav-ings gon-na get-me down. Back in for-ty four- leav-ings gon-na get-me down. Back in nine-teen for-ty four- I re-mem-ber Dad-dy wal-king". The score is divided into systems, with the first system starting at measure 1 and the second system starting at measure 7. The final system starts at measure 11. The piano accompaniment includes a bass line that starts with a low octave and moves up to a more active line in the second system.

Lea_____ Lea_____ I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town,
ving_____ ving_____ I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town,
Dur-ham Dur-ham
town town
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I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town. I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town, And the
I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town. I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town, And the
I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town. I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town, And the
11
leav-ings gon-na get-me down. Back in for-ty four_
leav-ings gon-na get-me down. Back in for-ty four_
leav-ings gon-na get-me down. Back in nine-teen for-ty four- I re-mem-ber Dad-dy wal-king
leav-ings gon-na get-me down. Back in nine-teen for-ty four- I re-mem-ber Dad-dy wal-king V.S.

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he was going to war_ leav ing

he was going to war_ leav ing

8 out the door. Ma-ma told me he was leav ing

out the door. Ma-ma told me he was leav ing

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leav- ing, leav- ing me. I've got- ta leave old Dur- ham town, I've got ta leave old

leav- ing, leav- ing me. I've got- ta leave old Dur- ham town, I've got ta leave old

8 Leav- ing, leav- ing, leav- ing, leav- ing me. I've got ta leave old

Leav- ing, leav- ing, leav- ing, leav- ing me. I've got ta leave old

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Dur- ham town. I've got- ta leave old Dur- ham town, And the leav- ings gon- na get_ me down.

Dur- ham town. I've got- ta leave old Dur- ham town, And the leav- ings gon- na get_ me down.

Dur- ham town. I've got- ta leave old Dur- ham town, And the leav- ings gon- na get_ me down. When

Dur- ham town. I've got- ta leave old Dur- ham town, And the leav- ings gon- na get_ me down. When

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Oo Oo Spent my time on the ri-ver Tyne.
 Oo Oo Sit-ting on the banks of the ri-ver Tyne.
 I was a boy, I spent my time, Sit-ting on the banks of the ri-ver Tyne.
 I was a boy, I spent my time, Sit-ting on the banks of the ri-ver Tyne.

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leav-ing
 leav-ing
 Watch-ing all the ships go-ing down the line, they were leav-ing
 Watch-ing all the ships go-ing down the line, they were leav-ing

37

Leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing me. Oo Oo
 Leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing me. Oo Oo Oo Oo
 Leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing me. Oo Oo
 Leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing me. I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town, I've got-ta leave old V.S.

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Oo... I've got ta leave old Dur-ham town. And the leav-ings gon-na get me down. The
 Oo... I've got ta leave old Dur-ham town. And the leav-ings gon-na get me down. The
 Oo... I've got ta leave old Dur-ham town. And the leav-ings gon-na get me down.
 Dur-ham town. I've got ta leave old Dur-ham town. And the leav-ings gon-na get me down.

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last week Ma-ma passed a - way, Godd-bye son_ was all she'd say._ There's no cause for
 last week Ma-ma passed a - way, Godd-bye son_ was all she'd say._ There's no cause for
 There's no cause for
 There's no cause for
 There's no cause for

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me to stay, leav ing leav-ing, leav-ing free. I've got-ta leave old
 me to stay, leav ing leav-ing, leav-ing free. I've got-ta leave old
 me to stay, so I'm leav-ing Leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing free. I've got-ta leave old
 me to stay, so I'm leav ing Leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing, leav-ing free. I've got-ta leave old

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Dur-ham town, I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town. I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town,
 Dur-ham town, I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town. I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town,
 Dur-ham town, I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town. I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town,
 Dur-ham town, I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town. I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town,

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And the leav-ings gon-na get-me down. Lea_____ Lea_____
 And the leav-ings gon-na get-me down. ving_____ ving_____
 And the leav-ings gon-na get-me down. Dur-ham
 And the leav-ings gon-na get-me down. town

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rall..

I've got-ta leave old Dur-ham town, And the leav-ings gon-na get-me down.
 Oo_____ And the leav-ings gon-na get-me down.
 Dur-ham Oo_____ And the leav-ings gon-na get-me down.
 town Oo_____ And the leav-ings gon-na get-me down.