

# PROVE IT ON ME BLUES

Gertrude "Ma" Rainey — 1928

Went out last night, had a great big fight  
Everything seemed to go on wrong  
I looked up, to my surprise  
The gal I was with was gone

Where she went, I don't know  
I mean to follow everywhere she goes  
Folks say I'm crooked, I didn't know where she took it  
I want the whole world to know

They said I do it, ain't nobody caught me  
Sure got to prove it on me  
I went out last night with a crowd of my friends  
All were women, there sho' weren't no men

It's true I wear a collar and a tie  
Make the wind blow all the while  
They say I do it, ain't nobody caught me  
You sure got to prove it on me

Say I do it, ain't nobody caught me  
Sure got to prove it on me  
I went out last night with a crowd of my friends  
Must've been women, 'cause there sho' weren't no men

Wear my clothes just like a fan  
Talk to the gals just cuz I can  
Cuz they say I do it, ain't nobody caught me  
Sure got to prove it on me.

Yeah . . . sure got to prove it on me.