

Blue Valentines

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

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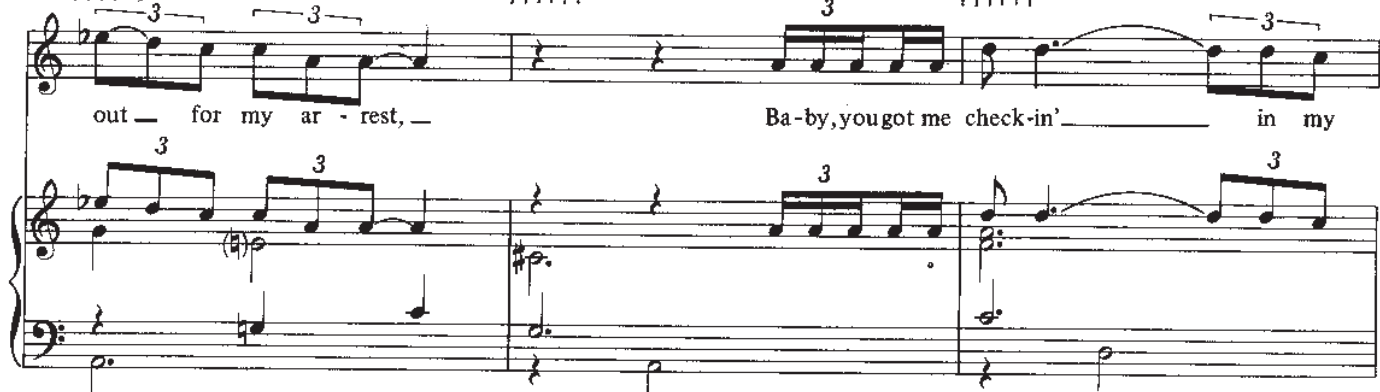
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
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Am7  A7  Dm7 




out — for my ar - rest, — Ba-by, you got me check-in' — in my



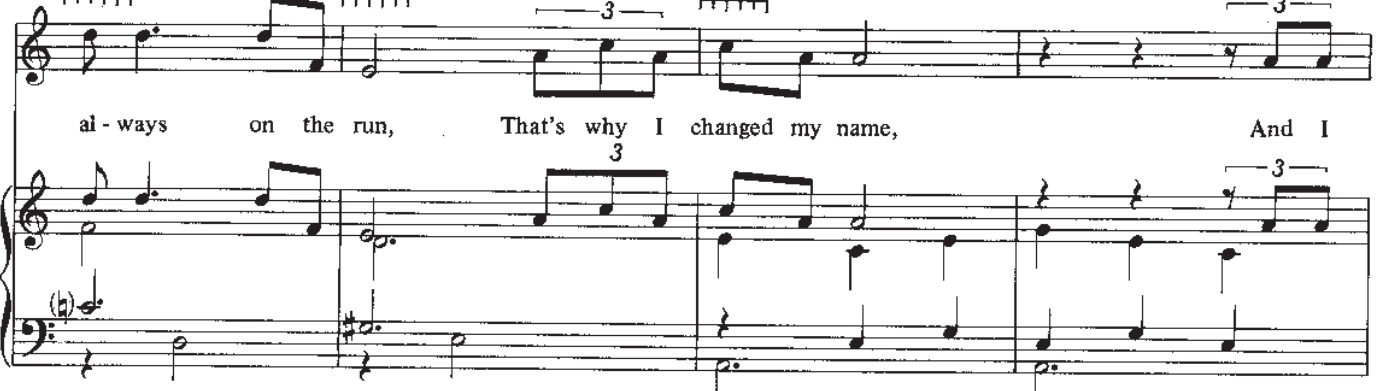
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

rear view — mir - ror. — That's why I'm




Dm7  E7  Am7 

al - ways on the run, That's why I changed my name, And I



B7  E9  1.2.3.

did - n't think you'd ev - er find me here — To send me



4. **Dm7** $x x 0$ **E9** $(0)x$ **Dm7** $x x 0$

These blue val - en - tines, - blue

E9 $(0)x$ **Dm7** $x x 0$ **E9** $(0)x$ **Am7** $x 0$

val - en - tines, - Blue val - en - tines.

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2. Blue valentines, like half - forgotten dreams,
 Like a pebble in my shoe as I walk these streets,
 And the ghost of your memory
 Baby, there's a sizzle in the kiss,
 It's the burglar that can break a rose's neck,
 It's the tatoood broken promise.
 I got eyes beneath my sleeve,
 I'm gonna see you every time I turn my back.
3. You send me blue valentines, though I try to remain at large,
 They're insisting that our love must have a eulogy.
 Why do I save all this madness here in the nightstand drawer,
 There to haunt upon my shoulders, baby, I know
 I'd be luckier to walk around everywhere I go
 With this blind and broken heart that sleeps beneath my lapel,
 Instead these . . .
4. Blue valentines to remind me of my cardinal sin,
 I can never wash the guilt or get these bloodstains off my hands,
 And it takes a lot of whiskey to make these nightmares go away.
 And I cut my bleeding heart out every night,
 And I'm gonna die just a little more
 On each Saint Valentine's Day.
 Don't you remember, I promised I would write you
 These blue valentines, blue valentines,
 Blue valentines.