

That's All Right

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Antonio Lopez from Saint Ann
Ruled his roost with an iron hand
Drank tequila from a jar
Took no prisoners
Kissed the yellow rose goodbye
Went to Cuba on the fly
Knew palaces and prison walls
And a broken man's grave

C Am	G
F C	C G
F Am	C G
C G	Em D
	G D G

That's all right, that's all right
Everybody dance in the pale moonlight
Catch that train in the morning rain (and say)
That's all right with me

F C	C G
G C7	D G
F C	C G
Am F – Am C	Em D G

The Baghdad Thief and Little May
Quite a couple in their day
Threw parties like you wouldn't believe
Up on Summit Drive
Four and twenty palominos
Silver bridles twinkling
Written up in *Vanity Fair*
The dinner guests said "Aah..."

That's all right, that's all right
Swing your gal in the pale moonlight
Satin shoes and dust them blues and
That's all right with me

Joe Smith scrambled for his life
Fury at the fortieth wife
Passed the torch to a young man
When they laid him low
Stock up on a year of grain
Trust in God and pray for rain
We'll see about getting you on the bus
Round about Judgment Day

That's all right, that's all right
Everything shines in the pale moonlight
Test the rope, it's a slippery slope
But that's all right with me

Cleopatra had it made

Catbird seat in the big parade
Turning heads from Alexandria
All the way to Rome
Gambled with the glory guys
Gave her body as the prize
Found her in a silken pool
Of snakebite perfume

That's all right, that's all right
Everybody slips in the pale moonlight
Make the deal and spin the wheel
That's all right with me

The old fox under a blood-red moon
Wove magic in and out of tune
Dropping quips like paper clips
Reeling in the throng
But the white bird's got his number too
Makes him cut a line that's true
Trim the wicks and hit the bricks
For the Ozymandias Road

That's all right, that's all right
Kiss your baby in the pale moonlight
Tip your hat to the Chinese cat (and say)
That's all right with me

*The tug of fame, again. A thought each for Santa Anna, Douglas Fairbanks and Mary
Pickford, Joseph Smith, Cleopatra, and Bob Dylan.*