David Crosby, Cowboy Movie

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[Intro. (Electric Guitars)]

Me and my good partners
We were riding back to our camp
We were feeling very fine
The air was clear and slightly damp

We were riding back to have ourselves a party To celebrate the robbing of the train We were talking kind of low and lazy 'bout not having to go out soon again

You know we hadn't been back at home two hours We heard a hawk cry out in the night And you know that's a signal from young Billy who's our sentry Saying something here ain't exactly right, oh

We quick grabbed some of our hardware Stumbled out of our home Two minutes flat we had found her An Indian girl all alone

And Eli said let's take her back to the cabin I said you don't know she might be the law, yeah He said smiling kind of nasty it ain't too damn likely She'll beat me to the draw, oh no

As we were walking back through the darkness I heard the Duke he's our dynamiter say He said what's your name sweet little Indian girl She said Raven and she looked away

Right then I didn't trust her no no I said so, oh no

Now Eli he's our fastest gunner He's kind of mean and young from the South He said Fat Albert you're getting kind of old and weird now You'd better get your 12 gauge shotgun right out and I did oh you know I did

Now Eli and the Duke they got down to it They each wanted that Indian girl for their own When they finally got around to asking her You know she said she'd come to take young Billy home, oh no, no, no

Eli said he'd kill young Billy He'd kill the Duke and probably me too, yeah That Indian girl said go ahead now do it I said stop and she bit my thumb nearly clean through, oh

And when they finally started to break down the door, yeah I smeared my face up with blood from my thumb, yeah I laid down on the floor and played real good possum You know I'm crazy but I ain't real dumb, oh no

[Instrumental (Electric Guitars)]

Now I'm dying here in Albuquerque I must be the sorriest sight you ever saw You know the reason I'm the only one here to tell it You know that Indian girl she wasn't an Indian she was the law

[Instrumental Ending (Electric Guitars)]

