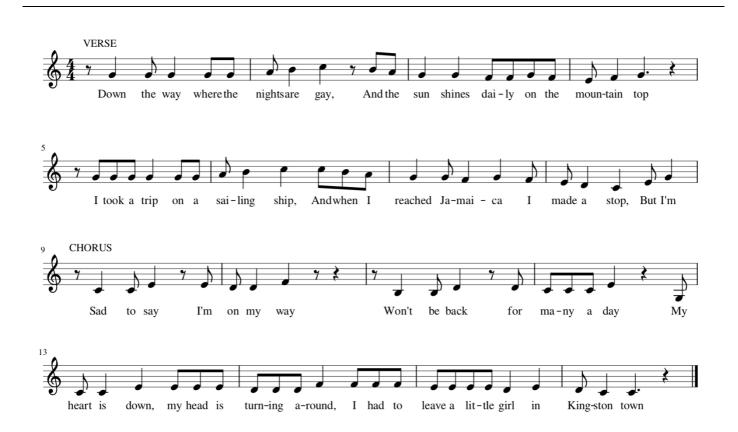
Jamaica Farewell

(written by Irving Burgie)

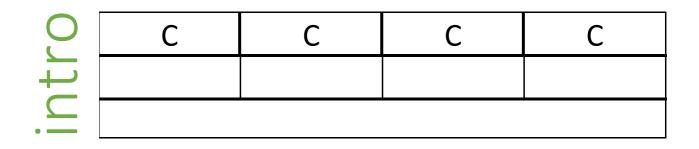
Verse 1:	Down the way where the nights are gay And the sun shines daily on the mountain top I took a trip on a sailing ship And when I reached Jamaica I made a stop
Chorus:	But I'm sad to say I'm on my way Won't be back for many a day My heart is down, my head is turning around I had to leave a little girl in Kingston town
Verse 2:	Sounds of laughter everywhere And the dancing girls sway to and fro I must declare my heart is there Though I've been from Maine down to Mexico

In keeping with the folk tradition, this song is believed to be a compilation of existing lyrics and melodies which were popular at the time, brought together into a new composition by Irving Burgie. This song is about life and romance in the Caribbean, and the sorrow of leaving. Like many mento songs, it is important to many Caribbean people living far away from the islands, such as the Windrush generation in the UK.



JAMAICA FAREWELL

Key: C Time: 4/4



Verse

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С	F	G	C
GGG GG	AB C, BA	g g ffgf	EF G
Down the way where the	nights are gay, And the	sun shines daily on the	mountian top
С	F	G	C
C GGG GG	F ав с, сва	G G GF G F	C EDC, EG

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chorus

C	F	G	С
(EG) C CE E	DD F	BBD D	CCCE
(But I'm) Sad to say I'm	on my way	Won't be back for	many a day
С	F	G	С
C GCC E, EEE	F DDDF, FFF	G EEEE D E	C DC C

 C Chord:
 C | E | G

 F Chord:
 F | A | C

 G Chord:
 G | B | D