One night while out for a ramble the hour was just about nine I met a young maiden in Frisco on the corner of Cherry and Pine On her face there was beauty of nature and her eyes just seemed to expand

Her hair was so rich and so brilliant entwined in a blue velvet band

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(banjo)
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We strolled down the long street together in my pocket she plac ed her small hand

Planted the evidence on me the girl in the blue velvet band Then I heard the scream of the siren and the girl in the blue  $\nu$  elvet band

She left me to face all the trouble with a diamond that was wor th two grand  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right$ 

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(fiddle)
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They sent me to San Quintin for stealing and God knows I'm an i nnocent man

For the guilty one now she lies dying that girl in the blue vel vet band

I'll be out in a year then I'm leaving but I'll carry the name of a man

Who spent ten years in this prison for the girl in the blue vel vet band

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( guitar - dobro )
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Last night when bed-

time was ringing I was standing close to the bars

I fancied I could hear a voice calling far out in the ocean of stars

I'll be out in a year then I'm leaving but I'll carry the name of a man

Who spent ten years in this prison for the girl in the blue vel vet band