## Hello My Baby - Ida Emerson and Joseph E. Howard (1899)

I've **(F)** got a little baby, but she's \*(D) out of sight, I talk **(F)** to her a- **(Cdim)** cross the tele- **(C7)** phone.

I've (C7) never seen my honey but she's (C9) mine all right, So (C7) take my tip and (Bdim) leave this gal a- (F) lone.

(F) Every single morning you will \* (D) hear me yell,
"Hey (D7) Central! Fix me up along the (Gm) line."
He con- (Bb) nects me with ma (E7) honey, then I (F) ring the (D7) bell,
And (G7) this is what I say to baby (C) mine. (Bdim) (C7)

## **Chorus:**

- (F) Hello! ma baby, (D7) Hello! Ma honey, (G7) Hello! ma ragtime gal. (C7) Send me a kiss by wire. (F) Baby my (E7) heart's on (C7) fire! (Cdim) (C7) (F) If you refuse me, (D7) Honey, you'll lose me, (G7) then you'll be left alone; Oh baby, (C7) telephone and (C) tell me I'm your (F) own.

  \*(D) Hel-\*(C) Io! \*(D) Hel-\*(C) Io! \*(D) Hel-\*(C) Io!
- (F) Hello! ma baby, (D7) Hello! Ma honey, (G7) Hello! ma ragtime gal.
  (C7) Send me a kiss by wire. (F) Baby my (E7) heart's on (C7) fire! (Cdim) (C7)
  (F) If you refuse me, (D7) Honey, you'll lose me, (G7) then you'll be left alone;
  Oh baby, (C7) telephone and (C) tell me I'm your (F) own.
  (C) (Bdim) (C7) Final Chorus Ending: (C7) (F)

This **(F)** morning, through the phone, she said her (D) name was Bess. And **(F)** now I kind of **(Cdim)** know where I am **(C7)** at.

I'm (C7) satisfied because I've got my (C9) babe's address, Here, (C7) pasted in the (Bdim) lining of my (F) hat.

(F) I am mighty scared, 'Cause if the (D) wires get crossed, 'Twill (D7) separate me from ma baby (Gm) mine, Then some (Bb) other guy will (E7) win her, and my (F) game is (D7) lost, And (G7) so each day I shout along the (C) line. (Bdim) (C7) Chorus:

