The Cat Came Back

Harry S. Miller, 1893
melody alt. by the folk process

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1. Old__ Mis__ter John__son had__ trou__bles of his own, He had a yel__low
   cat__ that__ would __n't leave his home, He tried__ and he tried __ to__
   hun__gry, thought she'd like 'em for a lunch, Climb__ing soft__ly up a pole, and
   give that cat away, He gave it to a man__ go__ing far,____ far away,
   when she reached the top, She stepped up__ on the 'lec__tric wire, which
   thought it rath__er slight, Then some__ one threw a brick__bat, and it knocked her out of sight,
   took the people off, They left the cat be__hind, and soon the boat be__gan to toss,
   kind of raised her head, When he played “Ta rah boom de ay,” the cat__ dropped dead.

2. On a tele__phone wire, spar__rows sit__ting in a bunch, The cat was feel__ing
   boot at her, and threw it might__y hard, Caught the cat be__hind the ear, she
   out a day, she start__ed sink__ing fast, An__oth__er ves__sel came a__long and
   kind of raised her head, How she played “Ta rah boom de ay,” the cat__ dropped dead.

3. One night the cat had com__pa__ny, in the back yard, Some__one threw a
   or__gan grind__er, he be__gan to play, The cat__ looked a__round a__while,
   catch that__ would __n't leave his home, He tried__ and he tried __ to__
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4. Away a__cross the o__cean, they sent the cat at last, The ship was on__ly
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5. While the cat lay sleep__ing and a__ rest__ing one day, Round__ came an
   or__gan grind__er, he be__gan to play, The cat__ looked a__round a__while,
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Chorus:

But the cat came back, the ver__y next__ day, Yes, the
Last Chorus: But her ghost came back, I would __n't tell a lie; Yes her

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