Hurricane by Bob Dylan

Fill in the gaps

Pistol (1) ring out in the barroom night
Enter Patty Valentine from the upper hall.
She sees the (2) in a (3) of blood,
Cries out, 'My God, they've killed them all!'
Here comes the story of the Hurricane,
The man the authorities came to blame
For somethin' (4) he never done.
Put in a prison cell, but one time he could-a been
The champion of the world.
Three (5) lyin' there does Patty see
And another man named Bello, movin' around mysteriously.
'I didn't do it,' he says, and he throws up his hands
'I was (6) robbin' the register, I hope you understand.
I saw them leavin',' he says, and he stops
'One of us had better (7) up the cops.'
And so Patty calls the cops
And they arrive on the scene with their red lights flashin'
In the hot New Jersey night.
Meanwhile, far (8) in another part of town
Rubin Carter and a couple of (9) are drivin' around.
Number one contender for the middleweight crown
Had no idea what kinda shit was about to go down
When a cop pulled him over to the side of the road
Just like the time before and the time before that.
In Paterson that's just the way things go.
If you're black you might as well not show up on the street
'Less you wanna draw the heat.
Alfred Bello had a partner and he had a rap for the cops.

Him and Arthur Dexter Bradley were just out prowlin' around



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He said, 'I saw two men runnin' out, they looked like middleweights

They jumped into a white car with out-of-state plates.'	
And Miss Patty Valentine just nodded her head.	
Cop said, 'Wait a minute, boys, this one's not dead'	
So they took him to the infirmary	
And though this man (10) hardly see	
They told him that he could identify the (11) men.	
Four in the mornin' and they haul Rubin in,	
Take him to the hospital and they bring him upstairs.	
The wounded man looks up through his one dyin' eye	
Says, 'Wha'd you bring him in (12) for? He ain't the guy!'	
Yes, here's the story of the Hurricane,	
The man the authorities came to blame	
For somethin' that he never done.	
Put in a prison cell, but one time he could-a been	
The champion of the world.	
Four months later, the ghettos are in flame,	
Rubin's in South America, fightin' for his name	
While Arthur Dexter Bradley's (13) in the robbery game	
And the cops are puttin' the screws to him, lookin' for (14)	to blame.
'Remember that (15) happened in a bar?'	
'Remember you said you saw the (17) car?'	
'You think you'd like to play ball with the law?'	
'Think it might-a been that fighter that you saw runnin' that night?'	
'Don't forget that you are white.'	
Arthur Dexter Bradley said, 'I'm really not sure.'	
Cops said, 'A poor boy like you could use a break	
We got you for the (18) job and we're talkin' to your friend Bello	
Now you don't wanta have to go back to jail, be a (19) fellow.	
You'll be doin' society a favor.	



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That sonofabitch is brave and gettin' braver. We want to put his ass in stir We want to pin this triple murder on him He ain't no Gentleman Jim.' Rubin could take a man out (20)_____ just one punch But he never did (21)_____ to talk about it all that much. It's my work, he'd say, and I do it for pay And when it's over I'd just as soon go on my way Up to some paradise Where the trout streams flow and the air is nice And (22)_____ a horse along a trail. But then they took him to the (23)_____ house Where they try to turn a man into a mouse. All of Rubin's cards were marked in advance The trial was a pig-circus, he never had a chance. The judge made Rubin's witnesses drunkards from the slums To the white folks who watched he was a revolutionary bum And to the black folks he was just a (24)_____ nigger. No one doubted that he pulled the trigger. And though they could not produce the gun, The D.A. said he was the one who did the deed And the all-white jury agreed. Rubin Carter was falsely tried. The crime was murder 'one,' guess who testified? Bello and Bradley and they both baldly lied And the newspapers, they all went along for the ride. How can the life of such a man Be in the palm of some fool's hand?

To see him obviously framed

Couldn't help but make me feel ashamed to (25)_____ in a land



The champion of the world.

Fill in the gaps



- 1. shots
- 2. bartender
- 3. pool
- 4. that
- 5. bodies
- 6. only
- 7. call
- 8. away
- 9. friends
- 10. could
- 11. guilty
- 12. here
- 13. still
- 14. somebody
- 15. murder
- 16. that
- 17. getaway
- 18. motel
- 19. nice
- 20. with
- 21. like
- 22. ride
- 23. jail
- 24. crazy
- 25. live
- 26. till
- 27. they

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