

Nine Pound Hammer

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Thanks to Frank de Lathouder

[G] This nine-pound hammer
Just a little too [C] heavy
for my [G] size
[D] for my [G] size

I'm a goin' on the mountain
Gonna' see my [C] baby,
But I ain't coming [G] back
[D] Well I ain't coming [G] back

Roll on, Buddy
don't you roll so [C] slow,
Well how can I [G] roll
when the [D] wheels won't [G] go?

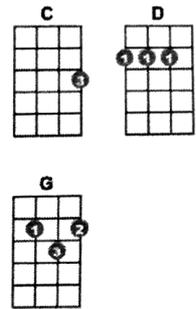
Now roll on Buddy
Pull your load of [C] coal
Tell me how can I [G] pull
When the [D] wheels won't [G] roll

Nine-pound hammer
Killed John [C] Henry
But it won't get [G] me
[D] Ain't a gonna get [G] me

Well I'm just a poor boy
A long ways from [C] home
Down in Tennes[G]see
[D] Down in Tennes[G]see

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It's a long way to Harlan
It's a long way to [C] Hazard
Just to get a little [G] brew,
[D] just to get a little [G] brew

When I'm long gone
Just make my tomb [C] stone
Outa' number nine [G] coal
[D] Old number nine [G] coal

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