

Take This Hammer - Leadbelly

Take this hammer, carry it to the captain
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Tell him I'm gone
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If he asks you was I runnin'
If he asks you was I runnin'
If he asks you was I runnin'
Tell him I was flyin'
Tell him I was flyin'

If he asks you was I laughin'
If he asks you was I laughin'
If he asks you was I laughin'
Tell him I was cryin'
Tell him I was cryin'

They wanna feed me cornbread and molasses
They wanna feed me cornbread and molasses
They wanna feed me cornbread and molasses
But I got my pride
Well, I got my pride

A Hard Rain's Gonna Fall

**Oh, where have you been, my blue-eyed son?
Oh, where have you been, my darling young one?
I've stumbled on the side of twelve misty
mountains,
I've walked and I've crawled on six crooked
highways,
I've stepped in the middle of seven sad forests,
I've been out in front of a dozen dead oceans,
I've been ten thousand miles in the mouth of a
graveyard,
And it's a hard, and it's a hard, it's a hard,
and it's a hard,
And it's a hard rain's a-gonna fall.**

**Oh, what did you see, my blue-eyed son?
Oh, what did you see, my darling young one?
I saw a newborn baby with wild wolves all around
it,
I saw a highway of diamonds with nobody on it,
I saw a black branch with blood that kept drippin',
I saw a room full of men with their hammers a-
bleedin',
I saw a white ladder all covered with water,
I saw ten thousand talkers whose tongues were all
broken,
I saw guns and sharp swords in the hands of young
children,
And it's a hard, and it's a hard, it's a hard, it's a
hard,
And it's a hard rain's a-gonna fall.**

**And what did you hear, my blue-eyed son?
And what did you hear, my darling young one?
I heard the sound of a thunder, it roared out a
warnin',
Heard the roar of a wave that could drown the
whole world,
Heard one hundred drummers whose hands were
a-blazin',
Heard ten thousand whisperin' and nobody
listenin',
Heard one person starve, I heard many people
laughin',
Heard the song of a poet who died in the gutter,
Heard the sound of a clown who cried in the alley,
And it's a hard, and it's a hard, it's a hard, it's a
hard,
And it's a hard rain's a-gonna fall.**

**Oh, who did you meet, my blue-eyed son?
Who did you meet, my darling young one?
I met a young child beside a dead pony,
I met a white man who walked a black dog,
I met a young woman whose body was burning,
I met a young girl, she gave me a rainbow,
I met one man who was wounded in love,
I met another man who was wounded with hatred,
And it's a hard, it's a hard, it's a hard, it's a hard,
It's a hard rain's a-gonna fall.**

**Oh, what'll you do now, my blue-eyed son?
Oh, what'll you do now, my darling young one?
I'm a-goin' back out 'fore the rain starts a-fallin',
I'll walk to the depths of the deepest black forest,
Where the people are many and their hands are all
empty,
Where the pellets of poison are flooding their
waters,
Where the home in the valley meets the damp dirty
prison,
Where the executioner's face is always well hidden,
Where hunger is ugly, where souls are forgotten,
Where black is the color, where none is the
number,
And I'll tell it and think it and speak it and breathe
it,
And reflect it from the mountain so all souls can
see it,
Then I'll stand on the ocean until I start sinkin',
But I'll know my song well before I start singin',
And it's a hard, it's a hard, it's a hard, it's a hard,
It's a hard rain's a-gonna fall.**

Down Where the Drunkards Rolls

**See the boys out walking, The boys look so fine,
Dressed up in green velvet Their silver buckles
shine.**

**Soon they'll be bleary eyed Under a keg of wine.
Down where the drunkards roll,
Down where the drunkards roll.**

**See that lover standing Staring at the ground,
He's looking for the real thing, Lies were all he
found.**

**You can get the real thing It will only cost a pound.
Down where the drunkards roll,
Down where the drunkards roll.**

**There goes a troubled woman She dreams a
troubled dream,
She lives out on the highway, She keeps her money
clean.**

**Soon she'll be returning To the place where she's
queen.**

**Down where the drunkards roll,
Down where the drunkards roll.**

**You can be a gambler Who never drew a hand,
You can be a sailor Who never left dry land,
You can be lord jesus, All the world will
understand.**

**Down where the drunkards roll,
Down where the drunkards roll.**

New Dehli Freight Train

**Some people think that I must be crazy
But my real name is just Jesse James
An I left them half-crooked, hard-knocks of black
rock county
Just to ride on that New Delhi Train**

**Ridin on that New Delhi Freight Train
Ridin down that New Delhi Line
Ridin on that New Delhi Freight Train
Well I left my love behind
Yeah I left my love behind**

**Yeah I'm just a country boy without angels
ahhh just a country boy without gold
An I been to silver cities load of rainbows
Where I pillaged and I killed and I stole**

Chorus "Left my life behind"

**Then I killed a man named smilin Jordan (Jeer-
dun)
Yeah I killed him with one of my guns
And I knew that I had did what I had not ought to
But I welcomed the run from what I'd done**

Chorus "Left my guns behind"

(repeat)

Monkey Wash Donkey Rinse

**Hell is only half full
Room for you and me
Looking for a new fool
Who's it gonna be?
It's the Dance of Shiva
It's the Debutantes ball
And everyone will be there
Who's anyone at all**

Chorus (2X)

**Monkey wash donkey rinse
Going to a party in the center of the earth
Monkey wash donkey rinse
Honey, don't you want to go?**

**Left eye, right eye
Take a look around
Everybody's heading
For a hole in the ground
And it's the Dance of Shiva
It's the Twilight of the Gods
Thunder and lightning
'Til the break of dawn**

Chorus (3X)

Let's Burn Down the Cornfield

**Let's burn down the cornfield
Let's burn down the cornfield
And we can listen to it burn**

**You hide behind the oak tree
You hide behind the oak tree
Stay out of danger 'till I return**

**Oh, it's so good
On a cold night
To have a fire
Burnin' warm and bright**

**You hide behind the oak tree
You hide behind the oak tree
Stay out of danger 'till I return**

**Let's burn down the cornfield
Let's burn down the cornfield
And I'll make love to you while it's burning**

Wade in the Water

**Wade in the Water
Wade in the Water, now children
wade in the Water
God's gonna trouble the Water**

**Who's that yonder dressed in red
Wade in the Water
Must be the Children that Moses led
And God's gonna trouble the Water**

**Who's that yonder dressed in white
Wade in the Water
Must be the Children of the Israelites
God's gonna trouble the Water**

Refrain

**Who's that yonder dressed in blue
Wade in the Water
Must be Children coming through
And God's gonna trouble the Water**

Refrain

**If you don't believe I've been redeemed
Wade in the Water
Just see the holy ghost looking for me
God's gonna trouble the Water**

Which Side are You On?

**Come all you good workers,
Good news to you I'll tell
Of how the good old union
Has come in here to dwell.**

CHORUS:

**Which side are you on?
Which side are you on?
Which side are you on?
Which side are you on?**

**My dady was a miner,
And I'm a miner's son,
And I'll stick with the union
'Til every battle's won.**

**They say in Harlan County
There are no neutrals there.
You'll either be a union man
Or a thug for J. H. Blair.**

**Oh workers can you stand it?
Oh tell me how you can?
Will you be a lousy scab
Or will you be a man?**

**Don't scab for the bosses
Don't listen to their lies.
Us poor folks haven't got a chance
Unless we organize.**

World in Motion

**Sun going down in the USA
Down on main there's a family sleeping in a
doorway
Around the corner you can hear the sound
People dancing around the golden calf
Those who have not, those who have**

**On the billboards and the t.v. screens
They got food and cars and toys and trucks
and jeans
Like a homeless child's fitfull dreams
Smiling faces free from wanting
Life's abundances beyond counting**

**World in motion -- speed your changes
Close your distances, find your angels
Lose your fears and meet your dangers
World in motion**

**Bridge
Once we were running through smoke and fire
Running into the sun
In the rush of youth, for love and truth
Our deeds were done
Now we awake with a world at stake
And a race we run
We run**

**Sun going down on the usa
Sun coming up a hundred years away
On another world and another time
Things like hunger, greed and hatred
One way or another, gonna be eradicated**

**World in motion -- speed your changes
Close your distances, drive your angels
Lose your fears and meet your dangers
World in motion**

**'till the world I look out at this world and
see**

**Is the world I know this world can be
You have a volunteer in me
Now come on**

Money

Money, get away.

Get a good job with good pay and you're okay.

Money, its a gas.

Grab that cash with both hands and make a stash.

New car, caviar, four star daydream,

Think Ill buy me a football team.

Money, get back.

Im all right jack keep your hands off of my stack.

Money, its a hit.

Dont give me that do goody good bullshit.

**I'm in the high-fidelity first class traveling
set**

And I think I need me a lear jet.

Money, its a crime.

**Share it fairly but don't take a slice of my
pie.**

Money, so they say

Is the root of all evil today.

**But if you ask for a raise its no surprise
that they're Giving none
away.**

River - E. Joseph

**River
home to dreams;
dreams that travel
to the sea,
as big before they get there
as they'll ever be**

**River
calls to captains,
dressed as children
in the yard;
to keep them from their going to her
will be very hard**

**A well's a glass of water
A lake's a married man
And Rain's the river's lover
and sees her when it can**

**River
catches fire
when there's poison in the mud
When the world confuses oil
as it's blood**