

Nine Pound Hammer

melody and lyrics

traditional

Oh the nine pound ham-mer is a lit-tle too hea-vy bud-dy for my

si - ze bud dy for my size Well roll on

bud - dy don't you roll so sl - ow how can I

ro - ll where the wheels won't go

This nine pound hammer is a little too heavy
For my size, Buddy for my size

Roll on buddy, don't you roll so slow
How can I roll, when the wheels won't roll

It's a long way to Harlan, and a long way to Hazard
Just to get a little brew, just to get a little brew
Roll on buddy ...

There ain't one hammer, down in this tunnel
That can ring like mine, that can ring like mine
Roll on buddy ...

I'm going to the mountain, just to see my baby
And I ain't coming back, no I ain't coming back
Roll on buddy ...

This old hammer, that killed John Henry
Ain't gonna kill me, ain't gonna kill me
Roll on buddy ...

Buddy when I'm log gone, won't you make my tombstone
Out of number nine coal, out of number nine coal
Roll on buddy ...

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