

# Buttermilk Hill

USA

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Am Em F Am C Em/B C7/B<sup>b</sup> Am

1. Here I sit on But-ter-milk Hill, who can blame me, cry-in' my fill, and

C E7/B Am D7 F Em Am

ev - 'ry tear would turn a mill, John-ny has gone for a sol - dier.

2. Me, oh my, I loved him so, / broke my heart to see him go,  
and only time will heal my woe, / Johnny has gone for a soldier.
3. I'll sell my rod, I'll sell my reel, / likewise I'll sell my spinning wheel,  
and buy my love a sword of steel, / Johnny has gone for a soldier.
4. I'll dye my dress, I'll dye it red, / and through the streets I'll beg for bread,  
for the lad that I love from me has fled, / Johnny has gone for a soldier.