

D C G Am A5 Am A5 X2

John Barleycorn

There D were three Am men came C out G of the Am west A5 Am A5  
Their D fortunes C for G to Am try A5 Am A5  
And D these three Am men made a C so- G -lemn Am vow A5 Am A5  
John D Barley C corn G must Am die A5 Am A5

They've C plowed, they've sown, they've Am harrowed him in  
Threw C clods up D on his Esus4 head E

And Dm these three Am men were C sa-G-tis- Am -fied A5 Am A5  
John D Barley C corn G was Am dead A5 Am A5

D C G Am A5 Am A5 X4

They D let him Am lie for a C very G long Am time A5 Am A5  
Till the D rains from C heaven G did Am fall A5 Am A5  
And D little Sir Am John sprung C up G his Am head A5 Am A5  
And D so a- C -mazed G them Am all A5 Am A5

They C let him stand 'til Am mid summer's day  
'til C he looked both D pale and Esus4 worn E

And Dm little Sir Am John's grown a C long, G long Am beard A5 Am A5  
And D so be- C -come G a Am man A5 Am A5

D C G Am A5 Am A5 X4

They've D hired Am men with C scythes G so Am sharp A5 Am A5  
To D cut him off C at G the Am knee A5 Am A5  
They D rolled him and Am tied him C by G the Am waist A5 Am A5  
Serving D him most C bar- G -barous- Am -ly

They've C hired men with Am sharp pitch forks  
Who C pricked him D to the Esus4 heart... E Esus4 E

And the Dm loader he has Am served him C worse G than Am that A5 Am A5  
For he's D bound C him G to the Am cart A5 Am A5

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D C G Am A5 Am A5

They've D wheeled him Am around and C around G in the Am field A5 Am A5  
 'til they D came C onto G a Am barn A5 Am A5  
 And D there they Am made a C sol- G -emn Am oath A5 Am A5  
 On D poor John C Bar- G - ley Am corn A5 Am A5

They've C hired men with the Am crab tree sticks  
 to C cut him D skin from Esus4 bone E Esus4 E  
 And the Dm miller he has Am served him C worse G than Am that  
 For he's D ground him be- C -tween G two Am stones A5 Am A5

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D C G Am A5 Am A5

And D little Sir Am John and the C nut G brown Am bowl A5 Am A5  
 And he's D brandy C in G the Am glass A5 Am A5  
 And D little Sir Am John and the C nut G brown Am bowl A5 Am A5  
 Proved the D strongest C man G at Am last A5 Am A5  
Am7 Am

The C huntsman, he can't Am hunt the fox

Nor so C loudly D blow his Esus4 horn E Esus4 E  
A5 Am A5

And the Dm Tinker Am he can't mend C kettle G nor Am pots A5 Am A5  
Am G A5

With D out a little C Bar- G - ley Am corn A5 Am A5

There were three men came out of the west  
Their fortunes for to try  
And these three men made a solemn vow  
John Barleycorn must die

They've plowed, they've sown, they've harrowed him in  
Threw clods upon his head

And these three men were satisfied  
John Barleycorn was dead

They let him lie for a very long time  
Till the rains from heaven did fall  
And little Sir John sprung up his head  
And so amazed them all

They let him stand 'til mid summer's day  
'til he looked both pale and worn

And little Sir John's grown a long, long beard  
And so become a man

They've hired men with scythes so sharp  
To cut him off at the knee  
They rolled him and tied him by the waist  
Serving him most barbarously

They've hired men with sharp pitch forks  
Who pricked him to the heart...

And the loader he has served him worse than that  
For he's bound him to the cart

They've wheeled him around and around in the field  
'til they came onto a barn  
And there they made a solemn oath  
On poor John Barleycorn

They've hired men with the crab tree sticks  
to cut him skin from bone

And the miller he has served him worse than that  
For he's ground him between two stones

And little Sir John and the nut brown bowl  
And he's brandy in the glass  
Proved the strongest man at last

The huntsman, he can't hunt the fox  
Nor so loudly blow his horn

And the Tinker he can't mend kettle nor pots  
Without a little Barlycorn