

G+G+C-G- | G+G+C-G- | G-G-C-G- | G+G+D+G-

Well the coal has gone low and the river has gone dry
I'm a hearty young miner and a b'liever by night
I'll pick up my axe and I'll lay down a prayer
I'm a hearty young miner and there's someone up there

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So I'll swing though my hands are on fire
And I'll work though my back is undone
I'll sing 'til I hear a choir
And I'll dig 'til the tunnel's been dug

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I'm a hearty young miner and it runs through my blood
I work with the worms for the pleasures up above
But there ain't much for living when you're living down below
And breathing the air of the dust and the lode

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I've seen many a season from underneath them hills
Known many a good men, some of them were killed
But the workin' ain't so bad when the burden has been shared
And the triumphs more sweet with my buddies down there

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From breaker to miner, I have given all my life
To that dusty old mountain and the men by my side
Now it's a hard working life and the pleasures they are few
Wouldn't trade it for nothing 'cept a pulpit or pew

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