Nine Pound Hammer

John Prine

This nine pound hammer
Is a little too heavy
Buddy for my size
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So I'm going on the mountain
Just to see my baby
And I ain't coming back
No I ain't coming back
Roll on, buddy
Don't you roll so slow
Well, tell me how can I roll
When the wheels won't go
Roll on, buddy
Pull your load of coal
Tell me how can I pull
When the wheels won't roll

It's a long way to Harlan
It's a long way to Hazard
Just to get a little brew
Just to get a little brew
And when I'm long gone
You can make my tombstone
Out of number nine coal
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