

# In the Good Old Days (When Times Were Bad)

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We'd get up before sun-up to get the work done up  
We'd work in the fields till the sun had gone down  
We've stood and we've cried as we have bristly watched  
A hailstorm a' beatin' our crops to the ground  
We've gone to bed hungry many nights in the past  
In the good old days when times were bad No amount of money could buy from me  
The memories that I have of then  
No amount of money could pay me  
To go back and live through it again I've seen daddy's hands break open and bleed  
And I've seen him work till he's stiff as a board  
An' I've seen mamma layin' in suffer and sickness  
In need of a doctor we couldn't afford  
Anything at all was more than we had  
In the good old days when times were bad We've got up before and found ice on the floor  
Where the wind would blow snow through the cracks in the wall  
And I couldn't enjoy then, havin' a boyfriend  
I had nothing decent to wear at all  
So I long for a love that I never had  
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