

LEAVE HER, JOHNNIE, LEAVE HER

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The musical score is written on two staves in 2/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff is divided into three sections: a 'SOLO' section (measures 1-3), a 'CHORUS' section (measures 4-5), and another 'SOLO' section (measures 6-7). The second staff is a 'CHORUS' section (measures 8-10). The lyrics are written below the notes.

SOLO CHORUS SOLO

I — THOUGHT I HEARD THE — OLD MAN — SAY, LEAVE HER, JOHN-NIE, LEAVE HER, YOU MAY

5 CHORUS

GO A - SHORE AND — GET YOUR — PAY IT'S — TIME FOR US TO LEAVE HER

YOU CAN MAKE HER FAST AND PACK YOUR GEAR,
(LEAVE HER, JOHNNIE, LEAVE HER)
AND LEAVE HER MOORED 'LONGSIDE THE PIER,
(IT'S TIME FOR US TO LEAVE HER)

THE TIMES WERE HARD AND THE PASSAGE LONG,
THE SEAS WERE HIGH AND THE GALES WERE STRONG

SHE WOULD NEITHER STEER, NOR STAY, NOR WEAR
SHE SHIPPED IT GREEN AND MADE US SWEAR

THE FOOD WAS BAD AND THE WAGES LOW
BUT NOW ASHORE AGAIN WE'LL GO

THE SAILS ARE FURLED AND OUR WORK IS DONE
AND NOW ON SHORE WE'LL HAVE OUR FUN