

## Great Big Sea "Scolding Wife"

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Well, I came into a scolding wife a few short years ago  
And ever since I lead a life of misery and woe  
My wife she is a tyrant around the room and in  
Ah, she'd sell me to the devil for a galss or two of gin

Sure I'll get up and go to work as mild as any man  
And she'll get up and dress herself and go and have  
her dram  
And if I chance to say a word, it's well I know my doom  
She'll follow me with the fire shovel up and down the  
room

And if the devil'd take her I'd thank him for his pain  
I swear to God I'll hang me self If I get married again  
And if the devil'd take her I'd thank him for his pain  
Oh, I swear to God I'll hang me self if I get married  
again

When I get home at breakfast time she'll tap me on the  
head  
When I come home at dinner time I'll find her drunk in  
bed  
When I come home at supper time my patients I must  
stop  
'Cause she drank what's in the teapot and I must drink  
the slops

Well, once I asked me scolding wife if I could go to bed  
She scarce gave me an hour on the pillow to lay me  
head  
When like a roarin' lion she came bustin' down the door  
She caught me by the middle and threw me naked on  
the floor

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Now, me and my companions go to a public place  
She'll search around the neighborhood until she finds

my face  
She'll hoist me up and ridicule me for the company  
Saying, "petticoat is you master, and forevermore shall  
be."

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