

I Hung My Head in C

Intro: |C |F |C |F |C |C

Verse 1:

|C |F |Am |F
Early one morning with time to kill I borrowed Jebb's rifle and sat on the hill

|C |F |Am |F
I saw a lone rider crossing the plain I drew a bead on him to practice my aim

|Dm |G |G |C
My brother's rifle went off in my hand A shot rang out a- cross the land

|F |Am
The horse, he kept running, the rider was dead

|C |F |C |C |C |C
I hung my head, I hung my head

Verse 2:

|C |F |Am |F
I set off running to wake from the dream My brother's rifle went into the sheen

|C |F
I kept on running in- to the south lands

|Am |F
That's where they found me, my head in my hands

|Dm |G
The sheriff he asked me why had I run

|G |C
And then it came to me just what I had done

|F |Am
And all for no reason, just one piece of lead

|C |F |C |C |C |C
I hung my head, I hung my head

Verse 3:

|C |F
Here in the courthouse, the whole town was there

|Am |F
I see the judge high up in his chair

|C **|F**
Explain to the courtroom what went through your mind

|Am **|F**
And we'll ask the jury what verdict they find

|Dm **|G**
I felt the power of death over life

|G **|C**
I orphaned his children, I widowed his wife

|F **|Am**
I beg their forgiveness, I wish I was dead

|C **|F**
I hung my head, I hung my head

|C **|F** **|C |C |C |C**
I hung my head, I hung my head

Verse 4:

|C **|F**
Early one morning with time to kill

|Am **|F**
I see the gallows up on the hill

|C **|F**
And out in the distance, a trick of the brain

|Am **|F**
I see a lone rider crossing the plain

|Dm **|G**
And he's come to fetch me to see what they done

|G **|C**
And we'll ride together 'Til kingdom come

|F **|Am**
I pray for God's mercy for soon I'll be dead

|C **|F**
I hung my head, I hung my head

|C **|F**
I hung my head, I hung my head

Ending:

|C |F |C |F |C |F |C |F |C (hold)