

## Mistreating Child Abuse

Skip James

I sit up all the last night  
I done sit up all the night befo'  
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An I sit up all the night befo'  
You know, I was drinkin'  
Lotta bad whiskey  
I declare, I never take another  
Drink no mo'

Yes, you know my baby  
Left me early this mo'nin  
An she never did tell me  
When she would be back  
My baby left me early this mo'nin  
An she didn't tell me  
When she would be -  
Seem like to me, I see'd her  
She had all her clothes  
Packed in her sack

Now, if you gon' let me down easy, baby  
Baby, please don't come back fo' no mo'  
If you gon' let me down easy, baby  
Please don't come back fo' no -  
But please don't let me down too easy  
'Till you will have come back  
An asked for some mo'

Now, if you don't believe I'm duckin'  
Will you count the days that I'm gone?  
Now, if you don't believe I'm duckin', baby  
Will ya count the days I'm gone?  
Because the woman that I love  
I declare, she've got to be born

You can mistreat me here, now  
But I declare, you can't when I go home  
You can mistreat me here, baby  
But I declare, you can't when I go -  
Because I got somethin' there  
I declare, will make you leave me alone.

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