

# The Dying Californian

Tune: 'Ball & Drinkard' (1859)

Words: Kate Harris (1850, Rhode Island, USA)

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D - Major  
drones: D and/or A

Melody

Chanter: verses 1, 2

Chanter: verse 3

Chanter: verse 4

Drones: A and/or D

1. Lay up near - er, broth-er, near - er, For my limbs are grow - ing cold; And thy

2. I am dy - ing, broth-er, dy - ing, Soon you'll miss me in your berth, For my

3. I am go - ing, broth-er, go - ing, But my hope in God is strong; I am

4. Hark! I hear the Sav - ior speak - ing, 'Tis, I know His voice so well; When I'm

etc.

Melody

1, 2

3

4

5

pres - ence seem - eth near - er, When thine arms a - round me fold.

form will soon be ly - ing 'Neath the o - cean's brin - y surf.

will - ing, broth-er, know - ing That he do - eth noth - ing wrong.

gone, O don't be weep - ing, Broth - er, hear my last fare - well.

Optional coda

Melody

1, 2

When I'm gone, O don't be weep - ing, Broth - er, hear my last fare - well.