

# BANKS OF THE OHIO

(Traditional)

Intro: 1,2/1234 C G7 C

.....*Tacet*... C G7

1. I asked my love to take a walk,

C

To take a walk, just a little walk,

C7

F

Down beside - where the waters flow,

C

G7

C

G7

C

Down by the banks - of the Ohio.

..*Tacet*... C G7

*And only say that you'll be mine,*

C

*In no other's arms entwined,*

C7

F

*Down beside - where the waters flow,*

C

G7

C

G7

C

*Down by the banks - of the Ohio.*

...*Tacet*... C G7

2. I held a knife against her breast

C

As into my arms she pressed.

C7

F

She cried "My love - don't you murder me.

C

G7

C

G7

C

I'm not prepared - for eternity!"

..*Tacet*... C G7

*And only say that you'll be mine,*

C

*In no other's arms entwined,*

C7

F

*Down beside - where the waters flow,*

C

G7

C

G7

C

*Down by the banks - of the Ohio.*

*..Tacet.....* C G7  
3.I wandered home – ‘tween twelve and one,  
C  
I cried “My God – what have I done?  
C7 F  
I’ve killed the only girl I love.  
C G7 C G7 C  
Because she would not be my bride.”

*...Tacet..* C G7  
*And only say that you’ll be mine,*  
C  
*In no other’s arms entwined,*  
C7 F  
*Down beside - where the waters flow,*  
C G7 C F  
*Down by the banks - of the Ohio*  
C G7 C G7 C  
*Down by the banks - of the Ohio.*

