Chicka-hanka

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Cap'n go side-track yore train,
Chick-a-hank-a, Chick-a-hank-a, Chick-a-hank-a, Chick-a-hank-a,
Cap'n go side-track yore train,
Chick-a-hank-a, Chick-a-hank-a, Chick-a-hank-a, Chick-a-hank-a,
Number three in line,
Chick-a-hank-a, Chick-a-hank-a
A comin' in on time,
Chick-a-hank-a, Chick-a-hank-a,
Cap'n go side-track yore train.

Johnny O'Brown

(tune "Oats, Peas, Beans)

1. Swing three ladies said Johnny O'Brown,
Swing three ladies said Johnny O'Brown,
Swing three ladies said Johnny O'Brown,
And we'll be off to London town.

2. Promenade all said Johnny O'Brown,
Promenade all said Johnny O'Brown,
Promenade all said Johnny O'Brown,
And we'll be off to London town.

Players form circle and each boy chooses and swings one girl on the first line, another girl on the second line, and a third girl on the third line. On the fourth line boy keeps that partner and promenades around the circle with her. Any extra boys or girls go to the center. The game often begins with the 2nd verse first, and promenading around a circle. This version establishes the first partner to swing.

When I First Came to this Land

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1. When I first came to this land,
I was not a wealthy man.
So I built myself a shack,
And I did what I could.
And I called my shack, "break my back".
But the land was sweet and good,
And I did what I could.

2. When I first came to this land,
I was not a wealthy man.
So I got myself a farm,
And I did what I could.
And I called my farm, “muscle and arm”.
And I called my shack, “break my back”.
But the land was sweet and good,
And I did what I could.

3. When I first came to this land,
I was not a wealth man.
So I got myself a cow, and I did what I could.
And I called my cow “no milk now”
And I called my farm, “muscle and arm”,
And I called my shack, “break my back”.
But the land was sweet and good,
And I did what I could.

4. When I first came to this land….
So I got myself a duck…
And I called my duck “out of luck”
And I called my cow “now milk now”
And I called my farm “muscle and arm”
And I called my shack “break my back”
But the land was sweet…..

5. When I first came to this land…
So I got myself a wife….
And I called my wife “run for your life”
And I called my duck……
And I called my cow…
And I called my farm…
And I called my shack…
But the land was sweet and good,
And I did what I could.