The Devil Had a Hold of Me

Gillian Welch

Now I was just a girl of two
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With a golden heart and a button shoe

The devil had a hold of me
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I turned my head and I could see
The devil had a hold of me

There was something wrong with the butcher's boy Was something wrong with the butcher's boy He trembled in his hand and voice

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The others knew to let him be
But the devil had a hold of me

Now the tailpipe spit and the engine roared The tailpipe spit and the engine roared I's waving out the Plymouth door

And the devil had a hold of me
The devil had a hold of me
The old folks saw the last they'd see
The devil had a hold of me

I dreamed last night that my time was done I dreamed last night that my time was done And my soul flew up to the holy son

But the devil had a hold of me
The devil had a hold of me
I snapped back down when he pulled my lead
The devil had a hold of me

There're those who'll laugh and not believe There're those who'll laugh and not believe Until you feel that touch upon your sleeve

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