Jamaica Farewell

[Intro]

Down the way where the nights are gay
and the sun shines daily on the mountain top
I took a trip on a sailing ship
and when I reached Jamaica, I made a stop

[Chorus]
But I'm sad to say, I'm on my way
Won't be back for many a day
My heart is down, my head is turning around
I had to leave a little girl in Kingston Town

Sounds of laughter everywhere
and the dancing girls swaying to and fro
I must declare my heart is there
though I've been from Maine to Mexico

[Chorus]
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Down at the market you can hear
ladies cry out while on their heads they bear
Ackee, rice, saltfish are nice
and the rum is fine any time of year

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