

Hard Tack

a cappella

$\text{♩} = 95$

Soldier 1

Let us close our game we're playing, Take our tin cups in our hand As we all
 'Tis the wail that is he - ard In ca - mp both night and day, 'Tis the mur -
 But to all these cries and mur - murs, There comes a sud - den hush As frail forms

Soldier 2

Soldier 3

Soldier 4

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stand by the cook's tent door
 - mur that's min-gled with each snore.
 are faint - ing by the door,

As dried mum-mies of hard crac-kers Are hand - ed to each man. O,
 'Tis the sigh - ing of the soul For spring chic-kens far away, "O,
 For they feed us now on horse feed That the co - oks call mush! O,

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'Tis the song, the sigh of the hun - gry: "Hard tack, hard tack,
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 'Tis the dy - ing wail of the starv - ing: "Hard tack, hard tack,

hard tack, come a-gain no more! 'Tis the song, the sigh of the hun - gry: "Hard tack, hard tack,
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 hard tack, come a-gain once more! 'Tis the dy - ing wail of the starv - ing: "Hard tack, hard tack,

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