



About Scots gypsy-travellers knowing that it is time to stop living in their winter house and to go out and travel the roads. The signal is that the yellow blossoms have come out on the broom bush that grows by roadsides. with gorse, but gorse has sharp thorns, broom does not.

Yellow on the Broom

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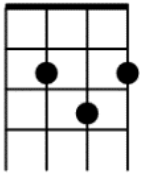
I (C) ken ye dinna (Am) like it, lass,
 Tae (F) winter here in (Dm) toon
 For the (C) scaldies aye mis(Am)cry us
 And they (G) try tae put us (G7) doon
 But it's (G) hard to raise three (G7) bairns
 In a (F) single flea-box (C) room
 But I'll (F) tak' ye (Dm) on the (C) road a(Am)gain
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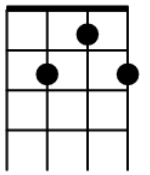
The (C) scaldies cry us (Am)'tinker dirt'
 And (F) sponce our bairns in (Dm) school
 (C) Who cares what a (Am) scaldy thinks
 For a (G) scaldy's but a (G7) fool
 He (G) never heard the (G7) yarlin's song
 Nor (F) seen the flax in (C) bloom
 For they're (F) a' cooped (Dm) up in (C) hooses (Am)
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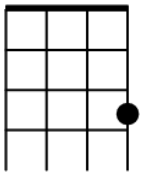
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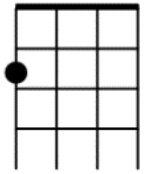
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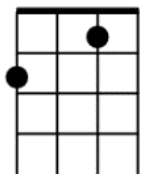
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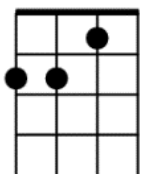
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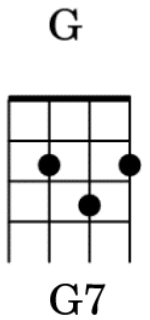
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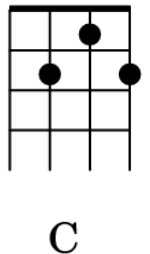
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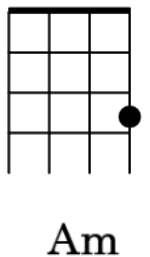
No (C) sale for pegs or (Am) baskets, noo
 So (F) just to stay a(Dm)live
 We (C) have tae work at (Am) scaldy jobs
 Frae (G) nine o'clock till (G7) five
 But we (G) call no man our (G7) master
 For we (F) own the world's (C) room
 And we'll (F) bid fare(Dm)weel tae (C) Brechin (Am)
 When (G) yellow's (G7) on the (C) broom



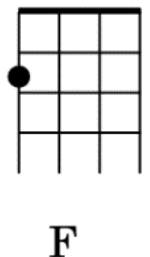
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I'm (C) weary for the (Am) springtime
 When we'll (F) tak' the road yince (Dm) mair
 For the (C) plantin' and the (Am) pearlin'
 And the (G) berry fields of (G7) Blair
 We'll (G) meet up wi' oor (G7) kinfolk
 From (F) a' the country (C) roon'
 When the (F) gana(Dm)boot folk (C) tak' the (Am) road
 And the (G) yellow's (G7) on the (C) broom



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