

## **Skiffle Session 13 May 2022**

<b>Pick a Bale of Cotton</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>Wabash Cannonball</b>	<b>C capo2(D)</b>
<b>Does Your Chewing Gum Lose Its Flavour</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho</b>	<b>Am capo2 (Bm)</b>
<b>Lost John</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>Take This Hammer</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>I Shall Not Be Moved</b>	<b>C</b>

# Skiffle Session 13 May 2022

## Pick a Bale of Cotton (Leadbelly) D

D

Gonna jump down, turn around, pick a bale of cotton

A7 D

Gonna jump down, turn around, pick a bale a day

Gonna jump down, turn around, pick a bale of cotton

A7 D

Gonna jump down, turn around, pick a bale a day

Chorus:

D

Oh Lordy, pick a bale of cotton

A7 D

Oh Lordy, pick a bale a day

Oh Lordy, pick a bale of cotton

A7 D

Oh Lordy, pick a bale a day

Me and my buddy gonna pick a bale of cotton

Me and my buddy gonna pick a bale a day

Me and my buddy gonna pick a bale of cotton

Me and my buddy gonna pick a bale a day

Chorus:

Me and old Bill gonna pick a bale of cotton

Me and old Bill gonna pick a bale a day

Me and old Bill gonna pick a bale of cotton

Me and old Bill gonna pick a bale a day

Chorus:

Me and my wife gonna pick a bale of cotton

Me and my wife gonna pick a bale a day

Me and my wife gonna pick a bale of cotton

Me and my wife gonna pick a bale a day

Chorus:

Gonna jump down, turn around, pick a bale of cotton

Gonna jump down, turn around, pick a bale a day

Gonna jump down, turn around, pick a bale of cotton

Gonna jump down, turn around, pick a bale a day

Chorus:

# Skiffle Session 13 May 2022

## Wabash Cannonball (Carter Family) C capo 2 (D)

C F  
From the great Atlantic Ocean to the wide Pacific shore  
G C  
From the green and flowing mountains to the south belt by the shore  
F  
She's mighty tall and handsome, and known quite well by all  
G7 C  
She's the combination known as the Wabash Cannonball

Chorus:

F  
Listen to the jingle, the rumble and the roar  
G C  
As she glides along the woodlands, o'er the hills and by the shore  
F  
Hear the mighty rush of the engine, hear that lonesome hobo squall  
G7 C  
You're travelling through the jungles on the Wabash Cannonball

She came down from Birmingham, one cold December day  
As she rolled into the station, you could hear all the people say  
There's a girl from Tennessee, she's long and she's tall  
She came down from Birmingham on the Wabash Cannonball

Chorus

Our Eastern states are dandy, so the people always say  
From New York to St. Louis and Chicago by the way  
From the hills of Minnesota where the rippling waters fall  
No changes can be taken on that Wabash Cannonball

Chorus

Here's to Daddy Clayton, may his name forever stand  
And always be remembered 'round the courts of Alabam'  
His earthly race is over and the curtains 'round him fall  
We'll carry him home to Dixie on the Wabash Cannonball

# Skiffle Session 13 May 2022

## Does Your Chewing Gum Lose its Flavour C

G7 C G7 C  
Oh me, oh my, oh you. Whatever shall I do?

F C G7 C  
Hallelujah! The question is peculiar.

G7 C G7 C  
I'd give a lot of dough if only I could know

D G  
The answer to my question: Is it yes or is it no?

CHORUS:

G G7 C G7  
Do-es yo-ur chewing gum lose its flavour on the bedpost overnight?

C  
If your mother says don't chew it do you swallow it in spite?

F G7 C F  
And you catch it on your tonsils and heave it left and right?

C F G7 C  
Does your chewing gum lose its flavour on the bedpost overnight?

Here comes a blushing bride--The groom is by her side--  
Up to the altar Steady as Gibraltar,  
And the groom has got the ring,And it's such a pretty thing,  
But as he sticks it on her finger, The choir begins to sing:  
(Ch)

Now the nations rise as one to stand there on its own  
Up to the White House,Yeah, the nation's only White House,  
To voice their discontent unto the president  
Upon the burning question which has swept this continent:  
(Ch)

F G7 C  
On the bed..post... over...night....  
*Y'know that I love and I wanna hold you tight*  
*On Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday night.*

F G7 C  
On the bed..post... over...night....  
*A dollar is a dollar and a dime is a dime.*  
*I'd sing another chorus but I haven't got the time.*

F G7 C F G7 C  
On the bed..post... over...night....

# Skiffle Session 13 May 2022

## Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho Am capo2 (Bm)

Chorus

**Am**

**E7**

**Am**

*Joshua fit the battle of Jericho, Jericho, Jericho*

*Joshua fit the battle of Jericho*

**E**

**E7**

**Am**

*And the walls came tumblin' down*

Repeat Chorus

**Am**

You may talk about your men of Gideon

**E7**

You may talk about your men of Saul

**Am**

**D**

But there's none like good old Josh-u-a

**E**

**E7**

**Am**

**E**

At the battle of Jericho

*Chorusx2*

'Way up to the walls of Jericho

With a sword drawn in his hand

"Go blow the ram's horn," Joshua cried

"'Cause the battle is in my hands"

*Chorusx2*

Then the lamb, ram, sheep horns began to blow

And the trumpets began to sound.

And Joshua commanded the children to shout

And the walls came tumblin' down

*Chorus x2*

# Skiffle Session 13 May 2022

## Lost John D

*Chorus*

**D Bb7 A7 D**  
Now he's long long long gone

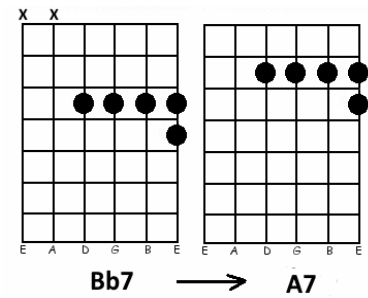
**D Bb7 A7 D**  
Now he's long long long gone

**D**  
Lost John was standing by the railroad track

**A7 D**  
Waiting for the freight train to come back

**D**  
Freight train come back and never made no stop

**A7 D**  
Lost John thought he'd have to ride the top



*Chorus*

Lost John came into a countrywoman's house  
Sat there as quiet as quiet as a mouse  
Said Mr Lost John "be my friend  
Be my friend unto the end"

*Chorus*

She said "Mr Lost John have some beer  
I'll send for the porter, and I'll bring it here"  
He said "Now woman don't you buy no beer  
The cops are on my trail and they'll soon be here"

*Chorus*

Lost John made a pair of shoes of his own  
Finest shoes that ever was worn  
Heels on the front, heels behind  
You couldn't tell which way lost John gwine

*Chorus*

They caught Lost John, put him in the pen  
Summer been and gone and now he's out again  
If anybody ask you who sung the song  
Tell them Lonnie Donegan been here and gone

*Chorus*

*Chorus*

( Alt chords: Capo5 **A F E7 A, A E7 A**

# Skiffle Session 13 May 2022

## Take This Hammer (Leadbelly) A

*Chorus:*

**A** **E**  
Take this hammer(ugh) carry it to the captain (ugh)  
**E** **A**  
Take this hammer(ugh) carry it to the captain (ugh)  
**A** **D** **A**  
Take this hammer(ugh) carry it to the captai....in (ugh)  
**A**  
Tell him I'm gone (ugh) You tell him I'm gone (ugh)

If he ask you (ugh) was I runnin' (ugh) X3  
Tell him I's flyin' (ugh) tell him I's flyin' (ugh)

*Chorus*

If he ask you (ugh) was I laughin' (ugh) X3  
Tell him I's cryin' (ugh) tell him I's cryin' (ugh)

Chorus

# Skiffle Session 13 May 2022

## I Shall Not Be Moved

C

*Chorus*

**C** **G7**  
I shall not, I shall not be moved

**C** **C7**  
I shall not, I shall not be moved

**F** **C**  
Just like a tree that's standing by the water

**G7** **C**  
I shall not be moved

**C** **G7**  
I'm on my way to Heaven, I shall not be moved

**C** **C7**  
I'm on my way to Heaven, I shall not be moved

**F** **C**  
Just like a tree that's standing by the water

**G7** **C**  
I shall not be moved

*Chorus*

King Jesus is my Captain, I shall not be moved

King Jesus is my Captain, I shall not be moved

Just like a tree that's standing by the water

I shall not be moved

*Chorus*

I'm on my way to Heaven, I shall not be moved

I'm on my way to Heaven, I shall not be moved

Just like a tree that's standing by the water

I shall not be moved

*Chorus*