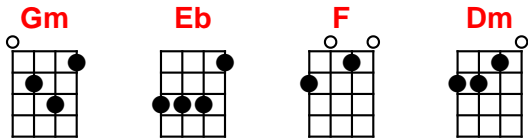


Buffalo Skinners

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Instrumental Intro:

[Gm] Come all you old time cow-**[Eb]**-boys, and **[F]** listen to my **[Gm]** song.

Verse 1:

[Gm] Come all you old time cow-**[Eb]**-boys, and **[F]** listen to my **[Gm]** song.
Please do not grow **[Eb]** weary; I'll **[Dm]** not detain you **[Gm]** long.
Concerning some wild **[Eb]** cowboys, who **[Dm]** did agree to **[Gm]** go,
And spend one summer plea-**[Eb]**-sant, on the **[F]** hunt of buffa-**[Gm]**-lo.

Verse 2:

[Gm] I found myself in Grif-**[Eb]**-fin, in the **[F]** year of eighty-**[Gm]** three,
When a well known famous **[Eb]** drover, came **[Dm]** walking up to **[Gm]** me.
Sayin', "How do you do, young **[Eb]** fellow, and **[Dm]** how'd you like to **[Gm]** go,
And spend one summer plea-**[Eb]**-sant, on the **[F]** trail of buffa-**[Gm]**-lo?"

Verse 3:

[Gm] Well me being out of work right **[Eb]** then, to this **[F]** drover I did **[Gm]** say,
"This going out on the **[Eb]** buffalo road, de-**[Dm]**-pends on the **[Gm]** pay.
If you will pay good **[Eb]** wages, and **[Dm]** transportation **[Gm]** too,
I think I might go with **[Eb]** you, on the **[F]** hunt of buffa-**[Gm]**-lo."

Verse 4:

[Gm] "Of course I'll pay good wa-**[Eb]**-ges, and **[F]** transportation **[Gm]** too,
If you will agree to **[Eb]** work for me, un-**[Dm]**-til the season's **[Gm]** through."
But if you do get **[Eb]** homesick, and **[Dm]** try to run a-**[Gm]**-way,
You'll starve to death out on the **[Eb]** trail and **[F]** also lose your **[Gm]** pay."

Verse 5:

[Gm] Well with all his flattering talk-**[Eb]**-ing, he **[F]** signed up quite a **[Gm]** train,
Some 10 or 12 in **[Eb]** number, some **[Dm]** able bodied **[Gm]** men.
Our trip it was a **[Eb]** pleasant one, as we **[Dm]** hit the westward **[Gm]** road,
Until we reached Old Boggy **[Eb]** Creek, in **[F]** old New Mexi-**[Gm]**-co.

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Verse 6:

[Gm] It was there our pleasures end-**[Eb]**-ed, and our **[F]** troubles all be-**[Gm]**-gun.
A lightening storm **[Eb]** hit us, and it **[Dm]** made the cattle **[Gm]** run.
We got all full of **[Eb]** stickers, from the **[Dm]** cactus that did **[Gm]** grow,
And the outlaws watchin' to pick us **[Eb]** off, from the **[F]** hills of Mexi-**[Gm]**-co.

Verse 7:

[Gm] Well our workin' season end-**[Eb]**-ed, and the **[F]** drover would not **[Gm]** pay,
He said "You went and **[Eb]** drunk too much; you're **[Dm]** all in debt to **[Gm]** me."
But cowboys never had **[Eb]** heard of such a **[Dm]** thing as a bankrupt **[Gm]** law,
So we left that drover's bones to **[Eb]** bleach on the **[F]** plains of the buffa-**[Gm]**-lo.

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Instrumental tag: last line

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