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Picture Album

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The Stanley Brothers

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Dear Friends:

We take this opportunity to say thanks a million for buying this book. We hope it will meet with your approval in every way.

For the past few years we have tried to bring to you country people the kind of entertainment you enjoy. In doing this we have been criticized by some for not being more musical. Since we were raised with this old time music as a part of our background we have never had and still do not feel any desire to change our way of playing.

The songs you will find in this book were written by us and our good friend, Bill Monroe, whom we regard as the greatest fiddler that ever lived. And it is to Bill and our thousands of true friends that we dedicate this book. We would like to say that you will find a good portion of these songs recorded on Columbia records by us. When you are in your favorite record shop you will find all of our latest releases there for you.

In closing, we would like to say we appreciate your loyal support. You, our loyal friends, have given us for the past few years. And in the years to come may we write and record the kind of songs that you love.

Sincerely, your friends,
Carter and Ralph Stanley

"True Love's Waiting"

Come now, come right now
And please, please, please
To share my love I'm about to give,
Following a man whom I never meet,
The content of the charming tale.

When her sweet parents came to love it,
They showed us that both day and night,
To separate her and her own true love,
Her and her own heart's delight.

She turned her back on the city,
She turned the table and members' round,
She came up on a mountain side,
And under the shade of a tree went down.

Her true love lying out for behind her,
He found her made a wonderful sound,
He found her and her own true love,
Lying and upon the ground.

Then he took out his other dagger,
He passed it through his own heart,
Saying, let this be a dreadful warning,
For all true loves that have to part.

"That Happy Night"

By Frank Sinatra

Many years ago I was young
When I saw my darling girl,
But she took them along the way,
I'll be going back some day
And I never hope will change,
Please that girl that has stood by me.

Chorus:

I've about given the love of the West, Virginia state,
But the North Carolina state is just ahead,
I haven't found the time when you promised to be mine,
The love was shining down that happy night.

When I left you alone in my little mountain town,
I'll see you for the day I'll return,
Now the morning birds be in the air, I know that you're here.

And I'll never everheart I've found and learned.



"I'm Better Off Now That You're Gone"

By Carter Beavers

I never had a sweetheart to love me
But your love's gonna make me
The finest a girl ever had to know,
That's why I'm lovin' you and you.

Chorus:

You see you told me you were true,
The boys' was looking to do,
And friends, they told me I'm lucky,
I'm better off now that you're gone.

You broke my heart when you left me,
You always wanted me gone,
But now you're stayed with another,
Little girl, what more could I do.

Some day I hope you'll be sorry,
You'll tell me your heart's untrue,
You'll want to think it was I who
Got your old heart, and you'll see.

"Lonesome For You"

By Carter Beavers

Lonesome like a hearted soldier,
As long as I am alone,
My sweetheart's gone and left me,
Now everything's gone wrong.

Chorus:

Her hair was dark and curly,
and long and downy behind,
But now she wears another,
I'm sitting on the blind.

I never wish a boy was
kind who turned me down,
I'll never love no other
I'll never smile down.



"Over East Broadway"

By Cole Porter

Nights are lonely here without you,
All I see is grief and pain.
The streets are cold and dreary,
All our hopes are now in vain.

Chorus:

Was I ever one to be other
Though never yours for long,
Was I ever yours, my darling,
Of our lost golden love?

I often dream of you, my darling,
You look so good and nice to me,
Though somehow you may find me
There for this was I long to be.

If you ever need my darling,
Don't forget to drop a line,
I'll always think of you, my darling,
Won't you think of me sometime?

"Come Back To The Valley"

By Cole Porter

There's a little farmhouse cabin in the valley,
It seems I can hear it call to me,
Saying, "Come back to me who is waiting,
Because you're longing to be."

Chorus:

Come back, sweetheart, to the valley,
I'll wait for you in the old apple tree,
There's a love little bit in the valley,
His love, sweetheart, you and me.

It may seem I see you old friend, sweetheart,
But I don't see you at all, sweetheart,
As the wind whistles down through the pines,
The whipsaw and all, I love you.



"I'll Meet You In Church Sunday Morning"

In G4 Major

On Sunday when the church bells are ringing
They're ringing for you and for me,
Let's all gather 'round at the altar,
And give God our love here in Glee.

Chorus:

I'll meet you in church Sunday morning,
And we'll all kneel down and pray,
We'll praise to you Lord on the altar,
To guide us safe home on our way.

It's a place where we all meet on Sunday,
To worship our Lord up above,
And let all our sins be forgiven,
And meet with our Lord - our love.

To heaven I have a voice calling,
From the land where there's no sorrow here,
Let's all be prepared to meet Jesus,
The path is narrow to that house far away.

"I Hear My Saviour Calling"

In G4 Major

Oh friends have gathered for around me,
They know I'll come, by an' no way,
To live up there with Jesus forever,
That looks best in the way.

Chorus:

I hear my Saviour with a calling,
He bids his love to come home,
I'll gladly follow in His footsteps,
I know He'll guide me safely home.

In this world we're only pilgrims,
We have sinned and all done wrong,
But if you'll trust in Jesus my Saviour,
All sinners and He'll call you home.

For you're not for this journey,
I know He'll guide you by His love,
There is rest up there for you, my brother,
In God's bright heaven up above.



"In Heaven We'll Never Grow Old"

In the hills, on road of a city,
With angels that are joined with our kind;
We will live in that city forever
And there we shall never grow old.

(Chorus)

In heaven we'll never grow old,
In heaven we'll never grow old,
We will live in that city forever
And there we shall never grow old.

In the hills, on road of a street,
That goes by the Throne we are told,
We will sing at the laughing waters,
And there we shall never grow old.

In the hills, on road of a canyon,
We'll live through the ages' delight,
We will share all the pleasures of heaven,
And there we shall never grow old.

Here on road of the earth, many a pilgrim,
Have tried to find through battles and strife,
They've all but reached their haven of glory,
And there they shall never grow old.

"Midnight Storm"

By Carter Brainer

His way led to the hills of old Virginia,
His way began along mountains all alone,
But it started early from my window,
Through the dark and stormy night, I'm going home.

(Chorus)

When the high winds blow from heaven,
I whisper to them along,
I'm on my way back homing
As the midnight storm rolls on.

When the cold heavy rain starts falling,
And the clouds take the night golden hue,
All I see is your face there smiling at me,
I can see as I sing this heavenly tune.



"The Heart You Steal Away"

By Peter Dinklage

I wait for you dear all night long,
I miss you more, you know,
I tell myself at the break of day,
To save those awful blue eyes,

Chorus

Wake up, sweetheart, the night has passed,
You're dead your wishes all away,
You're ready now to love again,
This weary heart you stole away.

I loved you young in your days,
You said you'd loved somebody new,
So I let you go and just pretended,
But I could love no one but you.

"The Wild and Reckless Waho"

The wild and reckless Waho
He left his happy home
Dressed in a military tunic,
All in brown and blue,
He pulled his hat down over his eyes,
And walked out on the town,
He said farewell to friends and home,
He never coming back.

He stood there on the sidewalk,
Looking a little queer,
Waiting for a woman to pass,
To catch an empty eye,
He ran this trick in France,
There I'll take in the town,
I'll find the girl I want to love,
She'll never let me down.

He got off in Kansas,
He stuck on a Texas girl,
She laid down right upon her head,
She took the Waho's part,
He said she was too dumb on
The law I'll take my stand,
I'll never take another train,
I'll take her back and hand.



"My Sinful Past"

By Carter Hester

Come listen to my story,
It tells of sorrow and pain;
My sinful past still haunts me,
I've lived my life in vain.

Chorus:

The hand reached down to guide me,
The path was sweet to me,
I heard a voice whisper,
Oh Lord, have mercy on me.

I've led a life so wicked,
I've lost all I've ever had,
That's why I'm bound for destruction,
It's sinful, shameful, it's sad.

Now that you've heard my story,
It thrills my heart to say,
My sinful past does tempt you,
To take the straight and narrow way.

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