

Hymns and Arias

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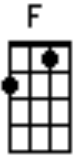
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We [C] paid our weekly shilling for that [G] January [C] trip
A [C] long weekend in London aye [G] without a bit of [C] kip
There's a [F] seat reserved for beer by the [C] boys from [G] Aber-[C] carn
There's a [F] beer, pontoon, [G] crisps and fags and a croakin' 'Calon [C] Lan

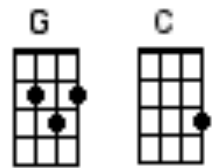
Chorus

And we were [F] sing- / ing / hymns and [C] arias
'Land of my [G] Fathers' 'Ar hyd [C] y nos"



Into [C] Paddington we did roll with an empty [G] crate of [C] ale
Will [C] has lost at cards and now his Western [G] Mail's for [C] sale
But [F] Will is very happy though his [C] money all [G] has [C] gone
He [F] swapped five photos of his [G] wife for one of Barry [C] John

Chorus



We [C] told the guard that we're from [G] Wales and asked 'Is Twickers [C] far?'
He [C] said 'You can catch a 48 man, but it [G] isn't very [C] far'

On the [F] bus were boys from Blaina who'd [C] been to [G] see the [C] Queen
So [F] we had a quick Gymanfa, [G] aye, it was the greatest London's [C] seen

Chorus

We [C] got to Twickers early and were [G] jostled by the [C] crowd
[C] Planted leeks and dragons, looked for [G] toilets all a-[C] round
So [F] many there we couldn't budge / [C] twisted [G] legs and [C] pale
I'm [F] ashamed we used a [G] bottle that once held bitter [C] ale

Chorus

[C] Wales defeated England in a [G] fast and open [C] game
[C] We sang Cwm Rhondda and Delilah damn, they [G] sounded both the [C] same
We [F] sympathised with an Englishman whose [C] team was [G] doomed to [C] fail
So [F] we gave him that old [G] bottle that once held bitter [C] ale!

Chorus

[C] So it's down to Soho for the night, to the [G] girls with the shiny [C] beach
[C] Yo the funny men with lipstick on, with evil [G] minds and [C] deeds
[F] One said to Will from a doorway dark, damn, [C] she didn't [G] have much [C] on
But [F] Will knew what she wanted, aye / his photo of [G] Barry [C] John!

Chorus

Cos she was [F] sing- / ing / hymns and [C] arias
'Land of my [G] Fathers' 'Ar hyd [C] y nos" x 2