

On Top of Old Smokey

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Musical score for the song "On Top of Old Smokey". The score is written in 3/4 time and consists of two staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter). Chords are indicated above the staff: C (measures 1-2), F (measures 3-4), and C (measures 5-6). The second staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody is: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter). Chords are indicated above the staff: G7 (measures 1-2) and C (measures 3-4). The lyrics are: "On top of Old Smokey, All covered with snow, I lost my true lover, For courting too slow." The number "8" is written at the beginning of the second staff.

For courting's a pleasure,
But parting is grief,
And a false-hearted lover,
Is worse than a thief.

A thief will just rob you,
And take what you have,
But a false-hearted lover,
Will lead you to your grave.

The grave will decay you,
And turn you to dust,
Not one boy in a hundred
A poor girl can trust.

They'll hug you and kiss you,
And tell you more lies,
Than crossties on a railroad,
Or stars in the sky.

So come ye young maidens,
And listen to me,
Never place your affection
In a green willow tree.

For the leaves they will wither,
The roots they will die,
And you'll be forsaken,
And never know why.