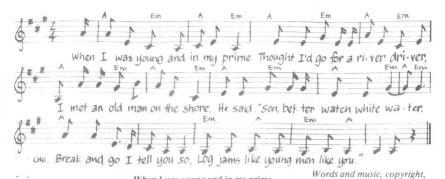
White Water



When I was young and in my prime, Thought I'd go for a river driver. I met an old man on the shore;

He said, "Son, better watch white water."

Chorus:

Break and go, I tell you so, Log jams like young men like you.

I just laughed and I laughed some more. What was I but a bold young rouser? And I left him on the shore. That was before I knew white water.

What was I but a bold young fool. It didn't take long till I learned better; That's when young MacPherson drowned. He was gone with a roar when the jam turned over.

So we dragged him to the shore, Carved his name in the bark of a cedar, Hung his boots on a hangin' limb. Mac had gone too near the water.

Log jams come and log jams go; Big or small, they all spell danger. You gotta have an old man on the shore When you're tryin' to get the key log out from under.

So now I heed what the old man says; Listen to the words of the big boss driver When he's standing on the shore Tellin' young fellas how to handle timber.

Last chorus:

Break and go, it's now I see, Log jams like young men like me.

This is a good fiddle tune; play it with a bounce. You will note that rather than place the chords A and Em exactly where they should go harmonically, I set up a harmonic pattern so that one's memory of the harmony carries through. I prefer to play in this way but if one prefers to play the A and Em strictly where they belong, so be it.

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