

# Boil Them Cabbages Down (A)

## Additional Lyrics not in Songbook

### Lyrics

[chorus]

Boil them cabbages down, down  
Bake that hoecake brown  
The only song that I can sing  
Is Boil Them Cabbages Down

[verses]

Went up on the mountain  
Just to give my horn a blow  
Thought I heard my true love say  
Yonder comes my beau

Raccoon has a bushy tail  
Possum's tail is bare  
Rabbit's got no tail at all  
But a little bunch of hair

Possum up a 'simmon tree  
Raccoon on the ground  
Raccoon say to the possum  
'Won't you shake them 'simmons down?'

Someone stole my ol' coon dog  
Wish they'd bring him back  
He chased the big hogs through the fence  
And the little ones through the crack

### Definitions

bile - old way of saying "boil"  
'simmons - short for persimmons