

## Carter Family

### "In The Shadow Of Clinch Mountain"

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I grew up on the side of Clinch Mountain  
With the beauties and the music of the woods  
The sweet song of the bright bubbling fountain  
and the warble of the birds I understood

When I've sung my last song in the evening  
And the sun sets in the golden west  
All the scenes of this world I'll be leaving  
In the shadow of Clinch Mountain I will rest

Long ago said the oak and the cedar  
Singing deeply in a whisper of the past  
Stood not then this great towering leader  
nor the fountain where the crystal gems are kept  
(passed?)

Then I asked how this green lofty mountain  
in the caldron the lonely desert stood  
Said this song of the bright sunny fountain  
We were given by the waters of the flood

Out that gate I have passed since my childhood  
O'er the railway through the tunnel to the west  
singing songs of the Clinch Mountain wildwoods  
Song that people found and birds loved the best

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