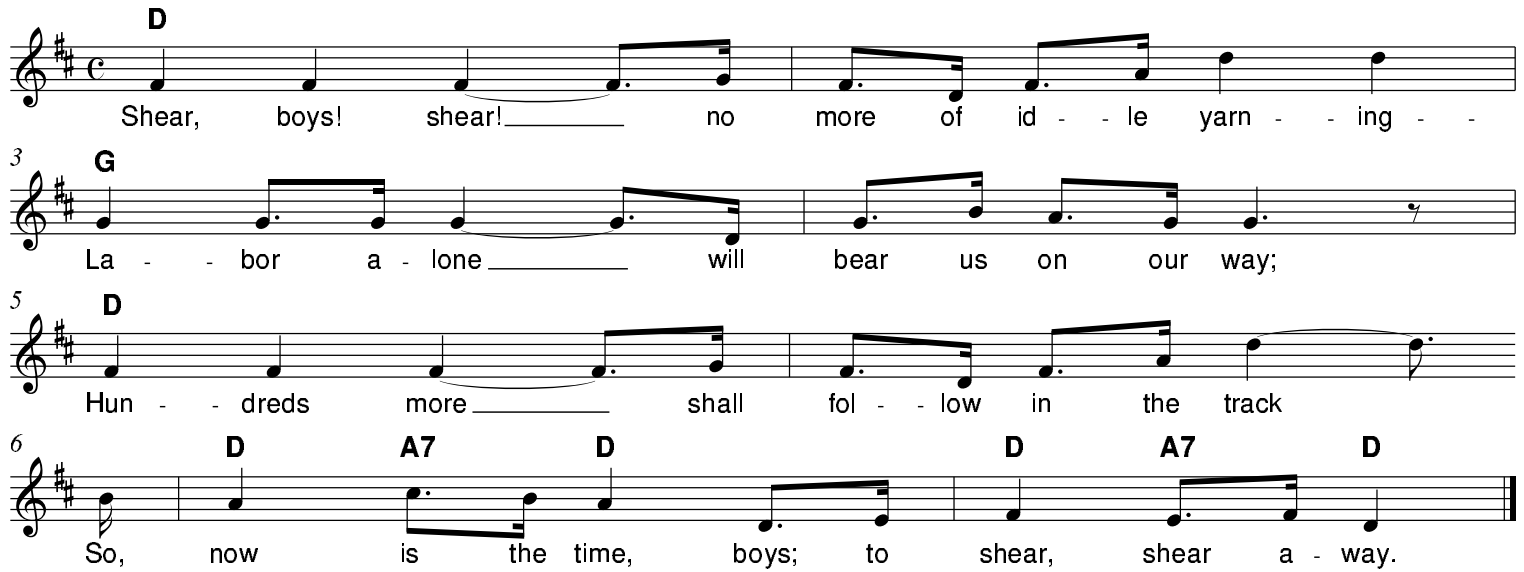


A Goulburn Shearer's Song

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Shear, boys! shear! no more of id - - le yarn - - ing - -

La - - bor a - lone will bear us on our way;

Hun - - dreds more shall fol - - low in the track

So, now is the time, boys; to shear, shear a - way.

Now is our time, boys, the heavy fleece is growing,
There's work, good and steady, for many a summer's day;
Hundreds shall follow in the track we're going
Now is the time, boys; shear, shear away.

Shear, boys, shear! the pay is good and ready;
Shear, boys, shear! with strong and willing hand;
Shear, boys, shear! let's at it hard and steady,
Shear, boys, shear! in this new and happy land.

Shear, boys, shear! how many a mile we've wander'd,
Looking for work, and looking it in vain;
Think, boys, think, how many a pound we've squander'd,
Then work with a will, boys, nor be such fools again.

Many a spree we've had, spent many a hard-earned shilling;
Then fasting and weary we've tramped the lonely way--
Then work, boys, work! with ready hand and willing,
And we'll save our cheques, boys, 'gainst a rainy day.

Shear, boys, shear! let's at it hard and steady;
Shear, boys, shear! stout heart and willing hand;
Shear, boys, shear! the pay is good and ready;
And cheer, boys, cheer! for this new and happy land.