# May The Bird Of Paradise Fly Up Your Nose

Neal Merrit (as recorded by Little Jimmy Dickens 1965)

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**[G] / [D7] / [G] / [G]**

One fine **[G]** day as I was **[D7]** walkin’ down the **[G]** street **[G]**

Spied a **[G]** beggar man with rags upon his **[D7]** feet **[D7]**

Took a **[G]** penny from my **[G7]↓** pocket

In his **[C]↓** tin cup I did **[C]↓** drop it

And I **[G]** heard him say as **[D7]** I made my re-**[G]**treat **[G]**

May the **[G]** bird of paradise fly up your nose **[G]**

May an **[G]** elephant caress you with his **[D7]** toes **[D7]**

May your **[G]** wife be plagued with **[G7]** runners in her **[C]** hose **[C]**

May the **[G]** bird of para-**[D7]**dise fly up your **[G]** nose **[G]**

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My **[G]** laundry man is **[D7]** really on his **[G]** toes **[G]**

Found a **[G]** hundred dollar bill among my **[D7]** clothes **[D7]**

When he **[G]** called me I came **[G7]↓** runnin’

Gave him **[C]↓** back his dime for **[C]↓** phonin’

And I **[G]** heard him sayin’ **[D7]** as I turned to **[G]** go **[G]**

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I was **[G]** way behind one **[D7]** day to catch a **[G]** train **[G]**

The taxi **[G]** driver said “We'll make it!” just the **[D7]** same **[D7]**

A **[G]** speed cop made it **[G7]↓** with us

And as **[C]↓** he wrote out the **[C]↓** ticket

I stood **[G]** by politely **[D7]** waitin’ for my **[G]** change **[G]**

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