Golden Slippers - Duet
by James Bland

Black composer James A. Bland was a minstrel show songwriter of the 1800's. The tune is always a favorite of the hammered dulcimer players and can frequently be heard at square dances. It lends itself magnificently to harmony, so I have written a duet harmony part in smaller notes.

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Oh my long white robe that I laid away 'cause I
Bass D 0 0 0 ETC.

Middle G 2 3 4 4 4 3 3 4 4 4 2 3

Treble DD 3 4 5 5 5 4 3 4 5 5 5 3 4

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don't 'spect to get changed 'cause it

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long tailed coat that I

old gray hoss that I

wear up hitch him to the chariot in the morn ing. And my

Key of G
Ionian Melody
Tune D G DD
Strummed

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Oh, my old banjo hangs on the wall
'Cause it ain't been tuned since way last fall.
But the darkies all say we will have a good time
When we ride up in the chariot in the morning.

There's old brother Ben and Sister Luce;
They will telegraph the news to Uncle Bacco Juice.
What great camp meetin' there will be that day
When we ride up in the chariot in the morning.

So, it's good bye children, I will have to go
Where the rain don't fall and the wind don't blow.
And your ulster coats, why you will not need
When you ride up in the chariot in the morning.

But your GOLDEN SLIPPERS must be nice and clean;
And your age must be just sweet sixteen.
And your white kid gloves you will have to wear
When you ride up in the chariot in the morning.