

# Urge For Going

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I awoke today and found the frost perched on the town  
It hovered in a frozen sky then it gobbled summer down  
    When the sun turns traitor cold  
    And all the trees are shivering in a naked row  
I get the urge for going but I never seem to go  
    I get the urge for going  
    When the meadow grass is turning brown  
Summertime is falling down and winter is closing in  
I had me a man in summertime he had summer-colored skin  
And not another girl in town my darling's heart could win  
    But when the leaves fell on the ground  
Bully winds came around pushed them face down in the snow  
    He got the urge for going and I had to let him go  
    He got the urge for going  
    When the meadow grass was turning brown  
Summertime was falling down and winter was closing in  
Now the warriors of winter they gave a cold triumphant shout  
And all that stays is dying and all that lives is gettin' out  
    See the geese in chevron flight  
    Flapping and racing on before the snow  
    They got the urge for going  
    And they got the wings so they can go  
    They get the urge for going  
    When the meadow grass is turning brown  
Summertime is falling down and winter is closing in  
    I'll ply the fire with kindling now  
    I'll pull the blankets up to my chin  
    I'll lock the vagrant winter out and  
    I'll fold my wandering in  
    I'd like to call back summertime  
    Have her stay for just another month or so  
    But she's got the urge for going  
So I guess she'll have to go she gets the urge for going  
    When the meadow grass is turning brown  
All her empire's falling down and winter's closing in  
    And I get the urge for going  
    When the meadow grass is turning brown  
    And summertime is falling down

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