

BENDEMEER'S STREAM

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**G**          **G**          **Am9 -G**          **G**  
THERE'S A BOWER OF ROSES BY BENDEMEER'S STREAM  
          **D7/9**          **D7**          **D7**          **G**  
AND THE NIGHTINGALE SINGS ROUND IT ALL THE DAY LONG  
          **G**          **G**          **Am9 - G**          **G**  
IN THE TIME OF MY CHILDHOOD 'T WAS LIKE A SWEET DREAM  
          **D**          **D7**          **D7**          **G**  
TO SIT IN THE ROSES AND HEAR THE BIRD'S SONG  
          **D - D7**          **D7/9**          **C**          **G**  
THAT BOWER AND IT'S MUSIC I NEVER FORGET  
          **G**          **C**          **A7**          **D**  
BUT OFT WHEN ALONE IN THE BLOOM OF THE YEAR  
          **G**          **G**          **Am7 - G**          **G**  
I THINK, "IS THE NIGHTINGALE SINGING THERE YET?  
          **D7/9**          **D7**          **D7**          **G**          **G**  
ARE THE ROSES STILL BRIGHT BY THE CALM BENDEMEER?"

**G**          **G**          **Am9 -G**          **G**  
NO THE ROSES SOON WITHERED THAT HUNG OVER THE WAVE  
          **D7/9**          **D7**          **D7**          **G**  
BUT SOME BLOSSOMS WERE GATHERED WHILE FRESHLY THEY SHONE  
          **G**          **G**          **Am9 - G**          **G**  
AND THE DEW WAS DISTILLED FROM THEIR FLOWERS THAT GAVE  
          **D**          **D7**          **D7**          **G**  
ALL THE FRAGRANCE OF SUMMER WHEN SUMMER WAS GONE!  
          **D - D7 D7/9**          **C**          **G**  
THUS MEMORY DRAWS FROM DELIGHT ERE IT DIES  
          **G**          **G**          **A7**          **D**  
AN ESSENCE THAT BREATHES OF IT MANY A YEAR  
          **G**          **G**          **Am7 - G**          **G**  
THUS BRIGHT TO MY SOUL AS 'T WAS THEN TO MY EYES  
          **D7/9**          **D7**          **D7**          **G**          **G**  
IS THAT BOWER ON THE BANKS OF THE CALM BENDEMEER!