

# Silver Threads Among the Gold

Lyrics by Eben Eugene Rexford (1848-1916)

Music by Hart Pease Danks (1834-1903)

G D7 G D7 G

1. Dar - ling, I am grow - ing old, ——— Sil - ver threads a - mong the gold  
 2. When your hair is sil - ver - white, ——— And your cheeks no long - er bright  
 3. Love can nev - er - more grow old, ——— Locks may lose their brown and gold;  
 4. Love is al - ways young and fair: ——— What to us is sil - ver hair,

G D7 G D7 G

Shine up - on my brow to - day; ——— Life is fad - ing fast a - way.  
 With the ros - es of the May, ——— I will kiss your lips, and say:  
 Cheeks may fade and hol - low grow, ——— But the hearts that love, will know  
 Fad - ed cheeks or steps grown slow, ——— To the hearts that beat be - low?

D7 G D A7(-3) D7

But, my dar - ling, you will be, will be Al - ways young and fair to me.  
 Oh! my dar - ling, mine a - lone, a - lone, You have nev - er old - er grown.  
 Nev - er, nev - er win - ter's frost and chill; Sum - mer warmth is in them still.  
 Since I kissed you, mine a - lone, a - lone, You have nev - er old - er grown.

G D7 G D7 G C G

Yes! my dar - ling, you will be ——— Al - ways young and fair to me.  
 Yes! my dar - ling, mine a - lone, ——— You have nev - er old - er grown.  
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CHORUS D7 G D A7(-3) D7

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NOTE: play (-3) chords using notes 1-5-7 to avoid lever changes. The fingering 1—1 indicates a thumb slide.

Eben Rexford was a prolific author, publishing 18 books, 9 articles, at least 26 poems and stories, and 22 songs. Hart Danks was also a prolific composer with over 1,000 songs and several operettas to his credit; he contacted Rexford offering to buy song lyrics, and "Silver Threads" was one result. It was first published in 1873, and eventually sold over three million copies. Both men were inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame in 1970.