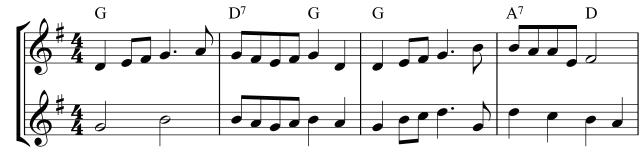
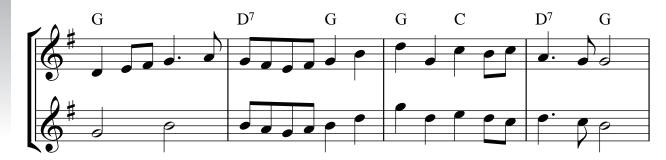
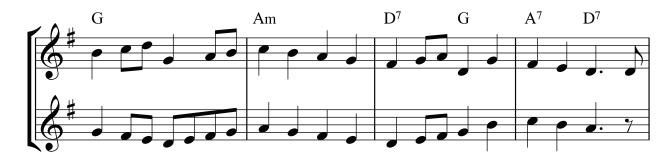
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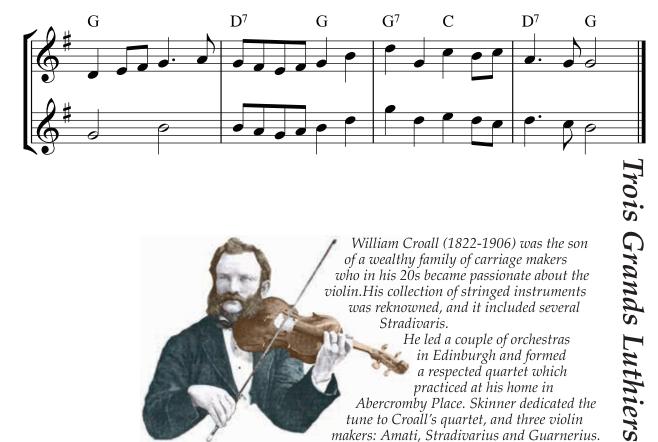
Les Trois Grands Luthiers (James Scott Skinner)

slow air









William Croall (1822-1906) was the son of a wealthy family of carriage makers who in his 20s became passionate about the violin. His collection of stringed instruments was reknowned, and it included several Stradivaris.

He led a couple of orchestras in Edinburgh and formed a respected quartet which practiced at his home in Abercromby Place. Skinner dedicated the tune to Croall's quartet, and three violin makers: Amati, Stradivarius and Guarnerius.

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