

Spring Clearing

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Dropped D - Key of D

(In) ^DEarly spring when the ^Asnow is gone
^Gtake a walk in the ^Awoods and look ^Daround
there's a tree in the ^Apath, branches on the ground
^Gand you know it's time to get the ^Dchain saw out

Clearing brush, cutting weeds
picking off brambles, raking leaves. (You're)
Picking up what snow brought down. ('Cause)
now's the time for Spring Clearing.

There's a tree on the ground with branches in compression;
a tree leaning over the pasture fence and
a tree in the stream so it blocks the route.
it's surely time to get the chain saw out

chorus

(so you) Get out the saw and mix the fuel.
Sharpen the chain; fill the oil.
Haul on the starter and check the choke
and wonder whether the engine's broke

chorus

break - "still trying to get the damn saw to start ..."

(So you) Salvage logs to warm you in the winter
tug on branches and curse the splinters
chop the twigs; what's left makes a pile
now go inside to rest for awhile

chorus

Build a brush pile up, then you burn it down
when the fire's out rake the coals around.
Water the ash. It's time for a bath.
tomorrow more Spring Clearing

chorus

finish with 1.5 repetitions of Living in the Country