## Catlettsburg

## Traditional

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This tune comes to us from the legendary Kentucky fiddler Ed Haley (1884-1951), who was born in Logan County, West Virginia, but lived most of his life in eastern Kentucky. For a time, he and his wife raised their family in the town of Catlettsburg, Kentucky, a small community located where the Big Sandy River enters the Ohio, forming the border with West Virginia.

Catlettsburg is a three part tune, but Haley only plays the $C$ part on his second time through, ending on the B part on his third pass. Note that the $B$ and $C$ parts are twice the length of the part. His performance is irregularly structured in other ways too, so that the overall order looks like this:

## A A A ABBAAAABCCABB

I have smoothed out the order in the tab, in the process cutting in half the number of times each part is repeated, and play the $C$ part each time through, which is how you generally hear it played today, so that it looks like this:

A ABCAABCAABC

