MTA Song
Jacqueline Steiner & Bess Lomax Hawes

intro: chords for last 2 lines of chorus

v1:

G   C
Now let me tell you of the story of a man named Charlie

      G   D7
On this tragic and fateful day

     G   C
He put ten cents in his pocket, kissed his wife and family

  D7   G
Went to ride on the MTA

   chorus:

   G   C
   But did he ever return? No he never returned

     G   D7
   And his fate is still unlearned

    G   C
   He may ride forever 'neath the streets of Boston

     G   D7   G
   He's the man who never returned

v2:

                      C
Charlied handed in his dime at the Kendall Square station

    G   D7
And he changed for Jamaica Plain

   G   C
When he got there the conductor told him "One more nickel"

 D7   G
Charlie couldn't get off of that train   -- <mark>CHORUS</mark>

v3:

              C
Now all night long Charlie rides through the station

   G   D7
Crying "What will become of me?"

   G   C
"How can I afford to see my sister in Chelsea

 D7   G
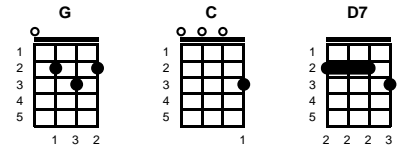Or my cousin in Roxbury?"   -- <mark>CHORUS</mark>

v4:

               C
Charlie's wife goes down to the Scully Square station

   G   D7
Every day at quarter past two

   G   C
And through the open window she hands Charlie a sandwich

 D7   G
As the train goes rumbling through   -- <mark>CHORUS</mark>

v5:

               C
Now you citizens of Boston, don't you think it's a scandal

   G   D7
How the people have to pay and pay

   G   C
Fight the fare increase, vote for George O'Brien

 D7   G
Get poor Charlie off the MTA

STANDARD

G   C   D7

BARITONE

G   C   D7