

# OL' MAN RIVER

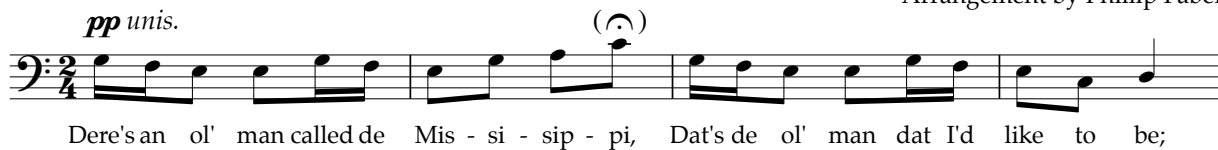
from the Musical "Show Boat"

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**Lento (rubato)**

*pp unis.*

MALE  
CHOIR



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**Con sentimento**

*p*

Ol' man Ri-ver, dat ol' man Ri-ver, He mus'know sump- in', But don't say noth- in', He just keeps rol- lin', He

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keeps on rol-lin' a - lon'. He don't plant 'ta- ters, He don't plant cot- ton, An'

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keeps on rol-lin' a - lon'. He don't plant 'ta- ters, He don't plant cot- ton, An'

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dem dat plant'em is soon for-got-ten, But Ol'man Riv-er, He jes keeps rol-lin' a - lon', \_\_\_\_\_ a - lon'..

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### Più mosso

25

*mf* You an' me, wesweat an' strain, Bo-dy all ach in' and racked with pain. "Tote that barge! Lift that bale!" *marcato*

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*mf lead* You an' me, wesweat an' strain, Bo-dy all ach in' and racked with pain. "Tote that barge! Lift that bale!" *marcato*

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rall. . . . .

A tempo

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Git a litt-le drunk, jail! Ah gits wea-ry, An' sick o' try-in', Ah'm tired of liv-in' an' *mp* *pp cresc.*

Git a litt-le drunk, jail! Ah gits wea-ry, An' sick o' try-in', Ah'm tired of liv-in' an' *mp* *pp cresc.*

Git a litt-le drunk, jail! Ah gits wea-ry, An' sick o' try-in', Ah'm tired of liv-in' an' *mp* *pp cresc.* *lead*

Git a litt-le drunk an' you lands in jail! Ah gits wea-ry, An' sick o' try-in', Ah'm tired of liv-in' an' *mp* *pp cresc.*

(end of short version)

37 *f*

sceered of dy-in', But Ol' man riv-er, he jus' keeps roll-in' a - lon'.

*lead f*

sceered of dy-in', But Ol' man riv-er, he jus' keeps roll-in' a - lon', keeps roll-in' a - lon'.

*f*

sceered of dy-in', But Ol' man riv-er, he jus' keeps roll-in' a - lon'.

*f*

sceered of dy-in', But Ol' man riv-er, he jus' keeps roll-in' a - lon'.

42 *mp*

Here we all work'long the Mis-sis-sip-pi, here we all work while de white folks play, Oo..

*mp*

Here we all work'long the Mis-sis-sip-pi, here we all work while de white folks play, Oo..

*mp*

Here we all work'long the Mis-sis-sip-pi, here we all work while de white folks play, Oo..

*mp*

Here we all work'long the Mis-sis-sip-pi, here we all work while de white folks play, Pull-in' dose boats from de

47 *mf*

Git-tin'no rest till de judge-ment day. Dont look up an' don't look down, You don't dast make de

*mf*

Git-tin'no rest till de judge-ment day. Dont look up an' don't look down, You don't dast make de

*lead mf*

Git-tin'no rest till de judge-ment day. Dont look up an' don't look down, You don't dast make de

*mf*

dawnto sun-set Git-tin'no rest till de judge-ment day. Dont look up an' don't look down, You don't dast make de

53 *mp* *p*

white boss frown; Bend yo' knees an' bow yo' head, an' pull dat rope un - til yo're dead. Oo..

*mp* *p lead*

white boss frown; Bend yo' knees an' bow yo' head, an' pull dat rope un - til yo're dead. Let me go 'way from de

*mp* *p*

white boss frown; Bend yo' knees an' bow yo' head, an' pull dat rope un - til yo're dead. Oo..

*mp* *p*

white boss frown; Bend yo' knee, bow yo' head, pull dat rope 'til yo're dead. Oo..

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oo.. oo..

Mis - sis - sip - pi, oo.. oo..

*lead*

Let me go 'way from de white man boss. Show me dat stream called de

oo.. oo..

63 *rit.*

Dat's de ol' stream dat I long to cross.

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riv - er Jor - dan, Dat's de ol' stream dat I long to cross.

Dat's de ol' stream dat I long to cross.

## A tempo

67 *p*

Ol' man Ri-ver, dat ol' man Ri-ver, He mus'know sump- in', But don't say noth- in', He just keeps rol- lin', He

*p*

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*p* *lead*

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*p lead*

Ol' man Ri-ver, dat ol' man Ri-ver, He mus'know sump- in', But don't say noth- in', He just keeps rol- lin', He

72 *mp espr.*

solo

Long low riv-er for-ev-er keeps roll-in' on.

*p*

keeps on rol-lin' a-lon'. He don't plant 'ta-ters, He

*p*

keeps on rol-lin' a-lon'. He don't plant 'ta-ters, He

*p*

keeps on rol-lin' a-lon'. He don't plant 'ta-ters, He

*p lead*

keeps on rol-lin' a-lon'. He don't plant 'ta-ters, He

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8 don't plant cot-ton, An' dem dat plant'em is soon for - got-ten, But Ol' man Riv-er, He jes keeps rol-lin' a -

8 don't plant cot-ton, An' dem dat plant'em is soon for - got-ten, But Ol' man Riv-er, He jes keeps rol-lin' a -

lead 8 don't plant cot-ton, An' dem dat plant'em is soon for - got-ten, But Ol' man Riv-er, He jes keeps rol-lin' a -

8 don't plant cot-ton, An' dem dat plant'em is soon for - got-ten, But Ol' man Riv-er, He jes keeps rol-lin' a -

81 *mp espr.* **Più mosso**

solo 8 Long low riv-er keepssing-in' dis song

8 lon'. You an' me, we sweat an' strain, Bo-dy all ach-in' and racked with pain.

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rall. . . . .

87 *marcato* *mp*

"Tote that barge! Lift that bale!" Git a litt - le drunk, jail!\_\_\_\_\_

*marcato* *mp*

"Tote that barge! Lift that bale!" Git a litt - le drunk, jail!\_\_\_\_\_

*marcato* *mp*

"Tote that barge! Lift that bale!" Git a litt - le drunk, jail!\_\_\_\_\_

*marcato* *lead* *mp*

"Tote that barge! Lift that bale!" Git a litt - le drunk an' you lands in jail!\_\_\_\_\_

**A tempo**

92 *pp cresc. molto*

Ah gits wea-ry, An' sick o' try - in', Ah'm tired of liv - in' an' sceered of dy - in', But

*pp cresc. molto* *lead*

Ah gits wea-ry, An' sick o' try - in', Ah'm tired of liv - in' an' sceered of dy - in', But

*pp cresc. molto* *lead*

Ah gits wea-ry, An' sick o' try - in', Ah'm tired of liv - in' an' sceered of dy - in', But

*pp cresc. molto*

Ah gits wea-ry, An' sick o' try - in', Ah'm tired of liv - in' an' sceered of dy - in', But

96 *f* **molto rit.** **A tempo**

*f*

Ol' man riv - er, he jus' keeps roll - in' a - lon'.

*f*

Ol' man riv - er, he jus' keeps roll - in' a - lon', keeps roll - in' a - lon'.

*f*

Ol' man riv - er, he jus' keeps roll - in' a - lon'.

*f*

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