

Ol' Man River

from Show Boat

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Very slowly

C Am C F C F C Am

Ol' Man Riv-er, dat Ol' Man Riv-er, He must know sump-in' but don't say noth-in' He

5 G⁷ Dmaj⁷ G⁹ C F⁶ C

jus' keeps roll - in', He keeps on roll - in' a - long._____ He

9 Am C F C Am C/E E^bdim⁷

don't plant 'ta-ters, he don't plant cot-ton, An' dem dat plants 'em is soon for - got-ten; But

13 Dm⁷ G⁷ Dm⁷ G⁹ C F C B⁷

Ol' Man Riv - er, he jus' keeps roll - in' a - long._____

17 Em B⁷ Em B⁷ Em⁶ Adim⁷ Em B⁷

You an' me, we sweat an' strain, Bod - y all ach - in' an' racked wid pain.

21 Em Am⁶ Em Adim⁷ Em Adim⁷ Em Dm⁷ G⁷

"Tote dat barge!" "Lift dat bale," Git a lit - tle drunk an' you land in jail.

25 C Am C F C G⁹ Am D⁷

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

29 C Am Dm⁹ G⁷ C Fm C G⁷ C

Ol' Man Riv-er, he jus' keeps roll-in' a - long. long._____

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