



Row, Boatman, Row

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(1855-1933)**

Adam Geibel (1855-1933) was born in Neuenheim, Germany, and was blinded by an eye infection at age eight. He emigrated from Germany at about age ten and studied at the Philadelphia Institute for the Blind. He founded the Adam Geibel Music Company, which later evolved into the Hall-Mack Company, then merged to become the Rodeheaver Hall-Mack Company. He received an honorary Music Degree from Temple University. He was chief organist for the John Stetson Mission Sunday School, conducted the Stetson Chorus of Philadelphia, and was a music instructor at the Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind where he taught piano, violin, harmony and composition. He died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He edited or co-edited a number of hymn collections. He composed cantatas, anthems, hymns, gospel songs, and was well known for some of his secular songs. His songs "Sleep, Sleep, Sleep" and "Kentucky Babe" were recorded and popularized by Fred Waring and Bing Crosby.

Row, boatman, row us o'er the waters blue,
Row us o'er the waters blue.

The night is bright and fair;
The breeze is fresh, the stars are gleaming,
Sweet music fills the air,
With joy and love our hearts are teeming;

Then, boatman, row us o'er the stream,
With steady hand and splashing oar
We'll glide beneath the moon's soft beam,
Till home again, we'll be once more.

Boatman, row us o'er the stream,
Row us o'er the placid stream,
The silvery stream.

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Allegro moderato

S *f* Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row us o'er the

A *f* Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row us o'er the

T *f* Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row us o'er the

B *f* Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row us o'er the

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S wa - ters blue, — Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row,

A wa - ters blue, — Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row,

T wa - ters blue, — Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row,

B wa - ters blue, — Row, boat - man, row, Row, boat - man, row,

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S Row us o'er the wa - ters blue. *mp* The night — is bright and

A Row us o'er the wa - ters blue. *p* Row, row, row, row, row, row, row,

T Row us o'er the wa - ters blue. *p* Row, row, row, row, row, row, row,

B Row us o'er the wa - ters blue. *p* Row, row, row, row, row, row, row,

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S fair; The breeze is fresh, the stars are gleaming, Sweet

A row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row,

T row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row,

B row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, *f* Sweet music fills the

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S mu - sic fills the air, With joy and love our hearts are

A row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row,

T row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row,

B air, *p* row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row, row,

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S teem - ing; Then, boat - man, row us o'er the stream,

A row, row, row, Then, boat - man, row us o'er the stream,

T row, row, row, Then, boat - man, row us o'er the stream,

B row, row, row, *f* Then, boat - man, row us o'er the stream, With stead - y

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S With stead - y hand and splash-ing oar We'll glide be-neath

A With stead - y hand and splash-ing oar We'll glide be-neath

T With stead - y hand and splash-ing oar We'll glide be-neath

B hand _____ and splash-ing oar _____ We'll glide be - neath _____ thmoon's soft

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S the moon's soft beam, Till home a - gain, we'll be once more.

A the moon's soft beam, Till home a - gain, we'll be once more.

T the moon's soft beam, Till home a - gain, we'll be once more.

B beam, _____ Till home a - gain, we'll be once more.

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S more. Tra la la la la la la la la,

A more. Tra la la la la la la la la,

T more. Ah! _____ Tra la la

B more. Ah! _____ Tra la la

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S tra la, Tra la la la la la la la

A tra la, Tra la la la la la la la

T la la la, Ah!

B la la la, Ah!

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S la, Tra la la la la la la la.

A la, Tra la la la la la la la.

T — Tra la la la la la la la.

B — Tra la la la la la la la.

1.

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S la la la la la. Boat - man,

A la la la la la. Boat - man,

T la la la la la. Boat - man,

B la la la la la. Boat - man,

2.

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S
row us o'er the stream, Row us o'er the pla - cid

A
row us o'er the stream, Row us o'er the pla - cid

T
8
row us o'er the stream, Row us o'er the pla - cid

B
row us o'er the stream, Row us o'er the pla - cid

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S
stream, The sil - v'ry stream.

A
stream, The sil - v'ry stream.

T
8
stream, The sil - v'ry stream.

B
stream, The sil - v'ry stream.

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