

SOLO  
float-in' down the riv - er, the O - hi - o.....

*pp* (echo)  
High row the

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*mp* the O - hi - o..... *ppp*

boat-men row *p* *ppp* hmn.....

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boat-men row, float-in' down the riv - er, *p* *ppp* hmn.....

boat-men row, down the riv - er, *p* *ppp* hmn.....

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BOOSEY & HAWKES

# THE BOATMEN'S DANCE

(Minstrel Song-1843)

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Quite slow (freely) (♩ = 68)

TENOR I

TENOR II

BASS I

BASS II

PIANO

BARITONE SOLO *legato*  
High row the boat-men row,

Quite slow (freely) (♩ = 68)

*ff* *mf*

*p* (echo)  
High row the

*p* (echo)  
High row the

Tutti *p* (echo)  
float-in' down the ri-ver, the O - hi - o..... ' High row the

boat-men row, down the riv-er, the O-hi-o.....

boat-men row, down the riv-er, the O-hi-o.....

boat-men row, float-in' down the riv-er, the O-hi-o.....

down the riv-er, the O-hi-o.....

Moderately fast (♩ = 100)

*gradually faster*

**SOLO**

1. The boat-men dance, the boat-men sing, the boat-men up to  
2. I went on board the o-ther day to see what the boat-men

Moderately fast (♩ = 100)

*mp* *gradually faster*

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*mf p* dance!... Then dance O dance all night 'til broad day-light and go

*mf p* dance!... Then dance O dance all night 'til broad day-light and go

dance the boat-men dance! O dance all night 'til broad day-light and go

dance the boat-men dance! O dance all night 'til broad day-light and go

*marc.*

As at first (♩ = 63)

home with the gals in the morn-in!

home with the gals in the morn-in!

**SOLO** *f* home with the gals in the morn-in! High row the boat-men row,

home with the gals in the morn-in!

As at first (♩ = 63)

*ff*

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*mp*  
I nev-er see a pret-ty gal in my life, But  
*mp*  
I nev-er see a pret-ty gal in my life, But  
*mp*  
boat - man can, But  
*mp*  
boat - man can, But

*mf* *mf p* *mf*  
that she was a boat-man's wife, O dance!..... Then dance! O  
*mf* *mf p* *mf*  
that she was a-boat-man's wife. O dance!..... Then dance! O  
*mf*  
that she was a boat-man's wife. O dance the boat-men dance! O  
*mf*  
that she was a boat-man's wife. O dance the boat-men dance! O

*stacc.*  
*f*  
(mark the bass)

Fast tempo (♩ = 126)

ev-'ry-thing. And when the boat-men gets on shore, he spends his cash and  
had to say. There I let my pas-sion loose, an'they cram me in the

Fast tempo (♩ = 126)

*mf* *f*  
Then dance, O dance! Then dance, O  
*mf* *f*  
Then dance, O dance! Then dance, O  
*mf* **TUTTI** *f*  
works for more. Then dance the boat-men dance! O dance the boat-men dance! O  
cal - la - boose. Then dance the boat-men dance! O dance the boat-men dance! O  
*mf* *f*  
Then dance the boat-men dance! O dance the boat-men dance! O

*stacc.*  
*f*  
(mark the bass)

dance all night 'til broad day - light And go home with the gals in the morn-in'.

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dance all night 'til broad day - light And go home with the gals in the morn-in'.

*marc.*

1st time  
As at first (♩ = 63)

Down the riv - er O - hi - o

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*mf* SOLO *p* (TUTTI)  
High row the boat-men row, Float-in' down the riv-er, the O - hi - o

Float-in' down the riv-er, the O - hi - o

*mf* (crystalline) *p*

2nd time  
As at first (♩ = 63)

*f* *legato* *mp* *p*  
High row the boat-men row, down the riv-er, the O - hi - o....

*f* *legato* *mp* *p*  
High row the boat-men row, down the riv-er, the O - hi - o....

*f* *legato* *mf* *p*  
High row the boat-men row, Float-in' down the riv-er, the O - hi - o....

*f* *legato* *mp* *p*  
High row the boat-men row, down the riv-er, the O - hi - o....

2nd time  
As at first (♩ = 63)

Fast tempo (♩ = 126)

*mp*  
The boat-man is a thrif - ty man, There's none can do as a

*mp*  
The boat-man is a thrif - ty man, There's none can do as a

Fast tempo (♩ = 126)  
*mf*