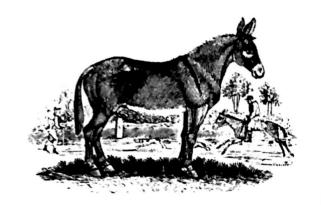
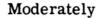
The Erie Canal

The Erie Canal opened in 1825, linking Albany to the Great Lakes port of Buffalo. The canal boats were pulled along the 340-mile route by mules or horses at a rate of three or four miles an hour. During the long hours of hauling, the mule driver's main job was to call out low bridges so that the passengers wouldn't bump their heads.

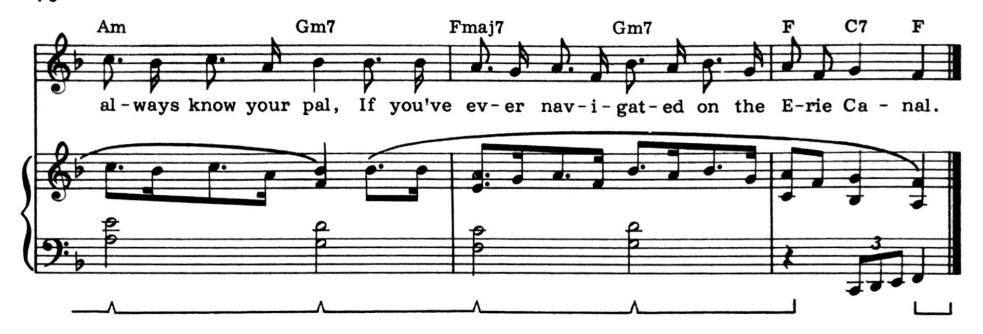


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3. Oh, where would I be if I lost my pal?
Fifteen miles on the Erie Canal.
Oh, I'd like to see a mule as good as Sal,
Fifteen miles on the Erie Canal.
A friend of mine once got her sore,
Now he's got a broken jaw,
'Cause she let fly with her iron toe,
And kicked him into Buffalo.

Chorus