The Keel Row



As I cam' doon the Sandgate, The Sandgate, the Sandgate, As I cam' doon the Sandgate, I heard a lassie sing! "O weel may the keel row, The keel row, the keel row, O weel may the keel row, The ship my laddie's in."

O wha's like my Johnny, So leith, so blithe, so bonny, He's foremost 'mong the mony Keel lads o' coaly Tyne. He'll set and row so tightly, Or in the dance -so sprightly-He'll cut and shuffle slightly, 'Tis true - were he not mine. He wears a blue bonnet, Blue bonnet, blue bonnet, He wears a blue bonnet, Blue bonnet, blue bonnet, A dimple in his chin. O weel may the keel row, The keel row, the keel row, O weel may the keel row, The ship my laddie's in."