The Pony Man (1988 Version)

Gordon Lightfoot

When it's midnight on the meadow

And the cats are in the shed

And the river tells a story

At the window by my bedIf you listen very closely

Be as quiet as you can

In the yard you'll hear him

It is the pony manWe're always there to greet him

When he tumbles in the town

He leads a string of ponies

Some are white and some are brownAnd they never seem to kick or bite

They only want to play

And they live on candy apples

Instead of oats and hayAnd when we're all assembled

He gives a soft command

And we climb aboard our ponies

As in a row they standThen down the road we gallop

And across the fields we fly

And soon we all go sailing off

Into the midnight skyAnd as we gaily rock along

Beside a rippling sea

There's Tom and Dick and Sally

And Mary Joe and meAnd the pony man is leading

'Cause he's traveled here before

And he gives a whoop and a holler

At Mr. Moons front doorAnd then we stop to rest a while

Where the Soda River glides

Up to the slip comes a pirate ship

To take us for a rideAnd the pony man's the captain

And the children are the crew

And we go in search of treasure

And laugh the whole night through And when the hold is filled with gold

And the sails begin to strain

And the decks piled high with apple pie

We head for port againAnd down the whirling star case

So swift our ponies fly

And were safely in our beds again

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