Oscar Hammerstein "The Farmer And The Cowman"

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The other likes to chase a cow
But that's no reason why they can't be friends

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I'd like to say a word for the farmer

Well, say it!

He come out west and made a lot of changes

That's right!

He come out west and built a lot of fences And built 'em right across our cattle ranges!

Why don't you dirt strangers go back to Missouri Where you belong?

We got just as much right here!

Shut up!

The farmer a good in criticism

No matter what the cowman says or thinks

You seldom see 'I'm drinkin in a bar room

Unless somebody else is buying drinks!

Oh the farmer and the cowman should be friends Oh the farmer and the cowman should be friends The cowman ropes a cow with ease
The farmer steals her butter and cheese
That's no reason why they can't be friends

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I'd like to say a word for the cowboy

You would!

The road he treads is difficult and stony He rides fer days on end with just a pony for a friend

I sure am feeling sorry for the pony!

The farmer should be sociable with the cowboy
If he rides by an' asks fer food and water
Don't treat 'I'm like a louse
Make him welcome in your house

But be sure that you've locked up your wife and daughters!

(They all offend themselves at the same time and fight)

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GUN SHOT

Ain't nobody gonna slug anything! This here's a party! Break it up ya two ol' fools! Alright, Andrew, sing it. Dum-dah-dee-um-dum-dum

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And when this territory is a state An' joins the Union just like all the others The farmer, the cowman, and the merchant Must all behave theirselves and act like brothers

I'll teach you all a little sayin'
And learn the words by heart the way you should
I don't say I'm no better than anybody else
But I'll be danged if I ain't just as good!

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