

Mississippi Fred McDowell

"Levee Camp Blues"

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(F. McDowell)

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Producer: Pete Welding

Album: Levee Camp Blues, Testament TCD6007

Well, I worked on the levee
'Till I went stone blind
Well, I worked on the levee, baby
'Till I went stone blind
Well, you can't do me
Like you done po' Shine
Lord, you took his money
I declare, you can't take mine

Captain, come out drive him
And he won't go long all around
How can I drive him, Captain
And he won't go long all around?
He won't eat no oatsmeal or
He won't even eat his corn

I'm a long line skinner
I got the shortest line
I'm a long time skinner
I got the shortest line
I'm a long line skinner
But I've got the shortest line

Well, I worked on levee
Honey, an I worked old Belle
Well, I worked old Lou Captain
Lordy, an I worked old Belle
I couldn't find a mule
Lord, with a shoulder well

Lord, that captain hollerin, 'Hurry'
Boy, you know I'm almost flyin
Well, that captain hollerin, 'Hurry'
Lordy and I'm almost flyin'
Lord, he ain't gotta worry a bit, baby
He won't even keep time.

(guitar to end)

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