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Names will be read by
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Presentation of Bachelor's Candidates
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Verse I

From far and near we came to Rutgers,
And resolved to learn all that we can;
    And so we settled down,
  In that noisy college town,
On the banks of the old Raritan.

Chorus

On the banks of the old Raritan, my friends,
Where old Rutgers ever more shall stand,
    For has she not stood
  Since the time of the flood,
On the banks of the old Raritan.

Verse V

Then sing aloud to Alma Mater,
And keep the scarlet in the van;
    For with her motto high,
Rutgers’ name shall never die,
On the banks of the old Raritan.

Chorus

On the banks of the old Raritan, my friends,
Where old Rutgers ever more shall stand,
    For has she not stood
  Since the time of the flood,
On the banks of the old Raritan.