

Sal's Got Mud Between Her Toes

tuning=A Dae

Susan Platz - fiddle - from a YouTube video with David Bragger

source is Pat Kingery (1912-c.1976), Nobob, Barren Co., KY

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The tune is sourced to southern Kentucky fiddler Pat Kingery, whom collector and fiddler Bruce Greene recorded in the field in 1976. On that recording Kingery did not sing words, but later told Greene that these words were sung to the tune:

Here comes Sally down the road,
She's got mud between her toes,
Though her face is pretty as a pear,
She's got a yellow ribbon in her hair.

Musician, instrument-maker and songwriter Bob Coltman used Kingery's words as the first stanza and added a chorus and more verses:

CHORUS:

Sal, Sal, don't be slow,
You love me, you know it's so,
All I ask, the good Lord knows,
Shake that mud from 'tween your toes.

Here she comes and yon she goes,
She don't wear no fancy clothes,
She don't carry no long stem rose,
She's got mud between her toes.

Asked her would she marry me,
She says, "Not immediately,"
But I noticed her with a hose
Washin' mud from 'tween her toes.

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Bruce Greene - fiddle - from "Bruce Greene & Hilary Dirlam -
Fiddler's Dozen (A Year Of Tunes)" recording
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