

INNOCENT BESSIE BROWN

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Moderato

Piano introduction in C major, 2/4 time, marked Moderato. The music features a melody in the right hand and a supporting bass line in the left hand. Dynamics include *f* (forte) and *ff* (fortissimo).

Vocal melody and piano accompaniment for the first two lines of the song. The piano part includes dynamics *f* and *p* (piano). The lyrics are:

1. In - no-cent Bes - sie land - ed
2. Bes-sie was stop - ping with her

Vocal melody and piano accompaniment for the next two lines of the song. The lyrics are:

in the ci - ty, From Kan-ka - kee — the sights to see, —
sec - ond cous - in, Who was a beaut, — cun-ning and cute; —

Fel-lows looked at — her say - ing what a pi - ty, She's from the farm —
 Fel-lows would call — up - on her by the doz - en, In - no-cent Bess, —

mean ing no harm, — Ev' - ry maid - en, ev' - ry gent,
 nev - er could guess, — Where her cous - in got such toys,

When dis - cuss - ing she, Said she must be
 Dia - monds more or less, 'Twas n't long be -

in - no - cent, 'Cause she came from Kan - ka - kee. —
 fore the boys Made a jewl - ry store of Bess. —

CHORUS

In - no - cent Bes - sie Brown Want - ed to see the
In - no - cent Bes - sie Brown Dressed in a coun - try

p-f

town,
gown,
Met up - on the Av - e - nue one
Bes - sie Brown was lone - some for a

af - ter - noon fair, A fel - low who said "ave - nt you an
dia - mond or two, But since she met the ci - ty she could

hour to spare?" So pret - ty In - no - cent Bes - sie
loan some to you, And she was In - no - cent Bes - sie

Brown, Went for an hour in town And when the
Brown, Lived in a coun - try town When Mrs.

day was break - ing they were still par - tak - ing Of some
Mor - gan chub - by, missed her dar - ling hub - by, She be -

fizz - es of gin that fizzed with - in,
gan talk - ing war while hunt - ing for

In - no - cent Bes - - sie Brown. Brown.
In - no - cent Bes - - sie Brown. Brown.

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D.S.

TRY THIS ON YOUR PIANO.

Dreams, Just Dreams.

Berlin and Snyder,

Chorus. *con espressione.*

Dreams, just dreams, My beau-ti-ful gold-en

p

poco rit.

dreams, — It seems — my dreams — Are mis-sives of sweet con-so-

poco rit.

a tempo.

la-tion. Each dream I dream Turns gloom to a bright sun-

mf a tempo.

rit e cresc.

beam — Since the love that I gave Found a grave, all I crave is

rit e cresc.

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