

At The Bottom of the Hill.

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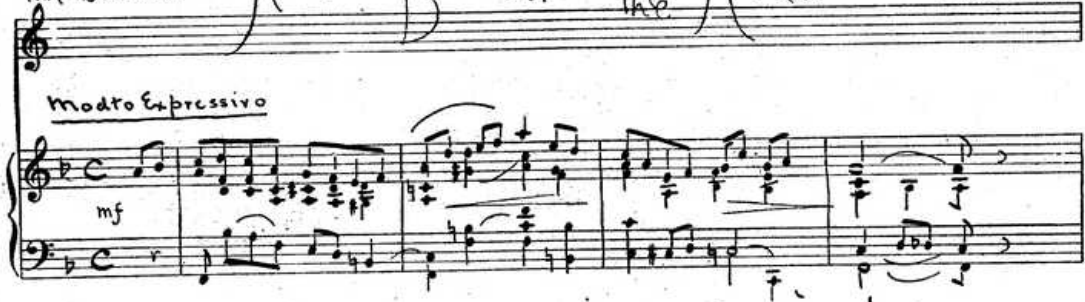
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AT THE BOTTOM OF the HILL

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Modto Espressivo



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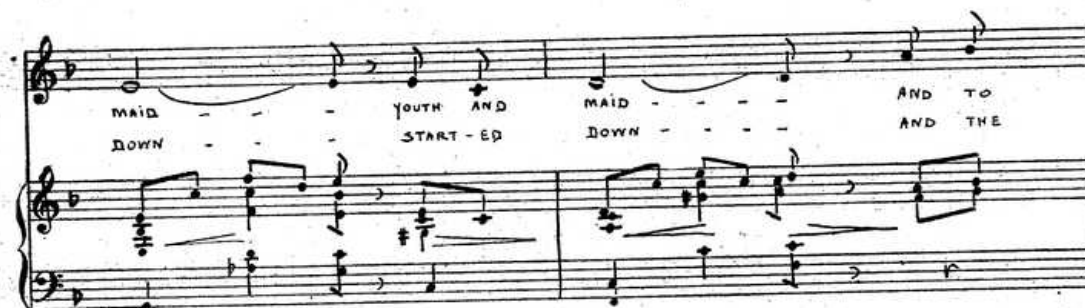
The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand features a series of chords and arpeggiated figures, while the left hand plays a steady eighth-note accompaniment. The tempo and mood are indicated as 'Modto Espressivo'.



THEY WERE STAND-ING AT THE BOT-TOM OF THE HILL - - - YOUTH AND
SOON THEY REACHED THE SUM-MIT OF THE HILL AND THEN - - - START-ED

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The vocal melody enters on the first staff, with the piano accompaniment providing harmonic support. The dynamics shift from mezzo-forte to piano.



MAID - - - YOUTH AND MAID - - - AND TO
DOWN - - - START-ED DOWN - - - AND THE

The musical phrase continues across two staves, maintaining the melodic and harmonic flow.



BLUSH-ING RUTH THUS WHIS-PERED MAN-LY WILL - - - AS THEY
BIT-TER THOUGHT OF PART-ING SOON A- GAIN - - - CAUSED A

The piece concludes with a final vocal phrase and piano accompaniment.

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STRAYED - - - AS THEY STRAYED! - - - MAY I
FROWN - - - CAUSED A FROWN - - - DEAR-EST

The first system of the musical score consists of a vocal line on a single staff and a piano accompaniment on two staves. The vocal line begins with a half note 'STRAYED', followed by a quarter rest, then a half note 'AS THEY STRAYED!', followed by a quarter rest, and ends with a half note 'MAY I'. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

TAKE YOU HOME, I'M GO-ING DOWN YOUR WAY - - - PAST THE
RUTH, I LOVE YOU, WILL YOU BE MY WIFE? - - - SAID THE

The second system continues the musical score. The vocal line has a half note 'TAKE YOU HOME, I'M GO-ING DOWN YOUR WAY', followed by a quarter rest, and ends with a half note 'PAST THE'. The piano accompaniment continues with similar harmonic support.

DOOR - - - PAST THE DOOR - - - ID BE
YOUTH - - - SAID THE YOUTH - - - HAND IN

The third system of the musical score. The vocal line has a half note 'DOOR', followed by a quarter rest, and ends with a half note 'ID BE'. The piano accompaniment continues with similar harmonic support.

PROUD IN-DEED TO HAVE YOU SAY I MAY - - - NOTH-ING
HAND TO CLIMB THE HILLS AND DALES OF LIFE - - - "YES," SAID

The fourth and final system of the musical score on this page. The vocal line has a half note 'PROUD IN-DEED TO HAVE YOU SAY I MAY', followed by a quarter rest, and ends with a half note 'NOTH-ING'. The piano accompaniment continues with similar harmonic support.

MOORE - - - WITH - END MOORE - - -
 RUTH - - - "YES" - SAID RUTH - - -

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AT THE BOT-TOM OF THE HILL, WHILE THE MEAD-OW LARKS WERE SING-ING; AND THE

AIR WAS FILLED WITH MU-SIC FROM THE RIP - PLING BELL WHILE THE

BU - SY BUN - BY BEES IN THE CLO-VER TOPS WERE SWING-ING, SHE SAID

"YES" TO HIS PLEAD-ING AT THE BOT-TOM OF THE HILL.

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