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MA MISSISSIPPI BELLE

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Music by Rosamond Johnson

Allegro moderato

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It begins with a piano introduction in B-flat major, 2/4 time, marked *Allegro moderato*. The first system features a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand, with a dynamic marking of *mf*. The second system continues the piano introduction, with dynamics *f* and *ff*. The third system introduces the vocal melody, with lyrics: "1. Down de Mis-sis-sip-pi where de" and "2. When we makes de land-in' and I". The piano accompaniment includes a section marked "Till ready" with a repeat sign. The fourth system continues the piano introduction. The fifth system features the vocal melody with lyrics: "steam-boats run, Der's a land-in' dat I know so well, gits a sho', Cose I goes a-cote-in' of ma belle,". The piano accompaniment continues with a bass line. The score concludes with a final piano introduction.

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Where de South-ern breeze, Slum - bers in de trees,
Eyes as big and bright, As de stars at night,

Lives a lit - tle gal I calls ma Belle.
How I love dat gal no tongue can tell.

Stand-in' on de land-in' is ma su-gar-plum, When de steamboat puts in for de
If dis pret-ty lit - tle gal will mar-ry me, I won't go back on dat boat no

sho', Sweet as sweet can be,
mo, 'Cause it breaks her heart,

on - ly gwin-ter lin-ger for a spell? Ma Mis-sis-sip-pi Belle,

ma Belle, I loves you mighty well, so well, Yes,

and to you I will be true, Ma Mis-sis-sip-pi Belle,

ma Belle.