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# LITTLE BLACK BABY.

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Moderato.

Introduction for piano. The music is in 2/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It begins with a forte (*f*) dynamic and transitions to a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The melody is in the right hand, and the bass line is in the left hand.

First verse of the song. The vocal line is in the right hand, and the piano accompaniment is in the left hand. The dynamic is piano (*p*). The lyrics are: "Lit - tle black ba - by on de sheep - skin, All de gold in all de ma - oun - tain,"

Second verse of the song. The vocal line is in the right hand, and the piano accompaniment is in the left hand. The lyrics are: "Lit - tle black mam - my by it's side All de di - a - mon's in de wori'".

What says dis lit - tle black ba - by To lit - tle black mam-my by it's  
 Could-n't buy from dis ole mam-my Her own dear lit - tle black ba - by

side?  
 girl. Goo-goo-goo - e, goo-garee goo;  
 Bye, O bye, O ba - by bunt - in';

Tra - ta - la - ra - ba - ma - oo Tra - ta - la - raess scaree-  
 Bye, O bye, O ba - by mine; How de lit - tle eyes do

ee; Gree goo ta - ma - la - ra - mee.  
 twink - le, How de twink-le eyes do shine.

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CHORUS. (Not fast)

Lit - tle black mam-my on de  
 Lit - tle black ba-by on de  
 milk - stool,  
 sheep - skin,  
 Lit - tle black ba - by by her  
 Lit - tle black mam - my by its  
 side;  
 side;  
 What says dis lit - tle black  
 What says dis lit - tle black  
 mam - my To lit - tle black ba - by by her  
 ba - by To lit - tle black mam - my by its

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side,  
side,

Bye, O bye, O ba - by  
Goo - goo - goo - ee goo garee

bunt - in' ;  
goo;

Bye, O bye, O ba - by  
Tra - ta - la - ra - ba - ma

mine ;  
oo ;

How de lit - tle eyes do twink - le  
Tra - ta - la - ro - ess scarree-ee

How de twink - le eyes do shine.  
Gree - oo - ta - ma - la - ra - mee.

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