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THAT'S WHY THEY CALL ME SHINE

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Moderato

The musical score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It begins with a piano introduction marked 'Moderato' and 'f'. The piano part features a rhythmic accompaniment with chords and moving lines in both hands. The vocal line enters with the lyrics 'I was born they christened me plain Samuel John-son Brown, I rose they say by a-ny oth-er name would smell as sweet, So had-'nt grown so ve-ry big 'fore some folks in the town, Had if that's right why should a nick-name take me off my feet, Why'. The score includes dynamic markings such as 'p' and 'f', and performance instructions like 'Slow Till voice' and 'When A'. The piano accompaniment continues throughout the vocal lines, providing harmonic support.

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changed it 'round to Sam - bo, I was Ras - tus to a few Then
 ev - 'ry thing that's prec - ious from a gold piece to a dime And

Choc - late drop was add - ed by some oth - ers that I knew, And
 dia - monds, pearls and rubies ain't no good un - less they shine, So

then to cap the cli - max I was strolling down the line When
 when these clev - er people call me shine or coon or smoke, I

some - one shout - ed "Fel - lers hey, come on and pipe the Shine, But
 simp - ly smile then smile some more and vote them all a joke, I'm

poco rit.

I don't care a bit _____ Here's how I fig - ure it. _____
 think - ing just the same _____ What is there in a name. _____

poco rit.

CHORUS

p-f

'Cause _____ my hair is curl - y _____

p-f

'cause _____ my teeth are pearl-y, _____ Just be -

cause I al - way wear a smile Like to dress up

in the lat - est style, 'Cause I'm glad I'm liv - ing.....

Take troub - les smil - ing, ne-ver whine Just be - cause my

col - or's shad - y_ Slight - ly diff'rent may be Thats why they

call me Shine..... Shine.....

D.S.