

Star of The County Down

Mi - Sol Re
Near to Banbridge town in the County Down

Mi - Re
one morning in July,

Mi - Sol Re
down a boreen green came a sweet colleen

Mi - Do Mi -
and she smiled as she passed me by.

Sol Re
Oh she looked so neat from her two bare feet

Mi - Re
to the sheen of her nut brown hair.

Mi - Sol Re
Sure the coaxing elf, I'd to shake myself,

Mi - Do Mi -
to make sure I was standing there.

Sol Re
From Bantry Bay up to Derry Quay

Mi - Re
and from Galway to Dublin Town,

Mi - Sol Re
no maid I've seen like the brown colleen

Mi - Do Mi -
that I met in the County Down.

Mi - Sol Re
As she onward sped I shook my head,

Mi - Re
and I gazed with a feeling quare,

Mi - Sol Re
and I said, says I, to passer by,

Mi - Do Mi -
"Who's the maid with the nut brown hair?"

Sol Re
Oh, he smiled to me, and with pride says he,

Mi - Re
"That's the gem of Ireland's crown,

Mi - Sol Re
she's young Rosie McCann from the banks of the Bann,

Mi - Do Mi -
she's the star of the County Down."

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that I met in the County Down.

Mi - Sol Re
I've travelled a bit, but never was hit
Mi - Re
since my roving career began;
Mi - Sol Re
but fair and square I surrendered there
Mi - Do Mi -
to the charms of young Rosie McCann.

Sol Re
With a heart to let no tenant yet
Mi - Re
did I meet with in shawl or gown,
Mi - Sol Re
but in she went and I asked no rent
Mi - Do Mi -
from the star of the County Down.

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and from Galway to Dublin Town,
Mi - Sol Re
no maid I've seen like the brown colleen
Mi - Do Mi -
that I met in the County Down.

Mi - Sol Re
At the cross roads fair I'll be surely there
Mi - Re
and I'll dress in my Sunday clothes,
Mi - Sol Re
and I'll try sheep's eyes, and deludhering cries
Mi - Do Mi -
on the heart of the nut brown Rose.

Sol Re
No pipe I'll smoke, no horse I'll yoke,
Mi - Re
though my plough with rust turns brown,
Mi - Sol Re
'till a smiling bride by my own fireside,
Mi - Do Mi -
sits the star of the County Down.

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