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THIS IS THE LIFE

FROM THE
TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX FILM PRODUCTION
"ALEXANDER'S RAGTIME BAND"

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Allegro moderato

Piano introduction in B-flat major, 2/4 time. The piece begins with a forte (f) dynamic. The right hand features a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a steady bass line with occasional chords.

TILL READY

Piano accompaniment for the vocal entry. It starts with a piano (p) dynamic. The melody is simple and accompanimental, following the vocal line.

VOICE

*) Eb Bb dim. Bb 7

Eb

Eb mi F mi

Bb 7

Farm-er Brown — came to town, — Start-ed to take — in the
 Mis-sis Brown, — out of town, — Wrote to her hus - band and

Piano accompaniment for the first vocal line. It starts with a piano (p) dynamic. The accompaniment is simple and accompanimental, following the vocal line.

Eb

Bb dim. Bb 7

Eb

Eb mi

sights: _____ Ca - ba - rets, — swell Ca - fés, —
 said: _____ "Please come home, — I'm a - lone!" —

Piano accompaniment for the second vocal line. It starts with a piano (p) dynamic. The accompaniment is simple and accompanimental, following the vocal line.

*) Symbols for Guitar, Chords for Ukulele and Banjo.

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Bb 7 **Eb** **Bb**

Took up most of his nights. Aft - er
 When her let - ter he read, Farm - er

F 7 **Bb** **F 7** **F 9** **Bb** **F 7** **Bb**

sev - en days or so, Aft - er see - ing
 Brown took off his coat, Sat - right down and

F 7 **F 9** **Bb** **Bb dim.** **F 7** **Bb** **C 7**

ev - 'ry show, Aft - er meet - ing May and Flo,
 then he wrote, To his wife a lit - tle note,

F 7 **Bb**

Farm - er is Brown re - marked:
 This is what he said:

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CHORUS



I love _____ the cows and chick-ens, But this is the life, -

_____ This is the life! _____ I love _____ to raise the

dick-ens! While I'm Ca - ba-ret-ing, Where the band _____ is play-ing:

I love _____ the home-made ci-der, But I'd rath-er have

Ab Bb7 C7 F dim. Fmi

wine No more pick - ing

Eb dim. Eb Ab Eb Eb dim. Eb C7

ber - ries, Me for cock - tail cher - ries!

F7 Eb Bb dim. Bb7

This is the life, — This is the life, — This is the life —

Eb Bb7 Ab Ab dim. Eb

1. for mine? 2. mine?