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MY CASTLE ON THE NILE.

Words by J.W. JOHNSON & BOB COLE.

Music by ROSAMOND JOHNSON.

Allegretto.

Piano introduction in G major, 2/4 time. The right hand features a rhythmic melody with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a steady accompaniment of eighth notes. A dynamic marking of *f* is present.

1. Dere aint no use in t'ya to rise up in de social scale,
2. I'm goin' where I kin eat de bes' an' live on foreign game

Till ready.

Piano accompaniment for the first verse. It features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in the right hand and chords in the left hand. A dynamic marking of *fz* is present.

Less you kin trace yo' name back to de flood.
Where chickens grow dey tell me six feet tall

Piano accompaniment for the second verse. It continues the rhythmic pattern from the first verse, with a dynamic marking of *fz*.

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You got to have an - ces-tral halls an'den you musn't fail
De na-tives call dem os-triches no matter 'bout de name,

To prove dere in - di - go mixed in yo' blood I
De fla - vor of de meat's de same, dat's all I'll

done foun' out_ dat_ I come down from ole chief Bun - ga - boo, My
form a roy - al par-ty an' I'll_ hunt for el - e - phant, An'

great gran²-dad - y was his great gran' - chile An'
 when I fish I'll fish for croc - o - dile A

so I'm gwinn' ter sail a - way a - cross de wa - ters blue, To
 monkey for my val-et Oh I'll live ex-tra - va - gant In

oc - cu - py my cas - tle on de Nile In my
 my an - ces - tral cas - tle on de Nile In my

CHORUS.

Cas-tle on de riv - er Nile I am gwinter live in el-e-gant style

In-laid diamonds on de flo' A Ba-boon butler at my do' When I

wed dat princess Anna Mazoo Den my blood will change from red to blue Enter-

tain-ing roy - al-ty_ all the while In my Cas-tle on the Nile.