

Brer Rabbit, you's de cutes' of 'em all

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♩ = 100

The musical score is written for piano in 6/8 time. It consists of five systems of music. The first system (measures 1-3) begins with a forte (f) dynamic. The second system (measures 4-6) includes a repeat sign. The third system (measures 7-9) features a piano (p) dynamic. The fourth system (measures 10-12) includes a mezzo-piano (mp) dynamic and an 8va (octave up) marking. The fifth system (measures 13-15) contains the vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment.

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Once there was a meet - in' in the wil - der - ness, all de crit - ters of cre - a - tion

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dey was_ dar;_ Brer Rab - bit, Brer'Pos - sum, Brer Wolf, Brer_ Fox, King

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Li - on, Mis-ter Ter-ra-pin, Mis-ter Bar.

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De ques-tion fu' dis-cus-sion was, "Who is de big-ges' man?" Dey

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point-ed ole_ Jedge Owl to de - cide. He po-lished up_ his spec-ta - cles_ an'

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put 'em on his nose, an' to the question slow - ly he re - plied:

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♩. = 80

"Brer Wolf am might-y cun-ning, Brer

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Fox am might-y sly, Brer Ter-ra-pin an' Pos-sum -- kind - er small, Brer

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Li - on's might-y vi-cious, Brer Bar he's sort-er 'spi-cious, Brer Rab-bit you's de cu-tes' of em'

40 $\text{♩} = 100$

all." "Brer Rab-bit you's de cu-tes' of em' all."

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"Brer Rab-bit you's de cu-tes' of em' all."

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Dis caused a great con-fu-sion_'mongst de a-ni-mals,- ev'-y

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crit-ter claimed dat he had won de prize; dey 'spu-ted and dey ar-g'ed, dey

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growled an' dey roared, den put - ty soon de dus' be - gin... de dus' be - gin to rise._____

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Brer Rab-bit he jes stood a - side_ an'

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urged dem on to fight._____ Brer Li-on he_ mos' tore Brer Bar in two;_____ W'en

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dey was all_ so ti-ahd dat_ dey could-n't catch_ der bref, Brer Rab-bit he jes grabbed de

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prize and flew. _____ Brer

67 $\text{♩} = 80$

Wolf am_ might-y cun-ning, Brer Fox am_ might-y sly, Brer Ter-ra-pin an 'Pos-sum-- kind - er

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small, Brer Li - on's_ might-y vi - cious, Brer Bar he's_ sort-er 'spi - cious, Brer

73 $\text{♩} = 100$

Rab-bit you's de cu-tes' of em' all." "Brer Rab - bit you's de cu-tes' of em'

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all." _____ "Brer Rab-bit you's de cu-tes' one... de

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cu-tes' one... de cu-tes' one... de cu-tes' one... de cu-tes' of em' all." _____

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"Brer Rab-bit you's de cu-tes' one... de cu-tes' one... de cu-tes' one... de

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cu-tes' one...de cu-tes' of em' _____ all!" _____

circa 3' 40"