**Star Of The County Down**

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**<< Em G D G Em D**

**<<** Near to Banbridge town, in the County Down, one morning in late Ju-ly

**Em G D G C D Em**

Down a boreen green came a sweet col-leen and she smiled as she passed me by

**G Am G Em D**

She looked so sweet from her two bare feet to the sheen of her nut-brown hair

**Em G D Em C D Em**

Sure the coaxing elf, that I shook my-self, to be sure I was stand-ing there

**G Am G Em D**

From Bantry Bay up to Derry Quay and from Galway to Dublin town

**Em G D\* >> Em C D Em**

No maid I've seen like the sweet col-leen **>>** that I met in Coun-ty Down

**Em G D G Em D**

As she onward sped, I shook my head, And I looked with a feelin' queer,

**Em G D G C D Em**

And I said, says I, to a passer by, “Who’s the maid with the nut brown hair?”

**G Am G Em D**

He smiled at me and he says, says he, "That's the gem of Ireland's crown,

**Em G D**

Young Rosie McCann from the banks of the Bann,

**Em C D Em**

She’s the star of the Coun-ty Down.”

**G Am G Em D**

From Bantry Bay up to Derry Quay and from Galway to Dublin town

**Em G D Em C D Em**

No maid I've seen like the sweet col-leen that I met in Coun-ty Down

**Em G D G Em D**

She'd a soft brown eye and a look so sly and a smile like the rose in June

**Em G D**

And you held each note from her lily-white throat,

**G C D Em**

as she lilted an Ir-ish tune

**G Am G Em D**

At the pattern dance you were in trance as she tripped through a jig or reel

**Em G D**

When her eyes she'd roll, she would lift your soul

**Em C D Em**

as your heart she would like-ly steal

**G Am G Em D**

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**Em G D Em C D Em**

No maid I've seen like the sweet col-leen that I met in Coun-ty Down

**Em G D G Em D**

Well I've traveled a bit, but ne'er was hit Since my roving ca-reer be-gan;  
 **Em G D\***  <<

Then fair and square I sur-rendered there **<<**

**G C D Em**

To the charms of young Rose Mc-Cann.

**G Am G Em D**

I'd a heart to let and no tenant yet Did I see in shawl or gown,  
 **Em G D\***  >>  **Em C D Em**

But in she went and I asked no rent **>>** From the Star of the Coun-ty Down.

**G Am G Em D**

From Bantry Bay up to Derry Quay and from Galway to Dublin town

**Em G D Em C D Em**

No maid I've seen like the sweet col-leen that I met in Coun-ty Down

**Em G D G Em D**

At the harvest fair she'll be surely there So I'll dress in my Sunday clothes,

**Em G D**

With my shoes shone bright, and my hat cocked right,

**G C D Em**

For a smile from my nut brown rose

**G Am**

No pipe I'll smoke, no horse I'll yoke,

**G Em D**

Though my plough turns a rusty brown.

**Em G D Em C D Em**

Till a smiling bride, by my own fire-side Sits the star of the Coun-ty Down.

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**\*** *= Single Strum Fermata*

**>>** *= Quickly*

**<<** *= Slowly*