

Nobody Knows You When You're Down and Out

Bb for Standard Key

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Medium Slow Blues [Bessie Smith 1929] ($\text{♩} = 88$)

Verse

1 G B⁷ E⁷ A_{MI} E⁷ A_{MI}
I once lived the life of a mil-lionaire, — Spending my mon-ey, I did - n't care.

5 C C^{#o7} G/D E⁷ A⁷ A⁷⁽⁵⁾ D⁷
Always taking my friends out for a good time, — Buying champagne, — gin and wine. — But

9 G B⁷ E⁷ A_{MI} E⁷ A_{MI}
just as soon as my dough got low, — I couldn't find a friend, no place I'd go. — If I

13 C C^{#o7} G/D E⁷ A⁷ A⁷⁽⁵⁾ D⁷
ev-er get my hands on a dollar a-gain, I'm gonna squeeze it and squeeze it till the eagle grins..

Chorus

17 G B⁷ E⁷ A_{MI} E⁷ A_{MI} C C^{#o7} G/D E⁷ A⁷
No - body knows you when you're down and out. In your pocket not one penny, and your friends,

24 D⁷ G B⁷ E⁷ A_{MI} E⁷ A_{MI}
you haven't any. And soon as you get on your feet a-gain, — Ev - 'rybody is your long lost friend..

29 C C^{#o7} G/D E⁷ A⁷ D⁷ G
It's mighty strange, without a doubt, but no - body knows you when you're down and out..