

Manhattan

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We'll have Manhattan
The Bronx
And Staten Island too
It's lovely going through
The zoo

It's very fancy
On old Delancey Street
You know
The subway charms us so
When balmy breezes blow
To and fro

And tell me what street
Compares
With Mott Street
In July
Sweet pushcarts
Gently gliding by

The great big city's
A wondrous toy
Just made
For a girl and boy
We'll turn Manhattan
Into an isle of joy

We'll go to Greenwich
Where modern men itch
To be free
And Bowling Green
You'll see
With me

We'll bathe at Brighton
The fish you'll frighten
When you're in
Your bathing suit so thin
Will make
The shellfish grin
Fin to fin

And South Pacific
Is a terrific
Show they say
We both may
See it close
Some day

The city's glamour
Can never spoil
The dreams
Of a boy and goil
We'll turn Manhattan
Into an isle of joy

We'll have Manhattan

The Bronx
And Staten Island too
We'll try to cross
Fifth Avenue

As black as onyx
We'll find the bronix
Park express
Our flatbush flat
I guess will be
A great success
More or less

A short vacation
On inspiration
Point we'll spend
And in
The station house
We'll end

But civic virtue
Cannot destroy
The dreams
Of a girl and boy
We'll turn Manhattan
Into an isle of joy