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Words by Ira Gershwin and music by George Gershwin.

Originally written in 1928 for an unproduced musical, "East Is West."

Introduced by Allan Kearns and Ginger Rogers in the musical "Girl Crazy."

Sung by Eddie Quillan and Dorothy Lee in first film version, 1932; by

Judy Garland in second film version, 1943; and by Harve Presness in third

film version ("When the Boys Meet the Girls"), 1965.

Sung by Gene Kelly in "An American in Paris (film, 1951) and by voice of

Jane Froman, dubbed for Susan Hayward, in "With a Song in My Heart, 1952

film.

(verse)

Dozens of girls would storm up;

I had to lock my door,

Somehow I couldn't warm up

To one before.

What was it that controlled me?

What kept my lovelife lean?

My intuition told me

You'd come on the scene.

Lady, listen to the rhythm of my heartbeat,

And you'll get just what I mean.

(refrain)

Embrace me, my sweet embraceable you!

Embrace me, you irreplaceable you!

Just one look at you, my heart grew tipsy in me;

You and you alone bring out the gypsy in me!

I love all the many charms about you!

Above all I want my arms about you.

Don't be a naughty baby,

Come to papa, come to papa, do!

My sweet embraceable you!

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