

Murphy Owes Me Rent - song lyrics

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MURPHY OWES ME RENT.

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I own a row of tenements in the neighborhood below,
I'm respected as a fine aristocrat,
But now I'm in hot water since I let a family in,
For I rented them the best rooms that I had,
Murphy is their name, I think they are insane,
And the rent is due me now for many a day;
I have an awful task of it, most every time I ask for it,
For divil a cent do they intend to pay.

Chorus.

Murphy owes me rent and I'm goin' to make him pay it,
I want my money now, and he'd better not delay it;
Abuse is all I get from him, he will not pay a cent,
In the street he goes to-morrow if he don't pay me the rent.

The tenants all complain of Murphy's children and their noise;
They fight together like a lot of cats;
They've broken all my windows and tore paper off the walls,
I would like to wring the necks of all his brats;
The baby cries all night, and Murphy comes home tight,
Tis then he starts right in to beat his wife;
And if I chance to interfere, they bounce me out upon my ear,
In danger am I of my very life.

Chorus.

Murphy owes me rent And I'll soon have him ejected;
I am the landlord And, as such, I'm bound, to be respected;
he drinks all of his earnings and to beat me he's content;
I will be the death of Murphy if he don't pay me the rent.

Must every time I meet him sure he wants to pick a fuss,
And he calls me very disrespectful names;
He tells me to me face I haven't courage of a calf,
But I am on to all his little games;
he wanted bad to fight when he met me last night;
He pulled my nose And said I couldn't scrap,
But if he don't apologize, I'm going to blacken both his eyes,
His little Irish face I'm going to slap.

Chorus.

Murphy owes me rent and I'm goin' to work And lick him;
Early in the morning to the sidewalk I will kick hiiu;
A sheriff I will send to him to collar every cent,
And they'll march him off to prison if he doesn't pay the rent.