Mcfadden's Up-town Flat - song lyrics

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McFadden lived quite well, the neighbors all could tell; He was a man well known throughout the ward; He had an old tin roof, 'twas good and waterproof. But then he sighed for mansions proud and broad; At last he moved up town, quite thirsty for renown. And took with him his furniture and cat; Then invitations sent to honor the event And celebrate McFadden's uptown flat.

Chorus.

I tell you it was fine, McFadden's uptown flat, Tho' there was hardly room therein to swing a cat; But neighbors one and all agreed, when they did call. It was a stylish place, McFadden's uptown flat.

They came in twos and threes, and in began to squeeze; The janitor went crazy at the sight; He stopped the growler, too, and swore till he was blue, And tried to kill a fiddler there on sight. McFadden tried to coax and quiet him with jokes. When in came Miss Maguinis, neat and fat; She stuck there in the hall and never saw at all The inside of McFadden's up-town flat. -Chorus.

The neighbors on that floor they bellowed and they swore; The ceiling underneath began to drop; McFadden said he'd dance whene'er he got the chance, The landlord had no right to make him stop; The janitor then goes and just turned on the hose, Which flooded everything it could get at; McFadden notice got for making things so hot. Now some one else is in McFadden's flat. Chorus.