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"At The Devil's Ball 8 Jan 1913"

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1st verse:]

I had a dream last night
That filled me full of fright
I dreamt that I was with the Devil below
In his great big fiery hall
Where the Devil was giving a ball
I checked my coat and hat
And started gazing at
The merry crowd that came to witness the show
And I must confess to you
There were many there I knew

[chorus:]

At the Devil's Ball
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I saw the cute Missus Devil, so pretty and fat
Dress'd in a beautiful fireman's hat
Ephraim, the Leader man, who led the band last fall
He play'd the music at the Devil's Ball
In the Devil's hall
I saw the funniest devil that I ever saw
Taking the tickets from folks at the door
I caught a glimpse of my mother-in-law
Dancing with the Devil
Oh! the little Devil
Dancing at the Devil's Ball

[2nd verse:]

The Devil's Pa and Ma
Were standing at the bar
Conversing with the little fellow who first
Put the pain in champagne wine
He was pouring it out in a stein
I bought a round of ice
For ev'rybody twice
It wasn't long before I ordered a fan
And before the break of dawn
I put my overcoat in pawn

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