

Stompin' Tom Connors

"The Ballinafad Ball"

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If you should go to Ontario to the town of Ballinafad

At the General Store they can tell ya more

About the phone call they once had

When they heard the man say tell the band

From Nashville I did call

And hold on tight I'll be there tonight

To play the ball at the Ballinafad Hall

Now the word got around from town to town till a
thousand tickets were sold

To see the star with a great big car from Nashville they
were told

And the local band got a great big hand when the
walked into the hall

But the crowd looked high and low

For the guy who made the telephone call

Then through the door with a rush and a roar

Came Sam the furnace man

With a fiddle case and big red face and he jumped
upon the stand

I'll have to state I'm a little bit late but I hope you got my
call

With an ol' straw hat he grinned like a cat when he
bounced that fiddle like a ball

Now about that car with a Nashville star the band was

never told

But after the pause and the one for the cause

The mystery did unfold

From the General Store they knew the score

When Sam walked in the Hall

But he couldn't have been in Nashville when he made
that telephone call

Now Sam took a bow as he laughed out loud

And he said I'll have you know

There's a little place called Nashville here in old
Ontario

And there my truck got stuck in the muck and I thought
I'd better call

And tell the band I'll be on hand

When they play the Ballinafad Ball

Said Sam my truck got stuck in the muck

But tonight I'm tellin' you all

I just come down from Nashville town

To play the Ballinafad Ball

I just come down from Nashville town

To play the Ballinafad Ball

Ya'll come back now ya' hear

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