

It's A Fine Life

Oliver

[NANCY (spoken)]

Plummy and slam![FAGIN (spoken)]

Nancy! Wake up boys! The ladies is 'ere.[DODGER (spoken)]

Ladies?! Cor! 'Ark at him![NANCY (spoken)]

'Ere, we'll have less of that if you don't mind!

'Ere, so where's the gin, then, Fagin?[FAGIN (spoken)]

All in moderation, my dear, all in moderation.

Too much gin can be a dangerous thing for a pure, young girl.[NANCY (spoken)]

Ooh, and what's wrong with a bit of danger then, eh, Mr. Fagin?

After all it's about the only excitement we get.

And who would deny us that small pleasure?[sung] Small pleasures, small pleasures

Who would deny us these?

Gin toddies -- large measuress --

No skimpin' if you please!

I rough it, I love it

Life is a game of chance.

I never tire of it --

Leading this merry dance.

If you don't mind having to go without things

It's a fine life.[ALL]

It's a fine life.[NANCY]

Tho' it ain't all jolly old pleasure outings...

It's a fine life[ALL]

It's a fine life.[NANCY]

When you got someone to love

You forget your cares and strife

Let the prudes look down on us

Let the wide world frown on us

It's a fine,[ALL]

Fine life![NANCY (spoken)]

Ain't that right, Bet? Go on, you tell 'em girl.[BET]

Who cares if straightlaces

Sneer at us in the street?

Fine airs and fine graces[NANCY]

Don't have to sin to eat.[BOTH]

We wander through London[NANCY]

Who knows what we many find?[BOTH]

There's pockets left undone

On many a behind.[NANCY]

If you don't mind taking it as it turns out,
It's a fine life![ALL]
It's a fine life![NANCY]
Keep the candle burning until it burns out
It's a fine life.[ALL]
It's a fine life.[NANCY]
Though you sometimes do come by
The occasional black eye
You can always cover one
'Til he blacks the other one
But you don't dare cry.[BET]
No flounces, no feathers
No frills and furbelows
All winds and all weathers
Ain't good for fancy clo'es[NANCY (spoken)]
That's true.[sung] These trappings,[BET]
These ta'ers[BOTH]
These we can just afford.[NANCY]
What future?[BET]
What ma'ers?[BOTH]
We've got our bed and board.[NANCY]
If you don't mind having to deal with Fagin
It's a fine life![ALL]
It's a fine life![NANCY]
Though diseased rats threaten to bring the plague in
It's a fine life![ALL]
It's a fine life![NANCY]
But the grass is green and dense
On the right side of the 'fence'.[BOTH]
And we take good care of it
That we get our share of it
And we don't mean pence.No! If you don't mind having to like or lump it...
It's a fine life[ALL]
It's a fine life![NANCY]
Tho' there's no tea-supping and eating crumpet
It's a fine life![ALL]
It's a fine life![NANCY]
Not for me, the happy home
Happy husband, happy wife
Tho' it sometimes touches me...
...For the likes of such as me...
Mine's a fine...[ALL]
Fine... life!

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