

No. 13 It's a Fine Life

NANCY

(sings)

SMALL PLEASURES, SMALL PLEASURES WHO WOULD DENY US
THESE?

DODGER

Not me!

NANCY

GIN TODDIES - LARGE MEASURES - NO SKIMPING 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

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NANCY

WHEN YOU'VE GOT SOMEONE TO LOVE
YOU FORGET YOUR CARE AND STRIFE.
LET THE PRUDES LOOK DOWN ON US,
LET THE WIDE WORLD FROWN ON US.
IT'S A FINE, FINE LIFE!

NANCY

Ain't that right Bet?

BET

Yeah, that's right Nancy

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 MAY 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

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NANCY

KEEP THE CANDLE BURNING, UNTIL IT BURNS OUT
IT'S A FINE LIFE!

ALL

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NANCY

THO' YOU SOMETIMES DO COME BY
THE OCCASIONAL BLACK EYE,
YOU CAN ALWAYS COVER ONE 'TIL HE BLACKS THE OTHER ONE

NANCY

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 CLOTHES.

NANCY

THESE TRAPPINGS.

BET

THESE TATTERS.

BOTH

THESE WE CAN JUST AFFORD.

NANCY

WHAT FUTURE?

BET

WHAT MATTERS?

ALL

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

THO' DISEASED RATS THREATEN TO BRING THE PLAGUE IN
IT'S A FINE LIFE!

ALL

IT'S A FINE LIFE!

NANCY

(to FAGIN)

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,

ALL

AND WE DON'T MEAN PENCE!

NANCY

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!

End of song.