

A Shanty in Old Shanty Town

words by Joe Young
and music by "Little" Jack Little & John Siras (1932) (3/4 time—after playing through as a waltz the song switched to 4/4 time and was then danced uptempo to the foxtrot)

C7 C7 F(1) C7(1) Cm(1) D7
 I'm up in the world, but I'd give the world,
Gm(1) D7(1) Dm(1) E7 F F
 to be where I used to be;
C7 C7 F(1) C7(1) Cm(1) D7
 A heavenly nest, where I rest the best,
Gm(1) D7(1) Dm(1) E7 Am(2) Adim7(1) C7
 means more than the world to me.

F A7/G D7 D7 G7 F#9 G9 G7
 It's only a shanty in old shanty town, it's roof is so slanty, it touches the ground;
C(2) G(1) C7/E F(1) Bb(1) Db7(1) F(2) D7(1)
 but my tumbled down shack, by an old rail road track, like a
G(1) F6(1) Bbm(1) G7 C9 C7
 million aire's mansion is calling me back

F A7/G D7 D7 G7 F#9 G9 G
 I'd give up my palace if I were a king, it's more than a palace - it's my ev'rything
Bb(1) Edim7(1) Bb(1) Bbm6 F(2) A7(1) D7
 There's a queen waiting there, in a silvery crown
Gm C(2) C7(1) F(1) Bb(1) F(1) Bbm(1) Am(1) C7(1)
 In a shanty in old shanty town
F(1) Bb(1) Caug5(1) F(hold)