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Ma ti vengo a pigliar' con quar tro cu cejo, Do-

ma na se ra al le ot te e mezz'

Ti ne mo la pun tat ment'

Sotto ba seia men to E me glio che ti

fa tro va re Che se no mi fa

in que tá Ni fac em' na Tar ran tel' Ma na

Tar ran te la bell' Do ma ni se ra al le

1. ot te a Cit y Hall. 2. Ma ti
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I've got some good news, Honey,
Well meet our high-toned neighbors,

Dark-town Ball, It's a very swell affair,
"Baby Dolls," And each one will do their best,

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"High brows" will be there, I'll wear my high silk hat and a
class-all the rest, And there'll be dancers from ever-

tail coat. You wear your Par-is gown, and your new silk shawl. There
for- eign land. The class-ie, buck and wing, and the wood-en clog. We'll

ain't no doubt a-bout it, babe, We'll be the best dressed in the hall.
win that fifty dol-lar prize, When we step out and "Walk the Dog."

CHORUS

I'll be down to get you in a Tax-i, Honey, You better be read-y a-bout half past eight.
Now dearie, don't be late, I want to be there when the band starts play-ing. Re-
mem-ber when we get there, Hon-ey, The two-steps, I'm goin' to have 'em all, Goin' to
dance out both my shoes, When they play the "Jel-ly Roll Blues," To-
mor-row night at the Dark-town Strutters' Ball, I'll be
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