

Maxwell's Silver Hammer

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All: Joan was quizzical, studied pataphysical
Science in the home
Late nights all alone with a test-tube, ohh uh oh oh
Maxwell Edison, majoring in medicine
Calls her on the phone

Men: "Can I take you out to the pictures, Jo-o-oan?"

All: But as she's getting ready to go
A knock comes on the door

Men: Bang, bang, Maxwell's silver hammer
Came down upon her head
Bang, bang, Maxwell's silver hammer
Made sure that she was dead.

Women: Back in school again Maxwell plays the fool again
Teacher gets annoyed
Wishing to avoid an unpleasant sce-e-e-ene
She tells Max to stay when the class has gone away
So he waits behind

Men: Writing fifty times I must not be so, uh oh oh

All: But when she turns her back on the boy
He creeps up from behind

All: Bang, bang, Maxwell's silver hammer
Came down upon her head (doo-doo, doo doo)
Bang, bang, Maxwell's silver hammer
Made sure that she was dead.

Men: PC 31 said, "We caught a dirty one"
Maxwell stands alone
Painting testimonial pictures, ohh uh oh oh

Women: Rose and Valerie screaming from the gallery
Say he must go free (Maxwell must go free)

Men: The judge does not agree and he tells them so, uh oh oh

All: But as the words are leaving his lips
A noise comes from behind

All: Bang, bang, Maxwell's silver hammer
Came down upon his head (doo-doo, doo doo)
Clang, clang, Maxwell's silver hammer
Made sure that he was dead
Whoa, whoa, whoa, oh
(Do-do, do-do do)
Sil-ver — Ham-mer — Max