

## Captain Mac ['kæp.tɪn mək]

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**Oh, well set up and handsome**  
[o:ʊ wəl sɛt ʔʌp ænd 'hænd.səm]

**as a sailor man could be,**  
[æz ʌ 'seɪ.lə mən kʊd bi]

Was Captain John McPherson  
of the schooner Ben Machree!  
Shy and modest bachelor  
of just two score and ten  
The idol of the ladies  
and the envy of the men!

### *Chorus*

Oh East and West, North and South, 'Frisco to Perim,  
Didn't matter where he went,  
the gals were after him!  
They chased him, pursued him,  
they would not let him be,  
Till Captain John McPherson  
cursed the day he went to sea!

He died his beard a fiery red,  
'twas not the slightest good!  
To make himself a skeleton  
he took some patent food;  
He wore a pair of spectacles  
and looked morose and queer,  
But the gals still flocked around him  
and said he was a dear!...

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