

AMERICAN REUNION.

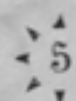
A Song of Patriotism and Peace.



All silent and still the Blue and the Gray, Are sleeping now side by side.

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GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST ON EARTH PEACE, GOOD WILL TO MEN.

TO THE FRIENDS OF
PEACE, LIBERTY AND UNION,

THROUGHOUT THE NATION.

THIS SONG

Inspired by the Oration of Hon. Rob't C. Winthrop,

AT YORKTOWN, VA., OCT. 19, 1881,

IS MOST RESPECTFULLY INSCRIBED BY THE AUTHOR.

BOSTON, December 19, 1881.

Dear Sir,—Your letter with its interesting accompaniments only reached me on Saturday the 17th.

It gives me great pleasure to know that any words of mine at Yorktown have helped to rekindle the fires of a patriotism which is co-extensive with our whole country, and to inspire so glowing an expression of it as your "Song of Reunion" contains.

You are right in thinking that such sentiments are everywhere entertained at the South, and I trust that they may never be extinguished.

The whole production is spirited and effective, and I shall look with interest for its publication with the music. I thank you for allowing me to read it in advance of its being printed, and I congratulate you on so vigorous an effort.

Yours respectfully and truly,

GEO. W. PUTNAM, Esq., Lynn, Mass.

ROBT. C. WINTHROP.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, December 31, 1881.

Mr. GEO. W. PUTNAM, 7 Nelson St., Lynn, Mass.

I thank you for sending me a copy of your verses entitled "American Reunion". I agree with Mr. R. C. Winthrop in commending the spirit of fraternal peace between the North and South embodied in your lines, and with thanks for your courtesy.

I am, respectfully yours,

JOHN D. LONG.

BOSTON, January 21, 1882.

My Dear Sir,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of your "Song of Reunion" with pleasure. The sentiments uttered therein can but be servicable to the whole country.

Let lessons of patriotism be taught in our pulpits, in our schools and in our poetry and song, that the watchword of all the people may be, A UNITED REPUBLIC PERPETUATED TO ALL GENERATIONS.

GEO. W. PUTNAM, Esq.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS TALBOT.

AMESBURY, 1st Mo., 2, 1882.

My Dear Friend,—It was a good idea, that musical song of thine. I don't know anything of music, not one tune from another; but *thy song has the right pitch*. I hope it will be sung from Maine to Florida, and by the herdsmen of Colorado and the miners of Montana and Arizona, and I think it will be.

That grand oration at Yorktown is doing a noble work in all directions; and thy song inspired by it will aid it. It is fitting that an old abolitionist should—now that slavery is no more—sing the song of Peace and Reunion. We never quarreled with the South,—we never hated slaveholders—we only hated slavery.

I thank thee for sending me a copy of thy verses; and heartily approve them.

I am, very truly thy friend,

JOHN G. WHITTIER.

WEST NEW BRIGHTON, STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

My Dear Sir,—I am sure that every honorable and generous man on either side of the great contest must heartily unite in the sentiment and aspiration of your verses, and I do not doubt that they are a prophetic song of Peace and Union.

Truly yours, GEORGE WILLIAM CURTIS.

DORCHESTER, February 10, 1882.

My Dear Sir,—Your kind favor with enclosures received. Your muse has struck a chord which will vibrate in all hearts while Patriotism, loyalty to Law, Liberty and the Union shall be cherished by the American people.

As our beloved Whittier says, I hope it may "be sung from Maine to Florida," and more, from the Atlantic to the Pacific and around the globe; inspiring the people of all nations to adopt those great cardinal principles which have made our nation what it is, and which must constitute the basis of all true republics in all coming time.

With many thanks for the copy of your beautiful and patriotic song.

I am, gratefully yours,

MARSHALL P. WILDER.

BOSTON, January 14, 1882.

My Dear Sir,—A copy of your "Reunion Song" has been sent me for perusal. I quite approve the sentiment, and wish all our people in the whole country could unite together in singing it heartily.

Yours very truly,

G. W. PUTNAM, Esq.

H. P. KIDDER.

LYNN, MASS., April 22, 1882.

Mr. GEO. W. PUTNAM.

Dear Sir,—I have read your "Song of Reunion" and heartily approve its sentiments, and hope that the time will soon come when there shall be no strife between the North and the South, but a love of Peace and unity prevail, which shall not only bless this country; but be felt throughout the world.

Yours truly,

JAMES N. BUFFUM.

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PRELUDE. Andante.

PIANO.

AIR.

1. O sad was the day when our na - tion felt, The
 2. From count - less homes the young and the strong, Went
 3. O brave - ly they fought the young and the strong, Where their

weight of God's chast - 'ning hand! And the trum - pet's blast! the loud
 forth to the bat - tle plain! But boys with-out num - ber in
 blood the green grass dyed; All si - lent and still! the

sum-mons to arms! Rang out o'er a troub - led land! From the
 Blue and in Gray; Ne'er re - turned to those homes a - gain! A -
 Blue and the Gray; Are sleep - ing now side by - side! Not as

Words and music

by Geo. W. Putnam.

Commended in Musical Herald
 by Dr. Tourjée.

hills of the North, from East from West, They
 las! for the tears that fell like rain From
 foes! have they met in the "Spir - it Land! As they

has - tend'd in mar - tial ar - ray! And the South with her le - gions came
 out a storm - y sky! A - las! for the bro - ken
 walk the gold - en shore; With their mys - tie signs they are

march - ing up! To the bat - tle of Blue and Gray!
 hearts that day; When the tem - pest of War swept by!
 call - ing to us; To be es - tranged no more!

INTERLUDE.

Allegro.

4. Then clasp hands Brothers! the strife has ceased! And now let the Past, be the Past! God for-

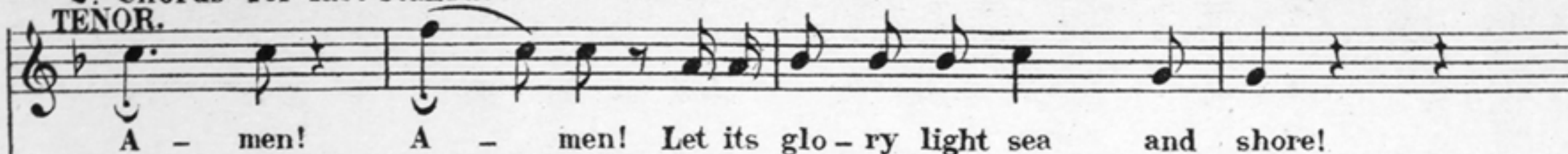
bid! that the hate and the bit - ter - ness, Should for - ev - er be - tween us last!

5. Shall Peace and Good will fill the land a - gain! For your own and your Country's sake Say
 6. And now with all hate and bit - ter - ness o'er Shall Love and Du - ty com - bine To
 7. And the Ban - ner bright! the Red, Blue, and White! Till Wrong from her throne is hurled! Shall it

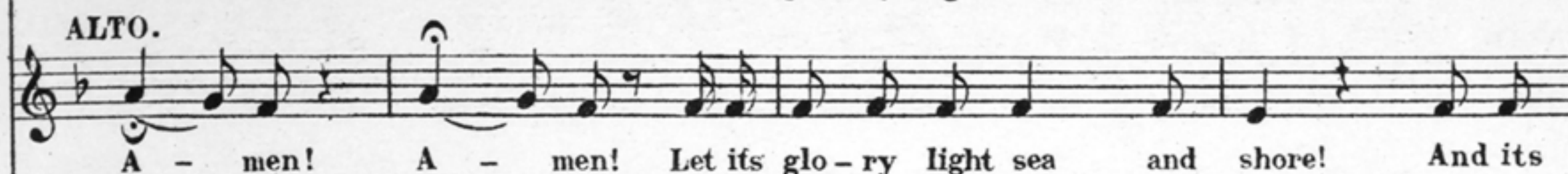
men of the North, South, East and West What an - swer do you make? Chorus.
 bind with their ev - er - last - ing bands Southern Palm and North - ern Pine? Chorus.
 be to the Na - tions a guid - ing star! A bea - con to light the world? Chorus.

2d Chorus for last stanza.

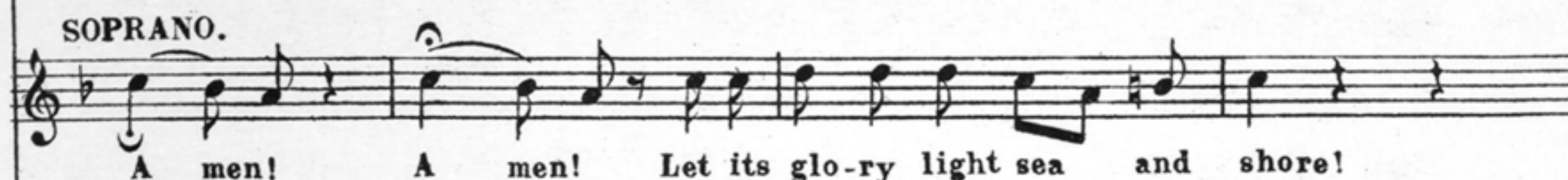
TENOR.



ALTO.



SOPRANO.



BASS.

