

TO THE
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The Flag that Bears
THE STRIPES & STARS

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Marziale.

ff Trumpets.

5. Oh, may that star-ry ban-ner wave For - ev - er o'er the frce; And
 6. If sons u - nite as fath - ers did, To keep that flag un - furld; Col-

1. The flag that bears the stripes and stars, Is still our coun-try's boast; With
 2. It wav'd a-bove the bat-tles' tide That broke op - pres-sion's chain; A-
 3. Our fath - ers fought, that it might ride For - ev - er o'er our plains; Yet
 4. Let him who'd swell rebellion's cry, But pause and turn to thee; A

on the fields when bat - tles rave, The vic - tor ban - ner be. And
 um bia then may fear - less bid De - fi - ance to the world. But

spark - ling gems and rainbow bars, It waves o'er ev' - ry coast. The
 bove our heads behold it ride, It nev - er floats in vain. Up -
 broth - ers sought to curb its pride, Our ea - gle bind in chains. O
 pa - triot's tear will dim his eye, His heart beat true and free: No

God for - bid that e'er a - gain Through - out our na - tive land, Broth -
 fast will flow a na - tion's tears If trait - or hands shall seize That
piu lento. *rall.* *f*

stand - ard which our na tion rears On land and on the seas, The
 on the hills, a - bove the rocks, And o'er our fa - thers' graves; Free
 spir - its of our fa - thers, wake, And watch o'er free - dom's land, Should
 more he'll plead dis - un - ion's cause, No long - er reb - el stand, Nor

ers shall on bat - tle plain Be slain by broth - ers' hand.
 flag which stood these hun - dred years, The bat - tle and the breeze.

flag that stood one hun - dred years, The bat - tle and the breeze.
 from a thou - sand bat - tle shocks, Our star - ry flag still waves,
 civ - il strife a - gain out - break, And sons in phal - anx stand.
 long - er spurn the ho - ly laws Of free - dom's sa - cred land.

CHORUS.

Sop'o.
Alto.
Tenor.
Bass.
Piano.

f *rall.* *rall.* *f* *coll. voce.* *a tempo.*

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