



FOSTER'S MELODIES

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| 1. Why have my loved ones gone. | 2. Little Jenny Dow. |
| 3. A Penny for your thoughts. | 4. Lizzie dies to-night. |
| 5. Jenny's coming o'er the green. | 6. I will be true to thee. |
| 7. A dream of my Mother Land. | 8. <u>Better days are coming.</u> |
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BETTER TIMES ARE COMING.

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MODERATO
CON
SPIRITO.

The piano introduction consists of two staves in 2/4 time. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a steady accompaniment of quarter notes.

The first system of the song features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a rest followed by the lyrics: "1. There are voi - ces of hope that are borne on the air, And our". The piano accompaniment consists of two staves with chords and moving lines.

The second system continues the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line has the lyrics: "land will be freed from its clouds of des-pair, For brave men and true men to".

The third system concludes the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line has the lyrics: "bat - tle have gone, And good times, good times are now com - ing on." The piano accompaniment ends with a final chord.

CHORUS.

SOPRANO.



Hur - rah ! Hur - rah ! Hur - rah ! Sound the news from the din of bat - tle boom - ing,

ALTO.



TENOR.



Hur - rah ! Hur - rah ! Hur - rah ! Sound the news from the din of bat - tle boom - ing,

BASS.



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Tell the peo - ple far and wide that bet - ter times are com - ing.



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2

Abra'm Lincoln has the army and the navy in his hands,
While Seward keeps our honor bright abroad in foreign lands ;
And Stanton is a man, who is sturdy as a rock,
With brave men to back him up and stand the battle's shock. CHORUS.

3

Now McClellan is a leader and we'll let him take the sway,
For a man in his position, he should surely have his way.
Our nation's honor'd Scott, he has trusted to his might,
Your faith in McClellan put for we are sure he's right. CHORUS.

4

Generals Lyon and Baker and Ellsworth now are gone,
But still we have some brave men to lead the soldiers on ;
The noise of the battle will soon have died away,
And the darkness now upon us will be turn'd to happy day. CHORUS.

5

Generals Sigel and Halleck they have conquered in the West,
And Burnside, victorious, he rides the ocean's breast,
The traitors and the rebels will soon meet their doom ;
Then peace and prosperity will dwell in every home. CHORUS.

6

Captain Foote is commander of the Mississippi fleet,
For his flag he strikes and makes the traitors beat a quick retreat ;
With iron-clad gun-boats he makes the rebels run,
While Grant makes our colors wave and glitter in the sun. CHORUS.

7

General Fremont the path-finder never lags behind,
He is gone to the mountains, new pathways to find,
His voice is for freedom, and his sword is for the right,
Then hail ! noble Fremont the nation's delight. CHORUS.

8

From the land of the Shamrock there's stuff that never yields,
For we've brave Colonel Corcoran, and gallant General Shields ;
From Meagher soon we'll hear, for we know that he is true,
And stands for the honor of the Red, White and Blue. CHORUS.

9

Here's health to Captain Ericsson, the Monitor and crew,
Who showed the southern chivalry a thing they never knew ;
The Merrimac had slayed as St. Patrick did the toads,
Till Worden with the Monitor came into Hampton roads. CHORUS.