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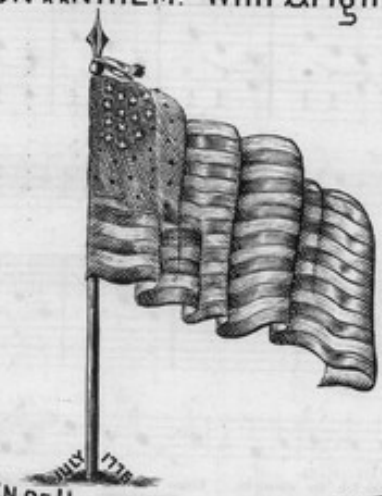

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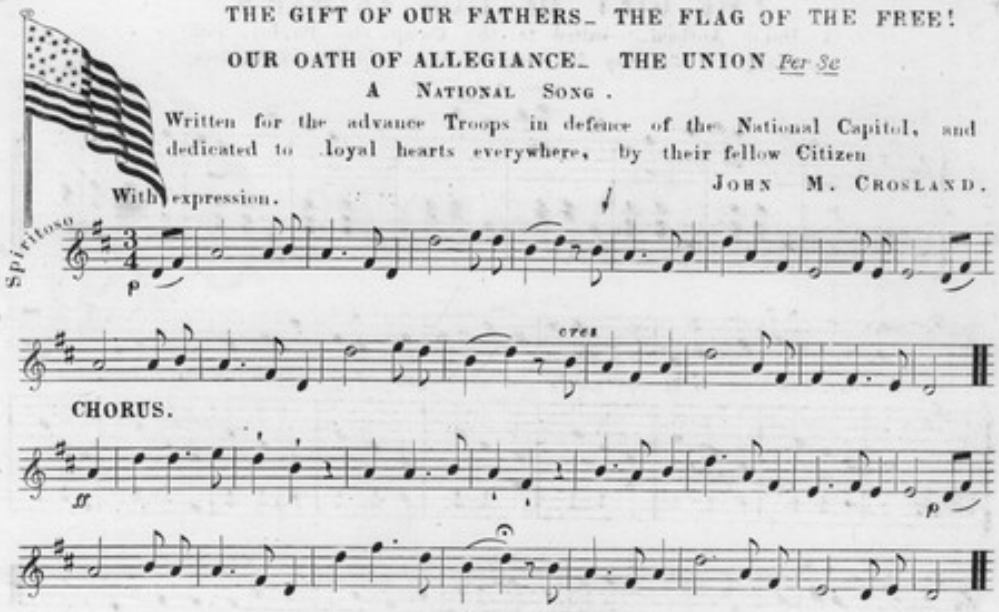

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Oh say can you see by the dawn's early light,
The gift of our father's with stars gleaming bright;
It waved o'er the strife where in conflict they stood,
An emblem of victory baptized in blood!
(CHORUS.)
Then come let us spring to_ come let us cling to_
Come let us sing to_ the flag of the free;
And swear by our live's it shall float in the breeze_
Our Idol at home, and our pride on the sea!

2

On the shore dimly seen through the mist on the deep,
The creatures of treason their dark vigils keep;
Foresworn of their fathers they revelled in shame_
When Sumpter was girdled with famine and flame:
(CHORUS.) Then come &c:

3

Oh where is that band_ who so vauntingly swore,
The gift of our fathers should glory no more!
The spirit of WASHINGTON breaks from the skies_
And true hearts by thousands in armor arise!
(CHORUS.) Then come &c:

4

Oh thus be it ever when freemen shall stand,
In honor defending the laws of the land;
With the old flag above us in glory unfurled,
Our UNION shall live as a light to the world!
(CHORUS.) Then come &c:

5

Rise daughters of freedom, and strengthen the arm,
Of husbands and brothers to shield it from harm;
'Tis the gift of our fathers, the boon of our trust,
The hope of our children, and prayer of the just!
(CHORUS.) Then come &c:

6

Then spring to the struggle ye brave men and true,
And strike for our FLAG with its union of blue,
Not a star blotted out by a renegade blow_
It shall wave as of yore in the face of the foe!
(CHORUS.)
Then come let us spring to_ come let us cling to_
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