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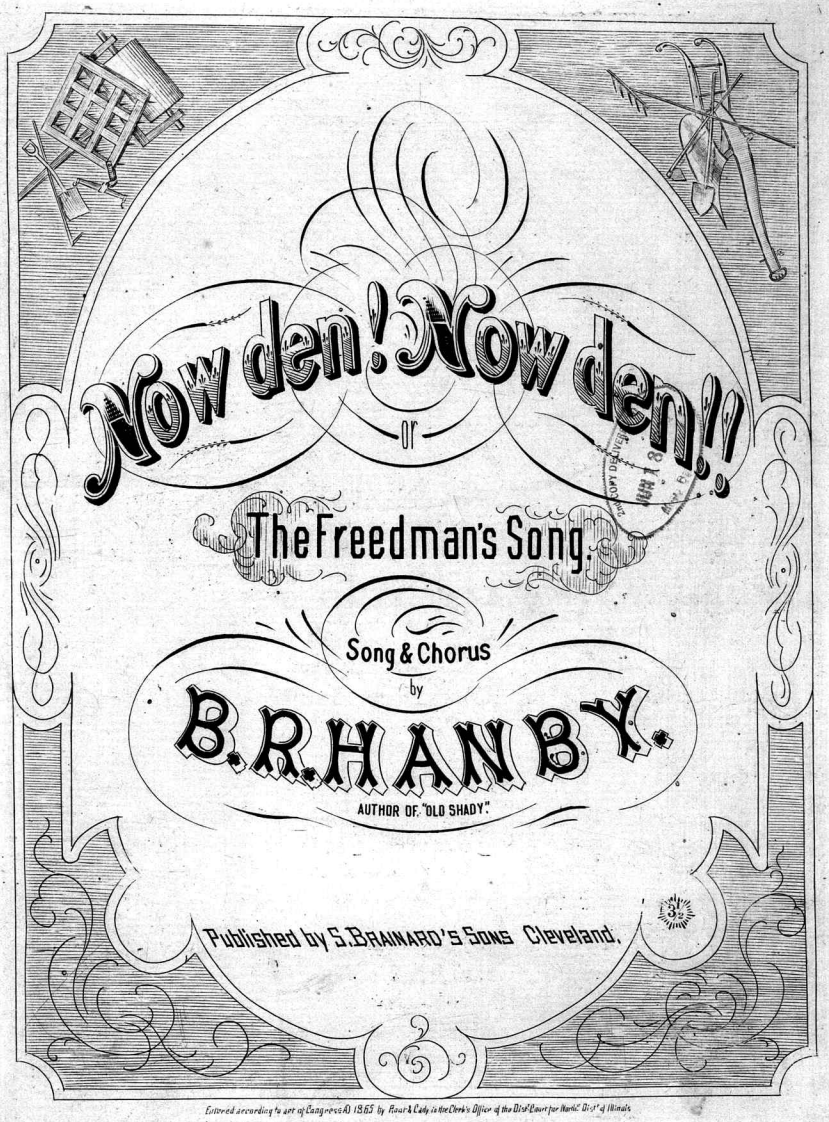


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# NOW DEN! NOW DEN!

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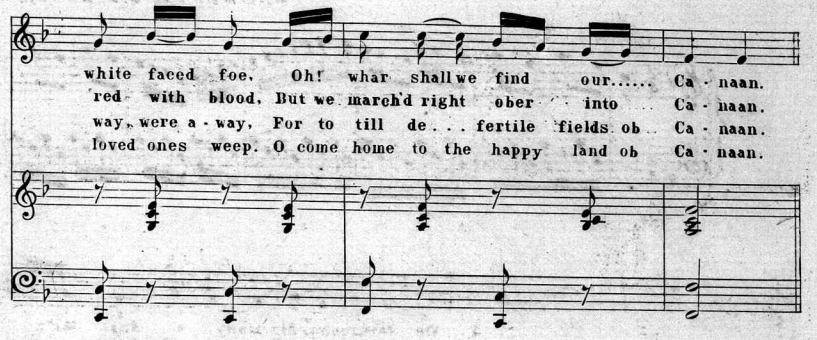
*Allegretto.*

1 De darkies say dis many a day, We's far from de land ob Ca - naan. Oh! whar shall we go from de
2 Oh happy day de dark - ies say, For at last "we've" found our Ca - naan. Old Jor - dan's flood roll'd
3 No driver's horn calls de slave at morn. Jordan swamp'd him crossing in to Ca - naan. But at break ob day we're a - neber neb.er lead you into Ca - naan. Here your fa - thers sleep. Here your
4 Come ye runaway's back dat underground tracl Could'nt

*Note. The object of "Ole Shady" was to encourage the contrabands to escape from their masters to the Union lines, and was suggested by the correspondence between General Butler, and the authorities at Washington, with regard to the status of escaped slaves. The song in a very short time became known all over the South as the "Contraband Song" and was sung by the slaves everywhere, though very few at the North had as yet heard it. In like manner it is hoped that this song, while furnishing amusement to the social circle, may subserve the further and more important purpose of inducing the Freedmen to return to their homes and labor.*


white faced foe, Oh! whar shall we find our..... Ca - naan.
red with blood, But we march'd right ober into Ca - naan.
way, were a - way, For to till de . . . fertile fields ob Ca - naan.
loved ones weep. O come home to the happy land ob Ca - naan.

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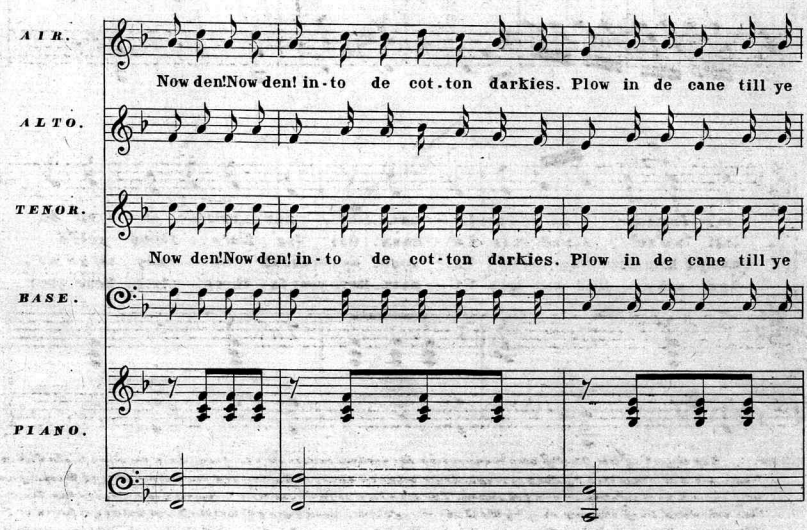
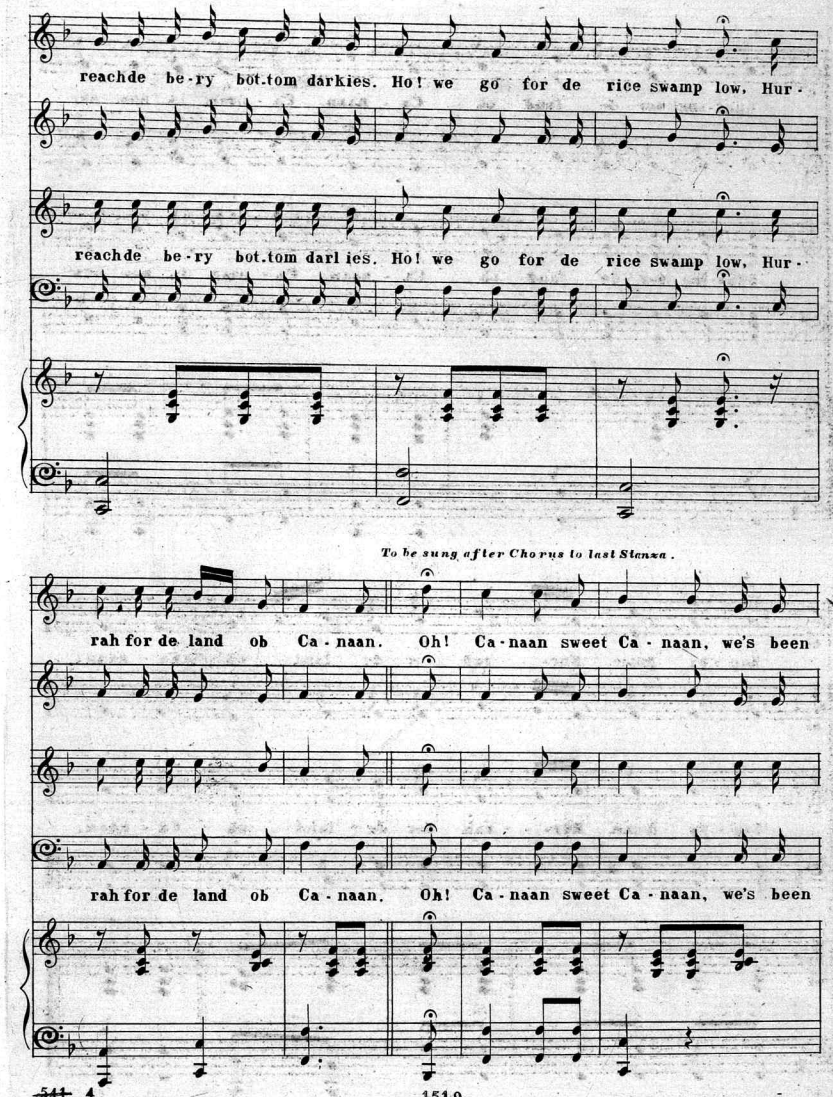
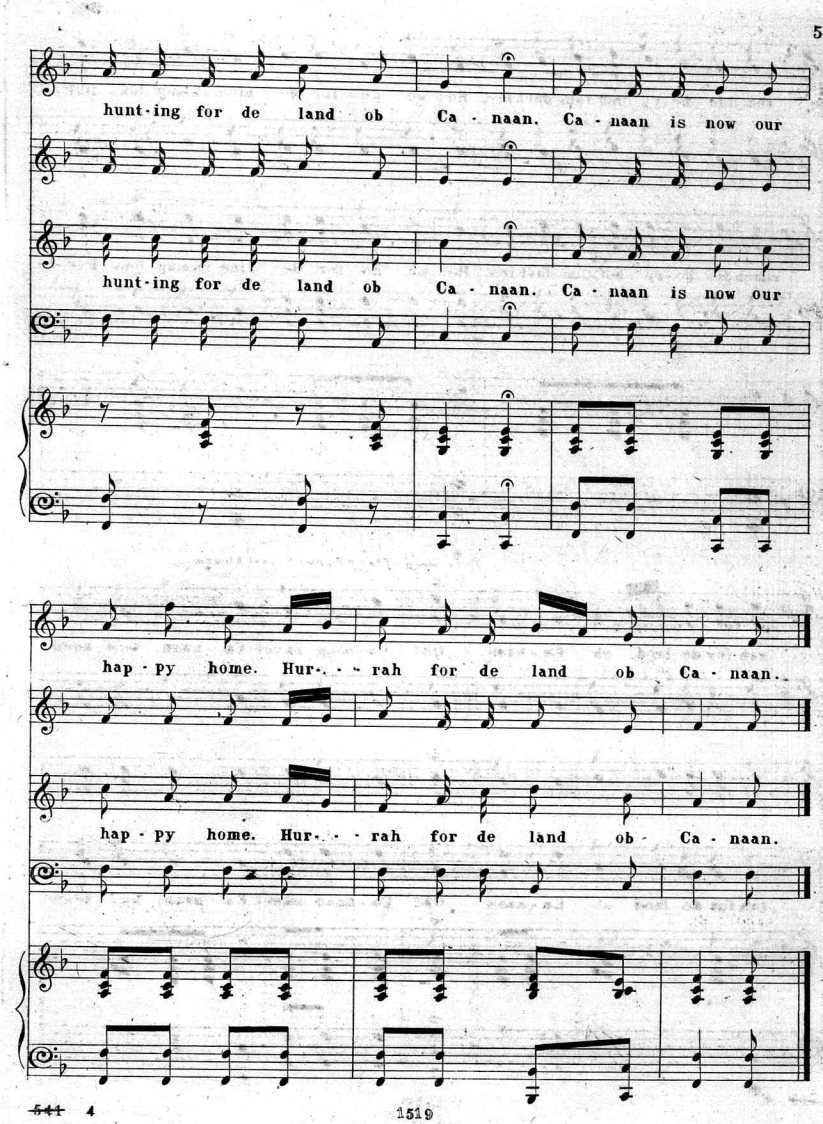

AIR.
Now den! Now den! in - to de cot - ton darkies. Plow in de cane till ye
ALTO.
TENOR.
Now den! Now den! in - to de cot - ton darkies. Plow in de cane till ye
BASE.
PIANO.


reachde be-ry bot.tom darkies. Ho! we go for de rice swamp low, Hur-
reachde be-ry bot.tom darl ies. Ho! we go for de rice swamp low, Hur-
To be sung after Chorus to last Stanza.
rah for de land ob Ca-naan. Oh! Ca-naan sweet Ca-naan, we's been
rah for de land ob Ca-naan. Oh! Ca-naan sweet Ca-naan, we's been


hunt-ing for de land ob Ca - naan. Ca - naan is now our
hunt-ing for de land ob Ca - naan. Ca - naan is now our
hap - py home. Hur- - - rah for de land ob Ca - naan.
hap - py home. Hur- - - rah for de land ob - Ca - naan.

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