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*A Hymn to America*

Old Schleswig Air

"O TANNENBAUM"

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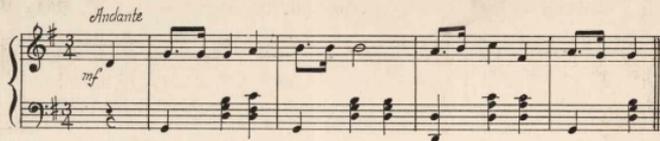
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FROM THE  
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*Andante*



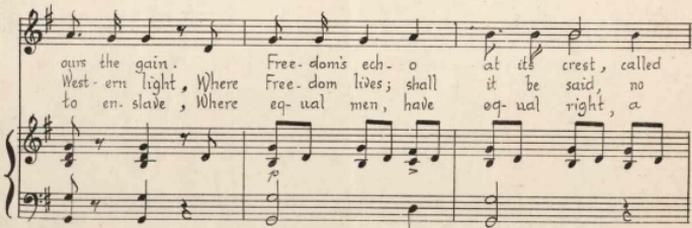
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1) From man-y climes our fath-ers came, their coun-try's loss and  
2.) The sun, in sett-ing in its flight, from East-ern darkness to  
3.) Where Freedom thrives, its flag shall wave, no King or ty-rants



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ous the gain. Free-dom's ech-o at its crest, called  
West-ern light, Where Free-dom lives; shall it be said, no  
to en. slave, Where eq-u-al men, have eq-u-al right, a



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from thy Bras-il in the West. And we the sons of th'ex. iled band, up-  
 pat-riots left, all, all are dead, No 't is not so, in this great land, there  
 chance for all, for this we'll fight, The ex-ile's home, pre-serve his land, the Re-

-hold the hon-or of this our land. And vow their work shall  
 ve still left a pat-riot band, all am-os watch-word,  
 pub-lic and the peo-ple, That lib-er-ty not

ned-er fade, the glorious liber-ty our path-ers made.  
 still sur-vives "To do or die" what list our lives.  
 per-ish from the earth, O Lord, preserve our coun-try.

"O Tannenbaum" is a very old European air. In Schleswig Province, while still attached to Denmark, in 1750, one August Zarnack wrote a verse to this air. And again in 1824, J. Anschutz added another verse, which two verses appear in the older song books.

James R. Randall, in 1863, in Baltimore, wrote some verses to this old air, referring to and entitled Maryland, which unfortunately, was so local in character, as to serve no National purpose.

To this stirring air words are now composed which it is hoped will be considered National in character, applying to all states in the Union and to all the people in all the states: no matter from whence or at what time they came.

That these verses may serve their purpose — a truly National anthem, is the wish of their author.