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VOICE

PIANO

*Till ready*

1. A tear I see be - dims your eye You hide from me the
2. The ech - o soon shall pass a - way That fills your heart with

cause Yet well I know what brings the sigh when na - tions have their
pain The still - ness of a sum - mer day with peace and love shall

wars Your let - ters tell of some one dear lost in an un - known
reign Then shall the seed of free - dom sown in ev - 'ry he - ro's

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grave ____ No more such let - ters will ap - pear When the flags of free - dom wave. ____
grave ____ Bring forth the spir - it that is known When the flags of free - dom wave. ____

CHORUS

When the flags of free - dom wave ____ o'er the lands where fall the brave ____ Who o-

bey be - fore they ask the rea - son why ____ Then as

broth - ers all will be ____ like we are a - cross the sea ____ Where the

stars and stripes of free - dom wave on high. ____ When the

*gva ad lib.*

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# When the Flags of Freedom Wave

## INTRODUCTION

Words cannot tell the story of the grief they leave behind,
When the kiss, with a sigh, has ended, and tears have the eyes made blind;
Light cannot pierce the darkness, twixt the trenches and the heart,
While the light without hope is blended, for her with the silent part.
Could she but see a future, with stars of freedom aglow;
Every tear, a rainbow appearing, would lighten her burden so;
With cause to live till morrow, then to see above the grave,
Not an emblem of her heart's sorrow, but the flag of freedom wave.