

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 rhythmic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

C

F/C

The vocal line begins at measure 6. It features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, starting with a half rest in the first measure.

1. There are voi - ces of hope — that are borne — on the air, And our
2. Ab - ra'm Lin - coln has the ar - my and the nav - y in his hands, While —
3. Now Mc - Clel - lan is a lead - er and we'll let him take the sway, For a
4. Gen - er - als — Ly - on and Bak - er and Ells - worth now are gone, But —
5. Gen - er - als Si - gel and Hal - leck they have con - quered in the West, And —
6. Cap - tain Foote — is com - man - der of the Mis - sis - sip - pi fleet, For his
7. Gen - er - al Fre - mont the path - find - er nev - er — lags be - hind, He is
8. From the land — of the Sham - rock there's stuff that nev - er yields, For we've
9. Here's health to Cap - tain Erics - son, the Mon - i - tor and crew, Who —

The piano accompaniment for the vocal line consists of two staves. The right hand plays chords and single notes, while the left hand plays a simple bass line with single notes and chords.

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9 C G7 C

land will be freed from its clouds of de - spair, For
 Sew - ard keeps our hon - or bright a - broad in for - eign lands; And
 man in his po - si - tion, he should sure - ly have his way. Our
 still we have some brave men to lead the sold - iers on; The
 Burn - side, vic - tor - i - ous, he rides the o - cean's breast, The
 flag he strikes and makes the trait - ors beat a quick re - treat; With
 gone to the moun - tains, new path - ways to find. His
 brave Colo - nel Cor - co - ran, and gal - lant Ger - er - al Shields; From
 9 showed the south - ern chi - val - ry a thing they nev - er knew; The

11 C F

brave men and true men to bat - tle have gone, And
 Stan - ton is a man, who is stur - dy as a rock, With
 na - tion's hon - or'd Scott, he has trust - ed to his might, Your
 noise of the bat - tle will soon have died a - way, And the
 trai - tors and reb - els will soon meet their doom; Then
 iron - clad gun - boats he makes the reb - els run, While
 voice is for free - dom, and his sword is for the right, Then
 Meagh - er soon we'll hear, for we know that he is true, And
 11 Mer - ri - mac had slayed as St. Pat - rick did the toads, Till

13 C/G G7 CHORUS C G C

good times, good times, are now com - ing on. Hur - rah! Hur-rah! Hur - rah!
 brave men to back him up and stand the bat - tle's shock.
 faith in Mc - Clel - lan put for we are sure hi's right.
 dark - ness now up - on us will be turn'd to hap - py day.
 peace and pros - per - i - ty will dwell in ev - 'ry home.
 Grant makes our col - ors wave and glit - ter in the sun.
 hail! no - ble Fre - mont the na - tion's de - light.
 stands for the hon - or of the Red, White and Blue.
 Word - en with the Mon - i - tor came in - to Hamp - ton roads.

17 C F C F

Sound the news from the din of bat - tle boom - ing, Tell the peo - ple far and wide that

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1. G7 2. G7

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bet - ter times are com - ing. bet - ter times are com - ing.

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