

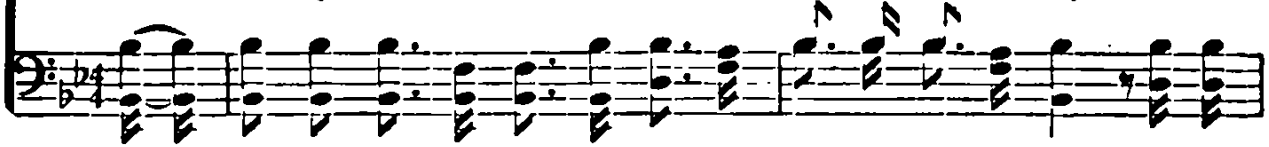
Battle Hymn of the Republic.

Julia Ward Howe

Air: "John Brown's Body."

Allegretto.

1. Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord; He is
2. I have seen Him in the watch - fires of a hun - dred cir - cling camps; They have
3. I have read a fier - y gos - pel writ in bur - nished rows of steel; "As ye
4. He has sound - ed forth the trump - et that shall nev - er call re - treat; He is
5. In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a - cross the sea, With a



tram - pling out the vint - age where the grapes of wrath are stored; He hath loosed the
 build - ed Him an al - tar in the eve - ning dews and damps; I can read His
 deal with my con - tem - ners, so with you my grace shall deal." Let the He - ro,
 sift - ing out the hearts of men be - fore His judg - ment-seat; Oh, be swift, my
 glo - ry in His bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me; As He died to



fate - ful light - ning of His ter - ri - ble swift sword, His truth is march - ing on.
 right - eous sen - tence by the dim and far - ing lamps, His day is march - ing on.
 born of wom - an, crush the ser - pent with His heel, Since God is march - ing on.
 soul, to an - swer Him! be ju - bi - lant, my feet! Our God is march - ing on.
 make men ho - ly, let us die to make men free, While God is march - ing on.



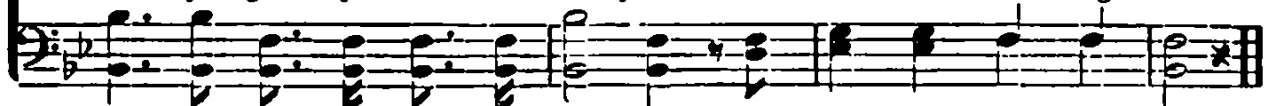
CHORUS.



Glo - ry! glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry! glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah!



Glo - ry! glo - ry! Hal - le - lu - jah! His truth is march - ing on.



Mrs. John A. Logan, wife of the great Volunteer General, noticed while visiting Richmond, in March, 1868, that the Confederate women decorated the graves of their dead. Upon her return she mentioned this to General Logan, who was Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. He said it was a beautiful custom and worthy of being copied. Thereupon he issued the first order that May 30, 1868, be observed as Decoration Day, and this was so enthusiastically received that Congress made it a National holiday.