

Hark! Mother, 'tis the village bell,
I can no longer with thee stay:
My Country calls to Arms, to Arms!
The foe advance in fierce array!
The vision's past—I feel that now
For Country I can only sigh,
Oh, Mother dear, draw near to me,
Dear Mother, I've come home to die.

Bear Mother, Sister, Brother, all
One parting kiss,—to all good bye:
Weep not, but clasp your hand in mine,
And let me like a soldier die!
I've met the foe upon the field
Where kindred fiercely did defy,
I fought for Right—God bless the Flag!
Dear Mother, I've come home to die.