



## **THE LIBERTY SONG – 1767-1781**

(Music to the tune of “Hearts of Oak,” Lyrics – John Dickenson, 1768)

*(Go back in time...and join the patriots of old)*

1. Come, join hand in hand, brave Americans all  
And rouse your bold hearts at fair Liberty's call  
No tyrannous acts shall suppress your just claim  
Or stain with dishonor America's name.

***R: In Freedom we're born  
and in Freedom we'll live!  
Our purses are ready –  
steady, friends, steady!  
Not as slaves, but as Free Men,  
our money we'll give.***

2. Our worthy forefathers let's give them a cheer!  
To climates unknown did courageously steer

Thro' oceans to deserts for Freedom they came,  
And dying, bequeathed us their freedom and fame.

***Refrain!***

3. Then join hand in hand, brave Americans all,  
By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall;  
In so righteous a cause let us hope to succeed,  
For heaven approves of each generous deed.

***Refrain!***

4. All ages shall speak with amaze and applause  
Of the courage we'll show in support of our Laws  
To die we can bear, but to serve we disdain  
For shame is to Freedom more dreadful than pain

***Refrain!***

5. This bumper I crown for our sovereigns help  
And this for Britannia's glory and wealth  
That wealth and that glory immortal may be  
If She is but just and **we are but FREE!**

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**HUZZAH! (In 1776, this meant "Hurrah!")**

