



## **COLUMBIA, THE GEM OF THE OCEAN**

(Composed by Thomas A. Becket, Sr. (c.1843))

1. O Columbia, the gem of the ocean,  
The home of the brave and the free!  
The shrine of each patriot's devotion,  
A world offers homage to thee!

Thy mandates make heroes assemble,  
When Liberty's form stands in view;  
Thy banners make tyranny tremble,  
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***(Now, keep on singing! There are no singers, but they are playing verse 2! You got this!)***

2. When war winged its wide desolations,  
And threatened the land to deform,  
The ark then of freedom's foundation,  
Columbia, rode safe through the storm!  
With the garlands of vict'ry about her,

When so proudly she bore her brave crew,  
With her flag proudly floating before her,  
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3. The star-spangled banner bring hither,  
O'er Columbia's true sons let it wave;  
May the wreaths they have won never wither,  
Nor its stars cease to shine on the brave;

May the service united ne'er sever,  
But hold to their colors so true;  
The army and navy forever,  
Three cheers for the red, white, and blue!

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Light's army and navy forever!

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