On November 11, citizens of the United States pause to recognize and thank those who served in the American military during times of war. Originally called Armistice Day, Veterans Day was first celebrated on November 11, 1919, at 11 a.m., the anniversary of the armistice ending hostilities in World War I. This new commemoration reflected the desire of a grateful nation to honor those who fought in what was regarded at that time as “the war to end all wars.” In 1954, Congress passed legislation changing the name of the November 11 holiday to Veterans Day in order to include recognition of those who served in World War II and the Korean War. November 11 now is a day when our nation also honors those who served in Vietnam, and who continue to serve in Iraq and Afghanistan.

As members of the Boston College community, we gather today to celebrate Veterans Day, honoring all who have served our nation through military service. This year we also gather for a special ceremony to dedicate a memorial to 209 of our alumni who gave their lives defending our nation and its ideals. We remember them with deep gratitude, for they made the greatest sacrifice, their very selves. As Christ declared in John 15:13, “No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.”

May the names inscribed on the stone of this memorial forever remind us of generosity, commitment, and love. And may we rededicate ourselves to the values and beliefs that inspired these Boston College alumni whom we honor here today.

William P. Leahy, S.J.

President
WELCOME
Army Cadet Andrew Jenzer ’10

POSTING OF THE COLORS BY THE
BOSTON COLLEGE ROTC COLOR GUARD
Marine Midshipman Stephen Crane ’10
Army Cadet Scott Amarucci ’11
Army Cadet Sean Collins ’11
Air Force Cadet Daniel Matchett ’12
Navy Midshipman Bradley Howell ’13

“THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER”
Liturgical Arts Group

INTRODUCTION OF CEREMONY
Army Cadet Andrew Jenzer ’10

MOMENT OF SILENCE

TOLLING OF THE GASSON TOWER BELLS

INVOCATION
Rabbi Rifat Sonsino

ADDRESS BY GENERAL JOHN J. SHEEHAN,
USMC RETIRED, ’62
Somerville, Massachusetts, native General John J. (Jack) Sheehan graduated from Boston College as an English major and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. His tours of combat duty include the Vietnam War and Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Prior to retirement, he was NATO’s supreme allied commander in the Atlantic, and commander in chief, U.S. Atlantic Command. As a four-star flag officer, General Sheehan is the highest ranking military officer to have graduated from Boston College.
RECITATION OF NAMES ON THE
BOSTON COLLEGE VETERANS MEMORIAL

Army Cadet Emily Nyhan ’10
Army Cadet Christopher Salerno ’11

Alumni Answering for the Fallen
Morgan J. Costello ’66, World War I
Mary-Anne Benedict ’67, World War II
Charles A. Benedict ’67, MBA’70, Korean War
Paul L. Lufkin ’64, Vietnam War
Captain Thomas J. St. George, USA Retired, ’03, Afghanistan-Iraq War

BLESSING OF THE MEMORIAL

William P. Leahy, S.J.
President

“TAPS”

Andrew Klish ’10
Army Cadet Robert Olp ’12

CLOSING PRAYER

William P. Leahy, S.J.
President

RETIRING OF THE COLORS BY THE
BOSTON COLLEGE ROTC COLOR GUARD

“AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL”

Liturical Arts Group

CLOSE

Army Cadet Andrew Jenzer ’10

Following the ceremony, guests are invited to view the memorial and join the reception in Gasson Hall.
IN 2001, THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AND BOSTON COLLEGE’S ARMY Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) created a committee, composed of Charles A. Benedict ’67, MBA’70, Mary-Anne Benedict ’67, Paul G. Delaney ’66, Charles J. Heffernan Jr. ’66, Chair, William C. McInnes, S.J., ’44, MA’51, Margaret M. Murphy ’56, associate dean D. Michael Ryan ’67, and ROTC Captain Brett Tashiro, that organized an annual Veterans Remembrance Mass. The group established a tradition—included in today’s ceremony—in which ROTC cadets read the names of Boston College alumni who perished in each war, asking, “Who will stand and answer for the fallen?” At each call, an alumni-veteran steps forward to say, “I will answer for all those who gave their lives,” and lights a candle.

A Veterans Memorial Committee was formed in 2005 to develop a permanent tribute. Cochaired by Vietnam War veterans Paul G. Delaney ’66 and Paul L. Lufkin ’64, the group coordinated research that expanded the remembrance list to 209 names. Beginning with an appeal in 2007, it raised some $500,000 for construction and installation of the memorial from hundreds of alumni veterans and others. Today is the ninth annual commemoration of Boston College alumni who died in service to their country.

VETERANS REMEMBRANCE COMMITTEE

Charles A. Benedict ’67, MBA’70
Mary-Anne Benedict ’67
Colonel Ernestine H. Bolduc, USA Retired, ’36
Morgan J. Costello ’66, Chair
Paul G. Delaney ’66
Christopher R. Erickson ’97
Marie J. Kelleher ’55, MS’69
Daniel P. Leahy ’82, M.Ed.’91
Paul L. Lufkin ’64
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Captain Thomas J. St. George, USA Retired, ’03
Captain Brett P. Tashiro, USA Retired

VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Ben Birnbaum, Special Assistant to the President
Paul G. Delaney ’66, Cochair
Christopher R. Erickson ’97
Patrick J. Keating, Executive Vice President
Paul L. Lufkin ’64, Cochair
William C. McInnes, S.J., ’44, MA’51
MEMBERS OF THE BOSTON COLLEGE COMMUNITY—TODAY IS A humbling day, a day that we remember each and every year. On November 11, we honor those veterans who fought bravely for the country they loved, and who made an incredible sacrifice. Because of their valor, we stand here today.

However, today is a time not only to mourn their loss, but also to celebrate what their sacrifice preserved. Because of their sacrifice, there are institutions of higher learning, like Boston College, where students engage in intellectual pursuit. Because of their sacrifice, there are people at Boston College and around the world who search to find their deepest passion and to use that passion to benefit others. And because of their sacrifice, we have the freedom to pursue our dreams, however big or small they might be. Let us neither take that for granted, nor allow the brave and valiant deeds of Boston College veterans, as well as countless others, go unnoticed.

As student body president, I am honored to write this letter to you, and to express appreciation to members of the armed forces and to veterans throughout the world. Let us remember and respect them. Let us continue to make the most of the liberties for which our brothers and sisters fought in order to make this world a better place.

Respectfully,

Alexander Dea ‘10

UGBC President
VETERANS MEMORIAL

I give thanks to my God at every remembrance of you... I hold you in my heart.

—PHILIPPIANS 1:3, 7

VETERANSMEMORIAL.BC.EDU

A Boston College website contains information about each alumnus whose name is inscribed on the memorial. There is a page for each veteran, including his name, graduation year, rank, and branch of service, as well as any other information and images gathered in the course of conducting research for the memorial.

Contributions to the website, in the form of remembrances, documents, or photographs, are welcome.

Visit veteransmemorial.bc.edu
What are you dreaming, soldier, 
What is it you see?
A tall gray Gothic tower,
And a linden tree.
You speak so sadly, soldier,
Sad and wistfully...
I cannot hear the tower bell
In the swirling sea.
What meaning has it, soldier,
A tower, bell, and tree?
Nothing, nothing—only once
It meant my life to me.

The most celebrated poem ever authored by a Boston College graduate, “Proud Refrain” was written by Thomas R. Heath ’43. “I wrote the poem, as far as I can remember, on the kitchen table of my home in Somerville,” Heath wrote in the Fall 1991 issue of Boston College Magazine, recalling his senior year as a pre-med student and editor of the Stylus, where the poem was first published. “I don’t think any one event inspired it; it overflowed from my love for BC and for my classmates, some of whom had already been called up, and most of whom soon would be.” Heath became a Dominican priest and spent most of his career as a missionary in Africa. In 2005, at the age of 84, he died from injuries sustained during a robbery at his home in Kisumu, Kenya.
World War I

William F. Colwell ’19, SN2, USN
Edwin A. Daly ’16, 2Lt, USA
Stephen E. Fitzgerald ’16, Lt, USA
Leroy C. Higginson ’21, CMI, USN
Edward L. Killion ’16, CPT, USA
Peter A. Landrigan ’09, SN, USN
Thomas F. MacDonnell ’18, RM, USN
Charles H. Madden ’19, Matti, USN
George R. Meehan ’16, 2Lt, USA
Joseph G. Murphy ’20, Ens, USN
Philip J. O’Connell ’08, PFC, USA
Charles L. Ostridge ’17, LtJg, USN
Francis K. Quinn ’18, PVT, USA
John W. Ryan ’20, PVT, USA
James E. Welch Jr. ’11, CPT, USA

World War II

Edward R. Ahearn ’37, LT, USN
Joseph F. Arone ’43, 2Lt, USA
William T. Barrett ’47, PFC, USA
Thomas A. Barry ’32, LT, USN
John L. Battles’43, Ens, USN
Edward R. Birtwell ’41, SGT, USA
Joseph C. Blute ’45, PFC, USA
Jack R. Brodsky ’40, PFC, USA
William H. Broley ’39, LT, USA
William C. Cagney ’34, 2Lt, USA
Francis A. Cahill ’39, LT, USN
Edward R. Callahan ’35, CPL, USA
David I. Calnan ’43, ENs, USN
Eugene J. Canty ’40, LTJG, USN
Edgar G. Carney ’42, SSGT, USA
Melvin G. Carr Jr. ’43, Ens, USN
James P. Carroll ’40, 1Lt, USA

Joseph B. Carty ’46, Pvt, USA
Henry J. Carvalho ’46, Pvt, USA
Francis J. Catenacli ’39, SGT, USA
John B. Colpoys ’47, Pvt, USA
Charles F. Conlan ’31, 2Lt, USMC
Thomas J. Connolly ’40, Lt, USN
Henry H. Connolly ’37, LtJg, USN
Paul V. Connors ’42, SGT, USA
Edward R. Conroy ’44, 2Lt, USMC
Thomas H. Cook ’41, Ens, USN
George D. Cormier ’46, Pvt, USA
John F. Coughlin ’38, SGT, USA
Robert J. Cromwell ’40, Lt, USN
Joseph J. Crowley ’45, 1Lt, USMC
George D. Cuning ’37, PVT, USA
Richard F. Curran ’40, PFC, USA
John F. Daley Jr. ’40, 1Lt, USA
William L. Davis ’45, 2Lt, USA
James M. Dodero Jr. ’45, P2O2, USN
William F. Doherty ’41, LT, USN
Charles Dolan Jr. ’46, 2Lt, USA
Robert H. Domesk ’32, PFC, USA
Edward L. Donahue ’45, SGT, USA
William T. Donovan ’41, Ens, USN
Walter L. Douglas Jr. ’37, LCDR, USN
William R. Duane ’38, 1Lt, USMC
John E. Dubbinski ’44, SSGT, USA
Donald Dumont ’46, SSGT, USA
John M. Dwyer ’30, PFC, USA
John E. Eastman ’44, 2Lt, USA
Herbert Ellis Jr. ’45, SSGT, USA
John J. Farrell ’44, SSGT, USA
John C. Farren ’46, PFC, USA
James E. Flanagan ’33, LTJG, USN
James G. Flannery ’46, Pvt, USA
James E. Flynn ’44, SSGT, USA
Edward L. Foley Jr. ’39, CPT, USMC
James M. Foody ’43, 2Lt, USMC
ALUMNI HONORED ON THE BOSTON COLLEGE VETERANS MEMORIAL

John F. Ford '41, 1LT, USMC
William I. Furey Jr. '45, PFC, USA
John J. Gallagher '41, CDT, USAF
Martin J. Gibbons '45, SGT, USAF
Joseph H. Gilfoil '46, SSGT, USAF
Edward M. Gilmore ’44, PVT, USA
Edward H. Gleason Jr. ’46, 2LT, USAF
John F. Griffin ’24, LT, USN
John T. Gunn ’44, CPL, USMC
Bernard M. Harb ’49, PVT, USAF
James K. Hastings ’39, MSGT, USAF
John R. Heffernan ’42, LTJG, USN
Thomas K. von Holzhausen ’44, 1LT, USAF
Albert C. Horsfall ’39, 1LT, USAF
Stephen J. Joyce ’35, ENS, USN
Edward M. Kearns ’30, SSGT, USA
John D. Kelleher ’31, LTJG, USN
John W. Kelley ’45, SGT, USA
Paul M. Kelly ’41, TSGT, USAF
Richard A. Kelly ’39, CPT, USMC
Joseph F. Kendall ’44, PFC, USA
Frederic L. Kiley ’32, 1LT, USA
Milton C. Kornetz ’38, PFC, USA
William F. Lafferty ’46, PVT, USA
Philip A. Lanzo ’43, 2LT, USA
Robert J. Larkin ’42, ENS, USN
James F. Law ’39, PFC, USA
George F. Lennon ’46, SSGT, USAF
Richard E. Lynn ’44, SGT, USAF
Thaddeus J. Lyons Jr. ’42, 1LT, USAF
Thomas F. Madden ’40, 2LT, USAF
James L. Maguire ’38, PFC, USA
George T. Malone ’43, 2LT, USAF
Edward F. Manion ’40, AAM, USN
Edward P. Manning ’33, LCDR, USN
James P. Markham ’45, PFC, USMC
James A. Matthews ’45, SSGT, USA
William G. McCarthy ’37, LTJG, USN
Thomas E. McCarty ’43, 2LT, USAF
Arthur H. McDevitt ’40, 1LT, USA
Robert E. McGehearty ’41, ENS, USCG
Justin J. McGowan ’43, CPT, USAF
Joseph D. McLaughlin ’41, LTJG, USN
Thomas G. McNabb ’44, CPL, USA
Lawrence J. McPeake ’23, LCDR, USN
Francis P. McQueeney ’35, CPT, USMC
Arthur J. McSweeney ’35, SSGT, USA
William J. Meehan ’39, LTJG, USN
John H. Moloney Jr. ’42, LT, USA
John F. Monahan ’10, LCDR, USA
John M. Moriarty ’45, PFC, USA
Joseph W. Moulton ’44, CDT, USAF
Bernard M. Moynahan ’35, 1LT, USA
John P. Mulkern ’44, 2LT, USAF
John T. Murphy ’32, LCDR, USA
Joseph J. Murphy ’43, PVT, USA
Leo J. Murphy ’42, SSGT, USA
Kenneth J. Murray ’37, LT, USN
Paul F. Nagle ’47, CPL, USAF
Vincent L. Nagle ’45, 2LT, USAF
George H. Nicholson ’32, MAJ, USAF
Edward F. O’Brien Jr. ’37, LT, USN
John J. O’Brien ’36, CPT, USA
Walter G. O’Brien ’38, 1LT, USMC
Mortimer O’Connor ’28, 1LT, USAF
Arnold J. O’Donnell ’36, 1LT, USA
Eric W. Ojerholm ’46, PFC, USMC
John E. O’Keefe ’43, LTJG, USN
Michael J. O’Neil ’41, 2LT, USAF
John A. O’Toole ’39, ENS, USN
Victor E. Ouimet ’33, LT, USN
Richard L. Parrow ’45, PFC, USMC
Francis W. Rich ’39, 2LT, USAF
Roger F. Riordan ’31, PVT, USA
Thomas M. Roddy ’39, LT, USN
William A. Roddy ’46, SN2, USN
Albert J. Ruback ’45, ISGT, USA
Joseph A. Ryan ’39, PFC, USA
Richard W. Ryan ’45, 2LT, USAF
William W. Ryan ’45, SGT, USAF
Joseph B. Savage ’40, Pvt, USA
Edison F. Sawyer ’33, Pvt, USA
Martin F. Shaughnessy ’38, 1LT, USA
Bernard M. Shea ’39, SM, USMM
John J. Shea ’18, CDR, USN
Joseph D. Shea ’41, 1LT, USN
Joseph W. Smith ’45, Pvt, USA
Daniel J. Sullivan ’41, ENS, USN
John L. Sullivan ’45, 2LT, USMC
Francis J. Sweeney ’44, 1LT, USAF
John R. Tierney ’46, 2LT, USAF
Henry G. Tinker ’27, SGT, USA
Paul H. Van Wart ’44, SGT, USAF
James A. Vaughan ’41, PFC, USA
John H. Wallace Jr. ’45, 1LT, USAF
David I. Walsh ’42, TSgt, USAF
Edward A. Walsh ’41, 1LT, USMC
James F. Walsh ’50, PFC, USAF
Raymond A. Wardell ’28, Pvt, USA
Joseph J. Welsh ’42, 2LT, USA
Robert H. White ’45, ENS, USN
Charles T. Willock Jr. ’43, 2LT, USAF
Charles G. Wolfe ’40, 1LT, USN

Vietnam War

John J. Cabral ’63, LT, USN
Joseph T. Campbell ’66, 1LT, USMC
John T. Coll Jr. ’66, 1LT, USA
Michael B. Counihan ’67, SGT, USA
Herbert H. Dilger ’64, LT, USN
Louis D. Dobbin II ’65, 1LT, USMC
Steven E. Donaldson ’68, 2LT, USMC
James E. Dooley ’64, 1CDR, USN
Louis A. Favuzza ’68, 1LT, USA
John F. Fitzgibbons ’69, 1LT, USA
Joseph X. Grant ’61, CPT, USA
Frederick E. Harrington Jr. ’68, CPL, USA
Robert D. Hauer ’68, CPT, USAF
Daniel M. Kellett ’64, 1LT, USA
Thomas P. Lufkin ’66, 1LT, USN
Christopher H. Markey ’68, 2LT, USMC
Daniel J. Minahan ’66, 1LT, USMC
Michael J. Monahan ’68, PFC, USMC
Thomas R. Morris ’64, CPT, USA
Edward J. Murphy Jr. ’56, MAJ, USA
Richard L. O’Leary ’66, 2LT, USMC
John M. Ostergren ’72, Pvt, USA
Frederick J. Rauscher Jr. ’64, LT, USN
Dennis J. Reardon ’67, 1LT, USMC
Robert P. Rumley Jr. ’65, CPT, USA
Paul J. Sullivan ’65, 1LT, USA
Richard J. Sullivan Jr. ’63, 1LTG, USN
Lucien C. Tessier ’65, CPT, USMC
Michael P. Vaughan ’65, 1LT, USA

Korean War

Joseph L. Flaherty ’50, 1LT, USA
James F. Harrington ’53, SGT, USA
Thomas W. Livingston Jr. ’51, 2LT, USA
Francis B. Mahoney ’53, Pvt, USMC
John A. Morrissey ’51, Pvt, USA
Donald T. Toland ’53, CPL, USMC

Afghanistan/Iraq War

David S. Connolly ’94, MAJ, USA
A letter from Navy Commander John J. Shea ’18, written in 1942 to his five-year-old son Jackie and widely published in ensuing months, became an inspiration to all Americans as the nation endured the darkest days of World War II. Commander Shea was killed in action on September 15, 1942 when his ship, USS Wasp, was torpedoed and sunk in the Pacific. His family was notified of his loss only a few days after the letter arrived.

June 29, 1942

Dear Jackie,

This is the first letter I have ever written directly to my little son and I am thrilled to know that you can read it all by yourself. If you miss some of the words, I’m sure it will be because I do not write very plainly. Mother will help you in that case I am sure.

I was certainly glad to hear your voice over the long distance telephone. It sounded as though I were right in the living room with you. You sounded as though you missed your daddy very much. I miss you too, more than anyone will ever know. It is too bad this war could not have been delayed a few more years so that I could grow up again with you and do with you all the things I planned to do when you were old enough to go to school.

I thought how nice it would be for me to come home early in the afternoon and play ball with you, and go mountain climbing and see the trees, and brooks, and learn all about woodcraft, hunting, fishing, swimming, and things like that. I suppose we must be brave and put these things off for a little while.

When you are a little bigger you will know why your daddy is not home so much any more. You know we have a big country and we have ideals as to how people should live and enjoy the riches of it and how each is born with equal rights to life, freedom, and the pursuit of happiness. Unfortunately, there are some countries in the world where they don’t have these ideals, where a boy cannot grow up to be what he wants to be with no limits on his opportunities to be a great man, such as a great priest, statesman, doctor, soldier, business man etc.
Because there are people and countries who want to change our nation, its ideals, forms of government, and way of life, we must leave our homes and families to fight. Fighting for the defense of our country, ideals, homes, and honor is an honor and a duty which your daddy has to do before he can come home to settle down with you and Mother. When it is done, he is coming home to be with you always and forever. So wait just a little while longer. I am afraid it will be more than the two weeks you told me on the phone.

In the meantime, take good care of Mother. Be a good boy and grow up to be a good young man. Study hard when you go to school. Be a leader in everything good in life. Be a good Catholic, and you can't help being a good American. Play fair always. Strive to win but if you must lose, lose like a gentleman and a good sportsman. Don't ever be a quitter either in sports or in your business or profession when you grow up. Get all the education you can. Stay close to Mother and follow her advice. Obey her in everything, no matter how you may at times disagree. She knows what is best and will never let you down or lead you away from the right and honorable things in life. If I don't get back, you will have to be Mother's protector because you will be the only one she has. You must grow up to take my place as well as your own in her life and heart.

Love your grandmother and granddad as long as they live. They too will never let you down. Love your aunts and see them as often as you can. Last of all, don't ever forget your daddy. Pray for him to come back and if it is God's will that he does not, be the kind of a boy and man your daddy wants you to be.

Thanks for the nice sweater and handkerchiefs and particularly for the note and card. Write me very often and tell me everything.

Kiss Mother for me every night.

Goodbye for now.

With all my love and devotion for Mother and you,

Your daddy
As we honor past members of the Boston College community who sacrificed their lives for our freedoms, we recognize today’s undergraduates who have committed themselves to military service.

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Cadet David Lam ’13
Cadet Daniel Matchett ’12

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Cadet Samuel Betar ’12
Cadet Hannah Binder ’12
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Cadet Michelle Boulos ’11
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Cadet Alyson Miller ’11
Cadet Rita Morin ’11
Cadet Alessandra Myers ’13

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Midshipman Patrick Ahern ’11
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Midshipman Michael Burke ’11
Midshipman Stephen Crane ’10
Midshipman Bryan Denahi ’12
Midshipman Mia Edgar ’11
Officer Candidate Shane Halton ’13
Midshipman Bradley Howell ’13
Midshipman Peter Lawton ’12
Midshipman David Loftus ’12
Midshipman Katrina Lutfy ’12
Midshipman Robert Mlnarik ’11
Midshipman Laura Newton ’10
Midshipman Kelly Osborn ’10
Midshipman Mary Sanford ’13
Midshipman John Schaible ’12
GySgt Trenton Selness ’13
Midshipman Skyler Takahashi ’10

Cadet Katie Nisbet ’12
Cadet Emily Nyhan ’10
Cadet Robert Olp ’12
Cadet Chelsea Perrin ’10
Cadet Jonathan Priest ’13
Cadet Erin Rademaker ’13
Cadet Christopher Salerno ’11
Cadet Anne Spencer ’12
Cadet Thomas Tandler ’11
Cadet Michael Vazquez ’12
Cadet Andreas Wilder ’12
Cadet David Willner ’12
Oh, say can you see by the dawn’s early light
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight’s last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars thru the perilous fight,
O’er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?
And the rocket’s red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
Oh, say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave?
O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties,
Above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood,
From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for heroes proved,
In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved,
And mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness,
And every gain divine!

O beautiful for patriot dream,
That sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam,
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
Till nobler men keep once again,
Thy whiter jubilee!