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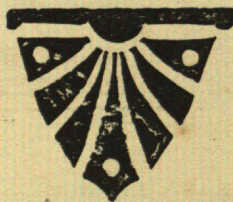
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(Dedicated to the Irish Citizen Army).

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Armed for the bat---tle  
The spir---it of Free--dom

kneel we be-fore Thee. Bless Thou our ban-ners, God of the brave.  
Floats in the e---ther Souls of our her--oes, March by our side.

Ire--land is liv--ing Shout we ex-ult---ant Ire--land is wah--ing  
Tone is our battle-cry, Em--met inspires us Those who for Freedom fall

The musical score consists of five systems. Each system includes a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (treble and bass clefs). The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines in both hands, with some systems including a bass line in the left hand.

Hands grasp the sword. Who fights for Ireland, God guide his blows home  
 Ne---ver shall die. Eng--land is breaking, Shout we ex--ult---ant

Who dies for Ire--land, God give him Peace. Know-ing our cause just,  
 Eng-land is bea--ten Ire ----land is free. Charge for the old cause

March we tri--um--phant, Liv---ing or dy----ing, Ire--land to free.  
 Down with the old foe Giv---ing our heart's blood Ire--land to free.

*last verse* *rall al fine* *fine*  
 Giv--ing our heart's blood Ire-----land to free

*last verse* *rall al fine* *fine*

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