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### The Banner of Erin.

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**F**LING out the Banner of Erin,  
The Banner of green and gold ;  
The green of her fairy valleys,  
The Bardic Harp of old.  
No stain is on our Emblem,  
No crime of the myriad years :  
Tho' the harp be strung to Anguish.  
And the green be dimmed with tears.

Fling forth the Banner of Erin,  
This glad St. Patrick's Day,  
With thrilling message freighted  
From kindred far away  
By misty glen and mountain  
Round tower and broken fane  
Fair Banbha\* of the Rivers  
Shall greet her own again.

\* "Ban ba-of-the Streams" an ancient poetic name for Ireland.