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On the green banks of Ebro's wave,
Where mopping sluggards wont to lave,
The Shepherd starts to arms.

Transported hears the Trumpet sound,
Dashes his Tabor on the ground,
And pants for War's alarms.

To Freedom's voice, in every breeze,
Eager he lists, and fondly sees,
With new and glad surprise,
In every shadow, every beam,
In every slumber, every dream,
Her angel-form arise.

In Ebro's glassy streams surveys
Her Towers ascend, her Altars blaze,
Her flag triumphant spread.
While never-fading laurels bloom,
And Victory binds a splendid plume
To grace the Patriot's head.

Prophetic be the Shepherd's sight!
But, ere with pure and steady light,
The rays of Freedom shine,
Shall many a friend, and many a foe,
Down Ebro's alter'd waters flow,
Dark as the blood-red wine.

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The arduous battle fought, and won,
Ebro! Thy stream again shall run,
 Unsullied by the main.
Thy Country's wounds no more shall bleed,
Thy Swains inspir'd resume the reed,
 And Freedom swell the strain.