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Best of Allies! Britannia tries
 To rescue, by her aid,
A land from foes and public woes,
 Where slavery's a trade.
O, Sons of Spain! may you regain
 The liberty you've lost;*
They will not buy the blessing high
 Who know so well its cost;
But 'twould be right, while freemen fight
 And stud your land with graves,
That you forbore to seek the shore
 Of Africa for slaves.

*This poetical licence requires some apology; a people cannot be said to lose what they never possessed. [Nota del autor de la poesía].