

# Nation Once Again - Irish Folk

G  
When boyhoods fire was in my blood  
C D G  
I read of ancient free-men

For Greece and Rome who bravely stood  
C D  
Three hundred men and three men  
D  
And then I prayed I might yet see  
C G  
Our fetters rent in twain  
C D  
And Ireland long a province be  
G D G  
A nation once again

CHORUS: =====  
A nation once again G C  
A nation once again C D  
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And from that time through wildest woe  
That hope has shone a far light  
Nor could loves brightest summer glow  
Outshine that solemn starlight  
It seemed to watch above my head  
In forum, field and fane  
Its angel voice sang round my bed  
A nation once again

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C D G
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C D
D
C G
C D
G D G

CHO:

It whisperd too that freedoms ark  
And service high and holy  
Would be profaned by feelings dark  
And passions vain or lowly  
For, freedom comes form Gods right hand  
And needs a godly train  
And righteous men must make our land  
A nation once again

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C D G
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C D
D
C G
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G D G

CHO:

So, as I grew from boy to man  
I bent me to that bidding  
My spirit of each selfish plan  
And cruel passion ridding  
For, thus I hoped some day to aid  
Oh, can such hope be vain  
When my dear country shall be made  
A nation once again.

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A [G]nation [D]once [G]again

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