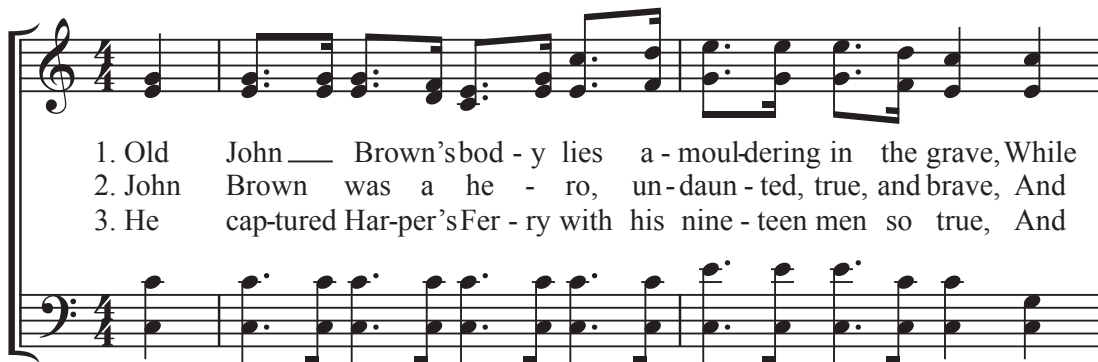


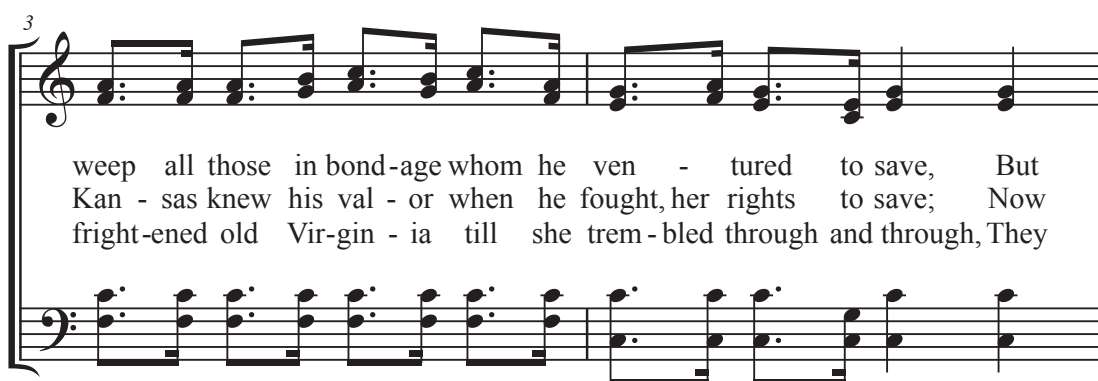
John Brown's Body

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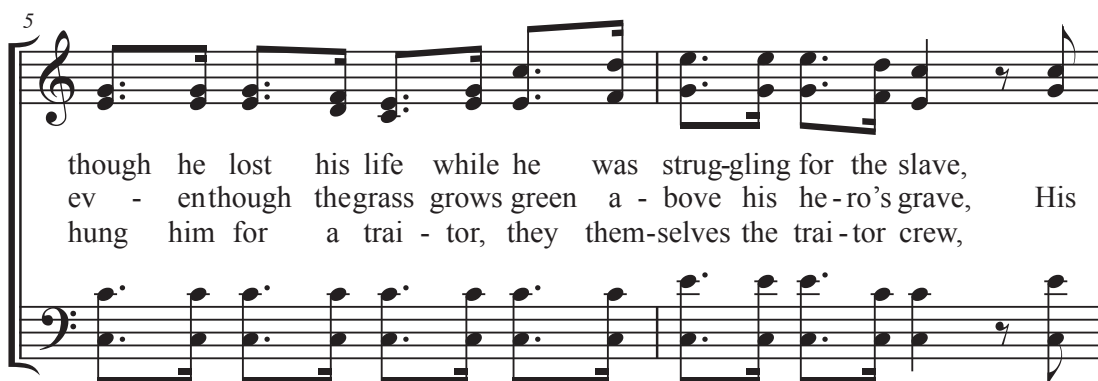
Anonymous 19th C.



1. Old John — Brown's bod - y lies a - moul - dering in the grave, While
2. John Brown was a he - ro, un - daun - ted, true, and brave, And
3. He cap - tured Har - per's Fer - ry with his nine - teen men so true, And



3
weep all those in bond - age whom he ven - tured to save, But
Kan - sas knew his val - or when he fought, her rights to save; Now
fright - ened old Vir - gin - ia till she trem - bled through and through, They



5
though he lost his life while he was strug - gling for the slave,
ev - enthough the grass grows green a - bove his he - ro's grave, His
hung him for a trai - tor, they them - selves the trai - tor crew,



7
soul is march - ing on. Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah,

11

Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le-

14

lu - jah, His soul is march-ing on.

“Among the greatest heroes and martyrs History will reckon John Brown.”

—Frederick Douglass, “A Lecture on John Brown”

“At the turn of the [20th] century, as Southern and border states disenfranchised African Americans, as lynchings proliferated... white America abandoned the last shards of its racial idealism. A history published in 1923 [stated]... ‘we are disposed to consider this extraordinary man [i.e., John Brown] the victim of mental delusions.’ Not until the civil rights movement of the 1960s was white America freed from enough of its racism to accept that a white person did not have to be crazy to die for black equality.”

—James W. Loewen, *Lies My Teacher Told Me*

John Brown's Body

Fisk Jubilee Singers

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1. John Brown's bod-y lies a - moul-dering in the grave,
3. John Brown died — that the slave — might be free,

3
John Brown's bod-y lies a - moul-dering in the grave,
John Brown died that the slave — might be free,

5
John Brown's body lies a - moul-dering in the grave, But his
John Brown died that the slave — might be free, But his

7
soul's march-ing on. Glo - ry, glo-ry, hal - le-
soul's march-ing on.

10
lu - jah, Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah,

13 Fine

Glo - ry, glo-ry, hal-le - lu - jah, His soul's march-ing on.

17

2. He cap-tured Har-per's Fer-ry with his nine-teen men so true, And he

20

fright-ened old Vir-gi-nia til she trem-bled through and through, They

22

hung him for a trai-tor, them-selves the trai-tor crew, But his

24 D.C. al Fine

soul's march - ing on.

The Fisk Jubilee Singers concluded with a fourth verse:
“Now has come the glorious jubilee...”

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