



# **The Sea Gull's Song**

**Cyrus C. Pratt**  
**(1835-?)**

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Moderato

S  
A  
T  
B

Let the birds of a bright and a glo - rious wing, 'Mid the

5  
S  
A  
T  
B

sha - dy groves and wild flow - ers sing. But mine

9  
S  
A  
T  
B

be the rock where the break - ers roar, And the

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S wild waves roll to the trem - bling shore; For

A wild waves roll to the trem - bling shore; For

T wild waves roll to the trem - bling shore; For

B wild waves roll to the trem - bling shore; For

S there, oh, there is the place for me To

A there, oh, there is the place for me To

T there, oh, there is the place for me To

B there, oh, there is the place for me To

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S pour my song by the rag - ing sea.

A pour my song by the rag - ing sea.

T pour my song by the rag - ing sea.

B pour my song by the rag - ing sea.

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## CHORUS

*Allegro. con spirito*

S Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Hur -

A Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Hur -

T Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Hur -

B Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Hur -

28 S rah! for the sea, boys, the rag - ing sea; Hur -

A rah! for the sea, boys, the rag - ing sea; Hur -

T rah! for the sea, boys, the rag - ing sea; Hur -

B rah! for the sea, boys, the rag - ing sea; Hur -

32 S rah! for the sea, boys, Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Her -

A rah! for the sea, boys, Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Her -

T rah! for the sea, boys, Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Her -

B rah! for the sea, boys, Hur - rah! for the sea, boys, Her -

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S  
rah! for the sea, boys, the rag - ing sea.

A  
rah! for the sea, boys, the rag - ing sea.

T  
8  
rah! for the sea, boys, the rag - ing sea.

B  
rah! for the sea, boys, the rag - ing sea.

## VERSE 2

Moderato

S  
When the sun has set 'neath a cloud of snow, And the

A  
When the sun has set 'neath a cloud of snow, And the

T  
8  
When the sun has set 'neath a cloud of snow, And the

B  
When the sun has set 'neath a cloud of snow, And the

44

S  
bil - lows dance by the gal - lant prow, When his

A  
bil - lows dance by the gal - lant prow, When his

T  
8  
bil - lows dance by the gal - lant prow, When his

B  
bil - lows dance by the gal - lant prow, When his

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S  
shin - ing curls, as the sea - boy sleeps, From his

A  
shin - ing curls, as the sea - boy sleeps, From his

T  
shin - ing curls, as the sea - boy sleeps, From his

B  
shin - ing curls, as the sea - boy sleeps, From his

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S  
sun - burnt brow the bright breez - es sweep, O'

A  
sun - burnt brow the bright breez - es sweep, O'

T  
sun - burnt brow the bright breez - es sweep, O'

B  
sun - burnt brow the bright breez - es sweep, O'

56

S  
there, oh, there is the place for me To

A  
there, oh, there is the place for me To

T  
there, oh, there is the place for me To

B  
there, oh, there is the place for me To

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S  
sing my song by the rag - ing sea.

A  
sing my song by the rag - ing sea.

T  
sing my song by the rag - ing sea.

B  
sing my song by the rag - ing sea.

## VERSE 3

Moderato

S  
O'er the drown - ing wretch on the found - 'ring bark, When the

A  
O'er the drown - ing wretch on the found - 'ring bark, When the

T  
O'er the drown - ing wretch on the found - 'ring bark, When the

B  
O'er the drown - ing wretch on the found - 'ring bark, When the

68

S  
black waves mount to a sky as dark, I'd soar

A  
black waves mount to a sky as dark, I'd soar

T  
black waves mount to a sky as dark, I'd soar

B  
black waves mount to a sky as dark, I'd soar

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S with a light and a fear - less wing, And I'd

A with a light and a fear - less wing, And I'd

T with a light and a fear - less wing, And I'd

B with a light and a fear - less wing, And I'd

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S ech - o their vain shrieks back a - gain; For

A ech - o their vain shrieks back a - gain; For

T ech - o their vain shrieks back a - gain; For

B ech - o their vain shrieks back a - gain; For

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S there, oh, there is the place for me To

A there, oh, there is the place for me To

T there, oh, there is the place for me To

B there, oh, there is the place for me To



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S wail with the mar - i - ner out at sea,

A wail with the mar - i - ner out at sea,

T wail with the mar - i - ner out at sea,

B wail with the mar - i - ner out at sea,

## VERSE 4 Moderato

S Let birds of a bright and a gloss - y plume Build their

A Let birds of a bright and a gloss - y plume Build their

T Let birds of a bright and a gloss - y plume Build their

B Let birds of a bright and a gloss - y plume Build their

92

S ti - ny homes where the wild flow'rs bloom; On a

A ti - ny homes where the wild flow'rs bloom; On a

T ti - ny homes where the wild flow'rs bloom; On a

B ti - ny homes where the wild flow'rs bloom; On a

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S slip - p'ry crag I'd build my nest Where the

A slip - p'ry crag I'd build my nest Where the

T slip - p'ry crag I'd build my nest Where the

B slip - p'ry crag I'd build my nest Where the

100

S white spray flies to my snow - y white breast, And

A white spray flies to my snow - y white breast, And

T white spray flies white to my snow - y white breast, And

B white spray flies white to my snow - y white breast, And

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S the wild waves rock my crad - led young While I

A the wild waves rock my crad - led young While I

T the wild waves rock my crad - led young While I

B the wild waves rock my crad - led young While I

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S  
sing to the sea an answering song.

A  
sing to the sea an answering song.

T  
sing to the sea an answering song.

B  
sing to the sea an answering song.

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**Cyrus Cornelius Pratt** (1835-?) was born in Johnson, Vermont. He went to Boston at age 12 to study music, was known as a vocalist with a number of Boston musical institutions. When he was 25, he moved to Springfield, Illinois. He was involved in musical business and managed a concert company called Harmonious Bards, partnering with Burr Robbins (1837-1908), a showman who later became known for his circus. The venture failed and he established musical concerts in connection with the U. S. Sanitary Commission (veteran's aid). He enlisted as Captain of Company A, 117th Illinois Volunteer Infantry but was discharged due to disability. He continued to conduct a sanitary concert troupe until the end of the war. After the war, he conducted musical conventions and institutes, moving to Kansas as agent for the King Iron Bridge & Manufacturing Company of Cleveland, Ohio. He then worked as a real estate agent, still conducting musical institutes throughout the South. He moved to Iowa City, Iowa, as agent for the Burlington Insurance Company, then back to Kansas to become secretary of the Vigilant Insurance Company. He was also secretary of the Broom Corn Alliance of Mitchell County, Kansas. He moved to Nampa, Idaho and was engaged in the mining business at the turn of the century then retired to Portland, Oregon. He died before 1920. His few known compositions were part-songs for pedagogy at his conventions and institutes.

Let the birds of a bright and a glorious wing,  
'Mid the shady groves and wild flowers sing.  
But mine be the rock where the breakers roar,  
And the wild waves roll to the trembling shore;  
For there, oh, there is the place for me  
To pour my song by the raging sea.

*Hurrah! for the sea, boys, Hurrah! for the sea, boys,  
Hurrah! for the sea, boys, the raging sea;  
Hurrah! for the sea, boys, Hurrah! for the sea, boys,  
Herrah! for the sea, boys, the raging sea.*

When the sun has set 'neath a cloud of snow,  
And the billows dance by the gallant prow,  
When his shining curls, as the sea-boy sleeps,  
From his sunburnt brow the bright breezes sweep,  
O' there, oh, there is the place for me  
To sing my song by the raging sea.

O'er the drowning wretch on the foundering bark,  
When the black waves mount to a sky as dark,  
I'd soar with a light and a fearless wing,  
And I'd echo their vain shrieks back again;  
For there, oh, there is the place for me  
To wail with the mariner out at sea,

Let birds of a bright and a glossy plume  
Build their tiny homes where the wild flowers bloom;  
On a slippery crag I'd build my nest  
Where the white spray flies to my snowy white breast,  
And the wild waves rock my cradled young  
While I sing to the sea an answering song.

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