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Allegro

VOICE

PIANO

mf

In - de - fence of a cause that is just and true For
While we sing of our boys on the bat - tle line And
Though — fierce be the war and — strong the foe The

mf

Bri - tains hon - or'd name The boys of the Em - pire in
give them prai - ses due We'll hon - or the men who with
All - ies must pre - vail The ar - mies u - ni - ted will

f

kha - ki hue Are massed 'gainst the "ranks of shame"
 them com - bine Their Al - lies so brave and true
 on - ward go And vic - to - ry shall not fail

Fight - ing a cru - el and faith - less foe Ruth - less in word and deed
 Bel - gi - um's her - oes who stemm'd the wave Gal - lants of France who hold
 These are the men — who call to you To aid them in the fight

cresc. Brave - ly they strive to his power o'er throw Till lands from his grasp be freed.
 Rus - sia and I - ta - ly's sons so brave The men of the Bal - kans bold
 } Come now en - list your "bit to do" And help to de - fend the right.
 } Now one and all find your "bit to do" And God will de - fend the right.
rit.

Chorus *f* *Vigoroso*

Three cheers for the boys of the Em - pire, Who are batt - ling for the right,

Fa - cing the foe ea - ger to go when the call comes for the fight

Charg - ing the line mid shot and shell, Do - ing brave deeds no tongue will tell

These are the boys that we love so well The gal - lant boys of the Em - pire.

Hip - hip hur - rah! Hip - hip hur - rah! Hip - hip hur - rah!

mf *f* *rit* *ff*
mf *f* *rit* *ff* *DC%*

