

Written In Letters Of Gold - song lyrics

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Engraven in letters of honor and fame,
In history's page may be seen
The men, who for daring have gained a great name,
Endeared to the island of green.
Enshrined in the temple of faint' one and all.
Its memory is writteu with pride,
And Ireland to-day with respect does recall
Her sons who have gallantly died.
In art or in science, with sword or with pen.
Those men have proved fearless and bold.
So I will to-night sing in praise of the men
Whose names are in letters of gold.

On Fontenoy's fields stood the Irish Brigade,
While cannons were booming around,
At the word of command not a man was afraid.
Although then in martyrdom crowned;
Unheeding the battle, to victory they went,
And Irelaud remembers to-day
The brave sons she to Fontenoy sent,
Who proved to he first in the fray.
But though they are gone, we remember them still,
These heroes were fearless and bold.
The Irish Brigade, who fought with a will,
Their names are in letters of gold.

Ou tablets of love are engraven the names
Of men of such paramount works,
As Goldsmith and Moore, whose poetical aims
Have ranked with the finest on earth.
Burke, Grattan, Wallace, Fitzgerald and Swift,
Are men whose bright intellect shone,
Endeavoring with honor the curtain to lift,
Which gloomed down dear old Irelaud upon.
There's Balfe, the composer, Wolf Tone, and the rest
All true Irishmen will uphold,
But now they're at rest and at peace with the blest,
Their names are in letters of gold.

Where could a patriot so brave and so good,
As the brave Robert Emmet be found?
For he was a martyr, and Irishmen should
His praises forever resound.
How great was the speech that he gave at his trial,
Ere he to the cold grave did go,
His heart often bled for the Emerald Isle,
Down-trodden and gored by the foe.
Then while I have strength I will sing in the praise
Of Emmett, the fearless and bold;
His name And his fame, and the pluck of his days,
Are written in letters of gold.