

THE BALLOT-BOX.

Air--from "Lincoln."

The musical score consists of two staves of music in 2/4 time, B-flat major. The top staff uses a treble clef and the bottom staff uses a bass clef. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes. The lyrics describe the ballot box as a symbol of freedom and democracy, contrasting it with imperial power and historical events like the Civil War.

Free - dom's con - se - cra - ted dow - er, Cas - ket
Guard it, Free-men! guard it well, Spot - less

of a priceless gem! No - bler her - it - age of pow - er,
as your maiden's fame! Nev - er let your children tell

Than im - pe - rial di - a - dem! Cor - ner - stone, on which was
Of your weakness, of your shame; That their fa-thers base - ly

reared, Lib - er - ty's tri - um-phal dome, When her
sold, What was bought with blood and toil, That you

glor - i - ous form ap-peared, 'Midst our own Green Moun-tain home.
bartered right for gold, Here, on Free-dom's sa - cred soil.