

# GET OFF THE TRACK

Music by Carl Thomas Gladstone and the Abolitionist Hymnal Project  
Words adapted from *The Anti-Slavery Harp*

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Ho! the car Emancipation  
em  
Rides majestic thro' our nation,  
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Bearing on its train the story,  
em  
Liberty! a nation's glory.  
em G  
Roll it along, thro' the nation,  
A C  
Freedom's car, Emancipation!

First of all the train, and greater,  
Speeds the dauntless Liberator,  
Onward cheered amid hosannas,  
And the waving of free banners.  
Roll it along! spread your banners,  
While the people shout hosannas.

em G  
Now again the bell is tolling,  
A C  
Soon you'll see the car-wheels rolling;  
em G  
Hinder not their destination,  
A C  
Chartered for Emancipation.  
em G  
Wood up the fire! keep it flashing,  
A C  
While the train goes onward dashing.

Hear the mighty car-wheels humming!  
Now look out! the Engine's coming!  
Church and statesmen! hear the thunder!  
Clear the track or you'll fall under.  
Get off the track! all are singing,  
While the Liberty bell is ringing.

All true friends of Emancipation,  
Haste to Freedom's railroad station;  
Quick into the cars get seated,  
All is ready and completed.  
Put on the steam! all are crying,  
And the liberty flags are flying.

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Now look out! the Engine's coming!  
Church and statesmen! hear the thunder!  
Clear the track or you'll fall under.  
Get off the track! all are singing,  
While the Liberty bell is ringing.