



THE AMERICAN  
**CONSTITUTION FRIGATE'S**  
 ENGAGEMENT WITH THE BRITISH FRIGATE GUERRIERE,

*Which after an Action of 25 Minutes, Surrendered, and being completely Shattered, was blown up, it being impossible to get her into port.*

**C**OME jolly lads, ye hearts of gold,  
 Come fill your cans and glasses,  
 Be fun the order of the day,  
 A health to all our lasses.  
*Yankee doodle keep it up,  
 Yankee doodle dandy,  
 As hot as British folks can sup,  
 We'll give it to 'em handy.*

The Constitution long shall be  
 The glory of our Navy,  
 For when she grapples with a foe.  
 She sends her to old Davy.  
*Yankee doodle keep it up,  
 Yankee doodle dandy,  
 We'll let the British know that we  
 At fighting are quite handy.*

Not long ago Five British Ships  
 Unto her gave a chace sir,  
 But spite of all their quips and cranks  
 She beat 'em in the race, sir.  
*Yankee doodle, keep it up,  
 Yankee doodle dandy,  
 Though ten to one, the Yankee boys  
 At fighting are quite handy.*

At length the British ship Guerriere,  
 Quite proudly came across her,  
 And Dacres said, in half an hour,  
 In air he'd surely toss her.  
*Yankee doodle, keep it up,  
 Yankee doodle dandy,  
 He counted chickens ere they hatch'd,  
 Because the eggs were handy.*

But soon, alas! poor Dacres, found  
 That he was quite mistaken,  
 And thought he got himself well off,  
 By saving of his Bacon.  
*Yankee doodle, keep it up,  
 Yankee doodle dandy,  
 The Yankee boys for fighting fun,  
 Are always quick and handy.*

And now begun the bloody fray,  
 The balls flew thick and hot sir,  
 In half an hour the job was done,  
 The Guerriere went to pot sir.  
*Yankee doodle, keep it up,  
 Yankee doodle dandy,  
 The British didn't like the fun,  
 And quit soon as 'twas handy.*

Now here's a health to CAPTAIN HULL,  
 And all his noble crew sirs,  
 And should he choose to fight again,  
 His lads will see him through sirs.  
*Yankee doodle, keep it up,  
 Yankee doodle dandy,  
 For riddling British ships I'm sure,  
 Brave HULL is quite the dandy.*

New safe in Boston port we're moord,  
 Our girls with smiles shall meet us,  
 And every true American,  
 With loud buzzas shall greet us.  
*Yankee doodle, keep it up,  
 Yankee doodle dandy,  
 Our brave commander now we'll toast,  
 In punch, and wine, and brandy.*

Broadside titled *The American Constitution Frigate's Engagement with the British*