Home On The Range
(version 1 - original)

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G                            C                       G            A7       D7
Oh, give me a home where the Buffalo roam, where the Deer and the Antelope play;
G                            C                       G          D7          G
Where never is heard a discouraging word, and the sky is not clouded all day.

CHORUS:
G       D7  G            Em           A7       D7
A home! A home! Where the Deer and the Antelope play,
G                 C                          G          D7          G
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word, and the sky is not clouded all day.

Oh! give me a land where the bright diamond sand
Throws its light from the glittering streams,
Where glideth along the graceful white swan, like the maid in her heavenly dreams.

CHORUS:

Oh! give me a gale of the Solomon vale, where the life streams with buoyancy flow;
On the banks of the Beaver, where seldom if ever, any poisonous herbage doth grow.

CHORUS:

How often at night, when the heavens were bright, with the light of the twinkling stars
Have I stood here amazed, and asked as I gazed, if their glory exceed that of ours.

CHORUS:

I love the wild flowers in this bright land of ours,
I love the wild curlew's shrill scream;
The bluffs and white rocks, and antelope flocks that graze on the mountains so green.

CHORUS:

The air is so pure and the breezes so fine, the zephyrs so balmy and light,
That I would not exchange my home here to range forever in azures so bright.

CHORUS: