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AN ARRANGEMENT
OF THE ALMS, HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS,
OF THE
Rev. Isaac Watts, D.D.
INCLUDING
(WHAT NO OTHER VOLUME CONTAINS)
ALL HIS HYMNS,
WITH WHICH THE Vacancies in the First Book were filled up in 1786, and also those in 1793.
NOW COLLATED,
WITH EACH OF THE DOCTOR'S OWN EDITIONS:
TO WHICH ARE SUBJOINED INDEXES,
VERY MUCH ENLARGED,
BOTH OF SCRIPTURES AND OF SUBJECTS

By John Rippon, D.D.

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DIRECTIONS TO MINISTERS AND CLERKS,

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* * * The Number of the Hymn and Psalm always answers to the number of the page, thus: Hymn 5, page 5.
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PREFACE.

IN the roll of pre-eminent characters which have attained literary fame, and transmitted to posterity a memory embalmed with the odours of gratitude, the Rev. Dr. Isaac Watts ranks high. It was the eulogium of candour, at the demand of justice, which Dr. Johnson pronounced when he said, *That few men have left behind such purity of character, or such monuments of laborious piety.* Among these, good men without number are peculiarly indebted to him for his Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs. What denomination of Protestants, to whom the English language is vernacular, can we find either at home or abroad, who have not derived pious edification from these inestimable compositions of our sweet singer in Israel. Humble cottages, rustic barns, decent meeting-houses, and capacious tabernacles, are not the only temples which have been made vocal by his lays, or whose worshippers soar in his songs—their inspiration has been felt under the vaulted arch of many a Gothic edifice; while, not Sternhold and Hopkins only, but Tate, Brady, and other great names, have occasionally resigned the honours of poetry, and of praise. Of this, a letter from the celebrated Rev. Mr. James Hervey, in 1747, is a pleasing specimen. After pronouncing an encomium on the Doctor's works, as the favourite pattern by which he would form his conduct and model his style, he adds; "Among other of your edifying compositions, I have reason to thank you for your sacred songs, which I have introduced into the service of my church; so that, in the solemnities of the sabbath, and in a lecture on the week-day, your muse lights up the incense of our praise, and furnishes our devotions with harmony." This charming paragraph conveys the sentiments, and expresses the practice of many an evangelical clergyman belonging to the national establishment. And a small acquaintance with the state of religion in our native country, and in other lands, induces me to form a conjecture, which I think is far within the precincts of moderation, that through the last half hundred years more than a million tongues are, every Lord's day, employed, "With songs and honours sounding loud," for the poetry of which, they are, under God, indebted to his distinguished pen, and for the piety of them, to his devotional heart.

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Few, however, are the publications which have been printed in so shameful a manner. The most costly and the most common editions have long furnished reasons for universal complaint.

Pasham's edition, indeed, issued from the press under a very careful eye; but having been printed, it seems, from an imperfect edition, it retains many inaccuracies of its original: and will always be distinguished by an accident—I mean the omission of an whole verse in the 92d Hymn of the first book.

Wayland's edition at length followed, and then several others; but they carefully preserved most of the false readings, and created others. One edition appeared, in which the lines were transposed; other editions purposely altered the stanzas, and destroyed all sense. A small copy was published without any one title to either of the Hymns or Psalms, and so deprived the public of many hundred lines. Other editions went farther yet, and retaining the titles, omitted all the Index of Scriptures, and all the Index of Subjects. Several of the editions published by the booksellers themselves have from four to five hundred considerable errors—and after a careful perusal of one of their editions, which does not appear to be inferior to several of the rest, I can scarcely find two correct pages following each other, either in the Hymns or Psalms, unless an exception be made in the title page, and the blank page at the back of it.

Two or three of the latest editions, and of neat appearance, have been introduced to the public as "repairers of the breach"—purporting to be printed verbatim, or extremely correct, from a standard copy. The principle on which these were published rests on a fundamental error. After pursuing an acquaintance with all Dr. Watts's editions, occasionally ever since 1778, when Pasham's volume was published, I am, in some measure, prepared to assert, That whoever really prints verbatim, from any one copy of Dr. Watts's Hymns or Psalms, will never give his text. However, I have collated one of these latest editions, and was surprised to find, that though it is announced as printed from one of the Doctor's most approved copies, it has not only the misprints, which, I suppose, are almost unavoidable in all books, but it is Intentionally made to differ from every one of Dr. Watts's own editions, in more than an hundred and fifty places, without any intimation of it to the reader.

A genuine edition, therefore, of this useful work, which is a professed object of the present undertaking, cannot be unacceptable to the religious public.

HISTORY OF THE HYMNS.

It may be proper to observe, that the volume of Hymns and Spiritual Songs, first printed in the year 1707, contained only 78 Hymns in the first book; 110 in the second; and 22 Hymns, with 12 Doxologies in
the third book. A supplement to the first edition was published in 1709, by which the Hymns in the first book were increased from 78 to 150, in the second from 110 to 170, and in the third from 22 to 25, besides the addition of three Doxologies, and of four other pieces, entitled Hosannas, or, Salvation ascribed to Christ. These auxiliaries were highly interesting, and of great merit. But the addition of so many hymns to a multitude of others, all of which were of heterogeneous association, will sufficiently account for the want of method through the whole volume.

At the publication of the supplement, it was too late to educe order out of confusion, or to graft the scion of method on the stock of irregularity. The erections in the first streets of the city having derived their situation from accident, the accession of new ones only lengthened the labyrinth.

The Doctor, unhappily, opens his first book with the Apocalypse, and nearly concludes it with hymns on Isaiah. Or, if we compare the first and second book together, it will be seen that the first book begins with the Revelation, celebrating the Death of Christ, and the Day of Judgment; and that some of the last hymns in the second book are composed on the book of Job; and one of them on the first chapter of Genesis, with this very title, "The Creation of the World."

These things considered, it will be generally admitted, that whatever arrangement is given to the Hymns will be likely to place some of them at least, in a situation every way preferable to that which they hold at present.

REASONABLENESS OF ARRANGEMENT.

The Hymns in the first part were composed "on particular portions of Scripture," and therefore obtained a book for themselves; but the Doctor informs us, that he might have applied some text or other to every verse in the second part, "if this method had" appeared to him to have "been as useful as it was easy." Of course, as the first part and the second were on similar subjects, they admitted of being formed into one book; to which the superior poetry of some of the latter, or "the neglect of rhyme in the first and third lines of the stanza," could have been no sufficient objection, being seldom observed by one plain christian in a thousand, and never regarded in our public assemblies. Indeed, as the Hymns in the first part and the second are all distinguishable by texts of scripture, it might have seemed more natural to unite than to separate them. And I conjecture, that it must be impossible to mention a single disadvantage which would have followed on their union. And then, if the first and second book, being on scriptural subjects, and reducible to certain texts, might so properly have formed one book; for the same reason, the third book might have been united with them, because it also chiefly consists of "paraphrases of Scripture," with texts placed over many of them, as
distinctly as they are in the first book. The adoption of this method would have prevented the everlasting encumbrance and perplexity of turning backward and forward, when an article is wanted, through first book, and second book, and third book. Or, as all the subjects were derived from the Old Testament and the New, if the Hymns could have been placed in the order of the sacred books, it would very much have superseded the necessity of an Index of Scriptures, as Mr. Orton has done, with great acceptance, in the volume of our celebrated Dr. Doddridge.

But to these methods there is, and I suppose always will remain, this grand objection, "That the Doctor has judiciously placed together, in the third book, the Hymns on the Lord's Supper, as being on one subject; the advantage of which our pastors constantly experience, especially at the administration of that sacred ordinance: for the needful section may be turned to in a moment, without the aid of first lines, or of any index." This is a fair objection, and I consider it unanswerable. But, if there be any reason why the Hymns on the Lord's Supper should have been united, and remain together, there is precisely the same why the Hymns on Baptism should be gathered into one section. If the former are naturally and advantageously united, the latter are unnaturally and disadvantageously separated. And then, if these remarks are just concerning distinct chapters for the Hymns on Baptism and the Lord's Supper, 'I cannot be the herald of information to the intelligent in saying, that they are of equal application to every other subject of general classification, from one end to the other of these interesting productions.

It is on this principle the subsequent arrangement is made, including the

INTERSPERSION OF THE PSALMS AMONG THE HYMNS.

Here three things should be considered:

1. In 1719, viz. twelve years after the first publication of the Hymns, Dr. Watts published his Psalms of David. In executing his design, he takes an whole Psalm, many verses of one, or some times only a few, transposing at pleasure. And he has, not without the reasons which are mentioned in his notes, entirely omitted whole Psalms. Particularly the 28, 43, 52, 54, 59, 64, 70, 79, 88, 108, 137, and 140; and he has also passed over a great part of many more. These things, are mentioned, not as expressive of disapprobation, but to state a fact. Transposition, abridgement, and omission, were essentials of his plan, without which he could not have executed it. They do not imply defect, they are attributed to design. But if the Doctor's Work had been a close translation of all the Psalms, and a regular paraphrase of every verse of the sacred original, as the publications of several persons have professed to be, the necessity of arranging them among the Hymns might never have occurred to any person.
2. The many titles, and very different subjects which are given in the same Psalm, seem to require a separation into distinct sections as much as the Hymns on the Lord's Supper, or those on Solomon's Song. Examine only a part of the titles belonging to a few of the Psalms and this will appear. Over the 16th Psalm the Doctor has justly placed these different, if not unconnected heads. Saints the best Company—Christ's Allsufficiency—Support and Counsel from God without Merit—The Death and Resurrection of Christ. As great a diversity may be seen in the titles of the 107th Psalm: Israel led to Canaan and Christians to Heaven—Correction for Sin—A Psalm for the Glutton and Drunkard—The Mariner's Psalm—Colonies planted. The 144th Psalm also might be produced as an instance, with many more, whose parts seem to have but little if any necessary connexion; nor will their being called Psalm 16th, 107th, or by any other single numbers, give them unity of subjects, or produce any relation either just or natural between them.

3. There can be nothing improper in the interspersion of the Psalms among the Hymns, because many of the Psalms are already mingled with them, and have been so from the beginning. This probably has escaped the observation of most persons: but if Dr. Watts's Index of Scriptures, and my enlarged one, be consulted, as well as the titles of the first and second book of the Hymns, it will be seen that there are more pieces among the Hymns, which are composed from the Psalms, than there are either from Matthew or Mark, Luke or John, or from the important Epistle to the Hebrews. If therefore it was not conceived to be a matter of complaint, through the last century, that so many of the Psalms were inserted and left among the Hymns, I hope the present distribution of all of them among their fellows will give no just offence, as it only causes kindred subjects to fill the ranks of order, and like so many brethren, with fraternal amity, to dwell together in unity.

ADDITIONAL HYMNS IN THIS EDITION.

It is well known that Dr. Watts, in his second edition of the Hymns, left out many of the Psalms, intending to introduce them in his Psalm-book, as he did, with slight alterations, in the year 1719. From this cause, Hymns 4, 22, 23, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 57, 38, 43, 44, 46, 47, are not to be found either in the second edition, or in any other published in the Doctor's time, or for many years after. This is the more surprising, as the vacuum might so easily have been filled from the various treasures with which, at length, he had favoured the public. All these deficiencies, however, were made good in the year 1786, by Hymns taken from Dr. Watts's Works alone, and chiefly from his Lyric Poems and Miscellanies. Two or three persons, whose names were not mentioned at the time, united in making the little selection, and to encourage the editions. The disinterested part I took,
in that service I shall never regret, unless it be proper to regret the happiness of aiding a corrected work, whose enlargements have been everywhere acceptable, and of which, I think, there have been published in all, and most of them at a moderate price for the poor, about one hundred and forty thousand copies.

The astonishing sale of this enlarged edition roused certain persons; and, as though the vacant numbers had not been filled before, of which it was found convenient to be ignorant, they also determined to perform the acceptable service, and accordingly took their materials from the Hymns which are connected with Dr. Watts's Sermons. Twenty thousand copies were printed in 1793. The edition was partly encouraged by the Book Society for promoting religious knowledge among the poor; it was well approved, and is now nearly sold. The number therefore of intelligent persons, at this time, must be very small, who are pleased with the deficiencies of the early editions.

But these enlargements, in common with all improved editions of a work, though they were acceptable to persons who possessed them, occasioned dissatisfaction to many. Their old editions did not contain the Hymns which were from time to time parcelled out in public service. And in 1793, when the vacancies were filled up by other Hymns, the complaint was greater still,—no one found fault with the Hymns which were inserted; but the early editions, the enlargements of 1786, and the different additions of 1793, being all used in the same congregations, confusion necessarily followed. The Hymn frequently given out was not to be found in the old editions, and it was more perplexing still that the additional Hymns of one enlarged edition very much differed from those of the other; hence, it was natural to wish for all of them. To gratify this desire, and to prevent, in future, every inconvenience, as much as possible, the arrangement contains, what was never before published together, all the supplementary Hymns which are to be found in the different enlarged editions. An omission of those printed in 1793, and which have been well received in Twenty Thousand copies, would have been great inattention—and it must have been much more criminal not to have inserted those which were published in 1786, and which, since that time, have, in some measure, received the sanction of at least one hundred and forty thousand persons.

ENLARGED INDEXES.

In proportion to the interesting and various contents of any volume must be the necessity of suitable tables of reference. A copious index gives facility of use to every important publication; and therefore it must be indispensably necessary in such Hymn Books as are used constantly on Lord's days in public worship, and by many Christian families every day in the year. Dr. Watts himself, it is likely, knew where to find any
distinct subject which his Hymns or Psalms contained. But it has been matter of regret for many years, that his INDEXES are singularly deficient. It would seem a report fit for the catalogue of incredibles to say, that he has not posted so much as five verses in all the five books of Moses. But it will seem more incredible yet to add, that his Index of Scriptures takes not the least notice either of Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, Samuel, Kings, Chronicles, or, of any book, chapter, or even single verse, from Genesis to Job—that is to say, more than one half of the Old Testament in succession is passed over at a stroke. Nor to all the New Testament has he made quite an 120 references.

I am sorry to add, that the Index of Words and Subjects is like the table of scriptures, remarkably defective. The worth of the soul; the satisfaction of Christ, and a hundred other subjects of perpetual recurrence in the christian ministry, are not to be found either in the Index of the Hymns or of the Psalms, though so many of both are composed on these interesting topics. I cannot therefore but hope that the large accession which the Index of Scriptures has received, and the vast enlargement of the two tables of words and of subjects which are now included in one, will give general satisfaction to my fellow labourers in town and country, and also to their most capable assistants in that exalted part of public worship—singing the praises of God. Yet I do not flatter myself with an assurance that these enlarged tables include every text and word that may be looked for. But on being used, I trust there will appear to be but few scriptures or subjects contained in the Hymns and Psalms, which are not to be met with in the Indexes. And, I am sure, no ingenuous person will complain at not finding in the latter what is not included in the former.

TUNES OVER THE HYMNS AND PSALMS.

All things in the service of God are to be done decently and in order. But this divine requisition, to which christians pay so much attention in every thing else, is almost totally disregarded in the public singing of the praises of God, though it is confessedly the highest act of worship which the church can perform. Any tune, by any incompetent person, is sung with but very little regard to the subject of the Hymn. This inattention is extremely mischievous in tunes which have a repeat. By a misapplication of these the congregation may be forced not only to stop in the midst of a line, and to go back, before they have pronounced any distinct idea; but also to stop in the very midst of a word, and to retreat, leaving a syllable or two behind, till they advance again, and perhaps oftener than once, to meet the forlorn termination. Circumstances of this description amuse the trifling, pain the sensible and serious, and rob whole auditories of their devotion. Different specimens of this evil might be produced if it were necessary. But the folly, I trust, will commonly, if not always, be escap-
ed, by selecting one or other of the tunes which are now placed over the Hymn or Psalm; while every person is at full liberty to find a more suitable one whenever he is able.

DOUBLE NUMBERS TO THE HYMNS AND PSALMS.

I feel great pleasure in having given the old numbers as well as the new to the Hymns and Psalms. By this method the poor keep the books they have, and every volume of the former editions retains its place; while the minister and clerk are hereby enabled to give out the old number or the new according to discretion. But I apprehend it will be best to mention both of them; the old Number first, and then the page of the new one—thus, 147th Hymn of the second book—

55th page of the Arrangement; or only page 55.

OBJECTION.

"If Dr. Watts himself did not fill up the vacancies in the first book, nor arrange the Hymns and Psalms, no other person should have done it." It is true that the excellent man did not introduce the supplementary Hymns. And it is true that he did not correct the errata of his tables, but suffered them to remain through all the editions published in his life time, from the first to the last. And it is also true that he did not fill up his indexes, but left the table of scriptures without inserting one text from Genesis to Job. And it is moreover true that he did not enlarge his table of subjects, which is one of the most incomplete ever annexed to a work of incalculable benefit.—

But will any considerate man—any genuine friend of Dr. Watts's Hymns and Psalms, say, that because the Doctor never corrected those errors, and never improved these indexes, therefore no one else should do it? Such a declaration is not to be read in the page of reason, nor to be heard, but from the lips of distraction, or in the regions of lunacy.

As to the introduction of the Hymns to fill up the deficiencies in the first book, the general voice has given it an indelible imprinnatur.

Respecting enlarged Indexes of Scriptures and of Subjects, it may suffice to say, that if there be any need at all of them, then the more complete they are the better.

And as to the arranging of the whole into Chapters or United Subjects, I could almost persuade myself, that if it had early enough occurred to the Doctor himself, he would in all probability have approved of it. I judge so for two reasons.

1. Because he has given examples of it in the work itself, and justified the plan in several instances. He has wisely placed, in distinct sections, (1.) The Hymns on Solomon's Song. (2.) Those on the Lord's Supper. (3.) The Songs to the Blessed Trinity; and, (4.) The Hosannas to
Christ. These distinct branches of a beautiful tree hang out their fruits to full view, and we gather without search or difficulty. But the other clustering plenty is sometimes ungathered, untasted, being hidden behind the leaves, or enveloped in the thicket. To have been consistent therefore with himself, the Doctor should have distributed the whole work into sections, or none of it. But by setting the example in several chapters, it is presumed he has sanctioned the analysis of every part of the work.

2. I am strengthened in my persuasion that an arrangement of the Hymns and Psalms would have met the approbation of Dr. Watts himself; because, the plan has been so generally approved by many of his warmest admirers. It is only the acknowledgment of a debt of gratitude to say, that some of the first characters among the Protestant Dissenters have pronounced a flattering opinion on the design—the voice has been heard with pleasure; but it has also created a proportioned anxiety to render the execution of the Work not altogether unworthy of the respect and patronage of competent judges.

EXTRACTS OF THE FORMER PREFACES.

In the large editions of this work there are long notes which the author himself omitted in the smaller, as not absolutely necessary. And, in most of the late editions, the prefaces have been abridged. But it may be proper to retain the following directions.

"If the Psalm be too long for the time or custom of singing, there are pauses in many of them, at which you may properly rest. And in some places you may begin to sing at a pause. Or you may leave out those verses," in the Psalms and Hymns, "which are included in crotchets[,] without disturbing the sense.

"Do not always confine yourself to six stanzas, but sing seven or eight rather than confound the sense, and abuse the Hymn or Psalm in solemn worship.

"It were to be wished also that we might not dwell so long upon every single note, and produce the syllables to such a tiresome extent, with a constant uniformity of time; which disgraces the music, and puts the congregation quite out of breath in singing five or six stanzas: whereas, if the method of singing were but reformed to a greater speed of pronunciation, we might often enjoy the pleasures of a longer Psalm with less expense of time and breath; and our Psalmody would be more agreeable to that of the ancient churches, more intelligible to others, and more delightful to ourselves."

CONCLUSION.

I feel myself constrained by inclination and duty to make my very grateful acknowledgments to several brethren, who have in different ways
encouraged this publication: particularly to the Rev. Mr. Timothy Thomas, for his suggestions concerning the plan; and to the Rev. Mr. Collins for his assistance in the Index of Scriptures. I have also availed myself of the hints of many other respectable Ministers. But, if after the attempts which have been made to restore Dr. Watts's genuine text, by a collation of copies; to remove the encumbrance of first, second, and third book; to reduce all the tables of first lines, of scriptures, and of subjects, into one of each; and to give facility to the use of every part of the Work; I say, if after these attempts any persons of peculiar discernment perceive that a more distant route is the nearest way to the object of their wishes, I am not careful to deprive them of any gratification.

Finally, I cannot terminate these preparatory remarks without adding, that I have found the duty which I assigned myself arduous, far beyond my early expectations. At its commencement I was introduced into a capacious plain, overspread with glittering armies. The hosts of beauty and of brilliance appeared

"All arm'd, all ardent for the foe,"—

but they were scattered, and few had rallied round any standard. Thus situated, I was neither insensible to the hazard, nor unambitious of the honour of marshalling the legions. If I had possessed the requisite ardour or skill, both should have been devoted, with all cheerfulness, to lead the van, to form the centre, and to bring up the rear. This I have attempted. And I am free again to profess, as I did some years since in my Selection of Hymns, from which I have copied the method of this arrangement, that I have done my best. And if the Hymns and Psalms, which the Doctor esteemed "the greatest work that ever he published for the use of the churches," are, by any attentions of mine rendered in the smallest degree more acceptable and useful in the assemblies of Sion, or to the weakest believer on earth, I shall attribute my humble efforts to the kind interpositions of Providence, enroll the success in the catalogue of distinguished felicities, and endeavour sincerely to consecrate the service and the reward, on the high altar of praise, to the God of all grace, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. To his peculiar blessing; to the candour of my reverend brethren in the ministry; and to the patronage of my fellow-christians; I humbly commit the work; and remain, with increasing affection to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ, in sincerity,

Their brother and servant in the Gospel,

JOHN RIPPON.

No. 11, Grange Road, Southwark, Oct. 26, 1801.
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(Psalm 96. As the 113th Psalm.)

The God of the Gentiles.

Let all the earth their voices raise
To sing the choicest psalm of praise,
To sing and bless Jehovah's name:
His glory let the heathens know,
And all his saving works proclaim.

2
The heathens know thy glory, Lord;
The wondering nations read thy word,
In Britain is Jehovah known:
Our Maker is our God alone.

3
He fram'd the globe, he built the sky,
He made the shining worlds on high,
And reigns complete in glory there:
His heavens are majesty and light;
His temples how divinely fair!

4
Come the great day, the glorious hour,
When earth shall feel his saving power,
And harharous nations fear his name;
Then shall the race of man confess
His beauty of his holiness,
And in his courts his grace proclaim.

5
Let distant times and nations raise
The long succession of thy praise;
And unborn ages make my song
The joy and labour of their tongue.

6
But who can speak thy wond'rous deeds?
Thy greatness all our thoughts exceeds:
Vast and unsearchable thy ways:
Vast and immortal be thy praise!

(Psalm 145. v. 1—7, 11—13. 1st Part, C.M.)

The Greatness of God.

Long as I live I'll bless thy name,
My King, my God of love;
My work and joy shall be the same
In the bright world above.

2
Great is the Lord, his power unknown,
And let his praise be great:
I'll sing the honours of thy throne,
Thy works of grace repeat.

3
Thy grace shall dwell upon my tongue;
And while my lips rejoice
The men that hear my sacred song
Shall join their cheerful voice.

4
Fathers to sons shall teach thy name,
And children learn thy ways;
Ages to come thy truth proclaim,
And nations sound thy praise.

5
Thy glorious deeds of ancient date,
Shall thro' the world be known;
Thine arm of power, thy heavenly state,
With public splendor shown.

6
The world is manag'd by thy hands,
Thy saints are rule'd by love;
And thine eternal kingdom stands,
Tho' rocks and hills remove.

4. Rippon's 188, Hotham 224, Lebanon 79.
(Hymn 26. B. 2. L. M.)

God invisible.

Lord, we are blind, we mortals blind,
We can't behold thy bright abode;
O 'tis beyond a creature-mind
To glance a thought half way to God.
Infinite leagues beyond the sky
The Great Eternal reigns alone,
Where neither wings nor soul can fly,
Nor angels climb the topless throne.

The Lord of Glory builds his seat
Of gems insufferably bright,
And lays beneath his sacred feet
Substantial beams of gloomy night.

Yet, glorious Lord, thy gracious eyes
Look thro', and cheer us from above;
Beyond our praise thy grandeur flies,
Yet we adore, and yet we love.

God's Eternity.

Rise, rise, my soul, and leave the ground,
Stretch all thy thoughts abroad,
And rouse up every tuneful sound
To praise thy eternal God.

Long ere the lofty skies were spread
Jehovah fill'd his throne;
Or Adam form'd, or angels made,
The Maker liv'd alone.

His boundless years can ne'er decrease,
But still maintain their prime;
Eternity's his dwelling-place,
And ever is his time.

While like a tide our minutes flow,
The present and the past,
He fills his own immortal now,
And sees our ages waste.

The sea and sky must perish too,
And vast destruction come!
The creatures—look, how old they grow,
And wait their fiery doom!

Well, let the sea shrink all away,
And flame melt down the skies,
My God shall live an endless day,
When 'th old creation dies.

God's eternal Dominion.

GREAT God, how infinite art thou!
What worthless worms are we!
Let the whole race of creatures bow
And pay their praise to thee.

Thy throne eternal ages stood,
Ere seas or stars were made;
Thou art the ever-living God
Were all the nations dead.

Nature and time quite naked lie
To thine immense survey,
From the formation of the sky
To the great burning day.

Eternity with all its years
Stands present in thy view;
To thee there's nothing old appears,
Great God, there's nothing new.

Our lives through various scenes are drawn,
And vex'd with trifling cares;
While thine eternal thought moves on
Thine undisturb'd affairs.

Great God, how infinite art thou!
What worthless worms are we!
Let the whole race of creatures bow
And pay their praise to thee.

The Eternal and Sovereign God.

Jehovah reigns; he dwells in light,
Girded with majesty and might:
The world created by his hands
Still on its first foundation stands.

But ere this spacious world was made,
Or had its first foundations laid,
Thy throne eternal ages stood,
Thyself the ever-living God.

Like floods the angry nations rise,
And aim their rage against the skies;
Vain floods that aim their rage so high!
At thy rebuke the billows die.

For ever shall thy throne endure;
Thy promise stands for ever sure;
And everlasting holiness
Becomes the dwellings of thy grace.

The same.

The Lord of glory reigns; he reigns on high;
His robes of state are strength and majesty:
This wide creation rose at his command,
Built by his word, and stablish'd by his hand:
Long stood his throne ere he began creation,
And his own Godhead is the firm foundation.

God is th'eternal King: Thy foes in vain
Raise their rebellions to confound thy reign:
In vain the storms in vain the floods arise,
And roar, and toss their waves against the skies;
Foaming 'at heaven, they rage with wild commotion,
But heaven's high arches scorn the swelling ocean.

Ye tempests, rage no more; ye floods, be still;
And the mad world submissive to his will:
Built on his truth his church must ever stand;
Firm are his promises, and strong his hand;
See his own sons, when they appear before him,
Bow at his footstool, and with fear adore
9. Present. (Psalm 93. 3d M. As the old 122d Psalm.)

THE Lord Jehovah reigns,
And royal state maintains,
His head with awful glories crown’d;
Array’d in robes of light,
Begirt with sovereign might,
And rays of majesty around.

2
Up held by thy commands
The world securely stands;
And skies and stars obey thy word.
Thy throne was fix’d on high
Before the starry sky;
Eternal is thy kingdom, Lord.

3
In vain the noisy crowd,
Like billows fierce and loud,
Against thine empire rage and roar;
In vain, with angry spite,
The surly nations tight,
And dash like waves against the shore.

4
Let floods and nations rage,
And all their powers engage,
Let swelling tides assault the sky;
The terror of thy frown
Shall heat their madness down;
Thy throne for ever stands on high.

5
Thy promises are true,
Thy grace is ever new;
There fix’d thy church shall never remove;
Thy saints with holy fear shall in thy courts appear.
And sing thine everlasting love.

Repeatiu fourth stanza to complete the old tune.

(Psalm 139. 1st Part. L. M.)

ORD, thou hast search’d and seen me
Thine eye commands with piercing view
My rising and my resting hours,
My heart and flesh with all their powers.

2
My thoughts, before they are my own,
Are to my God distinctly known;
He knows the words I mean to speak
Ere from my op’ning lips they break.

3
Within thy circling power I stand;
On every side I find thy hand;
Awake, asleep, at home, abroad,
I am surrounded still with God.

4
Amazing knowledge, vast and great!
What large extent! what lofty height!
My soul, with all the powers I boast,
Is in the boundless prospect lost.

5
O may these thoughts possess my breast,
Where'er I rove, where'er I rest!
Nor let my weaker passions dare
Consent to sin, for God is there.

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PAUSE II.
The veil of night is no disguise,
No screen from thy all-searching eyes;
Thy hand can seize thy foes as soon
Through midnight-shades as blazing noon.

Midnight and noon in this agree.
Great God, they’re both alike to thee:
Not death can hide what God will spy,
And hell lies naked to his eye.

8
If mounted on a morning ray,
I fly beyond the western sea.
Thy swifter hand would first arrive,
And there arrest thy fugitive.

9
Or should I try to shun thy sight
Beneath the spreading veil of night,
One glance of thine, one piercing ray,
Would kindle darkness into day.

10
O may these thoughts possess my breast,
Where'er I rove, where'er I rest!
Nor let my weaker passions dare
Consent to sin, for God is there.

11. Redford 91, Lord n 180, Aria’s 58.
(Psalm 139. 1st Part. C. M.)

God is every where,
In all my vast concerns with thee
In vain my soul would try
To shun thy presence, Lord, or flee
The notice of thine eye.

2
Thy all-surrounding sight surveys
My rising and my rest,
My public walks, my private ways,
And secrets of my breast.

3
My thoughts lie open to the Lord
Before they’re form’d within;
And ere my lips pronounce the word,
He knows the sense I mean.

4
O wond’rous knowledge, deep and high!
Where can a creature hide?
Within thy circling arms I lie,
Beset on every side.

5
So let thy grace surround me still,
And like a bulwark prove
To guard my soul from every ill,
Secur’d by sovereign love.
PERFECTIONS

(Hymn 80. B. 2. S. M.)

God’s awful Power and Goodness.

The almighty Lord!
How matchless is his power!
Tremble, O earth, beneath his word,
And all the heavens adore.

Let proud imperious kings
Bow low before his throne,
Crouch to his feet, ye haughty things,
Or he shall treat you down.

Above the skies he reigns,
And with amazing blows
He deals unsufferable pains
On his rebellious foes.

Yet, everlasting God,
We love to speak thy praise;
Thy sceptre’s equal to thy rod,
The sceptre of thy grace.

The arms of mighty love
Defend our Sion well,
And heavenly mercy walls us round
From Babylon and Hell.

Salvation to the King
That sit enthron’d above;
Thus we adore the God of might,
And bless the God of love.

(Psalm 66. 1st Part. C. M.)

Governing Power and Goodness; or, our Graces tried by Affliction.

Sing, all ye nations, to the Lord,
Sing with a joyful noise;
With melody of sound record
His honours, and your joys.

Say to the power that shakes the sky,
How terrible art thou!
Sinners before thy presence fly,
Or at thy feet they bow.

[Come, see the wonders of our God,
How glorious are his ways!
In Moses’ hand he puts his rod,
And cleaves the frighted seas.

He made the ebbing channel dry,
While Israel pass’d the flood;
There did the church begin their joy,
And triumph in their God.]

He rules by his restless might;
Will rebel-mortal’s dare
Provoke th’ Eternal to the fight,
And tempt that dreadful war?

O bless our God, and never cease;
Ye saints, fulfil his praise;
He keeps our life, maintains our peace,
And guides our doubtful ways.

Lord, thou hast prov’d our suffering souls,
To make our graces shine;
So silver bears the burning coals
The metal to refine.

Thro’ wat’ry deeps and fiery ways
We march at thy command,
Led to possess the promis’d place
By thine unerring hand.

(Psalm 33. 2d Part. C. M.)

Creatures vain, and God all-sufficient.

Best is the nation where the Lord
Hath fix’d his gracious throne;
Where he reveals his heavenly word,
And calls their tribes his own.

His eye, with infinite survey,
Does the whole world behold;
He form’d us all of equal clay,
And knows our feeble mould.

Kings are not rescu’d by the force
Of armies from the grave;
Nor speed nor courage of an horse
Can the bold rider save.

Vain is the strength of beasts or men
To hope for safety thence;
But holy souls from God obtain
A strong and sure defence.

God is their fear, and God their trust;
When plagues or famine spread,
His watchful eye secures the just
Amongst ten thousand dead.

Lord, let our hearts in thee rejoice,
And bless us from thy throne;
For we have made thy word our choice,
And trust thy grace alone.
15. Old 113th 215, Newcourt 173.

(Psalm 33. 2d Part. As the 113th Psalm.)

Creatures vain, and God all-sufficient.

HAPPY nation, where the Lord Reveals the treasure of his word, And builds his church, his earthly throne! His eye the heathen world surveys, He form'd their hearts he knows their ways; But God their Maker is unknown.

2

Leaving all to their own host, And of their strength the champion boast; In vain they boast, in vain rely; In vain we trust the brutal force, Or speed, or courage of an horse, To guard his rider, or to fly.

3

The eye of thy compassion, Lord, Doth more secure defence afford, When death or dangers threatening stand: Thy watchful eye preserves the just, Who make thy name their fear and trust, When wars or famine waste the land.

In sickness or the bloody field, Thou our physician, thou our shield, Send us salvation from thy throne; We wait to see thy goodness shine; Let us rejoice in help divine, For all our hope is God alone.


(Hymn 22. B. 2. L.M.)

With God is terrible Majesty.

TERRIBLE God, that reign'st on high, How awful is thy thundering hand! Thy fiery bolts how fierce they fly! Nor can all earth or hell withstand.

This the old rebel-angels knew, And Satan fell beneath thy frown: Thine arrows struck the traitor through, And weighty vengeance sunk him down.

This Sodom felt, and feels it still, And roars beneath that eternal load, With endless burnings who can dwell, 'Or bear the fury of a God!'

Tremble, ye sinners, and submit, Throw down your arms before his throne, Bend your heads low beneath his feet, Or his strong hand shall crush you down.

And ye, blessed saints, that love him too, With reverence bow before his name, Thus all his heavenly servants do: God is a bright and burning flame.

17. Martin's Lane 67, Jennings's 123.

(Psalm 113. Proper Tune.)

The Majesty and Condescension of God.

YE that delight to serve the Lord, The honours of his name record, His sacred name for ever bless: Where'er the circling sun displays His rising beams, or setting rays, Let lands and seas his power confess.

2

Not time, nor nature's narrow rounds, Can give his vast dominion bounds, The heavens are far below his height: Let no created greatness dare With our eternal God compare, Arm'd with his uncrowned might.

3

He bows his glorious head to view What the bright hosts of angels do, And bends his care to mortal things; His sovereign hand exalts the poor, He takes the needy from the door, And makes them company for kings.

4

When childless families despair, He sends the blessing of an heir To rescue their expiring name; The mother with a thankful voice Proclaims his praises and her joys; Let every age advance his fame.

18. Bromley 104, Mark's 65, Rowlet 73.

(Psalm 113. L.M.)

God Sovereign and Gracious.

YE servants of the almighty King, In every age his praises sing; Where'er the sun shall rise or set, The nations shall his praise repeat.

Above the earth, beyond the sky, Stands his high throne of majesty: Nor time, nor place, his power restrain; Nor bound his universal reign.

Which of the sons of Adam dare, Or angels, with their God compare! His glories how divinely bright, Who dwells in uncreated light!

Behold his love: he stoops to view What saints above and angels do; And condescends yet more to know. The mean affairs of men below.

From dust and cottages obscure, His grace exalts the humble poor; Gives them the honour of his sons, And fits them for their heavenly thrones.

[A word of his creating voice Can make the harren house rejoice, Tho' Sarah's ninety years were past. The promise'd seed is born at last.
With joy the mother views her son,
And tells the wonders God has done:
Faith may grow strong when sense desairs,
If nature fails, the promise bears.

19. Abridge 201, Brighthelmstone 203.
(Hymn 99. B. 2. C. M.)

The Book of God's Decrees.

Let the whole race of creatures lie
Abas'd before their God:
Whate'er his sovereign voice hath form'd
He governs with a nod.

[Ten thousand ages ere the skies
Were into motion brought,
All the long years and worlds to come
Stood present to his thought.

There's not a sparrow or a worm
But's found in his decrees;
He raises monarchs to their thrones,
And sinks them as he please.

If light attends the course I run,
'Tis he provides those rays;
And 'tis his hand that hides my sun,
If darkness cloud my days.

Yet I would not be much concern'd,
Nor vainly long to see
The volume of his deep decrees,
What months are writ for me.

When he reveals the book of life,
O may I read my name
Amongst the chosen of his love,
The followers of the Lamb!

(Psalm 8. S. M.)

God's Sovereignty and Goodness; and Man's
Dominion over the Creatures.

O Lord, our heavenly King,
Thy name is all divine;
Thy glories round the earth are spread,
And o'er the heavens they shine.

When to thy works on high
I raise my wondering eyes,
And see the moon complete in light
Adorn the darksome skies:

When I survey the stars,
And all their shining forms,
Lord, what is man, that worthless thing,
A-kin to dust and worms?

Lord, what is worthless man,
That thou shou'dst love him so?
Next to thine angels is he plac'd,
And Lord of all below.

Thine honours crown his head,
While beasts like slaves obey,
And birds that cut the air with wings,
And fish that cleave the sea.

How rich thy bounties are:
And wondrous are thy ways:
Of dust and worms thy power can frame
A monument of praise.

[Out of the mouths of babes
And sucklings thou canst draw
Surprising honours to thy name,
And strike the world with awe.

O Lord, our heavenly king,
Thy name is all divine:
Thy glories round the earth are spread,
And o'er the heavens they shine.

21. Old Hundred 100, Green's 89.
(Hymn 70. B. 2. L. M.)

God's Dominion over the Sea, Ps. cvii.

GOD of the seas, thy thundering voice
Makes all the roaring waves rejoice,
And one soft word of thy command
Can sink them silent in the sand.

If but a Moses wave thy rod,
The sea divides and owns its God;
The stormy floods their Maker knew,
And let his chosen armies through.

The scaly flocks amidst the sea
To thee their Lord a tribute pay;
The meanest fish that swims the flood
Leaps up, and means a praise to God.

The larger monsters of the deep,
On thy commands attendance keep,
By thy permissions sport and play,
And cleave along their foaming way.

If God his voice of tempest rears
Leviathan lies still and fears;
Anon he lift his nostrils high,
And spoutsthe ocean fito the sky.

How is thy glorious power ador'd.
Amidst those wat'ry nations, Lord!
Yet the bold men that trace the seas,
Bold men, refuse their Maker's praise.

[What scenes of miracle they see,
And never tune a song to thee!
While on the flood they safely ride,
They curse the hand that smooths the tide.

Anon they plunge in wat'ry graves,
And some drink death among the waves:
Yet the surviving crew blaspheme,
Nor own the God that rescu'd them.

O for some signal of thine hand,
Shake all the seas, Lord, shake the land,
Great Judge descend, lest men deny
That there's a God that rules the sky.
22. *James’s 163, Ann 58.*

(Hymn 115. B. 2. C. M.)

*God the Avenger of his Saints; or, his Kingdom Supreme.*

HIG as the heavens above the ground
Reigns the Creator, God;
Wide as the whole creation’s bound
Extends his awful rod. 2
Let princes of exalted state
To him ascribe their crown,
Render their homage at his feet,
And cast their glories down. 3
Know that his kingdom is supreme,
Your lofty thoughts are vain;
He calls you gods, that awful name,
But ye must die like men. 4
Then let the sovereigns of the globe
Not dare to vex the just;
He puts on vengeance like a robe,
And treads the worms to dust. 5
Ye judges of the earth, be wise,
And think on heaven with fear;
The meanest saint that you despise
Has an avenger there. 6


(Hymn 86. B. 1. C. M.)

*God holy, just, and sovereign, Job ix. 2—10.*

HOW should the sons of Adam’s race
Be pure before their God?
If he contend in righteousness
We fall beneath his rod. 2
To vindicate my words and thoughts
I’ll make no more pretence;
Not one of all my thousand faults
Can bear a just defence. 3
Strong is his arm, his heart is wise;
What vain presumpers dare
Against their Maker’s hand to rise,
Or tempt th’ unequal war? 4
Mountains by his almighty wrath
From their old seats are torn;
He shakes the earth from south to north,
And all her pillars mourn. 6


(Psalms 145. ver. 7, &c. 2d Part, C. M.)

*The Goodness of God.*

SWEET is the memory of thy grace,
My God, my heavenly King;
Let age to age thy righteousness
In sounds of glory sing. 2
God reigns on high, but not confines
His goodness to the skies;
Thro’ the whole earth his bounty shines
And every want supplies. 3
With longing eyes thy creatures wait
On thee for daily food,
Thy liberal hand provides their meat
And fills their mouths with good. 4
How kind are thy compassions, Lord!
How slow thine anger moves!
But soon he sends his pardoning word
To cheer the souls he loves. 5
Creatures, with all their endless race,
Thy power and praise proclaim;
But saints that taste thy richer grace
Delight to bless thy name. 6

25. *Ulverston 179, Portugal 97, Bredby 165 omitting 7th Verse.*

(Psalms 103. ver. 1—7. 1st Part, L. M.)

*Blessing God for his Goodness to Soul and Body.*

BLESSED, O my soul, the living God,
Call home thy thoughts that rove abroad;
God holy, just, and sovereign,
If he contend in righteousness
We fall beneath his rod. 2
To vindicate my words and thoughts
I’ll make no more pretence;
Not one of all my thousand faults
Can bear a just defence. 3
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Against their Maker’s hand to rise,
Or tempt th’ unequal war? 4
Mountains by his almighty wrath
From their old seats are torn;
He shakes the earth from south to north,
And all her pillars mourn. 6

He bids the sun forbear to rise,
The obedient sun forbears;
His hand with sackcloth spreads the skies
And seals up all the stars. 5
He walks upon the stormy sea,
Flies on the stormy wind;
There’s none can trace his wondrous way,
Or his dark footsteps find.]
Let the whole earth his power confess,
Let the whole earth adore his grace;
The Gentile with the Jew shall join
In work and worship so divine.

Praise for spiritual and temporal Mercies.

O Bless the Lord, my soul;
Let all within me join,
And aid my tongue to bless his name,
Whose favours are divine.

O bless the Lord, my soul;
Nor let his mercies lie
Forgotten in unthankfulness,
And without praises die.

’Tis he forgives thy sins,
’Tis he relieves thy pain,
’Tis he that heals thy sicknesses,
And makes thee young again.

He crowns thy life with love,
When ransom’d from the grave;
He that redeemed my soul from hell
Hath sovereign power to save.

He fills the poor with good;
He gives the sufferers rest;
The Lord hath judgments for the proud,
And justice for the oppressed.

His wondrous works and ways
He made by Moses known;
But sent the world his truth and grace,
By his beloved Son.

God’s Condescension to Human Affairs.

Up to the Lord that reigns on high,
And views the nations from afar,
Let everlasting praises fly,
And tell how large his honours are.

[He that can shake the worlds he made,
Or with his word, or with his rod,
His goodness how amazing great!
And what a condescending God!]

[God that must stoop to view the skies,
And how to see what angels do,
Down to our earth he casts his eyes,
And bends his footsteps downward too.]

He over-rules all mortal things,
And manages our mean affairs;
On humble souls the King of kings
Bestows his counsels and his cares.

Our sorrows and our tears we pour
Into the bosom of our God,
He hears us in the mornful hours,
And helps us bear the heavy load.

In vain might lofty princes try
Such condescension to perform;
For worms were never rais’d so high
Above their meanest fellow-worm.

O could our thankful hearts devise
A tribute equal to thy grace,
To the third heaven our songs should rise,
And teach the golden harps thy praise.

The Vengeance and Compassion of God.

Let God arise in all his might,
And put the troops of hell to flight,
As smoke that sought to cloud the skies
Before the rising tempest flies.

He comes array’d in burning flames;
Justice and vengeance are his names:
Behold his fainting foes expire
Like melting wax before the fire.

He rides and thunders thro’ the sky;
His name Jehovah sounds on high:
Sing to his name, ye sons of grace;
Ye saints, rejoice before his face.

The widow and the fatherless
Fly to his aid in sharp distress;
In him the poor and helpless find
A judge that’s just, a father kind.

He breaks the captive’s heavy chain,
And prisoners see the light again;
But rebels, that dispute his will,
Shall dwell in chains and darkness still.

Chord 175. PAUSE. Wells 102.
Kingdoms and thrones to God belong;
Crown him, ye nations, in your song:
His wondrous names and powers rehearse;
His honours shall enrich your verse.

He shakes the heavens with loud alarms;
How terrible is God in arms!
In Israel are his mercies known,
Israel is his peculiar throne.

Proclaim him king, pronounce him blest;
He’s your defence, your joy, your rest:
When terrors rise and nations faint,
God is the strength of every saint.

Divine Wrath and Mercy, Nahum i. 2, &c.

A D O R E and tremble, for our God
Is a consuming fire;
His jealous eyes his wrath inflame,
And raise his vengeance higher.

Almighty vengeance how it burns!
How bright his fury glows!
Vast magazines of plagues and storms
Lie treasure’d for his foes.

* Isb. xii. 29.
Those heaps of wrath by slow degrees
Are forc'd into a flame,
But kindled, O how fierce they blaze!
And rend all Nature's frame.

At his approach the mountains fly,
And seek a watery grave;
The frightened sea makes haste away,
And shrinks up every wave.

Thro' the wide air the weighty rocks
Are swift as hailstones hurl'd:
Who dares engage his fiery rage
That shakest the solid world!

Yet mighty God, thy sovereign grace
Sits regal on the throne,
There refuge of thy chosen race
When wrath comes rushing down.

Thy hand shall on rebellious kings
A fiery tempest pour,
While we beneath thy sheltering wings
Thy just revenge adore.

My soul, repeat his praise
Whose mercies are so great;
Whose anger is so slow to rise,
50 ready to a hate.

God will not always chide;
And when his strokes are felt,
His strokes are fewer than our crimes,
And lighter than our guilt.

High as the heavens are rais'd above the ground we tread,
So far the riches of his grace
Our highest thoughts exceed.

Hispower suhdes our sins;
And his forgiving love,
1'atasthe east is from the west,
Doth all our guilt remove.

The pity of the Lord
To those that fear his name,
is such as tender parents feel;
He knows our feeble frame.

He knows we are but dust,
Scatter'd with every breath;
His anger, like a rising wind,
Can send us swift to death.

Our days are as the grass,
Or like the morning flower:
If one sharp blast sweep o'er the field,
It withers in an hour.

But thy compassions, Lord,
To endless years endure;
And children’s children ever find
Thy words of promise sure.

3. Ulverston 179, Portugal 97.
(Psalm 103. ver. 8—13. 2d Part. L. M.)

God’s gentle Chastisement; or, his tender Mercy to his People.

THE Lord, how wonderous are his ways!
How firm his truth! how large his grace!
He takes his mercy for his throne,
And thence he makes his glories known.

Not half so high his power hath spread
The starry heavens above our head,
As his rich love exceeds our praise,
Exceeds the highest hopes we raise.

Not half so far hath nature plac’d
The rising morning from the west,
As his forgiving grace removes
The daily guilt of those he loves.

How slowly doth his wrath arise!
On swifter wings salvation flies;
And if he lets his anger burn,
How soon his frowns to pity turn!

Amidst his wrath compassion shines;
His strokes are lighter than our sins;
And while his rod corrects his saints,
His ear indulges their complaints.

So fathers their young sons chastise,
With gentle hand and melting eyes;
The children weep beneath the smart,
And move the pity of their heart.

The mighty God, the wise, and just,
Knows that our frame is feeble dust;
And will no heavy loads impose
Beyond the strength that he bestows.

He knows how soon our nature dies,
Blasted by every wind that flies;
Like grass we spring, and die as soon,
Or morning flowers that fade at noon.

But his eternal love is sure
To all the saints, and shall endure:
From age to age his truth shall reign,
Nor children’s children hope in vain.

32. Milburn Port 183, Arlington 17,
Elim 151.
(Psalm 145. ver. 14, 17, &c. 3d Part. C. M.)

Mercy to Sufferers; or, God hearing Prayer.

LET every tongue thy goodness speak,
Thou sovereign Lord of all;
Thy strengthening hands uphold the weak,
And raise the poor that fall.

When sorrow bows the spirit down,
Or virtue lies distress
Beneath some proud oppressor’s frown,
Thou giv’st the mourners rest.

The Lord supports our tottering days,
And guides our giddy youth;
Holy and just are all his ways,
And all his words are truth.
He knows the pains his servants feel,
He hears his children cry,
And their best wishes to fulfil
His grace is ever nigh.

His mercy never shall remove
From men of heart sincere;
He saves the souls whose humble love
Is join'd with holy fear.

[His stubborn foes his sword shall slay,
And pierce their hearts with pain;
But none that serve the Lord shall say,
Th' sought his aid in vain.]}

My lips shall dwell upon his praise,
And spread his name abroad;
Let all the sons of Adam raise
The honours of their God.

33. Banger 231, Walsall 237, Wantage 204.
(Psalm 112. C. M.)

God is the Hope of the Helpless.

O God I made my sorrows known,
From God I sought relief;
In long complaints before his throne
I pour'd out all my grief.

My soul was overwhelm'd with woes,
My heart began to break;
My God, who all my burdens knows,
He knows the way I take.

On every side I cast mine eye,
And found my helpers gone,
While friends and strangers pass'd me by
Neglected or unknown.

Then did I raise a louder cry,
And call'd thy mercy near,
Thou art my portion when I die,
Be thou my refuge here.

Lord, I am brought exceeding low,
No let thine ear attend,
And make my foes who vex me know
I've an almighty Friend.

From my sad prison set me free,
Then shall I praise thy name,
And holy men shall join with me
Thy kindness to proclaim.

34. Devizes 14, Milburn Port 183, Mich.

The Faithfulness of God.

My never-ceasing songs shall show
The mercies of the Lord,
And make succeeding ages know
How faithful is his word.

The sacred truths his lips pronounce
Shall firm as heaven endure;
And if he speak a promise once,
Th' eternal grace is sure.

How long the race of David held
The promised Jewish throne!
But there's a nobler covenant seal'd
To David's greater Son.

His seed for ever shall possess
A throne above the skies;
The meanest subject of his grace
Shall to that glory rise.

Lord God of hosts, thy wondrous ways
Are sung by saints above;
And saints on earth their honours raise
To thine unchanging love.

35. Chard 175, Marke 65, Bramcote 8.
(Psalm 146. L. M.)

Praise to God for his Goodness and Truth.

Raise ye the Lord, my heart shall join
In work so pleasant, so divine,
Now, while the flesh is mine above,
And when my soul ascends to God.

Praise shall employ my noblest powers;
While immortality endures;
My days of praise shall ne'er be past,
While life and thought and being last.

Why should I make a man my trust?
Princes must die and turn to dust;
Their breath departs, their pomp and power
And thoughts, all vanish in an hour.

Happy the man whose hopes rely
On Israel's God: he made the sky,
And earth and seas with all their train,
And none shall find his promise vain.

His truth for ever stands secure;
He saves th' oppressed, he feeds the poor;
He sends the laboring conscience peace,
And grants the prisoner sweet release.

The Lord hath eyes to give the blind;
The Lord supports the sinking mind;
He helps the stranger in distress,
The widow and the fatherless.

He loves his saints, he knows them well,
But turns the wicked down to hell:
Thy God, O Zion, ever reigns;
Praise him in everlasting strains.

36. Newcourt 173, Jenning's 123, Martins-

Lane 67.
(Psalm 146. As the 113 Psalm.)

Praise to God for his Goodness and Truth.

I'll praise my Maker with my breath;
And when my voice is lost in death
Praise shall employ my noblest powers;
My days of praise shall ne'er be past
While life and thought and being last,
Or immortality endures.
Why should I make a man my trust?
Princes must die and turn to dust;
Vain is the help of flesh and blood:
Their breath departs, their pomp and power,
And thoughts all vanish in an hour,
Nor can they make their promise good.

Happy the man whose hopes rely
On Israel's God: he made the sky,
And earth and seas with all their train;
His truth for ever stands secure;
Saves the oppressed, he feeds the poor.

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But turns the wicked down to hell;
Thy God, O Zion, ever reigns:
Let every tongue, let every age,
In this exalted work engage;
Praise him in everlasting strains.

GREAT is the Lord; his works of might
Demand our noblest songs;
Let his assembled saints unite
Their harmony of tongues.

Great is the mercy of the Lord,
He gives his children food;
And ever mindful of his word,
He makes his promise good.

His Son, the great Redeemer, came
to seal his covenant sure;
Holy and reverend is his name,
His ways are just and pure.

Who shall pretend to teach him skill?
Or guide the counsels of his will?
His wisdom like a sea divine
Flows deep and high beyond our line.

Sinners he fore his presence die;
How holy is his name!
His anger and his jealousy
Burn like devouring flame.

Justice upon a dreadful throne
Maintains the rights of God;
While mercy sends her pardons down
Bought with a Saviour's blood.

Now to my soul, immortal King,
Speak some forgiving word;
Then 'twill be double joy to sing
The glories of my Lord.

GREAT God, thy glories shall employ
My holy fear, my humble joy;
My lips in songs of honour sing
Their tribute to the eternal King.

Earth and the stars and worlds unknown
Depend precarious on his throne;
All nature hangs upon his word,
And grace and glory own their Lord.

His sovereign power what mortal knows!
If he command who dares oppose?
With strength he girds himself around,
And treads the rebels to the ground.

[The great invisible! He dwells
Conceal'd in dazzling light;
But his all-searching eye reveals
The secrets of the night.

Those watchful eyes that never sleep
Survey the world around;
His wisdom is a boundless deep
Where all our thoughts are drown'd.]
7
[Th' eternal law before him stands;
His justice with impartial hands
Divides to all their due reward
Or by the sceptre or the sword.]

8
[His mercy like a boundless sea
Washes our loads of guilt away,
While his own Son came down and dy'd
To engage his justice on our side.]

9
[Each of his words demands my faith,
My soul can rest on all he saith;
His truth inviolably keeps
The largest promise of his lips.]

10
O tell me with a gentle voice
Thou art my God, and I'll rejoice!
Fill'd with thy love, I dare proclaim
The brightest honours of thy name.

40. Old Hundred 100, Rowles 73.
(Hymn 168. B. 2. L. M.)

The same.

JEHOVAH reigns, his throne is high,
His robes are light and majesty;
His glory shines with beams so bright
No mortal can sustain the sight.

2
His terrors keep the world in awe,
His justice guards his holy law,
His love reveals a smiling face,
His truth and promise seal the grace.

3
Through all his works his wisdom shines,
And baffles Satan's deep designs;
His power is sovereign to fulfill
The noblest counsels of his will.

4
And will this glorious Lord descend
To be my father and my friend!
Then let my songs with angels join;
Heaven is secure if God be mine.

41. Portsmouth 144, Resurrection 72.
(Hymn 169. B. 2. 148th M.)

The same.

T HE Lord Jehovah reigns,
His throne is built on high;
The garments he assumes
Are light and majesty;
His glories shine
With beams so bright
No mortal eye
Can bear the sight.

2
The thunders of his hand
Keep the wide world in awe;
His wrath and justice stand
To guard his holy law;
And where his love
Resolves to bless
His truth confirms
And seals the grace.

3
Thro' all his ancient works
Surprising wisdom shines,
Confounds the powers of hell,
And breaks their curs'd designs:
Strong is his arm,
And shall fulfill
His great decrees,
His sovereign will.

4
And can this mighty King
Of glory condescend?
And will he write his name,
' My Father and my Friend?'
I love his name,
I love his word;
Join all my powers,
And praise the Lord.

42. Pauls 246, Dresden 178.
(Hymn 170. B. 2. L. M.)

God Incomprehensible and Sovereign.

C an creatures to perfection find *
Th' eternal uncreated mind:
Or can the largest stretch of thought
Measure and search his nature out?

2
'Tis high as heaven, 'tis deep as hell,
And what can mortals know or tell?
His glory spreads beyond the sky,
And all the shining worlds on high.

3
But man, vain man, would fain be wise,
Born like a wild young colt he flies
 thro' all the follies of his mind,
And swells, and snuffs the empty wind.

4
God is a King of power unknown,
Firm are the orders of his throne;
If he resolve, who dares oppose,
Or ask him why, or what he does?

5
He wounds the heart, and he makes whole;
He calms the tempest of the soul;
When he shuts up in long despair
Who can remove the heavy bar?

6
He frowns, and darkness veils the moon,
The fainting sun grows dim at noon;
The pillars of heav'n's starry roof
Tremble and start at his reproof.

7
He gave the vaulted heaven its form,
The crooked serpent, and the worm;
He breaks the billows with his breath,
And smites the sons of pride to death.

8
These are a portion of his ways,
But who shall dare describe his face?
Who can endure his light? or stand
To hear the thunders of his hand?

* Job. xi. 7. 4 Job. xxxv. 5
† Job. xxvi. 11, &c.
OF GOD.

43. *Tuubridge 103, Abridge 201, Bedford 91.*

**(Hymn 87. B. 2. C. M.)**

*The Divine Glories above our Reason.*

**HOW wonderous great, how glorious bright**

Must our Creator be,

Who dwells amidst the dazzling light

Of vast infinity!

2  
Our soaring spirits upward rise

Toward the celestial throne,

Fain would we see the blessed Three,

And the almighty One.

3  
Our reason stretches all its wings,

And climbs above the skies;

But still how far beneath thy feet

Our groveling reason lies!

4  
[Lord, here we bend our humble souls,
And awfully adore,
For the weak pinions of our mind
Can stretch a thought no more.]

Thy glories infinitely rise

Above our labouring tongue;

In vain the highest seraph tries

To form an equal song.

5  
[In humble notes our faith adores
The great mysterious King,
While angels strain their nobler powers,
And sweep th'immortal string.]

Thy justice shall maintain its throne,

Thou mountainst melt away;

Thy judgments are a world unknown,

A deep unfathom'd sea.

6  
Above the heavens created rounds,

Thy mercies, Lord, extend;

Thy truth outshines the narrow bounds

Where time and nature end.

7  
Safety to man thy goodness brings,

Nor overlooks the beast;

Beneath the shadow of thy wings

Thy children choose to rest.


*The Wickedness of Man, and the Majesty of God; or, practical Atheism exposed.*

**WHEN man grows bold in sin,**

My heart within me cries,

'He hath no faith of God within,

Nor fear before his eyes.'

2  
[He walks a while conceal'd
In a self-flattering dream,
Till his dark crimes at once reveal'd
Expose his hateful name.]

3  
His heart is false and foul,

His words are smooth and fair;

Wisdom is banish'd from his soul,

And leaves no goodness there.

4  
He plots upon his bed
New mischief to fulfill;

He sets his heart, and hand, and head,

To practise all that's ill.

5  
But there's a dreadful God,

Tho' men renounce his fear;

His justice hid hehind the cloud

Shall one great day appear.

6  
His truth transcends the sky;

In heaven his mercies dwell;

Deep as the sea his judgments lie,

His anger burns to hell.

7  
How excellent his love,

Whence all our safetiespring!

O never let my soul remove

From underneath his wings.


**(Psalm 115. 1st M.)**

*The true God our Refuge; or, Idolatry reproved.*

**NOT to ourselves, who are but dust,**

Not to ourselves is glory due

Eternal God, thou only just,

Thou only gracious, wise and true.

2  
Shine forth in all thy dreadful name;

Why should a heathen's haughty tongue

Insult us, and to raise our shame

Say, 'Where's the God you've serv'd so long?'

3  
The God we serve maintains his throne

Above the clouds, beyond the skies,

Thro' all the earth his will is done,

He knows our groans, he hears our cries.
PERFECTIONS

47. Oxford 177, Irish 171, Providence College 10.

48. Stockport 47, Enfield 5, Elim 151.

God's universal Dominion; or, Angels praise the Lord.

THE Lord, the sovereign King,
Hath fix'd his throne on high;
O'er all the heavenly world he rules,
And all beneath the sky.

Ye angels, great in might,
And swift to do his will,
Bless ye the Lord, whose voice ye hear,
Whose pleasure ye fulfill.

Let the bright hosts who wait
The orders of their King,
And guard his churches when they pray,
Join in the praise they sing.

While all his wondering works,
Thro' his vast kingdom shew
Their Maker's glory, thou, my soul,
Shalt sing his graces too.

49. Old Hundred 100, Wareham 117.

GOD! the eternal awful name
That the whole heavenly army fears,
That shakest the wide creation's frame,
And Satan trembles when he hears.

Like flames of fire his servants are,
And light surrounds his dwelling-place;
But, O ye fiery flames, declare
The brighter glories of his face.

'Tis not for such poor worms as we
To speak so infinite a thing,
But your immortal eyes survey
The beauties of your sovereign King.

Tell how he shews his smiling face,
And clothes all heaven in bright array;
Triumph and joy run thro' their place,
And songs eternal as the day.

Speak, (for you feel his burning love)
What zeal it spreads thro' all your frame
That sacred fire dwells all above,
For we on earth have lost the name.

Sing of his power and justice too,
That infinite right hand of his
That vanquish'd Satan and his crew,
And thunder drove them down from bliss.

What mighty storms of poison'd darts
Were hurled upon the rebels there!
What deadly javelins nail'd their hearts
Fast to the racks of long despair!

Shout to your King, you heavenly host,
You that held the sinking foe;
Firmly ye stood when they were lost;
Praise the rich grace that kept you so.
Proclaim his wonders from the skies,
Let every distant nation hear;
And while you sound his lofty praise,
Let humble mortals bow and fear.

50. Newington 61, Bath Chapel 26, Weston Fivet 27.
(Psalm 86. ver. 8-13. C. M.)
A general Song of Praise to God.

Among the princes, earthly gods,
There's none hath power divine;
Nor is their nature, mighty Lord,
Nor are their works like thine.

The nations thou hast made shall bring
Their offerings round thy throne;
For thou alone dost wonderous things,
For thou art God alone.

Lord, I would walk with holy feet;
Teach me thy heavenly ways,
And my poor scatter'd thoughts unite
In God my Father's praise.

Great is thy mercy, and my tongue
Shall those sweet wonders tell,
How by thy grace my sinking soul
Rose from the deeps of hell.

(Hymn 71. B. 2. C. M.)
Praise to God from all Creatures.
The glories of my Maker, God,
My joyful voice shall sing,
And call the nations to adore
Their Former and their King.

Th'is his right hand that shap'd our clay,
And wrought this human frame,
But from his own immediate breath
Our nobler spirits came.

We bring our mortal powers to God,
And worship with our tongues:
We claim some kindred with the skies
And join th'angels' song.

Let groveling beasts of every shape,
And fowls of every wing,
And rocks, and trees, and fires, and seas,
Their various tribute bring.

Ye planets, to his honour shine,
And wheels of nature roll,
Praise him in your unwearied course
Around the steady pole.

The brightness of our Maker's name
The wide creation fills,
And his unbounded grandeur flies
Beyond the heavenly hills.

52. Resurrection 72. Darwells 82, Portsmouth New 144.
(Psalm 148. P. M.)
Praise to God from all Creatures.
Yet holy throng
Of angels bright,
In worlds of light
Begin the song.

Thou sun with dazzling rays,
And moon that rules the night,
Shine to your Maker's praise,
With stars of twinkling light:
His power declare,
Ye floods on high,
And clouds that fly
In empty air.

The shining worlds above
In glorious order stand,
Or in swift courses move
By his supreme command:
He spake the word,
And all their frame
From nothing came
To praise the Lord.

He mov'd their mighty wheels
In unknown ages past,
And each his word fulfils
While time and nature last:
In different ways
His works proclaim
His wonderous name,
And speak his praise.

Resurrection 72. PAUSE. Grove 123.
Let all the earth-born race,
And monsters of the deep,
The fish that cleave the seas,
Or in their bosom sleep,
From sea and shore
Their tribute pay,
And still display
Their Maker's power.

Ye vapours, hail, and snow,
Praise ye th'almighty Lord,
And stormy winds that blow
To execute his word:
When lightnings shine,
Or thunders roar,
Let earth adore
His hand divine.

Ye mountains near the skies,
With lofty cedars there,
And trees of humbler size
That fruit in plenty bear;
Beasts wild and tame,
Birds, flies, and worms,
In various forms
Exalt his name.

Ye kings, and judges, fear
The Lord, the sovereign King;
And while you rule us here,
His heavenly honours sing:
Nor let the dream
Of power and state
Make you forget
His power supreme.

Ye tribes of Adam, join
With heaven, and earth, and seas,
And offer notes divine
To your Creator's praise:
Virgins, and youths, engage
To sound his praise divine,
While infancy and age
Their feeble voices join:
Wide as he reigns
His name be sung
By every tongue
In endless strains.

Let all the nations fear
The God that rules above;
He brings his people near,
And makes them taste his love:
While earth and sky
Attempt his praise,
His saints shall raise
His honours high.

OUD hallelujahs to the Lord, [dwell :
From distant worlds where creatures
Let heaven begin the solemn word
And sound it dreadful down to hell.

Note, This psalm may be sung to the tune of the old
119th or 121st psalm, if these two lines be added to
every stanza, namely,
Each of his works his name displays,
But they can never fulfil the praise
Otherwise it must be sung to the usual tunes of the
Long Metre.

The Lord! how absolute he reigns!
Let every angel bend the knee;
Sing of his love in heavenly strains,
And speak how fierce his terrors be.

High on a throne his glories dwell,
An awful throne of shining bliss;
Fly thro' the world, O sun, and tell
How dark thy beams compared to his.

Awake, ye tempests, and his fame
In sounds of dreadful praise declare;
And the sweet whisper of his name
Fill every gentler breeze of air.

Let clouds, and winds, and waves agree
To join their praise with blazing fire;
Let the firm earth, and rolling sea,
In this eternal song conspire.

Ye flowery plains, proclaim his skill;
Valleys, lie low before his eye;
And let his praise from every hill
Rise tuneful to the neighbouring sky.

Ye stubborn oaks, and stately pines,
Bend your high branches and adore:
Praise him, ye beasts, in different strains;
The lamb must bleat, the lion roar.

Birds, ye must make his praise your theme,
Nature demands a song from you;
While the dumb fish that cut the stream
Leap up, and mean his praises too.

Mortals, can you refrain your tongue,
When nature all around you sings?
O for a shout from old and young,
From humble swains, and lofty kings!

Wide as his vast dominion lies
Make the Creator's name be known;
Loud as his thunder shout his praise,
And sound it lofty as his throne.

Jehovah! 'tis a glorious word,
O may it dwell on every tongue!
But saints who best have known the Lord
Are bound to raise the noblest song.

Speak of the wonders of that love
Which Gabriel plays on every chord:
From all below and all above,
Loud hallelujahs to the Lord!

Universal Praise to God.

LET every creature join
To praise the eternal God;
Ye heavenly hosts, the song begin,
And sound his name abroad.

Thou sun with golden beams,
And moon with paler rays,
Ye starry lights, ye twinkling flames,
Shine to your Maker's praise.

He built those worlds above,
And fixed their wonderful frame;
By his command they stand or move,
And ever speak his name.

Ye vapours, when ye rise,
Or fall in showers, or snow,
Ye thunders murmuring round the skies
His power and glory show.

Wind, hail, and flashing fire,
Agree to praise the Lord,
When ye in dreadful storms conspire
To execute his word.

By all his works above
His honours be exalted;
But saints that taste his saving love
Should sing his praises best.

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Universal Praise.
OF GOD.

9
Ye lions of the wood,
And tamer beasts that graze,
Ye live upon his daily food,
And he expects your praise.

10
Ye birds of lofty wing,
On high his praises bear;
Or sit on flowery boughs, and sing
Your Maker's glory there.

11
Ye creeping ants and worms,
His various wisdom show,
And flies, in all your shining swarms,
Praise him that dress'd you so.

12
By all the earth-born race
His honours be exprest;
But saints that know his heavenly grace
Should learn to praise him best.

PAUSE II.

Monarchs of wide command,
Praise ye th' eternal King;
Judges, adore that sovereign hand
Whence all your honours spring.

14
Let vigorous youth engage
To sound his praises high;
While growing babes, and withering age,
Their feebler voices try.

15
United zeal be shown
His wonderful fame to raise;
God is the Lord; his name alone
Deserves our endless praise.

16
Let nature join with art,
And all pronounce him best;
But saints that dwell so near his heart
Should sing his praises best.

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE.

55. Jersey 15, Devizes 14, Otford 106.
(Hymn 147. B. 2. C. M.)
The Creation of the World, Gen. i.

NOW let a spacious world arise,
Said the Creator-Lord:
At once the obedient earth and skies
Rose at his sovereign word.

[Dark was the deep; the waters lay
Confus'd and drown'd the land;
He call'd the light; the new-born day
Attends on his command.]

He bid the clouds ascend on high;
The clouds ascend and bear
A watery treasure to the sky,
And float on softer air.

The liquid element below
Was gather'd by his hand;
The rolling seas together flow,
And leave the solid land.

With herbs and plants, a flowery birth,
The naked globe he crown'd,
Ere there was rain to bless the earth,
Or sun to warm the ground.

Then he adorn'd the upper skies;
Behold the sun appears,
The moon and stars in order rise,
To make our months and years.

Out of the deep th' almighty King
Did vital beings frame,
The painted fowls of every wing;
And fish of every name.]

8
He gave the lion and the worm
At once their wonderous birth,
And grazing beasts of various form
Rose from the teeming earth.

9
Adam was fram'd of equal clay,
Though sovereign of the rest,
Design'd for nobler ends than they,
With God's own image bless'd.

Thus glorious in the Maker's eye
The young creation stood;
He saw the building from on high,
His word pronounc'd it good.

Lord, while the frame of nature stands,
Thy praise shall fill my tongue;
But the new world of grace demands
A more exalted song.

(Psalm 139. 2d Part. L. M.)
The wonderful Formation of Man.

'TWAS from thy hand, my God, I came
A work of such a curious frame;
In me thy fearful wonders shine,
And each proclaims thy skill divine.

Thine eyes did all my limbs survey,
Which yet in dark confusion lay;
Thou saw'st the daily growth they took,
Form'd by the model of thy book.

By thee my growing parts were nam'd,
And what thy sovereign counsels fram'd,
(The breathing lungs, the beating heart)
Was cop'y'd with scrinding art.
At last to shew my Maker's name,
God stamp'd his image on my frame,
And in some unknown moment join'd
The finish'd members to the mind.

There the young seeds of thought began
And all the passions of the man:
Great God, our infant nature pays
Immortal tribute to thy praise.

I could survey the ocean o'er,
And count each sand that makes the shore,
Before my swiftest thoughts could trace
The numerous wonders of thy grace.

These on my heart are still impressed,
With these I give my eyes to rest;
And at my waking hour I find
God and his love possess my mind.

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Lord, since in my advancing age
I've acted on life's busy stage,
Thy thoughts of love to me surmount
The power of numbers to recount.

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And count each sand that makes the shore;
Before my swiftest thoughts could trace
The numerous wonders of thy grace.

These on my heart are still impressed,
With these I give my eyes to rest;
And at my waking hour I find
God and his love possess my mind.

The Wisdom of God in the Formation of Man.

WHEN I with pleasing wonder stand,
And all my frame survey,
Lord, 'tis thy work; I own thy hand
Thus built my humble clay.

Thy hand my heart and reins possess
Where unhewn nature grew,
Thy wisdom all my features trac'd,
And all my members drew.

Thine eye with nicest care survey'd
The growth of every part;
Till the whole scheme thy thoughts had laid
Was copied by thy art.

Heaven, earth, and sea, and fire, and wind,
Shew me thy wondrous skill;
But I review myself, and find
Diviner wonders still.

Thy awful glories round me shine,
My flesh proclaims thy praise;
Lord, to thy works of nature join
Thy miracles of grace.

The Wisdom of God in his Works.

SONGS of immortal praise belong
To my almighty God;
He has my heart, and he my tongue
To spread his name abroad.

How great the works his hand has wrought!
How glorious in our sight!
And men in every age have sought
His wonders with delight.

How most exact is nature's frame!
How wise th' Eternal Mind!
His counsels never change the scheme
That his first thoughts design'd.

When he redeem'd his chosen sons
He fix'd his covenant sure;
The orders that his lips pronounce
To endless years endure.

Nature and time, and earth and skies,
Thy heavenly skill proclaim;
What shall we do to make us wise,
But learn to read thy name?

To fear thy power, to trust thy grace
Is our divinest skill;
And he's the wisest of our race
That best obeys thy will.

Praise to our Creator.

Y E nations round the earth, rejoice
Before the Lord, your sovereign King;
Serve him with cheerful heart and voice,
With all your tongues his glory sing.

The Lord is God; 'tis he alone
Doth life, and breath, and being give;
We are his work, and not our own,
The sheep that on his pastures live.

Enter his gates with songs of joy,
With praises to his courts repair,
And make it your divine employ
To pay your thanks and honours there.

The Lord is good, the Lord is kind;
Great is his grace, his mercy sure;
And the whole race of man shall find
His truth from age to age endure.

We are his people, we his care,
Our souls and all our mortal frame:
What lasting honours shall we rear,
Almighty Maker, to thy name?
5 We'll crowd thy gates with thankful songs,
High as the heavens our voices raise;
And earth with her ten thousand tongues
Shall fill thy courts with sounding praise.

6 Wide as the world is thy command,
Vast as eternity thy love;
Firm as a rock thy truth must stand
When rolling years shall cease to move.

61. Devizes 14, Evans's 190, Miall 240.
(Psalm 33. 1st Part. C.M.)
Works of Creation and Providence.

REJOICE, ye righteous, in the Lord,
This work belongs to you:
Sing of his name, his ways, his word,
How holy, just, and true!

2 His mercy and his righteousness
Let heaven and earth proclaim;
His works of nature and of grace
Reveal his wonderous name.

3 His wisdom and almighty word
The heavenly arches spread;
And by the Spirit of the Lord
Their shining hosts were made.

4 He bid the liquid waters flow
To their appointed deep;
The flowing seas their limits know,
And their own station keep.

Ye tenants of the spacious earth,
With fear before him stand;
He spake, and nature took its birth,
And rests on his command.

6 He scorns the angry nation's rage,
And breaks their vain designs;
His counsel stands through every age,
And in full glory shines.

(Psalm 33. As the 113th Psalm. 1st Part.)
The same.

63. Marks 65, Derby 169, Horsley 205.
(Psalm 121. L.M.)
Divine Protection.

Up to the hills I lift mine eyes,
Th' eternal hills beyond the skies;
Thence all her help my soul derives;
There my Almighty refuge lives.

2 He lives, the everlasting God,
That built the world, that spread the flood;
The heavens with all their hosts he made,
And the dark regions of the dead.

3 He guides our feet, he guards our way;
His morning-smiles bless all the day;
He spreads the evening-veil, and keeps
The silent hours while Israel sleeps.

4 Israel, a name divinely blest,
May rise secure, securely rest;
Thy holy guardian's watchful eyes
Admit no slumber nor surprise.

5 No sun shall smite thy head by day,
Nor the pale moon with sickly ray
Shall blast thy couch; no baleful star
Dart his malignant fire so far.

6 Should earth and hell with malice burn,
Still thou shalt go and still return
Safe in the Lord; his heavenly care
Defends thy life from every snare.

7 On thee foul spirits have no power;
And in thy last departing hour
Angels, that trace the airy road,
Shall bear thee homeward to thy God.

64. Froom 255, Hophizibah 77, Weston Favel 27.
(Psalm 121. C.M.)
Preservation by Day and Night.

To heaven I lift my waiting eyes,
There all my hopes are laid.
The Lord that built the earth and skies
Is my perpetual aid.

2 Their feet shall never slide to fall,
Whom he designs to keep;
His ear attends the softest call,
His eyes can never sleep.

3 He will sustain our weakest powers
With his almighty arm;
And watch our most unguarded hours
Against surprising harm.
4 Israel, rejoice and rest secure,
Thy keeper is the Lord;
His wakeful eyes employ his power
For thine eternal guard.
5 Nor scorching sun, nor sickly moon
Shall have his leave to smite;
He shields thy head from burning noon,
From blasting damps at night.
6 He guards thy soul, he keeps thy breath
Where thickest dangers come;
Go and return, secure from death,
Till God commands thee home.

65. Darwells 82, Resurrection 72,
Swainson 44.
(Psalm 121. As the 148th Psalm.)
God our Preserver.

(Hymn 19. B. 2. C. M.)
Our frail Bodies, and God our Preserver.

3 Our life contains a thousand springs,
And dies if one be gone;
Strange! that a harp of thousand strings
Should keep in tune so long.
4 But 'tis our God supports our frame,
The God that built us first;
Salvation to his Almighty Name
That rear'd us from the dust.
5 [He spoke, and straight our hearts and brains
In all their motions rose;
Let blood (said he) flow round the veins,
And round the veins it flows.
6 While we have breath or use our tongues
Our Maker we'll adore;
His Spirit moves our heaving lungs
Or they would breathe no more.

67. Walsham 237, Ludlow 84, Burford 198.
(Hymn 83. B. 1. C. M.)
Afflictions and Death under Providence.
Job. v. 6–8.

NOT from the dust affliction grows,
Nor troubles rise by chance;
Yet we are born to care and woes,
A sad inheritance.

2 As sparks break out from burning coals,
And still are upwards borne,
So grief is rooted in our souls,
And man grows up to mourn.

3 Yet with my God I leave my cause,
And trust his promis'd grace;
He rules me by his well-known laws
Of love and righteousness.

4 Not all the pains that e'er I bore
Shall spoil my future peace,
For death and hell can do no more
Than what my Father please.

68. Wareham 117, Wells 102.
(Psalm 65. ver. 5–13. 2d Part. L. M.)
Divine Providence in Air, Earth, and Sea;
or, the God of Nature and Grace.

T HE God of our salvation hears
The groans of Sion mix'd with tears;
Yet when he comes with kind designs,
Through all the way his terror shines.

1 On him the race of man depends,
Far as the earth's remotest ends,
Where the Creator's name is known
By nature's feeble light alone.

2 Sails, that travel o'er the flood,
Address their frightened souls to God;
When tempests rage and billows roar
At dreadful distance from the shore.

3 He bids the noisy tempests cease;
He calms the raging crowd to peace,
When a tumultuous nation raves
Wild as the winds, and loud as waves.
PROVIDENCE.

5 Whole kingdoms shaken by the storm
He settles in a peaceful form;
Mountains established by his hand
Firm on their old foundations stand.

6 Behold his ensigns sweep the sky,
New comets blaze and lightning fly,
The heathen lands, with swift surprise,
From the bright horrors turn their eyes.

7 At his command the morning ray
Smiles in the east, and leads the day;
He guides the sun's declining wheels
Over the tops of western hills.

8 Seasons and times obey his voice;
The evening and the morn rejoice
To see the earth made soft with showers,
Laden with fruit and drest in flowers.

9 'Tis from his watery stores on high,
He gives the thirsty ground supply;
He walks upon the clouds, and thence
Doth his enriching drops dispense.

10 The desert grows a fruitful field,
Abundant food the vallies yield;
The vallies shout with cheerful voice,
'And neigh'ring hills repeat their joys.

11 The pastures smile in green array,
There lambs and larger cattle play;
The larger cattle and the lamb
Each in his language speaks thy name.

12 Thy works pronounce thy power divine;
'O'er every field thy gloriesshine;
In every month thy gifts appear;
Great God! thy goodness crowns the year.

69. Church 175, Marks 65, Bramcote 8.
(Psalm 107. 4th Part. L. M.)

Deliverance from Storms and Shipwreck; or,
the Seaman's Song.

1 O may the sons of men record
The wond'rous goodness of the Lord!
Let them their private offerings bring,
And in the church his glory sing.

70. Exeter 4, Cambridge New 74, Providence College 10.
(Psalm 107. 4th Part. C. M.)

The Mariner's Psalm.

THY works of glory, mighty Lord,
Thy wonders in the deeps,
The sons of courage shall record,
Who trade in floating ships.

2 At thy command the winds arise,
And swell the towering waves;
The men astonish'd mount the skies,
And sink to dreadful deeps again.

3 [Again they climb the watery hills,
And plunge in deeps again;]
Each like a tottering drunkard reels,
And finds his courage vain.

4 Frighted to hear the tempest roar,
They pant with fluttering breath,
And, hopelessof the distant shore,
Expect immediate death.

5 Then to the Lord they raise their cries,
He hears the loud request,
And orders silence thro' the skies,
And lays the floods to rest.

6 Sailors rejoice to lose their fears,
And see the storm allay'd:
Now to their eyes the port appears;
There let their vows be paid.

7 'Tis God that bringsthem safe to land;
Let stupid mortals know
That waves are under his command,
And all the winds that blow.

8 O that the sons of men would praise
The goodness of the Lord!
And those that see thy wond'rous ways,
Thy wondrous love record.

(Hymn 109. B. 2. L. M.)

The Darkness of Providence.

L ORD, we adore thy vast designs,
The obscure abyss of providence,
Too deep to sound with mortal lines,
Too dark to view with feeble sense.

2 Now thou arrayst thy awful face
In angry frowns, without a smile;
We through the cloud believe thy grace,
Secure of thy compassion still.

3 Through seas and storms of deep distress
We sail by faith and not by sight;
Faith guides us in the wilderness
Through all the briers and the night.
Dear Father, if thy lifted rod
Resolve to scourge us here below,
Still we must lean upon our God,
Thine arm shall bear us safely through.

72. 

Sure there's a righteous God,
Nor is religion vain,
Tho' men of vice may boast aloud,
And men of grace complain.

1. I saw the wicked rise,
And felt my heart repine,
While haughty fools with scornful eyes
In robes of honour shine.

2. [Pamper'd with wanton ease,
Their flesh looks full and fair,
Their wealth rolls in like flowing seas
And grows without their care.

3. Free from the plagues and pains
That pious souls endure,
Thro' all their life oppression reigns
And racks the humble poor.

4. Their impious tongues blaspheme
The everlasting God;
Their malice blasts the good man's name,
And spreads their lies abroad.

5. But I with flowing tears
Indulg'd my doubts to rise;
'Is there a God that sees or hears
'The things below the skies?'

6. The tumults of my thought
Held me in hard suspense,
Till to thy house my feet were brought
To learn thy justice hence.

7. There, as in some prophetic glass,
I saw the sinner's feet
High mounted on a slippery place
Beside a fiery pit.

8. I heard the wretch profanely boast,
Till at thy frown he fell;
His honours in a dream were lost,
And he awakes in hell.

9. Lord, what an envious fool I was!
How like a thoughtless beast!
Thus to suspect thy promises grace,
And think the wicked blest.

10. Yet I was kept from full despair,
Upheld by power unknown;
That bless'd hand that broke the snare
Shall guide me to thy throne.

WORKSOP 31, BATH CHAPEL.

The Wisdom and Equity of Providence.

When the great Judge, supreme and just,
Shall once inquire for blood, [just,
The humble souls, that mourn in dust,
Shall find a faithful God.

He from the dreadful gates of death
Does his own children raise
In Zion's gates, with cheerful breath,
They sing their Father's praise.

His foes shall fall with heedless feet
Into the pit they made;
And sinners perish in the net
That their own hands had spread.

Thus by thy judgments, mighty God,
Are thy deep counsels known;
When men of mischief are destroyed,
The snare must be their own.
The wicked shall sink down to hell; Thy wrath devour the lands That dare forget thee, or rebel Against thy known commands.

Tho' saints to sore distress are brought, And wait and long complain, Their cries shall not be still forgot, Nor shall their hopes be vain.

Rise, great Redeemer, from thy seat To judge and save the poor; Let nations tremble at thy feet, And man prevail no more.

My God! how excellent thy grace, Whence all our hope and comfort springs! The sons of Adam in distress Fly to the shadow of thy wings.

From the provisions of thy house We shall be fed with sweet repast; There mercy like a river flows, And brings salvation to our taste.

Life, like a fountain rich and free, Springs from the presence of the Lord; And in thy light our souls shall see The glories promised in thy word.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem, And gathers nations to his name: His mercy melts the stubborn soul, And makes the broken spirit whole.

He form'd the stars, those heavenly flames, He counsels their numbers, calls their names: His wisdom's vast, and knows no bound, A deep where all our thoughts are drown'd.

Great is our Lord, and great his might; And all his glories infinite: He crowns the meek, rewards the just, And treads the wicked to the dust.

PAUSE.

Sing to the Lord, exalt him high, Who spreads his cloud all round the sky; There he prepares the fruitful rain, Nor lets the drops descend in vain.

He makes the grass the hills adorn, And clothes the smiling fields with corn; The beasts with food his hands supply, And the young ravens when they cry.

What is the creature's skill or force The sprightly man, the warlike horse, The nimble wit, the active limb? All are too mean delights for him.

But saints are lovely in his sight: He views his children with delight: He sees their hope, he know's their fear, And looks and loves his image there.

GIVE to our God immortal praise; Mercy and truth are all his ways: 'Wonders of grace to God belong, Repeat his mercies in your song.'

Give to the Lord of lords renown, The King of kings with glory crown: His mercies ever shall endure, [more.]

He built the earth, he spread the sky, And fix'd the starry lights on high: 'Wonders of grace to God belong, Repeat his mercies in your song.'

The Jews he freed from Pharaoh's hand, And brought them to the promised land: 'Wonders of grace to God belong, Repeat his mercies in your song.'

He saw the Gentiles dead in sin, And felt his pity work within: 'His mercies ever shall endure, [more.]' 'When' suns and moons shall shine [no more.]

The Jews he freed from Pharaoh's hand, And brought them to the promised land: 'Wonders of grace to God belong, Repeat his mercies in your song.'

He sent his Son with power to save: From guilt, and darkness, and the grave. 'Wonders of grace to God belong, Repeat his mercies in your song.'
CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

Through this vain world he guides our feet,
And leads us to his heavenly seat:
His mercies ever shall endure,
When this vain world shall be no more.'

78. Chard 175, Wells 102.
(Psalm 68. v. 19, 20–22. 3d Part. L. M.)

Praise for temporal Blessings; or, common and special Mercies.

WE bless the Lord, the just, the good,
Who filleth our hearts with joy and food;
Who pours his blessings from the skies,
And loads our days with rich supplies.

2 He sends the sun his circuit round
To cheer the fruits, to warm the ground;
He bids the clouds, with plenteous rain,
Refresh the thirsty earth again.

3 'Tis to his care we owe our breath,
And all our near escapes from death:
Safety and health to God belong;
He heals the weak, and guards the strong.

4 He makes the saint and sinner prove
The common blessings of his love;
But the wide difference that remains
Is endless joy, or endless pains.

5 The Lord, that bruised the serpent's head,
On all the serpent's seed shall tread;
The stubborn sinner's hope confound,
And smite him with a lasting wound.

6 But his right hand his saints shall raise
From the deep earth or deeper seas;
And bring them to his courts above,
There shall they taste his special love.

79. Warrington 117, Angels 60.
(Psalm 57. L. M.)

Praise for Protection, Grace and Truth.

MY soul, in whom are all the springs
Of boundless love, and grace unknown,
Hide me beneath thy spreading wings
Till the dark cloud is overblown.

2 Up to the heavens I send my cry,
The Lord will my desires perform;
He sends his angel from the sky,
And saves me from the threatening storm.

3 Be thou exalted, O my God,
Above the heavens where angels dwell;
Thy power on earth be known abroad,
And land to land thy wonders tell.

4 My heart is fix'd; my song shall raise
Immortal honours to thy name;
Awake, my tongue, to sound his praise,
My tongue, the glory of my frame.

5 High o'er the earth his mercy reigns,
And reaches to the utmost sky;
His truth to endless years remains,
When lower worlds dissolve and die.

6 Be thou exalted, O my God,
Above the heavens where angels dwell;
Thy power on earth be known abroad,
And land to land thy wonders tell.

80. Gloucester 12, Carey's 11, Marks 65.
(Psalm 104. L. M.)

The Glory of God in Creation and Providence.

MY soul, thy great Creator praise;
When cloth'd in his celestial rays
He in full majesty appears,
And, like a robe, his glory wears.

Note, This psalm may be sung to the tune of the old 118th or 120th psalm, by adding these two lines to every stanza, namely,

Great is the Lord; what tongue can frame
An equal honour to his name?
Otherwise it must be sung to the 100th psalm.
The heavens are for his curtains spread,
Th' unfathom'd deep he makes his bed;
Clouds are his chariot, when he flies
On winged storms across the skies.

Angels, whom his own breath inspires,
His ministers, are flaming fires;
And swift as thought their armies move
To bear his vengeance, or his love.

The world's foundations by his hand
Are poised, and shall for ever stand;
Hinds the ocean in his chain,
Lest it should drown the earth again.

When earth was cover'd with the flood,
Which high above the mountains stood,
He thunder'd, and the ocean fled,
Contin'd to its appointed bed.

The swelling hills know their bound,
And in their channels walk their round;
Yet thence convey'd by secret veins,
They spring on hills and drench the plains.

7 He bids the crystal fountains flow,
And cheer the valleys as they go;
Tame heifersthere their thirst allay,
And for the stream wild asses fare.

9 He makes the grassy food arise,
And gives the cattle large supplies;
With herbs for man, of various power,
To nourish nature, or to cure.

11 What noble fruit the vines produce!
The olive yields a shining juice;
Our hearts are cheer'd with generous wine,
With inward joy our faces shine.
PROVIDENCE.

O hails his name, ye Britons, fed
With nature's chief supporter, bread;
While bread your vital strength imparts,
Serve him with vigour in your hearts.

PAUSE II.

Behold the stately cedar stands,
Rais'd in the forest by his hands:
Birds to the boughs for shelter fly,
And build their nests secure on high.

To craggy hills ascends the goat,
And at the airy mountain's foot
The feeblest creatures make their cell;
He gives them wisdom where to dwell.

He sets the sun his circling race,
Appoints the moon to change her face;
And when thick darkness veils the day,
Calls out wild beasts to hunt their prey.

Fierce lions lead their young abroad,
And roaring ask their meat from God;
But when the morning beams arise,
The savage beast to covert flies.

Then man to daily labor goes;
The night was made for his repose:
Sleep is thy gift; that sweet relief
From toil and wasting grief.

How strange thy works! how great thy skill!
And every land thy riches fill:
Thy wisdom round the world we see,
Thy spacious earth is full of thee.

Nor less thy glories in the deep,
Where fish in millions swim and creep,
With wonderful motions, swift or slow,
Still wandering in the paths below.

There ships divide their watery way,
And flocks of scaly monsters play;
There dwells the huge Leviathan,
And foams and sports in spite of man.

Vast are thy works, almighty Lord,
All nature rests upon thy word;
And the whole race of creatures stands,
Waiting their portion from thy hands.

While each receives his different food,
Their cheerful looks pronounce it good;
Eagles and bears, and whales and worms,
Rejoice and praise in different forms.

THE FALL.

To all that's good averse and blind,
But prone to all that's ill;
What dreadful darkness veils our mind:
How obstinate our will!

[Conceiv'd in sin (O wretched state!)
Before we draw our breath,
The first young pulse begins to beat
Iniquity and death.

81. G. Milton 212, Grove 143, Irish 171. [Psalm 78. 1st Part. C. M.)
Providence of God recorded; or, pious Education and Instruction of Children.

L ET children hear the mighty deeds,
Which God perform'd of old,
Which in our younger years we saw,
And which our fathers told.

He bids us make his glories known,
His works of power and grace;
And we'll convey his wonders down
Thro' every rising race.

Our lips shall tell them to our sons,
And they again to theirs,
That generations yet unborn
May teach them to their heirs.

Thus shall they learn in God alone
Their hope securely stands,
That they may ne'er forget his works,
But practise his commands!

82. Abridge 201, Elenborough 170. (Hymn 57. B. 1. C. M.)
Original Sin, or, the first and second Adam.

BACKWARD with humble shame we look
On our original;
How is our nature dash'd and broke
In our first father's fall!
THE FALL.

4
How strong in our degenerate blood
The old corruption reigns,
And, mingling with the crooked flood,
Wanders thro' all our veins!]

[Wild and unwholesome as the root
Will all the branches be;
How can we hope for living fruit
From such a deadly tree?

5
What mortal power from things unclean
Can pure productions bring?
Who can command a vital stream
From an infected spring?

6
Yet, mighty God, thy wondrous love
Can make our nature clean,
While Christ and grace prevail above
The tempter, death, and sin.

7
The second Adam shall restore
The ruins of the first,
Hosanna to that sovereign power
That new-creates our dust.

83. Ulverston 179, Pauls 246.
(Hymn 124. B. 1. L. M.)

84. Ulverston 179, Pauls 246, Babylon 23.
(Psalm 51. 2d Part. L. M.)

(Psalm 51. ver. 3—13. 1st Part. C. M.)

Original and actual Sin confessed and pardoned.
THE FALL.

86. Workop 31, Anni 58.

(Hymn 128. B. 2. C.M.)

Corrupt Nature from Adam.

LESS'D with the joy of innocence
Adam, our father, stood,
Till he dehas'd his soul to sense,
And eat th' unlawful food.

Now we are born a sensual race,
To sinful joys inclin'd;
Reason has lost its native place,
And flesh enslavesthe mind.

While flesh and sense and passion reigns,
Sin is the sweetest good:
We fancy music in our chains,
And so forget the load.

Great God, renew our ruin'd frame,
Our hroken powers restore,
Inspire us with a heavenly flame,
And flesh shall reign no more.

Eternal spirit, write thy law
Upon our inward parts,
And let the second Adam draw
His image on our hearts.

87. Abridge 201, Crowle 3.

(Psalm 14. 1st Part. C.M.)

By Nature all Men are Sinners.

Fools in their hearts believe and say
'That all religion's vain,
There is no God that reigns on high,
'Or minds th' affairs of men.'

From thoughts so dreadful and profane
Corrupt discourse proceeds;
And in their impious hands are found
Abominable deeds.

The Lord, from his celestial throne,
Look'd down on things he low
To find the man that sought his grace,
Or did his justice know.

By nature all are gone astray,
Their practice all the same;
There's none that fears his Maker's hand,
There's none that loves his name.

Their tongues are use'd to speak deceit,
Their slanders never cease;
How swift to mischief are their feet,
Nor know the paths of peace!

Such seeds of sin (that bitter root)
In every heart are found;
Nor can they bear diviner fruit,
Till grace refine the ground.

88. Pauls 246, Forcotts 184, Greens Hundred 89.

(Hymn 160. B. 2. L.M.)

Custom in Sin.

Let the wild leopards of the wood
Put off the spots that nature gives,
Then may the wicked turn to God,
And change their tempers and their lives.

As well might Ethiopian slaves
Wash out the darkness of their skin;
The dead as well may leave their graves
As old transgressors cease to sin.

Where vice has held its empire long
'Twill not endure the least control;
None but a power divinely strong
Can turn the current of the soul.

Great God, I own thy power divine,
That works to change this heart of mine;
I would be form'd anew, and bless
The wonders of creating grace.

89. Greens Hundred 89, Old Hundred 100.

(Hymn 24. B. 2. L.M.)

The Evil of Sin visible in the Fall of Angels and Men.

When the Great Builder arch'd the skies,
And form'd all nature with a word,
The joyfull heart th' unst'd his praise,
And ev'ry bending throne ador'd.

High in the midst of all the throng,
Satan, a tall archangel, sat,
Amongst the morning-stars he sung
Till sin destroy'd his heavenly state.

'Twas sin that hurst him from his throne,
Groveling in fire the rebel lies:
'How art thou sunk in darkness down,
Son of the morning, from the skies!'

And thus our two first parents stood
Till sin defil'd the happy place;
They lost their garden and their God,
And ruin'd all their unborn race.

So sprung the plague from Adam's bower
And spread destruction all abroad;
Sin, the curst name, that in one hour
Spoil'd six days labour of a God.

Tremble, my soul, and mourn for grief
That such a foe should seize thy breast;
Fly to thy Lord for quick relief;
O may he slay this treacherous guest.

Then to thy throne, victorious King,
Then to thy throne our shouts shall rise,
Thine everlasting arm we sing,
For sin the monster bleeds and dies.

* Job. xxxviii. 7. + Is. xiv. 12.
THE FALL.

90. *Workop 31, Bangor 231.*
(Hymn 150. B. 2. C. M.)

The Decievfulness of Sin.

Sin has a thousand treacherous arts
To practise on the mind;
With flattering looks she tempts our hearts,
But leaves a sting behind.

With names of virtue she deceives
The aged and the young;
And while the heedless wretch believes,
She makes his fetters strong.

She pleads for all the joys she brings,
And gives a fair pretence;
But cheats the soul of heavenly things,
And chains it down to sense.

So on a tree divinely fair
Grew the forbidden food;
Our mother took the poison there,
And tainted all her blood.

91. *Abridge 201, Anns 58.*
(Hymn 153. B. 2. C. M.)

The Distemper, Folly, and Madness of Sin.

In like a venomous disease
Infects our vital blood;
The only balm is sovereign grace,
And the physician, God.

Our beauty and our strength are fled,
And we draw near to death;
But Christ the Lord recalls the dead
With his almighty breath.

Madness by nature reigns within,
The passions burn and rage;
Till God's own Son with skill divine
The inward fire assuage.

[We lick the dust, we grasp the wind,
And solid good despise;
Such is the folly of the mind
Till Jesus makes us wise.

We give our souls the wounds they feel,
We drink the poisonous gall,
And rush with fury down to hell;
But heaven prevents the fall.]

[The man possessed amongst the tombs
Cuts his own flesh, and cries;
He foams, and raves, till Jesus comes,
And the soul spirit flies.]

92. *Workop 31.*
(Hymn 156. B. 2. C. M.)

Presumption and Despair; or, Satan's various Temptations.

I hate the tempter and his charms,
I hate his flattering breath;
The serpent takes a thousand forms
To cheat our souls to death.

2 He feeds our hopes with airy dreams,
Or kills with slavish fear;
And holds us still in wide extremes,
Presumption, or despair.

3 Now he persuades, 'How easy 'tis
'To walk the road to heaven;'
Anon he swells our sins, and cries,
'They cannot be forgiven.'

4 [He bids young sinners, 'Yet forbear
'To think of God or death;
For prayer and devotion are
But melancholy breath.]

5 He tells the aged, 'They must die,
And 'tis too late to pray;
In vain for mercy now they cry,
For they have lost their day.]

6 Thus he supports his cruel throne
By mischief and deceit;
And drags the sons of Adam down
To darkness and the pit.

7 Almighty God, cut short his power,
Let him in darkness dwell;
And, that he vex the earth no more,
Confine him down to hell.

93. *Anns 58, Grove House 143.*
(Hymn 157. C. M.)

The same.

Now Satan comes with dreadful roar,
And threatens to destroy;
He worries whom he can't devour
With a malicious joy.

Ye sons of God, oppose his rage,
Resist, and he's gone;
Thus did our dearest Lord engage
And vanquish him alone.

Now he appears almost divine
Like innocence and love,
But the old serpent lurks within
When he assumes the dove.

Fly from the false deceiver's tongue,
Ye sons of Adam, fly;
Our parents found the snare too strong,
Nor should the children try.

94. *Angels Hymn 60, Babylon Streams 23.*
(Hymn 158. L. M.)

Few saved; or, the almost Christian, the
Hypocrite and Apostate.

Broad is the road that leads to death,
And thousands walk together there;
But wisdom shows a narrower path
With here and there a traveller.

1 'Deny thyself, and take thy cross,'
Is the Redeemer's great command;
Nature must count her gold but dross
If she would gain this heavenly land.
The fearful soul that tires and faints, 
And walks the ways of God no more, 
And makes his own destruction sure.

Lord, let not all my hopes be vain; 
Create my heart entirely new, 
To crown the second Adam's state!

Who condescended to be born! 
To save a ruin'd world from sin; 
To teach us in the latter days.

The world to come, redeem'd from all 
The miserablest that attend the fall, 
That thou shouldst set him and his race 
New made, and glorious shall submit

But just below an angel's place!

Our nation reads the written word, 
That book of life, that sure record: 
Our mon leads me writen word v

That mercenary, wise or vain. 
That prophet's pen succeeds his breath. 
To quench my thirst of sins

By the sweet conveyance given. 
To every land, Praise ye the Lord. 
Almost in every page.

And not a glimpse of home
Where wit reason fail; 
Who makes the pearl his own.]

Thou should'st raise his nature so, 
And make him lord of all below; 
And lay the fishes at his feet?

What honors shall thy Son adorn 
That mercenary, wise or vain. 
Who makes the pearl his own.]

See him below his angels made, 
See him in dust amongst the dead, 
To save a ruin'd world from sin; 
But he shall reign with power divine.

The brightinheritance of heaven, 
That merchant is divinely wise. 
That prophet's pen succeeds his breath.

This is the judge that ends the strife, 
Where wit and reason fail; 
Who makes the pearl his own.]

Great God; mine eyes with pleasure look 
On the dear volume of thy book; 
And read his name who dy'd for me.

Let the false raptures of the mind Be lost and vanish in the wind; 
This is thy word, and must endure.

The Holy Scriptures, Heb. i. 1, 2. 2 Tim. iii. 15, 16. Psalm cxlvii. 19, 20.

The ancient prophets spoke his word; 
His Spirit did their tongues inspire, 
And warm'd their hearts with heavenly fire.

The works and wonders which they wrought 
Confirm'd the messages they brought; 
The prophet's pen succeeds his breath.

Great God; mine eyes with pleasure look 
On the dear volume of thy book; 
And read his name who dy'd for me.

Let the false raptures of the mind Be lost and vanish in the wind; 
This is thy word, and must endure.

The Holy Scriptures. 
O may thy counsels, mighty God,  
My roving feet command;  
Nor let me make the happy road  
That leads to thy right hand.

The Books of Nature and of Scripture compared; or, the Glory and Success of the Gospel.

The heavens declare thy glory, Lord,  
In every star thy wisdom shines;  
But when our eyes behold thy word,  
We read thy name in fairer lines.

The rolling sun, the changing light,  
And nights and days thy power confess;  
But the blest volume thou hast writ  
Reveals thy justice and thy grace.

Great Sun of Righteousness, arise,  
Bless the dark world with heavenly light;  
Thy gospel makes the simple wise,  
Thy laws are pure, thy judgments right.

Thy threatenings wake my slumbering eyes,  
And warn me where my danger lies;  
But 'tis thy blessed gospel, Lord,  
That makes my guilty conscience clean,

Yet our faith and love, and every grace,  
Fall far below thy word;  
But perfect truth and righteousness  
Dwell only with the Lord.
102. Workop 31, Great Milton 212, Braintree 25.

(Psalm 119. 4th Part. C. M.)

Instruction from Scripture.

Ver. 9.

How shall the young secure their hearts,
And guard their lives from sin?
Thy word the choicest rules imparts
To keep the conscience clean.

Ver. 105.

Tis like the sun, a heavenly light,
That guides us all the day;
And thro' the dangers of the night,
A lamp to lead our way.


The men that keep thy law with care,
And meditate thy word,
Grow wiser than their teachers are,
And better know the Lord.

Ver. 104, 113.

Thy precepts make me truly wise;
I hate the sinner's road;
I hate my vain thoughts that rise,
But love thy law, my God.

Ver. 89, 90, 91.

[The starry heavens thy rule obey,
The earth maintains her place;
And these thy servants night and day
Thy skill and power express:
But still thy law and gospel, Lord,
Have lessons more divine;
Not earth stands firmer than thy word,
Nor mighty men that share the spoil.

Ver. 160, 140, 9, 116.

Thy word is everlasting truth;
How pure is every page;
That holy book shall guide our youth,
And well support our age.


(Psalm 119. 5th Part. C. M.)

Delight in Scripture; or, the Word of God dwelling in us.

Ver. 97.

How I love thy holy law!
'Tis daily my delight;
And thence my meditations draw
Divine advice by night.

Ver. 148.

My waking eyes prevent the day
To meditate thy word;
My soul with longing melts away
To hear thy gospel, Lord.

Ver. 3, 13, 54.

How doth thy word my heart engage?
How well employ my tongue?
And in my tiresome pilgrimage,
Yields me a heavenly song.

Ver. 19, 105.

Am I a stranger, or at home,
'Tis my perpetual feast;
Not honey dropping from the comb
So much allures the taste.

Ver. 72, 127.

No treasures so enrich the mind;
Nor shall thy word be sold
For loads of silver well refin'd,
Nor heaps of choicest gold.

Ver. 28, 49, 175.

When nature sinks, and spirits droop,
Thy promises of grace
Are pillars to support my hope,
And there I write thy praise.

104. Workop 31, Irish 171.

(Psalm 119. 6th Part. C. M.)

Holiness and Comfort from the Word.

Ver. 128.

ORD, I esteem thy judgments right,
And all thy statutes just;
Thence I maintain a constant fight
With every flattering lust.

Ver. 97, 9.

Thy precepts often I survey;
I keep thy law in sight,
Thro' all the business of the day
To form my actions right.

Ver. 62.

My heart in midnight silence cries,
How sweet thy comfortst be?
My thoughts in holy wonder rise,
And bring their thanks to thee.

Ver. 162.

And when my spirit drinks her fill
At some good word of thine,
Have joys compar'd to mine.


(Psalm 119. 8th Part. C. M.)

The Word of God is the Saint's Portion; or, the Excellency and Variety of Scripture.

Ver. 111. paraphrased.

ORD, I have made thy word my choice,
My lasting heritage;
There shall my noblest powers rejoice,
My warmest thoughts engage.

2.

I'll read the histories of thy love,
And keep thy laws in sight,
While thro' the promises I rove
With ever fresh delight.

3.

'Tis a broad land of wealth unknown
Where springs of life arise,
Seeds of immortal bliss are sown,
And hidden glory lies.

4.

The best relief that mourners have,
It makes our sorrows blest;
Our fairest hope beyond the grave,
And our eternal rest.
MORAL LAW.

106. Portugal 97, Hotham 224, Marks 65. 

(Hymn 116. B. 1. L. M.)

Love to God and our Neighbour, 
Matt. xxii.37—40.

Thus saith the first, the great command, 
'Let all thy inward powers unite 
'To love thy Maker and thy God, 
'With utmost vigour and delight. 

'Then shall thy neighbour next in place 
'Share thine affections and esteem, 
'And let thy kindness to thyself 
'Measure and rule thy love to him.' 

This is the sense that Moses spoke, 
This did the prophets preach and prove, 
For want of this the law is broke, 
And the whole law's fulfill'd by love. 

But Oh! how base our passions are! 
How cold our charity and zeal! 
Lord, fill our souls with heavenly fire, 
Or we shall ne'er perform thy will.

107. New Sabbath 122, Bredby 165, 
Marks 65. 

(Hymn 38. B. 1. 2d Part. L. M.)


BLESSED Redeemer, how divine, 
'Who righteous is this rule of thine, 
'To do to men just the same 
'As we expect or wish from them.' 

This golden lesson, short and plain, 
Gives not the mind nor memory pain; 
And every conscience must approve 
This universal law of love.

How blest would every nation he, 
Thus rule'd by love and equity! 
All would be friends without a foe, 
And form a paradise below.

Jesus forgive us, that we keep 
Thy sacred law of love aslæp; 
No more let envy, wrath, and pride, 
But thy blest maxims be our guide.


(Ps. 50. v.9,10,11,14, 15,23. 2d Part. C. M.)

Obedience is better than Sacrifice. 

Thus saith the Lord, 'The spacious fields, 
'And flocks and herds, are mine; 
'O'er all the cattle of the hills 
'I claim a right divine. 

'I ask no sheep for sacrifice 
'Nor bullocks burnt with fire; 
'To hope and love, to pray and praise, 
'Is all that I require.

3 

Call upon me when trouble's near, 
'My hand shall set thee free; 
'Then shall thy thankful lips declare 
'The honour due to me. 

The man that offers humble praise, 
'He glorifies me best; 
'And those that tread my holy ways 
'Shall my salvation taste.' 


(PSalm 16. 1st Part. L. M.)

Confession of our Poverty; and Saints the best Company; or, good Works profit Men, not God. 

Preserve me, Lord, in time of need; 
For succour to thy throne I flee, 
But have no merits there to plead; 
My goodness cannot reach to thee. 

Yet, Lord, thy saints on earth may reap Some profit by the good we do; 
These are the company I keep, 
These are the choicest friends I know. 

Let others choose the sons of mirth To give a relish to their wine, 
I love the men of heavenly birth 
Whose thoughts and language are divine. 

110. Workop 31, Grove House 143. 

(Hymn 115. B. 1. C. M.)

Conviction of Sin by the Law, Rom. vii. 8,9, 14, 24. 

Lord, how secure my conscience was, 
And felt no inward dread! 
I was alive without the law, 
And thought my sins were dead. 

My hopes of heaven were firm and bright; 
But since the precept came 
With a convincing power and light, 
I find how vile I am. 

My guilt appear'd but small before, 
Till terribly I saw 
How perfect, holy, just, and pure, 
Was thine eternal law. 

Then felt my soul the heavy load, 
My sins reviv'd again, 
I had provok'd a dreadful God, 
And all my hopes were slain. 

I'm like a helpless captive sold 
Under the power of sin; 
I cannot do the good I would, 
Nor keep my conscience clean.

My God, I cry with every breath 
For some kind power to save, 
To break the yoke of sin and death, 
And thus redeem the slave.
LAW. GOSPEL.

111. Winchester 137, Hotham 224, Kingsbridge 88.
(Hymn 121. B. 2. L. M.)

The Law and Gospel distinguished.

T
HE law commands, and makes us know
What duties to our God we owe;
But 'tis the gospel must reveal
Where lies our strength to do his will.

2
The law discovers guilt and sin,
And shews how vile our hearts have been;
Only the gospel can express
Forgiving love and cleansing grace.

3
What curses doth the law denounce
Against the man that fails but once!
But in the gospel Christ appears
Pardoning the guilt of numerous years.

4
My soul, no more attempt to draw
Thy life and comfort from the law,
Fly to the hope the gospel gives;
The man that trusts the promise lives.

112. Mount Ephraim 185, Stockport 47, Sutton 149.
(Hymn 120. B. 2. S. M.)

The Law and Gospel joined in Scripture.

T
HE Lord declares his will,
And keeps the world in awe;
Amidst the smoke on Sinai's hill
Breaks out his fiery law.

2
The Lord reveals his face,
And smiling from above
Sends down the gospel of his grace,
Th' epistles of his love.

3
These sacred words impart
Our Maker's just commands;
The pity of his melting heart,
And vengeance of his hands.

[Hence we awake our fear,
We draw our comfort hence;
The arms of grace are treasur'd here,
And armour of defence.

5
We learn Christ crucify'd,
And here he hold his blood;
All arts and knowledges beside
Will do us little good.

6
We read the heavenly word,
We take the offer'd grace,
Obey the statutes of the Lord,
And trust his promises.

7
In vain shall Satan rage
Against a book divine;
Where wrath and lightning guard the page,
Where beams of mercy shine.

(Psalm 89. ver. 15, &c. 3d Part. C. M.)

A blessed Gospel.

B
LEST are the souls that hear and know
The gospel's joyful sound;
Peace shall attend the path they go,
And light their steps surround.

2
Their joy shall bear their spirits up
Through their Redeemer's name;
His righteousness exalts their hope,
Nor Satan dares condemn.

3
The Lord, our glory and defence,
Strength and salvation gives;
Israel, thy King for ever reigns,
Thy God for ever lives.

114. Wareham 117, Wells 102.
(Hymn 128. B. 1. L. M.)

The Apostles' Commission; or, the Gospel attested by Miracles, Mark xvi. 15, &c. Matt. xxviii. 18, &c.

'Go preach my gospel, saith the Lord,
Bid the whole earth my grace receive;
He shall be sav'd that trusts my word,
He shall be damn'd that won't believe.

2
'I'll make your great commission known,
By all the works that I have done,
By all the wonders ye shall do.

3
Go heal the sick, go raise the dead,
Go cast out devils in my name;
Nor let my prophets be afraid, [pemhe.
'Tho' Greeks reproach, and Jews blas-

4
Teach all the nations my commands,
I'm with you till the world shall end;
All power is trusted to my hands,
I can destroy, and I defend.'

He spake, and light shone round his head,
On a bright cloud to heaven he rode;
They to the farthest nations read
The grace of their ascended God.

115. Ulverston 179, Portugal 97, Marks 65.
(Hymn 4. B. 1. 2d Part. C. M.)

The inward Witness to Christianity.
1 John v. 10.

QUESTIONS and doubts be heard no more;
Let Christ and joy be all our theme;
His Spirit seals his Gospel sure
To every soul that trusts in him.
2 Jesus, thy witness speaks within:  
The mercy which thy words reveal  
Refines the heart from sense and sin,  
And stamps its own celestial seal.

3 'Tis God's inimitable hand  
That moulds and forms the heart anew;  
Blasphemers can no more withstand,  
But bow and own thy doctrine true.

4 The guilty wretch that trusts thy blood,  
Finds peace and pardon at the cross;  
The sinful soul, averse to God,  
Believes and loves his Maker's laws.

5 Learning and wit may cease their strife,  
When miracles with glory shine;  
The voice that calls the dead to life  
Must be almighty, and divine.
Then let our faith grow firm and strong,
Our lips profess his word;
Nor blush nor fear to walk among
The men that love the Lord.

120. Gould 272, Marks 65, Ulverston 179. (Hymn 34. 1st Part. B. 1. L. M.*

The Gospel the Power of God to Salvation,
Rom. i. 16. 1 Cor. i. 18, 24.

WHAT shall the dying sinner do
That seeks relief for all his woe?
Where shall the guilty conscience find
Ease for the torment of the mind?

How shall we get our crimes forgiven,
Or form our natures fit for heaven?
Can souls all o'er defil'd with sin
Make their own powers and passions clean?

In vain we search, in vain we try,
Till Jesus bring his gospel nigh;
'Tis there such power and glory dwell
As saves rebellious souls from hell.

This is the pillar of our hope
That bears our fainting spirits up;
We read the grace, we trust the word,
And find salvation in the Lord.

Let men or angels dig the mines,
But still the lustre of thy grace
Where nature's golden treasures shine,
Our warmer thoughts employs.

Brought near the doctrine of the cross
Gilds the whole scene with brighter rays,
All nature's gold appears but dross,
And more exalts our joys.

Should vile blasphemers with disdain
In vain we search, in vain we try,
'Til Jesus bring his gospel nigh;
'Tis there such power and glory dwell
As saves rebellious souls from hell.

Who stand on Zion's hills
Who bring salvation on their tongues,
And words of peace reveal!

This is the word of truth and love,
Sent to the nations from above;
Jehovah here resolves to shew
What his almighty grace can do.

This remedy did wisdom find
To heal diseases of the mind;
This sovereign balm, whose virtues can
Restore the ruin'd creature, man.

The gospel bids the dead revive,
Sinners obey the voice, and live;
Dry bones are rais'd and clothed fresh,
And hearts of stone are turn'd to flesh.

[Note—Four Verses of this Hymn are, in one edition, called Hymn 33.

121. Gloucester 12, Wells 109, Chard 175. (Hymn 138. B. 2. L. M.)

The Power of the Gospel.

How charming is their voice!
How sweet the tidings are!
Zion, behold thy Saviour King,
'Tis there such power and glory dwell
As saves rebellious souls from hell.

How happy are our ears
That hear this joyful sound
Which Kings and prophets waited for,
And sought, but never found!

How blessed are our eyes
That see this heavenly light!
Prophets and kings desired it long
But dy'd without the sight.

The watchmen join their voice,
And tuneful notes employ,
Jerusalem breaks forth in songs,
And deserts learn the joy.

The Lord makes bare his arm
Through all the earth abroad,
Let every nation now behold
Their Saviour and their God.
124. Otford 106, Sydenham 43, Ashley 152.
Bath Chapel 26.
(Psalm 98. 1st Part. C. M.)
Praise for the Gospel.
To our almighty Maker, God, 
New honours he addrest;
His great salvation shines abroad,
And makes the nations blest.
2
He spake the word to Abram first;
His truth fulfils the grace:
The Gentiles make his name their trust,
And learn his righteousness.
3
Let the whole earth his love proclaim
With all her different tongues;
And spread the honours of his name
In melody and songs.

SCRIPTURE DOCTRINES AND BLESSINGS.

(Hymn 54. B. l. L. M.)
Electing Grace; or, Saints beloved in Christ,
Eph. i. 3, &c.
Jesus, we bless thy Father's name;
Thy God and ours are both the same;
What heavenly blessings from his throne,
Flow down to sinners thro' his Son!
2
Christ be my first elect, he said,
Then chose our souls in Christ our head,
Before he gave the mountains birth,
Or laid foundations for the earth.
3
Thus did eternal love begin
To raise us up from death and sin;
Our characters were then decreed,
'Blameless in love, a holy seed.'
4
Predestinated to be sons,
Born by degrees, but chose at once;
A new regenerated race
To praise the glory of his grace.
5
With Christ our Lord we share our part
In the affections of his heart,
Nor shall our souls be thence remov'd
Till he forgets his first belov'd.

126. Angels 60, Pauls 246, Babylon 23.
(Hymn 117. B. 1. L. M.)
Electing sovereign and free,
Behold the potter and the clay,
He forms his vessels as he please:
Such is our God, and such are we,
The subjects of his high decrees.
2
[Doth not the workman's power extend
O'er all the mass, which part to choose
And mould it for a nobler end,
And which to leave for viler use?]

May not the sovereign Lord on high
Dispense his favours as he will,
Choose some to life while others die,
And yet be just and gracious still?
4
'What if to make his terror known,
He lets his patience long endure,
Suffering vile rebels to go on
And seal their own destruction sure?
5
What if he means to shew his grace,
And his electing love employs
To mark out some of mortal race,
And form them fit for heavenly joys?]
6
Shall man reply against the Lord,
And call his Maker's ways unjust,
The thunder of whose dreadful word
Can crush a thousand worlds to dust?
7
But, O my soul, if truths so bright
Should dazzle and confound thy sight,
Yet still his written will obey,
And wait the great decisive day.
8
Then shall he make his justice known,
And the whole world before his throne
With joy or terror shall confess
The glory of his righteousness.

(Hymn 96. B. 1. C. M.)
Election excludes boasting, 1 Cor. i. 26—31.
But few among the carnal wise,
But few of noble race,
Obtain the favour of thine eyes,
Almighty King of grace.
2
He takes the men of meanest name
For sons and heirs of God;
And thus he pours abundant shame
On honourable blood.
3
He calls the fool, and makes him know
The mysteries of his grace,
To bring aspiring wisdom low,
And all its pride abase.
4
Nature has all its glories lost
When brought hefore his throne;
No flesh shall in his presence boast
But in the Lord alone.

128. Portugal 97, Wareham 117.
(Hymn 11. B. 1. L. M.)
The humble enlightened, and carnal Reason humbled; or, the Sovereignty of Grace,
Luke x. 21. 22.
There was an hour when Christ rejoic'd,
And spoke his joy in words of praise;
'Father, I thank thee, mighty God,
Lord of the earth, and heavens, and sea.'
2
I thank thy sovereign power and love,
That crowns my doctrine with success;
And makes the babes in knowledge learn
The heights, and breadths, and lengths of grace.

(Hymn 12. B. 1. C. M.)

F*see Grace in revealing Christ, Luke x. 21.

Jesus, the man of constant grief,
A mourner all his days;
His spirit once rejoic'd aloud,
And tun'd his joy to praise.

4 Father, I thank thy wonderous love,
That hast reveal'd thy Son
To men unlearned; and to babes
Has made thy gospel known.

3 The mysteries of redeeming grace
Are hidden from the wise,
While pride and carnal reasonings join
To swell and blind their eyes.'

Thus doth the Lord of heaven and earth
His great decrees fulfill,
And orders all his works of grace
By his own sovereign will.

130. Charmouth 28, Ams 58.

(Hymn 96. B. 2. C. M.)

Down headlong from their native skies
The rebel angels fell,
And thunderbolts of flaming wrath
Fun'dd them deep to hell.

2 Down from the top of earthly bliss
Rebellious man was hur'd:
And Jesus stoop'd beneath the grave
To reach a sinking world.

0 love of infinite degree!
Unmeasurable grace!
Must heaven’s eternal darling die
To save a traitorous race?

4 Must angels sink for ever down,
And burn in quenchless fire,
While God forsakes his shining throne
To raise us wretches higher?

5 O for this love let earth and skies
With hallelujahs ring
And the full choir of human tongues
All hallelujah sing.


(Hymn 97. B. 2. L. M.)

The same.

F From heaven the sinning angels fell,
And wrath and darkness chain’d them down;
But man, vile man, forsook his bliss,
And mercy lifts him to a crown.

2 Amazing work of sovereign grace
That could distinguish rebels so:
Our guilty treasons call’d aloud
For everlasting fetters too.

3 To thee, to thee, almighty love,
Our souls, ourselves, our all we pay:
Millions of tongues shall sound thy praise
On the bright hills of heavenly day.

COVENANT OF GRACE.

132. Gloucester 12, Derby 169, Bromley 104.

(Psalm 89. 1st Part. L. M.)

The Covenant made with Christ; or, the true David.

For ever shall my song record
The truth and mercy of the Lord;
Mercy and truth for ever stand
Like heaven establish’d by his hand.

2 Thus to his Son he sware, and said,
With thee my covenant first is made;
In thee shall dying sinners live,
Glory and grace are thine to give.

3 Be thou my prophet, thou my priest;
Thy children shall be ever blest;
Thou art my chosen king; thy throne
Shall stand eternal like my own.

4 There’s none of all my sons above
So much my image or my love;
Celestial powers thy subjects are,
Then what can earth to thee compare?

5 David, my servant, whom I chose
To guard my flock, to crush my foes,
And rais’d him to the Jewish throne,
Was but a shadow of my Son.

6 Now let the church rejoice, and sing
Jesus her Saviour and her king:
Angels his heavenly wonders show,
And saints declare his works below.
133. Great Milton 212, Sprague 166.
(Psalm 89. ver. 30, &c. 5th Part. C. M.)
The Covenant of Grace unchangeable; or,
Afflictions without rejection.

Yet, saith the Lord, if David's race,
The children of my Son,
Should break my laws, abuse my grace,
And tempt mine anger down;

Their sins I'll visit with the rod,
And make their folly smart;
But I'll not cease to be their God,
Nor from my truth depart.

My covenant I will never revoke,
But keep my grace in mind;
And what eternal love hath spoke
Eternal truth shall bind.

Once have I sworn (I need no more)
And pledged my holiness
To seal the sacred promise sure
To David and his race.

The sun shall see his offspring rise
And spread from sea to sea;
Long as he travels round the skies
To give the nations day.

Sure as the moon that rules the night
His kingdom shall endure,
Till the fixed laws of shade and light
Shall be observed no more.

Our Comfort in the Covenant made with Christ.

Our God, how firm his promise stands,
Ev'n when he hides his face!
He trusts in our Redeemer's hands
His glory and his grace.

Then why, my soul, these sad complaints,
Since Christ and we are one?
Thy God is faithful to his saints,
Is faithful to his Son.

Beneath his smiles my heart has lived,
And part of heaven possess'd;
I praise his name for grace receiv'd,
And trust him for the rest.

134. Old Hundred 100, Wareham 117.
(Hymn 139. B. 1. L. M.)
Hope in the Covenant; or, God's Promise and Truth unchangeable. Heb. vi. 17—19.

How oft have sin and Satan strove
To rend my soul from thee, my God!
But everlastling is thy love,
And Jesus seals it with his blood.

The oath and promise of the Lord
Join to confirm the wonderful grace;
Eternal power performs the word,
And fills all heaven with endless praise.

(Hymn 78. B. 2. C. M.)
Redemption by Christ.

When the first parents of our race
Rebell'd and lost their God,
And the infection of their sin
Had tainted all our blood,

Infinite pity touch'd the heart
Of the eternal Son,
Descending from the heavenly court
He left his father's throne.

Aside the Prince of Glory throw
His most divine array,
And wrap'd his Godhead in a veil
Of our inferior clay.

His living power, and dying love
Redeem'd unhappy men,
And rais'd the ruins of our race
To life and God again.

To thee, dear Lord, our flesh and soul
We joyfully resign,
Bless'd Jesus, take us for thy own,
For we are doubly thine.

Thine honour shall forever be
The business of our days,
For ever shall our thankful tongues
Speak thy deserved praise.

136. Cambridge New 74, Irish 171.
(Hymn 29. B. 2. C. M.)
Redemption by Price and Power.

Jesus, with all thy saints above
My tongue would hear her part,
Would sound aloud thy saving love,
And sing thy bleeding heart.

Bless'd be the Lamb, my dearest Lord,
Who bought me with his blood,
And quench'd his Father's flaming sword
In his own vital flood.

The Lamb that freed my captive soul
From Satan's heavy chains,
And sent the lion down to howl
Where hell and horror reigns.
4
All glory to the dying Lamb,
And never ceasing praise,
While angels live to know his name,
Or saints to feel his grace.

(Hymn 82. B. 2. C. M.)
Redemption and Protection from Spiritual Enemies.

RISE, my soul, my joyful powers,
And triumph in my God,
Awake, my voice, and loud proclaim
His glorious grace abroad.

2
He rais'd me from the deeps of sin,
The gates of gaping hell,
And fix'd my standing more secure
Then 'twas before I fell.

3
The arms of everlasting love
Beneath my soul he plac'd,
And on the rock of ages set
My slippery footsteps fast.

4
The city of my bless'd abode
Is walled around with grace,
Salvation for a bulwark stands
To shield the sacred place.

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SAINTS MAY VENT THEIR SHARPEST SPIRE,
And all his legions roar,
Almighty mercy guards my life,
And bounds his raging power.

6
Arise, my soul, awake, my voice,
And tunes of pleasure sing,
Loud hallelujahs shall address
My Saviour and my King.

139. Oxford 106, Milbourn Port 183,
Fountain 101.
(Hymn 35. B. 2. C. M.)
Praise to God for Creation and Redemption.

LET them neglect thy glory, Lord,
Who never knew thy grace,
But our loud songs shall still record
The wonders of thy praise.

2
We raise our shouts, O God, to thee,
And send them to thy throne,
All glory to the United Three,
TheUndivided One.

3
'Twas he (and we'll adore his name)
That form'd us by a word,
'Through he restores our ruin'd frame;
Salvation to the Lord.

4
Hosanna! let the earth and skies
Repeat the joyful sound,
Rocks, hills, and vales, reflect the voice
In one eternal round.

140. James's 163, Bedford 91, Abridge 201.
(Psalm 40. 6—9. 2d Part. C. M.)
The Incarnation and Sacrifice of Christ.

THUS saith the Lord, 'Your work is vain,
'Give your burnt-offerings o'er,
'In dying goats and bullocks slain
'My soul delights no more.'

2
Then spake the Saviour, 'Lo, I'm here,
'My God, to do thy will;
'Whate'er thy sacred books declare,
'Thy servant shall fulfill.'

3
'Thine law is ever in my sight,
'I keep it near my heart;
'Mine ears are open with delight
'To what thy lips impart.'

4
And see, the bless'd Redeemer comes,
'Th' eternal Son appears,
And at' th' appointed time assumes
The body God prepares.

5
Much he reveal'd his Father's grace,
And much his truth he shew'd,
And preach'd the way of righteousness,
Where great assemblies stood.

6
His Father's honour touch'd his heart,
He pity'd sinners' cries,
And, to fulfil a Saviour's part,
Was made a sacrifice.

PAUSE.
No blood of beasts on altars shed
Could wash the conscience clean;
But the rich sacrifice he paid
Atones for all our sin.

8
Then was the great salvation spread,
And Satan's kingdom shook,
Thus by the woman's promis'd seed
The serpent's head was broke.

141. Gloucester 12, Ulverston 179,
(Psalm 40. ver. 5—10. L. M.)
Christ our Sacrifice.

THE wonders, Lord, thy love has wrought,
Exceed our praise, surmount our thought;
Should I attempt the long detail,
My speech would faint, my numbers fail.

2
No blood of beasts on altars split
Can cleanse the souls of men from guilt;
But thou hast set before our eyes
An all-sufficient sacrifice.

3
Lo! thine eternal Son appears,
To thy designs he bows his ears,
Assumes a body well prepar'd,
And well performs a work so hard.
Behold, I come," (the Saviour cries,  
With love and duty in his eyes)  
I come to bear the heavy load  
Of sins, and do thy will, my God.

'Tis written in thy great decree,  
'Tis in thy book foretold of me,  
I must fulfil the Saviour's part,  
And, lo! thy law is in my heart.

I'll magnify thy holy law,  
And rebels to obedience draw,  
When on my cross I'm lifted high,  
Or to my crown above the sky.

The Spirit shall descend, and show  
What thou hast done and what I do;  
The wondering world shall learn thy grace,  
'Thy wisdom and thy righteousness.'

BLOOD has a voice to pierce the skies,  
Revenge, the blood of Abel cries;  
But the dear stream when Christ was slain  
Speaks peace as loud from every vein.

Pardon and peace from God on high,  
Behold he layshis vengeance by,  
And rebels that deserve his sword,  
Become the favourites of the Lord.

To Jesus letour praises rise  
Who gave hislife a sacrifice;  
Now he appears hefore his God,  
And for our pardon pleadshis hlood.

O the destroying angel flies  
To Pharaoh's stubborn land;  
The pride and flower of Egypt dies  
By his vindictive hand.

He pass'd the tents of Jacob o'er,  
Nor pour'd the wrath divine;  
He saw the blood on every door,  
And bless'd the peaceful sign.

Thus the appointed Lamb must bleed  
To break th' Egyptian yoke;  
Thus Israel is from bondage freed,  
And 'scapes the angel's stroke.

Lord, if my heart were sprinkled too,  
With blood so rich as thine,  
Justice no longer would pursue  
This guilty soul of mine.

Jesus our passover was slain,  
And has at once procured  
Freedom from Satan's heavy chain,  
And God's avenging sword.

HOW is our nature spoil'd by sin!  
Yet nature ne'er hath found  
The way to make the conscience clean,  
Or heal the painful wound.

In vain we seek for peace with God  
By methods of our own:  
Jesus, there's nothing but thy blood  
Can bring us near the throne.

The threatening of thy broken law  
Impress our souls with dread;  
If God his sword of vengeance draw,  
It strikes our spirits dead.

But thine illustrious sacrifice  
Hath answer'd these demands;  
And peace and pardon from the skies,  
Come down by Jesus' hands.

Here all the ancient types agree,  
The altar and the lamb;  
And prophets in their visions see  
Salvation thro' his name.

'Tis by thy death we live, O Lord;  
'Tis on thy cross we resti  
For ever be thy love ador'd,  
Thy name for ever blest.

Dearest of all the names above,  
My Jesus, and my God,  
Who can resist thy heavenly love,  
Or trifle with thy hlood?

'Tis by the merits of thy death  
The Father smiles again;  
'Tis by thine interceding breath  
The Spirit dwells with men.

Till God in human flesh I see,  
My thoughts no comfort find;  
The holy, just, and sacred Three  
Are terrors to my mind.

But if Immanuel's face appear,  
My hope, my joy begins;  
His name forbids my slavish fear,  
His grace removes my sins.

While Jews on their own law rely,  
And Greeks of wisdom boast,  
I love th' incarnate mystery,  
And there I fix my trust.
146. Bramcoate 8, Chard 175, Rockwell 174.
(Hymn 61. B. 1. L. M.)
Christ our High Priest and King, and Christ
coming to Judgment, Rev. i. 5—7.

TO the Lord, that makes us know
The wonders of his dying love,
Be humble honours paid below,
And strains of nobler praise above.

2
Twas he that cleans'd our foulest sins,
And wash'd us in his richest blood;
'Tis he that makes us priests and kings,
And brings us rebels near to God.

3
To Jesus our atoning Priest,
To Jesus our superior King,
Be everlasting power confess'd,
And every tongue his glory sing.

4
Behold, on flying clouds he comes,
And every eye shall see him move;
Tho' with our sins we pierc'd him once;
Then he displays his pardoning love.

5
The unbelieving world shall wail
While we rejoice to see the day:
Come, Lord; nor let thy promise fail,
Nor let thy chariots long delay.

147. Great Milton 212, Gainsbro' 29,
Workop 31.
(Hymn 95. B. 1. C. M.)
Regeneration, John i. 13. iii. 3, &c.

NOT all the outward forms on earth,
Nor rites that God has given,
Nor will of man, nor blood, nor birth,
Can raise a soul to heaven.

2
The sovereign will of God alone
Creates us heirs of grace;
Born in the image of his Son
A new peculiar race.

3
The Spirit like some heavenly wind
Blows on the sons of flesh,
New models all the carnal mind,
And forms the man afresh.

4
Our quicken'd souls awake, and rise
From the long sleep of death;
On heavenly things we fix our eyes,
And praise employs our breath.

(Hymn 99. B. 1. C. M.)
Stone made Children of Abraham; or, Grace
not conveyed by Religious Parents, Matt. iii. 9.

VAIN are the hopes that rebels place
Upon their birth and blood,
Descended from a plow race;
(Their fathers now with God.)

2
He from the caves of earth and hell
Can take the hardest stones,
And fill the house of Abra'm well
With new-created sons.

3
Such wonderous power doth he possess
Who form'd our mortal frame,
Who call'd the world from emptiness,
The world obey'd and came.

149. Salem 139, Georges 2.
(Hymn 130. B. 2. C. M.)
The new Creation.

ATTEND, while God's exalted Son
Doth his own glories shew;
' Behold I sit upon my throne
' Creating all things new.

2
' Nature and sin are pass'd away,
' And the old Adam dies;
' My hands a new foundation lay,
' See the new world arise.

3
' I'll be a sun of righteousness
' To the new heavens I make;
' None but the new-born heirs of grace
' My glories shall partake.'

4
Mighty Redeemer, set me free
From my old state of sin;
O make my soul alive to thee,
Create new powers within.

5
Renew mine eyes, and form mine ears,
And mould my heart afresh;
Give me new passions, joys and fears,
And turn the soul to flesh.

6
Far from the regions of the dead,
From sin, and earth, and hell,
In the new world that grace has made
I would forever dwell.

150. Abridge 201, Charmouth 28.
(Hymn 159. B. 1. C. M.)
An unconverted State; or, converting
Grace.

GREAT King of glory and of grace,
We own, with humble shame,
How vile is our degenerate race,
And our first father's name.

2
From Adam flows our tainted blood,
The poison reigns within,
Makes us averse to all that's good,
And willing slaves to sin.

3
[Daily we break thy holy laws,
And then reject thy grace;
Engag'd in the old serpent's cause
Against our Maker's face.]

4
We live estrang'd afar from God,
And love the distance well;
With haste we run the dangerous road
That leads to death and hell.

And can such rebels be restored!
Such natures made divine!
Let sinners see thy glory, Lord,
And feel this power of thine.

We raise our Father's name on high,
Who his own Spirit sends
To bring rebellious strangers nigh,
And turn his foes to friends.

151. Gainsborough 29, Braintree 25.
(II. 161. B. 2. C. M.)
Christian Virtues; or, The Difficulty of Conversion.

STRAINT is the way, the door is strait
That leads to joys on high;
'Tis but a few that find the gate,
While crowds mistake, and die.

Beloved self must be denied,
The mind and will renewed,
Passion subdued, and patience tried,
And vain desires subdu'd.

Flesh is a dangerous foe to grace,
Where it prevails and rules;
Flesh must be humbled, pride abased,
Lest they destroy our souls.

The love of gold be banished hence,
(That vile idolatry)
And every member, every sense
In sweet subjection lie.

The tongue, that most unruly power,
Requires a strong restraint;
We must be watchful every hour,
And pray, but never faint.

Lord can a feeble helpless worm
Fulfill a task so hard?
Thy grace must all my work perform,
And give the free reward.

152. Bedford 91, Weston Favel 27,
Works 31.
(Hymn 94. B. 1. C. M.)

JUSTIFICATION.

VAIN are the hopes the sons of men
On their own works have built;
Their hearts by nature all unclean,
And all their actions guilt.

Let few and Gentile stop their mouths
Without a murmuring word,
And the whole race of Adam stand
Guilty before the Lord.

In vain we ask God's righteous law
To justify us now,
Since to convince and to condemn
Is all the law can do.

Jesus, how glorious is thy grace!
When in thy name we trust,
Our faith receives a righteousness
That makes the sinner just.

153. Pauls 246, Babylon 23.
(Hymn 154. B. 2. L. M.)
Self-Righteousness insufficient.

WHERE are the mourners, saith the Lord,
That wait and tremble at my word,
That walk in darkness all the day?
Come, make my name your trust and stay.

[No works nor duties of your own
Can for the smallest sin atone;
+ The robes that nature may provide
Will not your least pollutions hide.

'The softest couch that nature knows
Can give the conscience no repose;
Look to my righteousness, and live;
Comfort and peace are mine to give.

Ye sons of pride, that kindle coals
With your own hands to warm your souls,
Walk in the light of your own fire,
Enjoy the sparks that ye desire.

This is your portion at my hands;
Hell waits you with her iron bands,
Ye shall lie down in sorrow there,
In death, in darkness, and despair.

(Ps. 71. v. 15, 14, 16, 23, 24, 2d Part. C. M.)

Christ our Strength and Righteousness.

My Saviour, my almighty friend,
When I begin thy praise,
Where will the growing numbers end,
The numbers of thy grace?

Thou art my everlasting trust,
Thy goodness I adore;
And since I knew thy graces first,
I speak thy glories more.

My feet shall travel all the length
Of the celestial road,
And march with courage in thy strength
To see my Father God.

When I am filled with sore distress
For some surprising sin,
I'll plead thy perfect righteousness,
And mention none but thine.

How will my lips rejoice to tell
The victories of my King!
My soul redeemed from sin and hell
Shall thy salvation sing.

[My tongue shall all the day proclaim
My Saviour and my God;
His death has brought my foes to shame,
And drown'd them in his blood.
* Isaiah l. 10, 11. + Isaiah xxviii. 30.
Awake, awake, my tuneful powers; 
With this delightful song
I'll entertain the darkest hours,
Nor think the season long.]

(157. Abridge 201, Carolina 13, Elm
borough 170.
(Hymn 109. B. I. L. M.)

JUSTIFICATION. PARDON.

The Value of Christ and his Righteousness,
Phil. iii. 7-9.

O more, my God, I boast no more
Of all the duties I have done;
My former pride I call my shame,
And nail my glory to his cross.

Yes, and I must and will esteem
All things but loss for Jesus' sake:
May my soul be found in him,
And of his righteousness partake.

The best obedience of my hands
dares not appear before thy throne;
But faith can answer thy demands
By pleading what my Lord has done.

156. Hephzibah 77, Furman 135,
Michaels 119.
(Hymn 20. B. 1. C. M.)

Spiritual Apparel; namely, the Robe of Righteousness, and Garments of Salvation:
Isaiah li. 10.

WAKE, my heart, arise, my tongue,
Prepare a tuneful voice,
In God, the life of all my joys,
Aloud will I rejoice.

He adorn'd my naked soul,
And made salvation mine,
Upon a poor polluted worm
He makes his grace shine.

And lest the shadow of a spot
Should on my soul he found,
He took the robe the Saviour wrought,
And cast it all around.

How far the heavenly robe exceeds
What earthly princes wear!
These ornaments how bright they shine!
How white the garments are!

The Spirit wrought my faith and love,
And hope, and every grace;
But Jesus spent his life to work
The robe of righteousness.

Strange, my soul, art thou array'd
By the great Sacred Three:
In sweetest harmony of praise
Let all thy powers agree.

PARDON.

O T of the deeps of long distress,
The borders of despair,
I sent my cries to seek thy grace,
My groans to move thine ear.

Great God, should thy severer eye
And thine impartial hand,
Mark and revenge iniquity,
No mortal flesh could stand.

But there are pardons with my God
For crimes of high degree;
Thy Son has bought them with his blood
To draw us near to thee.

I wait for thy salvation, Lord,
With strong desires I wait;
My soul, invited by thy word,
Stands watching at thy gate.

Just as the guards that keep the night
Long for the morning skies,
Watch the first beams of breaking light,
And meet them with their eyes.

So waits my soul to see thy grace,
And more intent than they,
Meets the first openings of thy face,
And finds a brighter day.

Then in the Lord let Israel trust,
Let Israel seek his face;
The Lord is good as well as just,
And plenteous is his grace.

There's full redemption at his throne
For sinners long enslav'd;
The great Redeemer is his Son,
And Israel shall be sav'd.

FROM deep distress and troubled thoughts,
To thee, my God, I rais'd my cries;
If thou severely mark our faults,
No flesh can stand before thine eyes.

But thou hast built thy throne of grace,
Free to dispense thy pardons there,
That sinners may approach thy face,
And hope and love, as well as fear.

As the benighted pilgrims wait,
And long, and wish for breaking day,
So waits my soul before thy gate;
When will my God his face display?
My trust is fix'd upon thy word,
Nor shall I trust thy word in vain:
Let mourning souls address the Lord,
And find relief from all their pain.

Great is his love, and large his grace,
Thro' the redemption of his Son:
He turns our feet from sinful ways,
And pardons what our hands have done.

Forgiveness of Sins upon Confession.

Blessed are they
Whose sins are cover'd o'er!
Divinely blest, to whom the Lord
Imputes their guilt no more.

They mourn their follies past,
And keep their hearts with care;
Their lips and lives, without deceit,
Shall prove their faith sincere.

While I conceal'd my guilt
I felt the fest'ring wound,
Till I confess'd my sins to thee,
And ready pardon found.

Let sinners learn to pray,
Let saints keep near the throne;
Our help, in times of deep distress,
Is found in God alone.

Forgiveness of Sins upon Confession.

HAPPY the man to whom his God
No more imputes his sin;
'But, wash'd in the luted redeemer's hlood,
Hath made his garments clean!

Blest is the man to whom the Lord
Imputes not his iniquities,
He pleads no merit of reward,
And not on works, but grace relies.

From guile his heart and lips are free,
His humble joy, his holy fear,
With deep repentance well agree,
And join to prove his faith sincere.

How glorious is that righteousness
That hides and cancels all his sins!
While a bright evidence of grace
Thro' his whole life appears and shines.

Free Pardon and sincere Obedience; or, Confession and Forgiveness.

WHY does your face, ye humble souls,
Those mournful colours wear!
What doubts are these that waste your faith,
And nourish your despair?

What tho' your numerous sins exceed
The stars that fill the skies,
And aiming at th' eternal throne,
Like pointed mountains rise?

What tho' your mighty guilt beyond
The wide creation swell,
And has its cursed foundations laid
Low as the deeps of hell?
See here an endless ocean flows
Of never-failing grace,
Behold a dying Saviour's veins
The sacred flood increase:
It rises high and drowns the hills,
'T has neither shore nor bound:
Now if we search to find our sins,
Our sins can ne'er be found.
Awake, our hearts, adore the grace
That buries all our faults,
And pardoning blood that swells above
Our follies and our thoughts.

ADOPTION.

164. Eagle Street New 55, Harborough 142.
(Hymn 64. B. 1. S. M.)
Adoption, 1 John iii. 1, &c. Gal. iv. 6.

BEHOLD what wonderous grace
The Father hath bestow'd
On sinners of a mortal race,
To call them sons of God!
'Tis no surprising thing
That we should be unknown;
The Jewish world knew not their King,
God's everlasting Son.
Nor doth it yet appear
How great we must be made;
But when we see our Saviour here,
We shall be like our head.
A hope so much divine
May trials well endure,
May purge our souls from sense and sin,
As Christ the Lord is pure.
If in my Father's love
I share a filial part,
Send down thy Spirit like a dove
To rest upon my heart.
We would no longer lie
Like slaves beneath the throne;
My faith shall Abba, Father, cry,
And thou the kindred own.

COMMUNION WITH GOD.

(Psalm 23. L. M.)
God our Shepherd.
My shepherd is the living Lord;
Now shall my wants be well supply'd;
His providence and holy word
Become my safety and my guide.
In pastures where salvation grows
He makes me feed, he makes me rest;
There living water gently flows,
And all the food divinely bles.
My wandering feet his ways mistake,
But he restores my soul to peace,
And leads me, for his mercy's sake,
In the fair paths of righteousness.
Tho' I walk thro' the gloomy vale,
Where death and all its terrors are,
My heart and hope shall never fail,
For God my shepherd's with me there.

(Psalm 23. C. M.)
The same.

My shepherd will supply my need,
Jehovah is his name;
In pastures fresh he makes me feed
Beside the living stream.

He leads me to the place
Where heavenly pasture grows,
Where living waters gently pass,
And full salvation flows.

When I walk thro' the shades of death,
Thy presence is my stay;
A word of thy supporting breath
Drives all my fears away.

Thy hand, in spite of all my foes,
Doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows,
Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God
Attend me all my days;
O may thy house be mine abode,
And all my work be praise!

There would I find a settled rest,
(While others go and come)
No more a stranger or a guest,
But like a child at home.

168. Finsbury 155, Eagle Street New 55, Kidworth 249.

(Psalm 23. S. M.)
The same.

The Lord my shepherd is,
I shall be well supply'd;
Since he his mine, and I am his,
What can I want beside?

He leads me to the place
Where heavenly pasture grows,
Where living waters gently pass,
And full salvation flows.
COMMUNION WITH GOD.

3

[In vain the bright, the burning sun
Scatters his feeble light;
'Tis thy sweet beams create my noon;
If thou withdraw, 'tis night.

And whilst upon my restless bed,
Amongst the shades I roll,
If my Redeemer shew his head,
'Tis morning with my soul.]

To thee we owe our wealth, and friends,
And health, and safe abode;
Thanks to thy name for meaner things,
But they are not my God.

5

How vain a toy is glittering wealth,
If once compare'd to thee;
Or what's my safety, or my health,
Or all my friends to me?

Were I possessor of the earth,
And call'd the stars my own,
Without thy graces and myself
I were a wretch undone.

6

Let others stretch their arms like seas,
And grasp in all the shore,
Grant me the visits of thy face,
And I desire no more.

(Hymn 93. B. 2. S.M.)

God all, and in all, Psalm lxxiii. 25.

M Y God, my life, my love,
To thee, to thee, I call,
I cannot live if thou remove,
For thou art all in all.

[Thy shining grace can cheer
This dungeon where I dwell;
'Tis Paradise when thou art here,
If thou depart, 'tis hell.]

3

[The smileings of thy face,
How amiable they are!
'Tis heaven to rest in thine embrace,
And no where else but there.]

4

[To thee, and thee alone,
The angels owe their bliss;
They sit around thy gracious throne,
And dwell where Jesus is.]

5

[Not all the harps above
Can make a heavenly place,
If God his residence remove,
Or but conceal his face.]

6

Nor earth, nor all the sky
Can one delight afford,
No, not a drop of real joy,
Without thy presence, Lord.

7

Thou art the sea of love,
Where all my pleasures roll,
The circle where my passions move,
And centre of my soul.

8

[To thee my spirits fly
With infinite desire,
And yet how far from thee I lie!]

Dear Jesus raise me higher!

172. Gloster 12, Leeds 19, Martin's Lane 67.
(Hymn 15. B. 2. L. M.)

The Enjoyment of Christ; or, Delight in Worship.

F AR from my thoughts, vain world, be
Let my religious hours alone:
I gone, Fain would my eyes my Saviour see,
I wait a visit, Lord, from thee.

My heart grows warm with holy fire,
And kindles with a pure desire:
Come, my dear Jesus, from above,
And feed my soul with heavenly love.

3

[The trees of life immortal stand
In flourishing rows at thy right hand,
And in sweet murmurs by their side
Rivers of bliss perpetual glide.

4

Haste then, but with a smiling face,
And spread the table of thy grace:
Bring down a taste of fruit divine,
And cheer my heart with sacred wine.]

5

Bless'd Jesus, what delicious fare!
How sweet thy entertainments are!
Never did angels taste above
Redeeming grace, and dying love.

Hail, great Immanuel, all divine,
In thee thy Father's glories shine;
Thou brightest, sweetest, fairest one,
That eyes have seen, or angels known.

173. Bramcoate 8, Marks 65, New Sab
bath 122.
(Hymn 16. B. 1. L. M.)

Part the Second.

ORD, what a heaven of saving grace,
Shines thro' the beauties of thy face,
And lights our passions to a flame!
Lord, how we love thy charming name!

4

When I can say, my God is mine,
When I can feel thy glories shine,
I tread the world beneath my feet,
And all that earth calls good or great.

5

While such a scene of sacred joys
Our raptur'd eyes and souls employs,
Here we could sit, and gaze away
A long, an everlasting day.

7

There shall we drink full draughts of bliss,
And pluck new life from heavenly trees:
Yet now and then, dear Lord, bestow
A drop of heaven on worms below.
174. Portugal 97, Marks 65, Bramcoate 8.
(Hymn 132. B. 1. L. M.)

Send comforts down from thy right hand,
While we pass through this barren land,
And in thy temple let us see
A glimpse of love, a glimpse of thee.

SANGTIFICATION.

175. Great Milton 212, Newington 61.
(Hymn 143. B. 2. C. M.)

Flesh and Spirit.

What different powers of grace and sin
Attend our mortal state!
I hate the thoughts that work within,
And do the works I hate.

Now I complain, and groan, and die,
While sin and Satan reign;
Now raise my songs of triumph high,
For grace prevails again.

So darkness struggles with the light
Till perfect day arise;
Water and fire maintain the fight
Until the weaker dies.

Thus will the flesh and spirit strive,
And vex and break my peace;
But I shall quit this mortal life,
And sin for ever cease.

(Hymn 104. B. 1. C. M.)

A State of Nature and of Grace, 1 Cor. vi. 10, 11.

Not the malicious or profane,
The wanton or the proud,
Nor thieves, nor slanderers shall obtain
The kingdom of our God.

177. Sprague 166, Bedford 91, Workhop 31.
(Hymn 22. 2d Part. C. M.)

Flesh and Spirit, Rom. viii. 1.

What vain desires, and passions vain,
Attend this mortal clay!
Oft have they pierced my soul with pain,
And drawn my heart astray.

How have I wandered from my God,
And, following sin and shame,
In this vile world of flesh and blood
Deplied my nobler frame?

For ever blessed be thy grace,
That form’d my soul anew,
And made it of a heaven-born race,
Thy glory to pursue.

My spirit holds perpetual war,
And wrestles and complains;
But views the happy moment near
That shall dissolve its chains.

Cheerful in death I close my eyes,
To part with every lust;
And charge my flesh whenever it rise
To leave them in the dust.

My purer spirit shall not fear
To put this body on:
Its tempting powers no more are there,
Its lusts and passions gone?

(Psalm 119. 11th Part. C. M.)

Breathing after Holiness.

Ver. 5, 33.

That the Lord would guide my ways
To keep his statutes still!
O that my God would grant me grace
To know and do his will!

Ver. 29.

O send thy Spirit down to write
Thy law upon my heart!
Nor let my tongue indulge deceit,
Nor act the liar’s part.

Ver. 37, 36.

From vanity turn off my eyes:
Let no corrupt design,
Nor covetous desires arise
Within this soul of mine.
Order my footsteps by thy word,
And make my heart sincere,
Let sin have no dominion, Lord,
But keep my conscience clear.

Make me to walk in thy commands,
'Tis a delightful road;
Nor let my head, or heart, or hands,
Offend against my God.

My soul hath gone too far astray,
My feet too often slip;
Yet since I've not forgot thy way,
Restore thy wandering sheep.

179. Wirrchester 1371
(Hymn 97. B. 1. L. M.)
Christ our Wisdom, Righteousness, &c.
1 Cor. i. 30.

BURY'D in shadows of the night
We lie till Christ restores the light;
Wisdom descends to heal the blind,
And chase the darkness of the mind.

Our guilty souls are drown'd in tears
Till his atoning blood appears,
Then we awake from deep distress,
And sing, The Lord our Righteousness.

3 Our very frame is mix'd with sin,
His Spirit makes our natures clean;
Such virtues from his sufferings flow,
At once to cleanse and pardon too.

Jesus beholds where Satan reigns,
Binding his slaves in heavy chains;
He sets the prisoners free, and breaks
The iron bondage from our necks.

Poor helpless worms in thee possess
Grace, wisdom, power and righteousness;
Thou art our mighty All, and we
Give our whole selves, O Lord, to thee.

(Hymn 98. B. 1. S. M.)
The same.

HOW heavy is the night
That hangs upon our eyes,
Till Christ with his reviving light
Over our souls arise!

2 Our guilty spirits dread
To meet the wrath of Heaven,
But, in his righteousness array'd,
We see our sins forgiven.

Unholy and impure
Are all our thoughts and ways;
His hands infected nature cure
With sanctifying grace.

4 The powers of hell agree
To hold our souls in vain;
He sets the sons of bondage free,
And breaks the cursed chain.

Lord, we adore thy ways
To bring us near to God,
Thy sovereign power, thy healing grace,
And thine atoning blood.

181. Charmouth 28, Grove House 148,
Wantage 204.
(Hymn 90. B. 2. C. M.)

Faith in Christ for Pardon and Sanctification.

How sad our state by nature is!
Our sin how deep it stains!
And Satan binds our captive minds
Fast in his slavish chains.

But there's a voice of sovereign grace
Sounds from the sacred word,
'Ho, ye despairing sinners, come,
'And trust upon the Lord.'

3 My soul obeys thy almighty call,
And runs to this relief,
I would believe thy promise, Lord,
O! help my unbelief.

[To the dear fountain of thy blood,
Incarnate God, I fly,
Here let me wash my spotted soul
From crimes of deepest dye.

5 Stretch out thine arm, victorious King,
My reigning sins subdue,
Drive the old dragon from his seat,
With all his hellish crew.]

A guilty, weak, and helpless worm,
On thy kind arms I fall:
Be thou my strength and righteousness,
My Jesus, and my all.

PERSEVERANCE.

182. Sprague 166, Bedford 91, Irish 171.
(Psalm 125. C. M.)
The Saint's Trial and Safety.

UNSHAKEN as the sacred hill,
And firm as mountains be,
Firm as a rock the soul shall rest
That leans, O Lord, on thee.

2 Not walls nor hills could guard so well
Old Salem's happy ground,
'As those eternal arms of love
That every saint surround.

3 While tyrants are a smarting scourge
To drive them near to God,
Divine compassion does allay
The fury of the rod.

4 Deal gently, Lord, with souls sincere,
And lead them safely on
To the bright gates of Paradise,
Where Christ their Lord is gone.
But if we trace those crooked ways
That the old serpent drew,
The wrath that drove him first to hell
Shall smite his followers too.

The Saints' Trial and Safety; or, moderated Afflictions.

Firm and unmoved are they
That rest their souls on God;
Firm as the mount where David dwelt,
Or where the ark abode.

As mountains stood to guard
The city's sacred ground,
So God and his almighty love
Embrace his saints around.

What tho' the Father's rod
Drop a chastising stroke,
Yet, lest it wound their souls too deep,
Its fury shall be broke.

Deal gently, Lord, with those
Whose faith and pious fear,
Whose hope, and love, and every grace
Proclaim their hearts sincere.

Nor shall the tyrant's rage
Too long oppress the saint;
The God of Israel will support
His children lest they faint.

But if our slavish fear
Will choose the road to hell,
We must expect our portion there
Where bolder sinners dwell.

Restoring and Preserving Grace.

With all my powers of heart and tongue
I'll praise my Maker in my song:
Angels shall hear the notes I raise,
Approve the song, and join the praise.

Angels that make thy church their care
Shall witness my devotions there,
While holy zeal directs my eyes
To thy fair temple in the skies.

I'll sing thy truth and mercy, Lord,
I'll sing the wonders of thy word;
Not all thy works and names below
So much thy power and glory show.

To God I cry'd when troubles rose;
He heard me, and subdued my foes,
He did my rising fears control,
And strength diffus'd thro' all my soul.

The God of heaven maintains his state,
Frowns on the proud and scorns the great;
but from his throne descends to see
The sons of humble poverty.

Amidst a thousand snares I stand
Upheld and guarded by thy hand;
Thy words my fainting soul revive,
And keep my dying faith alive.

Grace will complete what grace begins
To save from sorrows or from sins;
The work that wisdom undertakes
Eternal mercy ne'er forsakes.

Grace and Glory.

TH Almighty reigns exalted high
O'er all the earth, o'er all the sky;
Tho' clouds and darkness veil his feet,
His dwelling is the mercy-seat.

O ye that love his holy name,
Hate every work of sin and shame;
He guards the souls of all his friends,
And from the snares of hell defends.

Immortal light and joys unknown
Are for the saints in darkness sown;
Those glorious seedlings shall spring and rise,
And the bright harvest bless our eyes.

Rejoice, ye righteous, and record
The sacred honours of the Lord;
Bone but the soul that feels his grace
Can triumph in his holiness.

Persevering Grace.

TO God the only wise,
Our Saviour and our King,
Let all the saints below the skies
Their humble praises bring.

'Tis his almighty love,
His counsel, and his care,
Preserves us safe from sin and death,
And every hurtful snare.

He will present our souls
Unblemish'd and complete,
Before the glory of his face,
With joys divinely great.

Then all the chosen seed
Shall meet around the throne,
Shall bless the conduct of his grace,
And make his wonders known.

To our Redeemer God
Wisdom and power belong,
Immortal crowns of majesty,
And everlasting songs.
187. Ashley 152, Sydenham 43, Foster 96.
(Hymn 88. B.2. C. M.)

Salvation.

SALVATION! O, the joyful sound!
’Tis pleasure to our ears;
A sovereign balm for every wound,
A cordial for our fears.

2
Bury’d in sorrow and in sin,
At hell’s dark door we lay,
But we arise by grace divine
To see a heavenly day.

Salvation! let the echo fly
The spacious earth around,
While all the armies of the sky
Conspire to raise the sound.

188. Newbury 132, Crowle 3.
(Hymn 111. B.1. C. M.)

Salvation by Grace, Titus iii. 3—7.

ORD, we confess our numerous faults,
How great our guilt has been!
Foolish and vain were all our thoughts,
And all our lives were sin.

But O, my soul, for ever praise
For ever love his name,
Who turns thy feet from dangerous ways
Of folly, sin and shame.

’Tis not by works of righteousness
Which our own hands have done;
But we are saved by sovereign grace
Abounding thro’ his Son.

’Tis from the mercy of our God
That all our hopes begin;
’Tis by the water and the blood
Our souls are wash’d from sin.

’Tis thro’ the purchase of his death,
Who hung upon the tree,
The Spirit is sent down to breathe
On such dry bones as we.

Rais’d from the dead we live anew;
And justified by grace
We shall appear in glory too,
And see our Father’s face.

189. Condescension 116, Charmouth 28,
Ann’s 55.
(Hymn 31. B.1. 1st Part. C. M.)

Condescending Grace, Psalm cxxxviii. 6.

HEN the eternal bows the skies
To visit earthly things,
With scorn divine he turns his eyes
From towers of haughty kings.

190. Bram-cote 8, Leeds 19, Marks 65.
(Hymn 137. B.1. L. M.)

Salvation by Grace in Christ, 2 Tim. i. 9, 10.

OW to the power of God supreme
Be everlasting honours given,
He saves from hell, (we bless his name)
He calls our wandering feet to heaven.

Not for our duties or deserts,
But of his own abounding grace,
He works salvation in our hearts,
And forms a people for his praise.

’Twas his own purpose that began
To rescue rebels doom’d to die;
He gave us grace in Christ his Son
Before he spread the starry sky.

Jesus the Lord appears at last,
And makes his Father’s counsels known;
Declares the great transactions past,
And brings immortal blessings down.

He dies; and in that dreadful night
Did all the powers of hell destroy;
Rising he brought our heaven to light,
And took possession of the joy.

191. Denbigh 54, Rowles 73, Hotam 224.
(Psalm 83. ver. 9, &c. 2d Part. L. M.)

Salvation by Christ.

ALVATION is for ever nigh,
The souls that fear and trust the Lord;
And grace, descending from on high,
Fresh hopes of glory shall afford.

Mercy and truth on earth are met,
Since Christ the Lord came down from
By his obedience, so complete, (heaven;
Justice is pleased, and peace is given.

Now truth and honour shall abound,
Religion dwell on earth again,
And heavenly influence bless the ground
In our Redeemer’s gentle reign.
His righteousness is gone before
To give us free access to God;
Our wandering feet shall stray no more,
But mark his steps, and keep the road.

Salvation in the Cross.

HERE at thy cross, my dying God,
I lay my soul beneath thy love,
Beneath the dropings of thy blood,
Jesus, nor shall it e'er remove.

Not all that tyrants think or say,
With rage and lightning in their eyes,
Nor hell shall fright my heart away,
Should hell with all its legions rise.

Should worlds conspire to drive me thence,
Moveless and firm this heart should lie;
Resolv'd (for that's my last defence)
If I must perish, there to die.

But speak, my Lord, and calm my fear;
Am I not safe beneath thy shade!
Thy vengeance will not strike me here,
Nor Satan dares my soul invade.

Yes, I'm secure beneath thy blood,
And all my toes shall lose their aim,
Hosanna to my dying God.
And my highest honours to his name.

Christ's Obedience and Death; or, God glorified, and Sinners saved.

FATHER, I sing thy wondrous grace,
I bless my Saviour's name;
He bought salvation for the poor,
And bore the sinner's shame.

His deep distress has rais'd us high,
His duty and his zeal
Full'd the law which mortals broke,
And finish'd all thy will.

His dying groans, his living songs
Shall better please my God,
Than harp or trumpet's solemn sound,
Than goats or bullocks blood.

This shall his humble followers see,
And set their hearts at rest;
They by his death draw near to thee,
And live for ever blest.

Let heaven, and all that dwell on high
To God their voices raise,
While lands and seas assist the sky,
And join to advance the praise.

Zion is thine, most holy God;
Thy Son shall bless her gates;
And glory purchase'd by his blood
For thine own Israel waits.

God Glorious and Sinners saved. Rom. 1. 30.

FATHER, how wide thy glories shine!
How high thy wonders rise!
Known thro' the earth by thousand signs,
By thousand thro' the skies.

Those mighty orbs proclaim thy power,
Their motions speak thy skill,
And on the wings of every hour
We read thy patience still.

But when we view thy strange design
To save rebellious worms,
Our souls are fill'd with awe divine
To see what God performs.

When sinners break the Father's laws,
The dying Son atones;
Oh, the dear mysteries of his cross,
The triumph of his groans.

Now the full glories of the Lamb
Adorn the heavenly plains;
Sweet cherubs learn Immanuel's name,
And try their choicest strains.

O may I bear some humble part
In that immortal song;
Wonder and joy shall tune my heart,
And love command my tongue.

The Invitation of the Gospel; or, spiritual Food and Clothing, Isa. lv. 1, &c.

LET every mortal ear attend,
And every heart rejoice,
The trumpet of the gospel sounds
With an inviting voice.

Ho, all ye hungry starving souls,
That feed upon the wind,
And vainly strive with earthly toys
To fill an empty mind.

Eternal Wisdom has prepar'd
A soul-reviving feast,
And bids your longing appetites,
The rich provision taste.

Ho, ye that pant for living streams,
And pine away and die,
Here you may quench your raging thirst
With springs that never dry.

Rivers of love and mercy here
In a rich ocean join;
Salvation in abundance flows,
Like floods of milk and wine.
[Ye perishing and naked poor,  
Who work with mighty pain  
To weave a garment of your own  
That will not hide your sin,  
Come naked, and adorn your souls  
In robes prepared by God,  
Wrought by the labours of his Son,  
And dyd in his own blood.]

Dear God, the treasures of thy love  
Are everlasting mines,  
Deep as our helpless miseries are,  
And boundless as our sins.

The happy gates of gospel-grace  
Stand open night and day,  
Lord, we are come to seek supplies,  
And drive our wants away.

Come naked, and adorn your souls  
In robes prepared by God,  
Wrought by the labours of his Son,  
And dyed in his own blood.

Dear God, the treasures of thy love  
Are everlasting mines,  
Deep as our helpless miseries are,  
And boundless as our sins.

Christ, or Wisdom, obeyed or resisted,  
Prov. viii. 31-36.

When he pour'd out the sea,  
And spread the flowing deep;  
I gave the flood a firm decree  
In its own bounds to keep]

Upon the empty air  
The earth was balanced well;  
With joy I saw the mansion where  
The sons of men should dwell.

My busy thoughts at first  
On their salvation ran;  
Ere sin was born, or Adam's dust  
Was fashion'd to a man.

Then come, receive my grace,  
Ye children, and be wise;  
Happy the man that keeps my ways;  
The man that shuns them dies.

Thus saith the wisdom of the Lord,  
Bless'd is the man that hears my word,  
Keeps daily watch before my gates,  
And at my feet for mercy waits.

The soul that seeks me shall obtain  
Immortal wealth and heavenly gain;  
Immortal life is his reward,  
Life, and the favour of the Lord.

But the vile wretch that flies from me  
Doth his own soul an injury;  
Fools that against my grace rebel  
Seek death, and love the road to hell.
The woman's seed shall be my Son,
' He shall destroy what thou hast done,
' Shall break thy head, and only feel
' Thy malice raging at his heel.'

[He spake; and bid four thousand years
Roll on; at length his Son appears;
Angels with joy descend to earth,
And sing the young Redeemer's birth.

Lo, by the sons of hell he dies;
But as he hung 'twixt earth and skies,
He gave their ransom a fatal blow,
And triumph'd o'er the powers below.]


I n vain we lavish out our lives
To gather empty wind,
The choicest blessings earth can yield
Will starve a hungry mind.

Come, and the Lord shall feed our souls
With more substantial meat,
With such as saints in glory love,
With such as angels eat.

Our God will every want supply,
And fill our hearts with peace;
He gives by covenant and by oath
The riches of his grace.

Come, and he'll cleanse our spotted souls,
And wash away our stains,
In the dear fountain that his Son
Pour'd from his dying veins.

[Our guilt shall vanish all away
Tho' black as hell before;
Our sins shall sink beneath the sea
And shall be found no more.

And lest pollution should o'erspread
Our inward powers again,
His Spirit shall bedew our souls
Like purifying rain.]

Our heart, that flinty stubborn thing,
That terrors cannot move,
That fears no threatenings of his wrath,
Shall be dissolv'd by love:

Or he can take the flint away
That would not be refin'd,
And from the treasures of his grace
Bestow a softer mind.

There shall his sacred Spirit dwell,
And deep engrave his law,
And every motion of our souls
To swift obedience draw.

Thus will be sour salvation down,
And we shall render praise;
We the dear people of his love,
And he our God of grace.
I am the Last, and I the First.
' 'The Saviour God, and God the Just;
' 'There's none beside pretends to shew
' Such justice and salvation too.

[Yet that in shades of darkness dwell,
' Just on the verge of death and hell,
' Look up to me from distant lands,
' Light life and heaven are in my hands.]

'B by my holy name have sworn,
' Nor shall the word in vain return,
' To me shall all things bend the knee,
' And every tongue shall swear to me.]

In me the Lord, shall all the seed
' Of Israel from their sins he freed,
' And by their shining graces prove
' Their interest in my pardoning love.'

Mount Ephraim 185, Kibworth 249,
Vermont 134.

The same.

The Lord on high proclaims
His Godhead from his throne;
'Mercy and justice are the names
' By which I will be known.

Ye dying souls that sit
' In darkness and distress,
' Look from the borders of the pit
' To my recovering grace.'

Sinners shall hear the sound;
' Their thankful tongues shall own
' Our righteousness and strength is found
' In thee, the Lord, alone.'

In thee shall Israel trust,
' And see their guilt forgiven;
' God will pronounce the sinners just,
' And take the saints to heaven.

Portugal 97, Ayliffe Street 241.

(Hymn 85. B. I. S. M.)

Mount Ephraim 185, Kibworth 249.

(Hymn 86. B. I. L. M.)

God dwells with the humble and penitent,
Isaiah liv. 15, 16.

Thus saith the High and Lofty One,
' I sit upon my holy throne,
' My name is God, I dwell on high,
' Dwell in my own eternity.

But I descend to worlds below,
' On earth I have a mansion too,
' The humble spirit and contrite
' Is an abode of my delight.

The humble soul my words revive,
' I bid the mourning sinner live,
' Heal all the broken hearts I find,
' And ease the sorrows of the mind.

[When I contend against their sin
' I make them know how vile they've been;
' But should my wrath for ever smoke
' Their souls would sink beneath my stroke.]

O may thy pardoning grace be nigh,
Lest we should faint, despair, and die!
Thus shall our better thoughts approve
The methods of thy chastening love.

Newbury 132, Crowle 3, Ludlow 84.

(Hymn 125. B. I. C. M.)

Christ's Compassion to the weak and tempted,

With joy we meditate the grace
Of our High Priest above;
His heart is made of tenderness,
His bowels melt with love.

But spotless, innocent and pure
The great Redeemer stood,
While Satan's fiery darts he bore,
And did resist to blood.

He in the days of feeble flesh
Pour'd out his cries and tears,
And in his measure feels afresh
What every member bears.

[He'll never quench the smoking flax,
But raise it to a flame;
The bruised reed he never breaks,
Nor scorns the meanest name.]

Then let our humble faith address
His mercy and his power,
We shall obtain delivering grace
In the distressing hour.

Gainsborough 29, Bath Chapel 26,
Charleston 195.

(Hymn 138. B. I. C. M.)

Saints in the Hand of Christ, John x. 28, 29.

Firm as the earth thy gospel stands,
My Lord, my hope, my trust;
If I am found in Jesus' hands
My soul can ne'er be lost.

His honour is engag'd to save
The meanest of his sheep,
All that his heavenly Father gave.
His hands securely keep.

Nor death nor hell shall e'er remove
His favourites from his breast,
In the dear bosom of his love.
They must for ever rest.
208. Walsal 237, Bangor 231.
(Psalm 119. 10th Part. C. M.)
Pleading the Promises.
Ver. 38. 49.
BEHOLD thy waiting servant, Lord,
Devoted to thy fear;
Remember and confirm thy word,
For all my hopes are there.
Ver. 41, 58, 107.
Hast thou not writ salvation down,
And promised quickening grace?
Doth not my heart address thy throne?
And yet thy love delays.
Ver. 124, 42.
Mine eyes for thy salvation fail;
O bear thy servant up;
Nor let the scoffing lips prevail,
Who dare reproach my hope.
Ver. 49, 74.
Didst thou not raise my faith, O Lord?
Then let thy truth appear:
Saints shall rejoice in my reward
And trust as well as fear.

209. Liverpool 83, Cambridge New 74, Froom 255.
(Hymn 69. B. 2. C. M.)
The Faithfulness of God in his Promises.
BEGIN, my tongue, some heavenly theme,
And speak some boundless thing.
The mighty works, or mightier name
Of our eternal King.
Tell of his wonderful faithfulness,
And sound his power abroad,
Sing the sweet promise of his grace,
And the performing God.

Proclaim salvation from the Lord,
For wretched dying men;
His hand has writ the sacred word
With an immortal pen.

Engrav'd as in eternal brass
The mighty promise shines;
Nor can the powers of darkness raise
Those everlasting lines.

[he that can dash whole worlds to death,
And make them when he please,
He speaks, and that almighty breath
Fulfils his great decrees.

His very word of grace is strong
As that which built the skies,
The voice that rolls the stars along
Speaks all the promises.

He said, 'Let the wide heaven be spread,' 
And heaven was stretch'd abroad;
'Abraham, I'll be thy God,' he said,
And he was Abraham's God.

O, might I hear thine heavenly tongue
But whisper, 'Thou art mine'
Those genteel words should raise my song
To notes almost divine.

How would my leaping heart rejoice
And think my heaven secure!
I trust the all-creating voice,
And faith desires no more.

210. Wells 102, Chard 175, Derby 169.
(Hymn 60. B. 2. L. M.)
The Truth of God the Promiser; or, the Promises our Security.

PRAISE, everlasting praise be paid,
To him that earth's foundations laid;
Praise to the God whose strong decrees
Sway the creation as he please.

2 Praise to the goodness of the Lord
Who rules his people by his word,
And there as strong as his decrees
He sets his kindest promises.

[Firm are the words his prophets give,
Sweet words on which his children live;
Each of them is the voice of God,
Who spoke and spread the skies abroad.

Each of them powerful as that sound
That bid the new-made heavens go round;
And stronger than the solid poles
On which the wheel of nature rolls.

Whence then should doubts and fears arise?
Why trickling sorrows drown our eyes?
Slowly, alas, our mind receives
The comforts that our Maker gives.

O for a strong a lasting faith,
To credit what th' Almighty saith!
'T embrace the message of his Son,
And call the joys of heaven our own.

Then should the earth's old pillars shake,
And all the wheels of nature break,
Our steady souls should fear no more
Than solid rocks when billows roar.

Our everlasting hopes arise
Above the ruinable skies,
Where the eternal Builder reigns,
And his own courts his power sustains.
CHRIST.

211. *Pauls* 246, *Greens Hundred* 89.
(Hymn 51. B. 2. L. M.)

_God the Son equal with the Father._

BRIGHT King of glory, dreadful God!
Our spirits bow before thy seat,
To thee we lift an humble thought,
And worship at thine awful feet.

[Thy power hath form'd, thy wisdom sways
All nature with a sovereign word;
And the bright world of stars obeys
The will of their superior Lord.]

2

(Mercy and truth unite in one,
And smiling sit at thy right hand;
Eternal justice guards thy throne,
And vengeance waits thy dread command.)

A thousand seraphs strong and bright
Stand round the glorious Deity;
But who amongst the sons of light
Pretends comparison with thee?

Yet there is one of human frame,
Jesus, array'd in flesh and blood,
Thinks it no robbery to claim
A full equality with God.

Their glory shines with equal beams;
Their essence is for ever one,
Tho' they are known by different names,
The Father God, and God the Son.

Then let the name of Christ our King
With equal honours he ador'd;
His praise let every angel sing,
And all the nations own their Lord.

(Hymn 2. B. 1. L. M.)

_The Deity and Humanity of Christ._

John i. 1, 3, 14. Col. i. 16. Eph. iii. 9, 10.

ERE the blue heavens were stretch'd abroad
From everlasting was the Word;
With God he was; the Word was God,
And must divinely be ador'd.

By his own power were all things made;
By him supported all things stand;
He is the whole creation's head,
And angels fly at his command.

Ere sin was born, or Satan fell,
He led the host of morning stars;
(Thy generation who can tell,
Or count the numbers of thy years?)

But lo, he leaves those heavenly forms,
The Word descends and dwells in clay,
That he may hold converse with worms,
Drest in such feeble flesh as they.

(Hymn 47. B. 2. L. M.)

_Glory and Grace in the Person of Christ._

NOW to the Lord a noble song!
Awake, my soul, awake, my tongue;
Hosanna to th' eternal name,
And all his boundless love proclaim.

See where it shines in Jesus' face,
The brightest image of his grace;
God, in the person of his son,
Has all his mightiest works outdone.

The spacious earth and spreading flood
Proclaim the wise the powerful God;
And thy rich glories from afar
Sparkle in every rolling star.

But in his looks a glory stands,
The noblest labour of thine hands;
The pleasing lustre of his eyes
Outshines the wonders of the skies.

Grace, 'tis a sweet, a charming theme;
My thoughts rejoice at Jesus' name:
Ye angels, dwell upon the sound,
Ye heavens, reflect it to the ground!

O, may I live to reach the place
Where he unveils his lovely face,
Where all his beauties you behold,
And sing his name to harps of gold!

(Hymn 22. B. 1. 1st Part. L. M.)

_Christ the eternal Life._

Rom. ix. 5.

JESUS our Saviour and our God,
Array'd in majesty and blood,
Thou art our life; our souls in thee,
Possess a full felicity.

All our immortal hopes are laid
In thee our surety and our head;
Thy cross, thy cradle and thy throne
Are big with glories yet unknown.

Let Atheists scoff and Jews blaspheme
Th' eternal life and Jesus' name;
A word of thy almighty breath
Dooms the rebellious world to death.
But let my soul forever lie
Beneath the blessings of thine eye:
'Tis heaven on earth, 'tis heaven above
To see thy face and taste thy love.

INCARNATION OF CHRIST.

215. Silver Street 209, Ephraim 185.
(Hymn 3. B. 1. S. M.)
The Nativity of Christ, Luke i. 30, &c.
Luke ii. 10, &c.

Behold, the grace appears;
The promise is fulfilled;
Mary the wonderful virgin hears,
And Jesus is the child.

[The Lord, the highest God
Calls him his only son;
He hides his rule the lands abroad,
And gives him David's throne.

O'er Jacob shall he reign
With a peculiar sway;
The nations shall his grace obtain,
His kingdom never decay.

To bring the glorious news
A heavenly form appears;
He tellsthe shepherds of their joys,
And banishes their fears.

Go, humble swains,' said he,
'To David's city fly;
The promised infant born to-day
'Doth in a manger lie.'

With looks and hearts serene,
'Go visit Christ your King;
And straight a flaming troop was seen;
The shepherds heard them sing.

Glory to God on high,
'And heavenly peace on earth,
Good-will to men, to angels joy,
'At the Redeemer's birth.'

In worship so divine
Let saints employ their tongues,
With the celestial hosts we join,
And loud repeat their songs:

Glory to God on high,
'And heavenly peace on earth,
Good-will to men, to angels joy,
'At our Redeemer's birth.'

Shepherds! rejoice, lift up your eyes,
And send your fears away;
News from the regions of the skies,
Salvation's born to-day.

Jesus the God whom angels fear
'Comes down to dwell with you;
'To day he makes his entrance here,
'But not as monarchs do.

No gold nor purple swaddling bands,
'Nor royal shining things;
'A manger for his cradle stands,
'And holds the King of kings.

Go shepherds where the infant lies,
'And see his humble throne;
'With tears of joy in all your eyes,
'Go shepherds, kiss the Son.'

Thus Gabriel sang, and strait around
The heavenly armies throng,
They tune their harps to lofty sound,
And thus conclude the song.

Glory to God that reigns above,
'Let peace surround the earth;
Mortals shall know their Maker's love,
'At their Redeemer's birth.'

Lord, and shall angels have their songs
And men no tunes to raise?
O may we lose our useless tongues
When they forget to praise.

Glory to God that reigns above,
'That pitted us for all,
We join to sing our Maker's love,
For there's a Saviour born.

(Psalm 97. ver. 6—9. 2d Part. L. M.)

Christ's Incarnation.

The Lord is come, the heavens proclaim,
His birth; the nations learn his name:
An unknown star directs the road
Of eastern sages to their God.

All ye bright armies of the skies,
Go, worship where the Saviour lies;
Angels and kings before him bow,
Those gods on high, and gods below.

Let idols totter to the ground,
And their own worshippers confound;
But Judah shout, but Zion sing,
And earth confess her sovereign King.

Our souls shall magnify the Lord,
In God the Saviour we rejoice;
While we repeat the virgin's song,
May the same spirit tune our voice.

The Virgin Mary's Song; or, the promised Messiah born, Luke i. 46. &c.
(Hymn 60. B. 1. L. M.)

218. Gloucester 12, Derby 169.

OINCARNA TION OF CHRIST.

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INCARNATION OF CHRIST.

221. Follett 181, Milthorpe Port 183,
Tiverton 109.
(Psalms 98. 2d Part. C. M.)
The Messiah's Coming and Kingdom.

JOY to the world; the Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Saviour reigns;
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and
Repeat the sounding joy. [plain,]

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love.

222. Cambridge New 74, Hephzibah 77,
Tiverton 109.
(Psalms 96. ver. 1, 10, &c. C. M.)
Christ's First and Second Coming.

Sing to the Lord, ye distant lands,
Ye tribes of every tongue;
His new discover'd grace demands
A new and nobler song.

Say to the nations, Jesus reigns,
God's own almighty Son;
His power the sinking world sustains,
And graces surround his throne.

Let heaven proclaim the joyful day,
Joy through the earth be seen;
Let cities shine in brightly array,
And fields in cheerful green.

Let an unusual joy surprise.
The islands of the sea:
Ye mountains sink, ye valleys rise,
Prepare the Lord his way.

But when his voice shall raise the dead,
And bid the world draw near,
How will the guilty nations dread
To see their Judge appear?

223. Cambridge New 74, Evans's 190,
Irish 171.
(Psalms 97. 1, 3, 5—7, 11. C. M.)
Christ's Incarnation, and the last Judgment.

Ye islands of the northern sea,
Rejoice, the Saviour reigns;
His word, like fire, prepares his way,
And mountains melt to plains.

BEHOLD the woman's promis'd seed!
Behold the great Messiah come!
Behold the prophets all agreed
To give him the superior room!

Abra'm the saint rejoic'd of old
When visions of the Lord he saw;
Does the man of God foretell
This great fulfiller of his law.

The types bore witness to his name,
Obtain'd their chief design, and ceas'd;
The incense and the bleeding lamb,
The ark, the altar, and the priest.

Prediction in abundance meet
To join their blessings on his head;
Jesus, we worship at thy feet,
And nations own the promis'd seed.

THE King of Glory sends his Son
To make his entrance on this earth!
Behold the midnight bright as noon,
And heavenly hosts declare his birth!

About the young Redeemer's head
What wonders and what glories meet!
An unknown star arose, and led
The eastern sages to his feet.

Simeon and Anna both conspire
The infant-saviour to proclaim;
Inward they felt the sacred fire,
And bless'd the babe, and own'd his name.

Let Jews and Greeks blaspheme aloud,
And treat the holy child with scorn;
Our souls adore thy eternal God
Who condescended to be born.

To those that fear and trust the Lord
His mercy stands for ever sure;
From age to age his promise lives,
The performance is secure.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love.

Behold every nation call her blessed,
Endless years prolong her fame;
But God alone must he ador'd; holy and reverend is his name.

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LIFE OF CHRIST.

2

His presence sinks the proudest hills,
And makes the vallies rise;
The humble soul enjoys his smiles,
The haughty sinner dies.

3

The heavens his rightful power proclaim;
The idol-gods around
Fill their own worshippers with shame,
And totter to the ground.

4

Adoring angels at his birth
Make the Redeemer known;
Thus shall he come to judge the earth,
And angels guard his throne.

5

His foes shall tremble at his sight,
And hills and seas retire;
His children take their unknown flight,
And leave the world in fire.

6

The seeds of joy and glory sown
For saints in darkness here
Shall rise and spring in worlds unknown,
And a rich harvest bear.

225. Sutton 149, Rutland 118, Peckham 7.
(Hymn 104. B. 2. S. M.)

Raise your triumphant songs
To an immortal tune,
Let the wide earth resound the deeds
Celestial grace has done.

2

Sing how eternal love
Its chief beloved chose,
And bid him raise our wretched race
From their abyss of woes.

3

His hand no thunder bears,
Nor terror clothes his brow,
No bolts to drive our guilty souls
To fiercer flames below.

4

'Twas mercy fill'd the throne,
And wrath stood silent by,
When Christ was sent with pardons down
To rebels doom'd to die.

5

Now, sinners, dry your tears,
Let hopeless sorrow cease;
Bow to the sceptre of his love,
And take the offer'd peace.

6

Lord, we obey thy call;
We lay an humble claim
To the salvation thou has brought,
And love and praise thy name.

226. Sprague 166, Newbury 132.
(Hymn 103. B. 2. C. M.)

Christ's Commission, John iii. 16, 17.

COME, happy souls, approach your God
With new melodious songs;
The tribute of your tongues.

So strange, so boundless was the love
That pity'd dying men,
The Father sent his equal Son
To give them life again.

Thy hands, dear Jesus, were not arm'd
With a revenging rod,
No hard commission to perform
The vengeance of a God.

But all was mercy, all was mild,
And wrath forsook the throne,
When Christ on the kind errand came,
And brought salvation down.

Here, sinners, you may heal your wounds,
And wipe your sorrows dry;
Trust in the mighty Saviour's name,
And you shall never die.

See, dearest Lord, our willing souls
Accept thine offer'd grace;
We bless the great Redeemer's love,
And give the Father praise.

(Hymn 112. B. 2. L. M.)

Angels ministering to Christ and Saints.

Great God, to what a glorious height
Hast thou advanced the Lord thy Son!
Angels, in all their robes of light,
Are made the servants of his throne.
Before his feet their armies wait,
And swift as flames of fire they move
To manage his affairs of state,
In works of vengeance and of love.

His orders run through all their hosts,
Legions descend at his command
To shield and guard the British coasts
When foreign rage invades our land.

Now they are sent to guide our feet
Up to the gates of thine abode,
Through all the dangers that we meet
In travelling the heavenly road.

Lord, when I leave this mortal ground,
And thou shalt bid me rise and come,
Send a beloved angel down
Safe to conduct my spirit home.

SUFFERINGS OF CHRIST.

THE majesty of Solomon!
How glorious to behold
The servants waiting round his throne,
The ivory and the gold!

But, mighty God, thy palace shines
With far superior beams;
Thine angel guards are swift as winds,
Thy ministers are flames.

Soon as thine only Son had made
His entrance on this earth
A shining army downward fled
To celebrate his birth.

And when oppress'd with pain and fears
On the cold ground he lies,
Behold a heavenly form appears
"T' allay his agonies."

Now to the hands of Christ our King
Are all their legions given;
They wait upon his saints, and bring
His chosen heirs to heaven.

Pleasure and praise run through their host
To see a sinner turn;
Then Satan has a captive lost,
And Christ a subject born.

But there's an hour of brighter joy
When he his angels sends
Obstinate rebels to destroy,
And gather in his friends.

O! could I say, without a doubt,
There shall my soul be found,
Then let the great archangel shout,
And the last trumpet sound.

SUFFERINGS AND DEATH OF CHRIST.

WAS for thy sake, eternal God,
Thy Son sustain'd that heavy load
Of base reproach and sore disgrace,
And shame defil'd his sacred face.

The Jews, his brethren and his kins
Abus'd the man that check'd their sin:
While he fulfill'd thy holy laws,
They hate him, but without a cause.

[M. father's house, said he, was made
A place for worship, not for trade;]
Then scattering all their gold and brass,
He scour'd the merchants from the place.

Zeal for the temple of his God
Consum'd his life, expos'd his blood:
Reproaches at thy glory thrown
He felt, and mourn'd them as his own.

[His friends forsook, his followers fled,
While foes and arms surround his head;
They curse him with a slanderous tongue,
And the false judge maintainsthe wrong.]

His life they load with hateful lies,
And charge his lips with blasphemies;
They nail him to the shameful tree;
There hung the man that dy'd for me.

Wretches, with hearts as hard as stones,
Insult his piety and groan:
Gall was his food they gave him there,
And mock'd his thirst with vinegar.]

But God he held; and from his throne
Marks out the men that hate his son;
The hand that rais'd him from the dead
Shall pour the vengeance on their head.

In long complaints he spends his breath,
While hosts of hell, and powers of death,
And all the sons of malice join
To execute their cursed design.

Yet, gracious God, thy power and love
Has made the curse a blessing prove;
Those dreadful sufferings of thy Son
Aton'd for sins which we had done.
The Sufferings and Death

4
The pangs of our expiring Lord
The honours of thy law restored;
His sorrows made thy justice known,
And paid for follies not his own.

5
O for his sake our guilt forgive,
And let the mourning sinner live;
The Lord will hear us in his name,
Nor shall our hope be turned to shame.

(Psalm 69. ver. 1—14. 1st Part. C. M.)
The Sufferings of Christ for our Salvation.

232. Bangor 231, Wantage 204.
(Psalm 69. 14—21, 26, 29, 32. 2d Pt. C. M.)
The Passion and Exaltation of Christ.

NOW let our lips with holy fear
And mournful pleasure sing,
The sufferings of our great priest,
The sorrows of our king.

2
He sinks in floods of deep distress:
How high the waters rise!
While to his heavenly Father's ear
He sends perpetual cries.

3
He is then paid that dreadful debt
That men could never pay,
And gave those honours to thy law
Which sinners took away.

4
Thus in the great Messiah's name,
The royal prophet mourns;
Thus he awakes our hearts to grief,
And gives us joy by turns.

5
Now shall the saints rejoice, and find
Salvation in my name,
For I have borne their heavy load
Of sorrow, pain, and shame.

6
Grief, like a garment, clothed me round,
And sackcloth was my dress,
While I procured for naked souls
A robe of righteousness.

7
Amongst my brethren and the Jews
I like a stranger stood,
And bore their vile reproach, to bring
The Gentiles near to God.

8
I came in sinful mortals' stead
To do my Father's will;
Yet when I cleansed my Father's house,
They scandalized my zeal.

9
My fasting and my holy groans
Were made the drunkard's song;
But God, from his celestial throne,
Heard my complaining tongue.

10
He saved me from the dreadful deep,
Nor let my soul be drowned;
Hearaid me and fixed my sinking feet
On well established ground.

11
'Twas in a most accepted hour
My prayer arose on high,
And for my sake my God shall hear
The dying sinner's cry.

WHY has my God my soul forsaken,
'Nor will a smile afford?'
(Thus David once in anguish spoke,
And thus our dying Lord.)
OF CHRIST.

2

Thou'rt is thy chief delight to dwell
Among thy praising saints,
Yet thou canst hear a groan as well,
And pity our complaints.

3

Our fathers trusted in thy name,
And great deliverance found;
But I'm a worm, despis'd of men,
And trodden to the ground.

4

Shaking the head they pass me by,
And laugh my soul to scorn;
'In vain he trusts in God,' they cry,
'Neglected and forlorn.'

5

But thou art he who form'd my flesh
By thine almighty word;
And since I hung upon the breast,
My hope is in the Lord.

6

Why will my Father hide his face,
When foes stand threatening round,
In the dark hour of deep distress,
And not an helper found?

PAUSE

Behold thy Darling left among
The cruel and the proud,
As bulls of Bashan fierce and strong,
As lions roaring loud.

7

From earth and hell my sorrows meet
To multiply the smart;
Theynail my hands, they pierce my feet,
And try to vex my heart.

8

Yet if thy sovereign hand let loose
The rage of earth and hell,
Why will my heavenly Father bruise
The Son he loves so well?

9

My God, if possible it be,
Withhold this bitter cup;
But I resign my will to thee,
And drink the sorrows up.

10

My heart dissolves with pangs unknown,
In groans I waste my breath;
Thy heavy hand has brought me down
Low as the dust of death.

11

Father, I give my spirit up,
And trust it in thy hand;
My dying flesh shall rest in hope,
And rise at thy command.

234. Goulds 279, Green 89, Wareham 117.
(Hymn 43. B. 1. 1st Part. L. M.)
Jesus our Surety and Saviour, 1 Peter i. 18.
Gal. iii. 13. Rom. iv. 25.

235. Tunbridge 103, Evans 190, Foster 96.
(Hymn 114. B. 2. C. M.)
Christ's Death, Victory and Dominion.

1

I SING my Saviour's wonderous death;
He conquer'd when he fell:
'Tis finish'd, said his dying breath,
And shook the gates of hell.

2

'Tis finish'd, our Immanuel cries,
The dreadful work is done;
Hence shall his sovereign throne arise,
His kingdom is begun.

3

His cross a sure foundation laid
For glory and renown,
When thro' the regions of the dead
He pass'd to reach the crown.

4

Exalted at his Father's side
Sits our victorious Lord;
To heaven and hell his hands divide
The vengeance or reward.

5

The saints from his propitiouseye
Await their several crowns,
And all the Sons of darkness fly
The terror of his frowns.

236. Wareham 117, Angels Hymn 60.
(Psalm 16. 2d Part. L. M.)
Christ's All-sufficiency.

1

HOW fast their guilt and sorrows rise,
Who haste to seek some idol'god!
I will not taste their sacrifice,
Their offerings of forbidden blood.

2

My God provides a richer cup,
And nobler food to live upon;
He for my life has offer'd up
Jesus his best beloved Son.
His love is my perpetual feast;
By day his counsels guide me right;
And be his name for ever blest,
Who gives me sweet advice by night.

I set him still before mine eyes;
At my right-hand he stands prepar'd
To keep my soul from all surprise,
And be my everlasting guard.

RESURRECTION OF CHRIST.

(Psalm 16. 2d Part. C. M.)
The Death and Resurrection of Christ.

I set the Lord before my face,
'He bears my courage up;
'My heart, and tongue, their joys express,
'My flesh shall rest in hope.

2
'My spirit, Lord, thou wilt not leave
'Where souls departed are;
'Nor quit my body to the grave
'To see corruption there.

3
'Thou wilt reveal the path of life,
'And raise me to thy throne;
'Thy courts immortal pleasure give,
'Thy presence joys unknown.'

[Thus in the name of Christ, the Lord,
The holy David sung,
And Providence fulfils the word
Of his prophetic tongue.

5
Jesus, whom every saint adores,
Was crucify'd and slain;
Behold the tomb its prey restores,
Behold, he lives again!

6
When shall my feet arise and stand
On heaven's eternal hills?
There sits the Son at God's right-hand,
And there the Father smiles.]

(Hymn 76. B. 2. C. M.)
The Resurrection and Ascension of Christ.

HOSANNA to the Prince of Light
That cloth'd himself in clay,
Enter'd the iron gates of death,
And tore the bars away.

2
Death is no more the king of dread
Since our Immanuel rose,
He took the tyrant's sting away,
And spoil'd our hellish foes.

3
See how the Conqueror mounts aloft,
And to his Father flies,
With scars of honour in his flesh,
And triumph in his eyes.

There our exalted Saviour reigns,
And scatters blessings down,
Our Jesus fills the middle seat
Of the celestial throne.

5
Raise your devotion, mortal tongues,
To reach his bless'd abode;
Sweet be the accents of your songs
To our incarnate God.

6
Bright angels, strike your loudest strings,
Your sweetest voices raise;
Let heaven, and all created things
Sound our Immanuel's praise.

(Hymn 26. B.1. C. M.)
Hope of Heaven by the Resurrection of Christ,
1 Pet. i. 3—5.

BLESS'd be the everlasting God,
The Father of our Lord,
Be his abounding mercy prais'd,
His majesty ador'd.

2
When from the dead he rais'd his Son,
And call'd him to the sky,
He gave our souls a lively hope
That they should never die.

3
What tho' our inbred sins require
Our flesh to see the dust!
Yet as the Lord our Saviour rose
So all his followers must.

4
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Reserv'd against that day,
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ASCENSION AND EXALTATION
OF CHRIST.

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(Psalm 2. L. M.)

Christ's Death, Resurrection, and Ascension.

WHY did the Jews proclaim their rage?
The Romans why their swords employ?
Against the Lord their powers engage
His dear Anointed to destroy?

"Come, let us break his bands," they say,
"This man shall never give us laws;"
And thus they cast his yoke away,
And nail'd the monarch to the cross.

But God, who high in glory reigns,
Laughs at their pride, their rage controls;
He'll vex their hearts with inward pains,
And speak in thunder to their souls.

I will maintain the King I made
On Zion's everlasting hill,
My hand shall bring him from the dead,
And he shall stand your sovereign still.

[His wondrous rising from the earth
Makes his eternal Godhead known;
The Lord declares his heavenly birth,
This day have I begot my Son.

Ascend, my Son, to my right hand,
There thou shalt ask, and I bestow
The utmost bounds of heathen lands;
To thee the northern isles shall bow.]

But nations that resist his grace
Shall fall beneath his iron stroke;
His rod shall crush his foes with ease
As potter's earthen work is broke.

PAUSE. Paul's 246.
Now, ye that sit on earthly thrones,
Be wise, and serve the Lord, the Lamb;
Now at his feet submit your crowns,
Rejoice and tremble at his name.

With humble love address the Son,
Lest he grow angry and ye die;
His wrath will burn to worlds unknown,
If ye provoke his jealousy.

His storms shall drive you quick to hell,
He is a God, and ye but dust:
Happy the souls that know him well,
And make his grace their only trust.

242. Bowden 78, Chard 175.
(Psalm 24. L. M.)

Saints dwell in Heaven; or, Christ's Ascension.

THIS spacious earth is all the Lord's,
And men, and worms, and beasts, and
He rais'd the building on the seas, [birds:
And gave it for their dwelling-place.

But there's a brighter world on high,
Thy palace, Lord, above the sky:
Who shall ascend that blest abode,
And dwell so near his maker God?

He that abhors and fears to sin,
Whose heart is pure, whose hands are clean,
Him shall the Lord the Saviour bless,
And clothe his soul with righteousness.

These are the men, the pious race
That seek the God of Jacob's face;
These shall enjoy the blissful sight,
And dwell in everlasting light.

Rejoice, ye shining worlds on high,
Behold the King of glory nigh:
Who can this King of glory be?
The mighty Lord, the Saviour's he.

Ye heavenly gates, your leaves display
To make the Lord the Saviour way:
Laden with spoils from earth and hell,
The conqueror comes with God to dwell.

Rais'd from the dead he goes before,
He opens heaven's eternal door,
To give his saints a bliss abode
Near their Redeemer, and their God.

O For a shout of sacred joy
To God the sovereign King!
Let every land their tongues employ,
And hymns of triumph sing.

Jesus our God ascends on high;
His heavenly guards around
Attend him rising thro' the sky,
With trumpet's joyful sound.

While angels shout and praise their King,
Let mortals learn their strains;
Let all the earth his honours sing;
O'er all the earth he reigns.

Rehearse his praise with awe profound,
Let knowledge lead the song,
Nor mock him with a solemn sound
Upon a thoughtless tongue.

In Israel stood his ancient throne,
He lov'd that chosen race;
But now he calls the world his own,
And heathens taste his grace.

The British islands are the Lord's,
There Abraham's God is known,
While powers and princes, shields and
Submit before his throne.

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244. Derby 169, Wells 102.
(Psalm 68. ver. 17, 18. 2d Part. L.M.)

Christ's Ascension, and the Gift of the Spirit.

ORD, when thou didst ascend on high,
Ten thousand angels fill'd the sky;
Those heavenly guards around thee wait,
Like chariots that attend thy state.

Not Sinai's mountain could appear
More glorious when the Lord was there;
While he pronounced his dreadful law,
And struck the chosen tribes with awe.

How bright the triumph none can tell,
When the rebellious powers of hell
That thousand souls had captive made,
Were all in chains like captives led.

Rais'd by his Father to the throne,
He sent the promised Spirit down,
With gifts and grace for rebel men,
That God might dwell on earth again.

245. Eagle Street New 55, Simons 250.
(Hymn 141. 8.1. S.M.)
The Humiliation and Exaltation of Christ.

WHO has believ'd thy word,
Or thy salvation known!
Reveal thine arm, almighty Lord,
And glorify thy Son.

The Jews esteemed him here
Too mean for their belief:
Sorrows his chief acquaintance were,
And his companion, grief.

They turn'd their eyes away,
And treated him with scorn;
But 'twas their grief upon him lay,
Their sorrows he has borne.

'Twas for the stubborn Jews,
And Gentiles then unknown,
The God of justice pleas'd to bruise
His best beloved Son.

But I'll prolong his days,
And make his kingdom stand,
My pleasure, saith the God of grace,
Shall prosper in his hand.

His joyous soul shall see
The purchase of his pain,
And by his knowledge justify
The guilty sons of men.

Ten thousand captive slaves,
Release'd from death and sin,
Shall quit their prisons and their graves,
And own his power divine.

Heaven shall advance my Son
To joys that earth deny'd;
Who saw the follies men had done,
And bore their sins, and dy'd.

246. Ayehoe 108, Broderip's 252.
(Hymn 142. B. 1. S. M.)
The same, Isaiah liii. 6—9, 12.

IKE as we went astray,
And broke the fold of God,
Each wandering in a different way,
But all the downward road.

How dreadful was the hour
When God our wanderings laid,
And did at once his vengeance pour
Upon the Shepherd's head.

How glorious was the grace
When Christ sustain'd the stroke!
His life and blood the Shepherd pays
A ransom for the flock.

His honour and his breath
Were taken both away;
Join'd with the wicked in his death,
And made as vile as they.

But God shall raise his head
O'er all the sons of men,
And make him see a numerous seed
To recompense his pain.

I'll give him, (saith the Lord)
A portion with the strong;
He shall possess a large reward,
And hold his honours long.

247. Wareham 111, Derby 169.
(Hymn 37. B. 1. 1st Part. L.M.)

Christ's Humiliation, Exaltation, and Triumph.

THE mighty frame of glorious grace,
That brightest monument of love,
Th'etern'lest monument of praise,
That e'er the God of love design'd,
Employs and fills my labouring mind.

Begin, my soul, the heavenly song,
A burden for an angel's tongue,
When Gabriel sounds these awful things,
He tunes and summons all his strings.

Proclaim inimitable love,
Jesus the Lord of worlds above
Puts off the beams of bright array,
And veils the God in mortal clay.

What black reproach defil'd his name
When with our sins he took our share?
He whom adoring angels bless,
Is made the impious rebels jest.

He that distributes crowns and thrones
Hangs on a tree and bleeds and groans,
The prince of life resigns his breath,
The King of Glory bows to death.

But see the wonders of his power,
He triumphs in his dying hour,
And, while by Satan's rage he fell,
He dash'd the rising hopes of hell.
Thus were the hosts of death subdued,
And sin was drowned in Jesus' blood;
Thus he arose and reigns above,
And conquerors sinners by his love.

Who shall fulfil this boundless song?
The theme surmounts an angel's tongue;
How low, how vain, are mortal airs,
When Gabriel's nobler harp despairs.

Thus he arose and reigns above,
And conquers sinners by his love.

Who shall fulfil this boundless song!
The theme surmounts an angel's tongue;
How low, how vain, are mortal airs,
When Gabriel's nobler harp despairs.

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ASCENSION AND EXALTATION.

(Hymn 83. B. 2. C. M.)

The Passion and Exaltation of Christ.

Thus saith the ruler of the skies,
'Awake, my dreadful sword;
'Awake, my wrath, and smite the man
'My fellow,' saith the Lord.

Vengeance receiv'd the dread command,
And armed down she flies,
Jesus submits t'his Father's hand,
And bows his head and dies.

But ch! the wisdom and the grace
That join with vengeance now!
He dies to save our guilty race,
And yet he rises too.

A person so divine was he
Who yielded to be slain,
That he could give his soul away,
And take his life again.

Live, glorious Lord, and reign on high,
Let every nation sing,
And angels sound with endless joy
The Saviour and the King.

(Hymn 84. B. 2. S. M.)

The same.

Come, all harmonious tongues,
Your noblest music bring,
'Tis Christ the everlasting God,
And Christ the man we sing.

Tell how he took our flesh
To take away our guilt,
Sing the dear drops of sacred blood
That hellish monsters spilt.

[Alas, the cruel spear
Went deep into his side,
And the rich flood of purple gore
Their murderous weapons dy'd.]

[The waves of swelling grief
Did o'er his bosom roll,
And mountains of almighty wrath
Lay heavy on his soul.]

Down to the shades of death
He bow'd his awful head,
Yet he arose to live and reign
When death itself is dead.

No more the bloody spear,
The cross and nails no more;
For hell itself shakes at his name,
And all the heavens adore.

There the Redeemer sits
High on the Father's throne;
The Father lays his vengeance by,
And smiles upon his Son.

253. Aylliffe Street 24A, Derby 169,
Redemption 243.
(Psalm 21. ver. 1—9. L. M.)

Christ exalted to the Kingdom.

David rejoice'd in God his strength,
Rais'd to the throne by special grace;
But Christ, the Son, appears at length,
Fulfill the triumph and the praise.

How great is the Messiah's joy
In the salvation of thy hand!
Lord, thou hast rais'd his kingdom high,
And given the world to his command.

Thy goodness grants what'er he will,
Nor doth the least request withhold;
Blessings of love prevent him still,
And crowns of glory, not of gold.

Honour and majesty divine
Around his sacred temples shine;
Blest with the favour of thy face,
And length of everlasting days.

Thy hand shall find out all his foes;
And as a fiery oven glows
With raging heat and living coals,
So shall thy wrath devour their souls.

(Psalm 22. 20, 21, 27—31. 2d Part. C. M.)

Christ's Sufferings and Kingdom.

Now from the roaring lion's rage,
'O Lord, protect thy Son;
Nor leave thy darling to engage
'The powers of hell alone.'

Thus did our suffering Saviour pray,
With mighty cries and tears;
God heard him in that dreadful day,
And chased away his fears.

Great was the victory of his death,
His throne exalted high;
And all the kindreds of the earth
Shall worship or shall die.

A numerous offspring must arise
From his expiring groans;
They shall be reckond in his eyes
For daughters and for sons.

The meek and humble soul shall see
His table richly spread;
And all that seek the Lord shall be
With joys immortal fed.

The isles shall know the righteousness
Of our incarnate God;
And nations yet unborn profess
Salvation in his blood.
NOW let our mournful songs record
The dying sorrows of our Lord;
When he complain'd in tears and blood
As one forsaken of his God.

The Jews he held him thus forlorn,
And shake their heads and laugh in scorn;
He rescu'd others from the grave,
Now let him try himself to save.

This is the man did once pretend
God was his Father and his friend;
If God the blessed lov’d him so,
Why doth he fail to help him now?

Barbarous people! cruel priests!
How they stood round like savage heasts!
Like lions gaping to devour,
When God had left him in their power.

They wound his head, his hands, his feet,
Till streams of blood each other meet;
By lot his garments they divide,
And mock the pangs (in which he dy’d.

But God, his Father, heard his cry;
Rais’d from the dead he reigns on high;
The nations learn his righteousness,
And humble sinners taste his grace.

25. Pauls 246, Ulverston 179.
(Psalm 22. L. M.)
Christ’s Sufferings and Exaltation.

HEAR what the Lord in vision said,
And made his mercy known:
‘Sinners, behold your help is laid
On my almighty Son.

Behold the man my wisdom chose
Among your mortal race;
His head my holy oil o’erflows,
The Spirit of my grace.

High shall he reign on David’s throne,
My people’s better King;
My arm shall beat his rivals down,
And still new subjects bring.

‘My truth shall guard him in his way,
With mercy by his side,
While in my name thro’ earth and sea
He shall in triumph ride.

Me for his Father and his God
He shall for ever own,
Call me his rock, his high abode;
And I’ll support my Son.

‘My first-born son array’d in grace
At my right hand shall sit;
Beneath him angels know their place,
And monarchs at his feet.

4 My covenant stands for ever fast,
‘My promises are strong;
‘Firm as the heavens his throne shall last,
‘His seed endure as long.

(Psalm 99. 1st Part. S. M.)
Christ’s Kingdom and Majesty.

Till we our joyful tongues
Our Maker’s honour sing,
Jesus the priest receives our songs,
And bears them to the King.

[We bow before his face,
And sound his glories high,
‘Hosanna to the God of grace
That lays his thunder by.]

‘On earth thy mercy reigns,
‘And triumphs all above;
But, Lord, how weak are mortal strains
To speak immortal love!
[How jarring and how low
Are all the notes we sing!
Sweet Saviour, tune our songs anew,
And they shall please the King.]

259. Sprague 166, Cowles 3, Hammond 226.
(Hymn 37. B. 2. C. M.)

The same.

His dying, rising, interceding and reigning.

Jesus, the King of Glory, reigns
On Sion's heavenly hill,
Looks like a lamb that has been slain,
And wears his priesthood still.

He ever lives to intercede
Before his Father's face;
Give him, my soul, thy cause to plead,
Nor doubt the Father's grace.

(Hymn 12. B. 2. C. M.)

Christ is the Substance of the Levitical Priesthood.

The true Messiah now appears,
The types are all withdrawn;
So fly the shadows and the stars
Before the rising dawn.

No smoking sweets, nor bleeding lambs,
Nor kid, nor bullock slain,
Incense and spice of costly names
Would all be burnt in vain.

Aaron must lay his robes away,
His mitre and his vest,
When God himself comes down to be
The offering and the priest.

He took our mortal flesh to show
The wonders of his love;
For us he paid his life below,
And prays for us above.

'Father, (he cries) forgive their sins,
For I myself have dy'd,'
And then he shews his open'd veins,
And pleads his wounded side.

262. Aynhoe 108, Simmons 5450.
(Psalms 2. S. M.) Translated according to the divine pattern, Acts iv. 24, etc.

Chris dying, rising, interceding and reigning.

[MAKER and sovereign Lord
Of heaven, and earth, and seas,
Thy providence confirms thy word,
And answers thy decrees.

The things so long foretold
By David are fulfilled,
When Jews and Gentiles join'd to slay
Jesus, thine holy child.]

Why did the Gentiles rage,
And Jews with one accord
Bend all their counsels to destroy
Th' anointed of the Lord?

Rulers and kings agree
To form a vain design;
Against the Lord their powers unite,
Against his Christ they join.
The Lord derideth their rage, 
And will support his throne; 
He that hath raised him from the dead 
Hath own'd him for his Son.

PAUSE.

Now he's ascended high, 
And asks to rule the earth; 
The merit of his blood he pleads, 
And pleads his heavenly birth.

5

He asks, and God bestows 
A large inheritance; 
Far as the world's remotest ends 
His kingdom shall advance.

The nations that rebel 
Must feel his iron rod; 
He'll vindicate those honours well 
Which he receiv'd from God.

7

[Be wise, ye rulers, now, 
And worship at his throne; 
With trembling joy, ye people, bow, 
To God's exalted Son.

If once his wrath arise, 
Ye perish on the place; 
Then blessed is the soul that flies 
For refuge to his grace.]


(Psalm 2. C. M.)

The same.

WHY did the nations join to slay 
The Lord's anointed Son? 
Why did they cast his laws away, 
And tread his gospel down?

2

The Lord that sits above the skies 
Derideth their rage below, 
He speaks with vengeance in his eyes, 
And strikes their spirits through.

1 I call him my eternal Son, 
And raise him from the dead; 
I make my holy hill his throne, 
And wide his kingdom spread.

4

Ask me, my Son, and then enjoy 
The utmost heathen lands; 
Thy rod shall destroy 
The rebel that withstands.

5

Be wise, ye rulers of the earth, 
Obey thy anointed Lord, 
Adore the King of heavenly birth, 
And tremble at his word.

6

With humble love address his throne, 
For if he frown, ye die: 
Those are secure, and those alone, 
Who on his grace rely.
[The whole creation can afford
But some faint shadows of my Lord:
Nature to make his beauties known
Must mingle colours not her own.] 3

[Is he compar'd to wine or bread?
Dear Lord, our souls would thus be fed;
That flesh, that dying blood of thine,
Is bread of life, is heavenly wine.] 4

[Is he a tree? The world receives
Salvation from his healing leaves;
That righteous branch, that fruitful bough,
Is David's root and offspring too.] 5

[Is he a rose? Not Sharon yields
Such fragrancy in all her fields;
Or if the lily he assume,
The vallies shall the rich perfume.] 6

[Is he a vine? His heavenly root
Supplies the boughs with life and fruit;
O let a lasting union join
My soul the branch to Christ the vine!] 7

[Is he the head? Each member lives,
And owns the vital powers he gives;
The saints below, and saints above,
Join'd by his Spirit and his love.] 8

[Is he a fountain? There I bathe,
And heal the plague of sin and death;
These waters all my soul renew,
And cleanse my spotted garments too.] 9

[Is he a fire? He'll purge my dross,
But the true gold sustains no loss;
Like a refiner shall he sit,
And tread the refuse with his feet.] 10

[Is he a rock? How firm he proves!
The rock of ages never moves;
Yet the sweet streams that from him flow
Attend us all the desert thro'.] 11

[Is he a way? He leads to God,
The path is drawn in lines of blood;
There would I walk with hope and zeal,
Till I arrive at Sion's hill.] 12

[Is he a door? I'll enter in;
Behold the pastures large and green,
A paradise divinely fair,
None but the sheep have freedom there.] 13

[Is he design'd a corner-stone,
For men to build their heaven upon?
I'll make him my foundation too,
Nor fear the plots of hell below.] 14

[Is he a temple? I adore
Th' indwelling majesty and power;
And still to this most holy place,
When'er I pray, I turn my face.] 15

[Is he a star? He breaks the night,
Piercing the shades with dawning light;
I know his glories from afar,
I know the bright, the morning-star.] 16

[Is he a sun? His beams are grace,
His course is joy, and righteousness;
Nations rejoice when he appears
To chase their clouds, and dry their tears.] 17

O let me climb those higher skies,
Where storms and darkness never rise;
There he displays his powers abroad,
And shines, and reigns th' incarnate God.] 18

Nor earth, nor seas, nor sun, nor stars,
Nor heaven his full resemblance bears;
His beauties we can never trace,
Till we behold him face to face.

(Hymn 147, B. 1. L. M.)

The Names and Titles of Christ, from
several Scriptures.

18 from the treasures of his word
I borrow titles for my Lord;
Nor art, nor nature can supply
Sufficient forms of majesty.

Bright image of the Father's face,
Shining with undiminish'd rays;
Th' eternal God's eternal Son,
The heir, and partner of his throne.

The King of kings, the Lord most High,
Writes his own name upon his high;
He wears a garment dipp'd in blood,
And breaks the nations with his rod.

Where grace can neither melt nor move
The Lamb resents his injur'd love,
Awakes his wrath without delay,
And Judah's Lion tears the prey.

But when for works of peace he comes,
What winning titles he assumes!
Light of the world, and Life of men;
Nor hearst those characters in vain.

With tender pity in his heart
He acts the Mediator's part;
A friend and brother he appears
And well fulfilst the names he wears.

At length the Judge his throne ascends,
Divides the rebels from his friends,
And saints in full fruition prove
His rich variety of love.

268. Resurrection 72, Darwells 82.
(Hymn 148, B. 1. as the 148th Psalm.)

The same.

[WITH] cheerful voice I sing
The titles of my Lord,
And borrow all the names
Of honour from his word:
Nature and art
Can ne'er supply
Sufficient forms
Of majesty.
In Jesus we behold
His Father's glorious face,
Shining for ever bright
With mild and lovely rays:
'Th' eternal God's Eternal Son
Inherits and Partakes the throne.

The sovereign King of Kings,
The Lord of Lords most high,
Writes his own name upon
His garment and his thigh:
His name is call'd
The Word of God; He rules the earth
With iron rod.

Where promises and grace
Can neither melt nor move,
The angry Lamb resents
The injuries of his love;
Awakes his wrath
Without delay, As lions roar,
And tear the prey.

But when for works of peace
The great Redeemer comes,
What gentle characters,
What titles he assumes!
Light of the world,
And life of men; Nor will he hear
Those names in vain.

Immense compassion reigns
In our Immanuel's heart,
When he descends to act
A Mediator's part:
He is a friend
And brother too; Divinely kind,
Divinely true.

At length the Lord the Judge
His awful throne ascends,
And drive the rebels far
From favourites and friends:
Then shall the saints
Completely prove
The heights and depths
Of all his love.

The angel of the covenant stands
With his commission in his hands,
Sent from his Father's milder throne
To make the great salvation known.

Great Prophet, let me bless thy name;
By thee the joyful tidings came,
Of wrath appeas'd, of sins forgiven,
Of hell subdu'd, and peace with heaven.

My bright example, and my guide,
I would be walking near thy side;
O let me never run astray,
Nor follow the forbidden way.

I love my shepherd, he shall keep
My wandering soul among his sheep:
He feeds his flock, he calls their names,
And in his bosom bears the lambs.

My Surety undertakes my cause,
Answering his Father's broken laws;
Behold my soul at freedom set;
My Surety paid the dreadful debt.

Jesus my great High-Priest has dy'd,
Seek no sacrifice beside;
His blood did once for all atone,
And now it pleads before the throne.

My Advocate appears on high,
The Father lays his thunder by;
Not all that earth or hell can say
Shall turn my father's heart away.

My Lord, my Conqueror, and my King,
Thy sceptre and thy sword I sing;
Thing is the victory, and I sit
A joyful subject at thy feet.

Aspire, my soul, to glorious deeds,
The captain salvation leads;
March on, nor fear to win the day,
Tho' death and hell obstruct the way.

Should death, and hell, and powers un
Put all their forms of mischief on,
I shall be safe; for Christ displays,
Salvation in more sovereign ways.

The same

JOIN all the glorious names
Of wisdom, love, and power,
That ever mortals knew,
That angels ever bore;
All are too mean
To speak his worth,
Too mean to set
My Saviour forth.

But O what gentle terms,
What condescending ways
Doth our Redeemer use
To teach his heavenly grace!
Mine eyes with joy  
And wonder see  
What forms of love  
He bears for me.  

[Array'd in mortal flesh  
He like an angel stands;  
And holds the promises  
Of his Father's throne  
To make his grace  
To mortals known.]  

[Great prophet of my God  
My tongue would bless thy name;  
By thee the joyful news  
Of our salvation came;  
The joyful news  
Of sins forgiven,  
Of hell subdued,  
And peace with heaven.]  

[Be thou my counsellor  
And through this desert land  
Still keep me near thy side  
O let my feet  
Ne'er run astray,  
Nor rove, nor seek  
The crooked way.]  

[To this dear Surety's hand  
Will I commit my cause;  
He answers and fulfils  
His Father's broken laws:  
Behold my soul  
At freedom set;  
But all their joys are one.  

[Jesus my great High-Priest  
Offer'd his blood and dy'd;  
My guilty conscience seeks  
No sacrifice beside:  
His powerful blood  
Did once atone;  
And now it pleads  
Before the throne.]  

[My Advocate appears  
For my defence on high;  
The father bows his ear,  
And lays his thunder by:  
Not all that hell  
Or sin can say  
Shall turn his heart,  
His love away.]  

ADDRESS TO CHRIST.  

10  
[My dear almighty Lord,  
My conterpor and my king,  
Thy sceptre, and thy sword,  
Thy reigning grace I sing:  
Thine is the power;  
Behold I sit  
In willing bonds  
Before thy feet.]  

11  
[Now let my soul arise,  
And tread the tempter down;  
My Captain leads me forth  
To conquer and a crown.  
A feeble saint  
Shall win the day,  
Thou' death and hell  
Obstruct the way.]  

12  
Should all the hosts of death,  
And powers of hell unknown,  
Put their most dreadful forms  
Of rage and mischief on;  
I shall be safe,  
For Christ displays  
Superior power,  
And guardian-grace.  

ADDRESS TO CHRIST.  

271. Devizes 14, Oford 106,  
Hammond 296.  

(Hymn 62. B. I. C. M.)  

Christ Jesus, the Lamb of God, worshipped by  
all the Creation, Rev. v. 11—13.  

COME let us join our cheerful songs  
With angels round the throne;  
Ten thousand thousand are their tongues,  
But all their joys are one.  

4  
Worthy the Lamb that dy'd, they cry,  
'To be exalted thus;'  
Worthy the Lamb, our lips reply,  
'For he was slain for us.'  

3  
Jesus is worthy to receive  
Honour and power divine;  
And blessings more than we can give,  
Be, Lord, for ever thine.  

Let all that dwell above the sky,  
And air, and earth, and seas,  
Conspire to lift thine glories high,  
And speak thine endless praise.  

5  
The whole creation join in one  
To bless the sacred name  
Of him that sits upon the throne,  
And to adore the Lamb.
FEAR AND HOPE.

(Hymn 14. B. 1. L.M.)
The Triumph of Faith; or, Christ's unchangeable Love, Rom. viii. 33, &c.

290. Abridge 201, Bedford 91, Brighthelmstone 208.
(Psalm 119. 13th Part. C. M.)
Holy Fear, and Tenderness of Conscience.

292. Lebanon 79, Manning 245, Islington 40.
(Psalm 42. 6—11. 2d Part. L.M.)
Melancholy Thoughts reproved; or, Hope in Afflictions.

Ver. 11.
Thy word I've hid within my heart.
To keep my conscience clean,
And be an everlasting guard
From every rising sin.

Ver. 63, 53, 158.
I'm a companion of the saints
Who fear and love the Lord;
My sorrows rise, my nature faints,
When men transgress thy word.

Ver. 161, 163.
While sinners do thy gospel wrong,
My spirit stands in awe;
My soul abhors a lying tongue,
But loves thy righteous law.

Ver. 161, 120.
My heart with sacred reverence hears
The threatenings of thy word:
My flesh with holy trembling fears
The judgments of the Lord.

Ver. 166, 174.
My God, I long, I hope, I wait
For thy salvation still;
While thy whole law is my delight,
And I obey thy will.

Desertion and Hope; or, Complaint of Absence from Public Worship.

With earnest longings of the mind,
My God to thee I look;
So pants the hunted hart to find
And taste the cooling brook.

When shall I see thy courts of grace,
And meet my God again!
So long an absence from thy face
My heart endures with pain.

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And meet my God again!
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Temptations vex my weary soul,
And tears are my repast;
The foe insults without controul,
And where's your God at last?

'Tis with a mournful pleasure now
I think on ancient days;
Then to thy house did numbers go,
And all our work was praise.

But why, my soul, sink down so far
Beneath this heavy load?
Why do my thoughts indulge despair,
And sin against my God?

Hope in the Lord, whose mighty hand
Can all thy woes remove;
For I shall yet before him stand,
And sing restoring love.

My spirit sinks within me, Lord,
But I will call thy name to mind,
And times of past distress record,
When I have found my God was kind.
Influences of the Spirit.

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Huge troubles, with tumultuous noise,
Swell like a sea, and round me spread;
Thy water-spouts drown all my joys,
And rising waves roll o'er my head.

Yet will the Lord command his love,
When I address his throne by day,
Nor in the night his grace remove;
The night shall hear me sing and pray.

I'll cast myself before his feet,
And say, 'My God, my heavenly rock,
'Why doth thy love so long forget
'The soul that groans beneath thy stroke?'

I'll chide my heart that sinks so low,
Why should my soul indulge her grief!
Hope in the Lord, and praise him too,
He is my rest, my sure relief.

Thy light and truth shall guide me still,
Thy word shall my rest thoughts employ,
And lead me to thine heavenly hill,
My God, my most exceeding joy.
While grace is offer'd to the prince,
The poor may take their share:
No mortal has a just pretence
To perish in despair.

Be wise, ye men of strength and wit,
Nor boast your native powers:
But to his sovereign grace submit,
And glory shall be yours.

Come all ye vilest sinners, come,
He'll form your souls anew:
His gospel and his heart have room
For rebels such as you.

His doctrine is almighty love;
There's virtue in his name
To turn the raven to a dove,
The lion to a lamb.

HUMILITY.

BEHOLD how sinners disagree,
The Publican and Pharisee:
One doth his righteousness proclaim,
The other owns his guilt and shame.

This man at humble distance stands,
And cries for grace with lifted hands:
That holy one rises near the throne,
And talks of duties he has done.

The Lord their different language knows,
And different answers he bestows;
The humble soul with grace he crowns,
While on the proud his anger frowns.

Dear Father, let me never be
Join'd with the haughty Pharisee;
I have no merits of my own,
But plead the sufferings of thy Son.

ORD, how secure and blessed are they
Who feel the joys of pardon'd sin!
Should storms of wrath shake earth and sea,
Their minds have heaven and peace within.

The day glides sweetly over their heads,
Made up of innocence and love;
And soft and silent as the shades
Their nightly minutes gently move.

3 Quick as their thoughts their joys come on,
But fly not half so fast away;
Their souls are ever bright as noon,
And calm as summer evenings be.

How oft they look to the heavenly hills,
Where groves of living pleasure grow!
And longing hopes and cheerful smiles
Sit undisturbed upon their brow.

They scorn to seek our golden toys,
But spend the day and share the night
In numbering o'er the richer joys
That heaven prepares for their delight.

While wretched we, like worms and moles
Lie grovelling in the dust below:
 Almighty grace, renew our souls,
And we'll aspire to glory too.
300. New York 33, Braintree 25.

(Hymn 73. B. 2. C. M.)

Doubts scattered; or, spiritual joy restored.

HENCE from my soul, sad thoughts, be
And leave me to my joys; gone,
My tongue shall triumph in my God,
And make a joyful noise.

1

Darkness and doubts had veil'd my mind,
And drown'd my head in tears,
Till sovereign grace with shining rays
Dispell'd my gloomy fears.

2

O what immortal joys I felt,
And raptures all divine,
When Jesus told me, I was his,
And my Beloved mine.

3

In vain the tempter frights my soul,
And breaks my peace in vain,
One glimpse, dear Saviour, of thy face,
Revises my joys again.

301. Brighthelmstone 208, Bedford 91.

(Hymn 59. B. 2. C. M.)

Paradise on Earth.

GLORY to God that walks the sky,
And sends his blessings through,
That tells his saints of joys on high,
And gives a taste below.

1

[Glory to God that stoops his throne
That dust and worms may see't,
And brings a glimpse of glory down
Around his sacred feet.

2

When Christ, with all his graces crown'd,
Sheds his kind beams abroad,
'Tis a young heaven on earthly ground,
And glory in the bud.

3

A blooming Paradise of joy
In this wild desert springs;
And every sense I straight employ
On sweet celestial things.

4

White lilies all around appear,
And each his glory shows;
The rose of Sharon blossoms here,
The fairest flower that blows.

5

Cheerful I feast on heavenly fruit,
And drink the pleasures down,
Pleasures that flow hard by the foot
Of the eternal throne.

6

But ah! how soon my joys decay!
How soon my sins arise,
And snatch the heavenly scene away
From these lamenting eyes!

8

When shall the time, dear Jesus, when
The shining day appear,
That I shall leave those clouds of sin,
And guilt and darkness here!

9

Up to the fields above the skies
My hasty feet would go,
There everlasting flowers arise,
And joys unwithering grow.

302. Mansfield 154, Finsbury 155, Stockport 47.

(Hymn 30. B. 2. S. M.)

Heavenly Joy on Earth.

COME, we that love the Lord,
And let our joys be known;
Join in a song with sweet accord,
And thus surround the throne.

2

The sorrows of the mind
Be banish'd from the place!
Religion never was design'd
To make our pleasures less.

3

Let those refuse to sing
That never knew our God,
But favorites of the heavenly King
May speak their joys abroad.

4

[The God that rutes on high,
And thunders when he please,
That rides upon the stormy sky,
And manages the seas;]

5

This awful God is ours,
Our Father and our love,
He shall send down his heavenly powers
To carry us above.

6

There we shall see his face,
And never, never sin;
There from the rivers of his grace
Drink endless pleasures in.

7

Yes, and before we rise
To that immortal state,
The thoughts of such amazing bliss
Should constant joys create.

8

[The men of grace have found
Glory begun below,
Celestial fruits on earthly ground
From faith and hope may grow.]

9

The hill of Sion yields
A thousand sacred sweets,
Before we reach the heavenly fields,
Or walk the golden streets.

10

Then let our songs abound,
And every tear be dry;
We're marching thro' Immanuel's ground
To fairer worlds on high.]
(Hymn 63. B. 1. L. M.)
Christ's Humiliation and Exaltation,
Rev. v. 12.

WHAT equal honour shall we bring
To thee, O Lord our God, the Lamb,
When all the notes that angels sing
Are far inferior to thy name?

Worthy is he that once was slain,
The Prince of Peace that groan'd and dy'd,
Worthy to rise, and live, and reign
At his Almighty Father's side.

Power and dominion are his due,
Who stood condemn'd at Pilate's bar:
Wisdom belongs to Jesus too,
Tho' he was charg'd with madness here.

Honour immortal must be paid,
Instead of scandal and of scorn:
While glory shines around his head,
And a bright crown without a thorn.

Blessings for ever on the Lamb,
Who bore the curse for wretched men:
Let angels sound his sacred name,
And every creature say, Amen.

Behold the glories of the Lamb
Amidst his Father's throne:
Prepare new honours for his name,
And songs before unknown.

Let elders worship at his feet,
The church adore around,
With vials full of odours sweet,
And harps of sweeter sound.

Those are the prayers of the saints,
And these the hymns they raise:
Jesus is kind to our complaints,
He loves to hear our praise.

[Eternal Father, who shall look
Into thy secret will?
Who but the Son should take that book
And open every seal?]

He shall fulfil thy great decrees,
The Son deserves it well;
Lo, in his hand the sovereign keys
Of heaven, and death, and hell!]

[How strong thine arm is, mighty God
Who would not fear thy name?
Jesus, how sweet thy graces are!
Who would not love the Lamb?]
ADDRESSES TO CHRIST.

He has done more than Moses did,
Our Prophet and our King;
From bonds of hell he freed our souls,
And taught our lips to sing.

In the Red sea by Moses' hand
Th' Egyptian host was drown'd;
But his own blood hides all our sins,
And guilt no more is found.

Moses beheld the promis'd land,
Yet never reach'd the place;
But Christ shall bring his followers home
To see his Father's face.

When thro' the desert Israel went,
With manna they were fed;
Our Lord invites us to his flesh,
And calls it living bread.

Then shall our love and joy be full,
And feel a warmer flame,
And sweeter voices tune the song
Of Moses and the Lamb.

With pitying eyes, the Prince of Grace
Beheld our helpless grief,
He saw, and (O amazing love!)
He ran to our relief.

Down from the shining seats above
With joyful haste he fled,
Enter'd the grave in mortal flesh,
And dwell among the dead.

He spoil'd the powers of darkness thus,
And brake our iron chains;
Jesus has freed our captive souls
From everlasting pains.

[Lt vain the baffled prince of hell
His cursed projects tries,
We that were doom'd his endless sla"ses
Are rais'd above the skies.]

O for this love, let rocks and hills
Their lasting silence break,
And all harmonious human tongues
The Saviour's praises speak.

[Yes, we will praise thee, dearest Lord,
Our souls are all on flame,
Hosanna round the spacious earth
To thine adored name.

Angels, assist our mighty joys,
Strike all your harps of gold;
But when you raise your highest notes
His love can ne'er be told.]

ORD, when my thoughts with wonder
Roll o'er the sharp sorrows of thy soul,
And read my Maker's shroken laws
Repair'd and honour'd by thy cross;

When I behold death, hell and sin,
Vanquish'd by that dear blood of thine,
And see the man that groan'd and dy'd
Sit glorious by his Father's side;

My passions rise and soar above,
I'm wing'd with faith, and fir'd with love;
Fain would I reach eternal things,
And learn the notes that Gabriel sings.

But my heart fails, my tongue complains,
For want of their immortal strains;
And in such humble notes as these
Must fall below thy victories.

Well, the kind minute must appear
When we shall leave these bodies here,
These clogs of clay, and mount on high
To join the songs above the sky.
THE INFLUENCES AND GRACES OF THE SPIRIT.

5 Faith must obey her Father's will,
As well as trust his grace;
A pardoning God is jealous still
For his own holiness.

2 When from the curse he sets us free,
He makes our natures clean,
Nor would he send his Son to be
The minister of sin.

7 His Spirit purifies our frame,
And seals our peace with God;
Jesus, and his salvation, came
By water and by blood.

(Hymn 112. B. 1. C. M.)

The Brazen Serpent; or, looking to Jesus,
John iii. 14—16.

O did the Hebrew prophet raise
The brazen serpent high,
The wounded felt immediate ease,
The camp forbore to die.

2 'Look upward in the dying hour,
And live,' the prophet cries;
But Christ performs a nobler cure
When Faith lifts up her eyes.

3 High on the cross the Saviour hung,
High on the heavens he reigns;
Here sinners by th' old serpent stung
Look, and forget their pains.

4 When God's own Son is lifted up,
A dying world revives;
The Jew heholds the glorious hope,
Th' expiring Gentile lives.

282. Worksworth 158, Stoke 207,
Lowell 260.
(Hymn 142. B. 2. S. M.)

Faith in Christ our Sacrifice.

NOT all the blood of beasts
On Jewish altars slain
Could give the guilty conscience peace,
Or wash away the stain.

2 But Christ the heavenly Lamb
Takes all our sins away;
A sacrifice of nobler name
And richer blood than they,

My faith would lay her hand
On that dear head of thine
While like a penitent I stand
And there confess my sin,

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283, 284, 285 INFLUENCES OF THE SPIRIT. 286, 287, 288

My soul looks back to see
The burdens thou didst bear
When hanging on the cursed tree,
And hopes her guilt was there.

Believing we rejoice
To see the curse remove;
We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice,
And sing his bleeding love.

283. Ulverston 179, Babylon Streams 23.
(Hymn 100. B. 1. L. M.)

Believe and be saved, John iii. 16–18.

NOT to condemn the sons of men
Did Christ, the Son of God, appear;
No weapons in his hands are seen,
No flaming sword, nor thunder there.

Such was the pity of our God,
He lov'd the race of man so well,
He sent his Son to bear our load
Of sins, and save our souls from hell.

2 Sinners, believe the Saviour's word,
Trust in his mighty name and live;
A thousand joys his lips afford,
His hands a thousand blessings give.

But vengeance and damnation lies
On rehels who refuse the grace;
Who God's eternal Son despise
The hottest hell shall be their place.

284. Bampton 275, Kingsbridge 89.
(Hymn 35. B. 1. 1st Part. L. M.)

Faith the Way to Salvation, Rom. i. 16.
Eph. ii. 8, 9.

NOT by the laws of innocence
Can Adam's sons arrive at heaven;
New works can give us no pretence
To have our ancient sins forgiven.

2 Not the best deeds that we have done
Can make a wounded conscience whole;
Faith is the grace, and faith alone,
That flies to Christ and saves the soul.

3 Lord, I believe thy heavenly word,
Fain would I have my soul renewed;
I mourn for sin, and trust the Lord
To have it pardon'd and subdued.

O may thy grace its power display,
Let guilt and death no longer reign;
Save me in thine appointed way,
Nor let my humble faith be vain.

(Hymn 125. B. 2. L. M.)

Faith and Repentance; Unbelief and Impiety.

Life and immortal joys are given
To souls that mourn the sins they've done,
Children of wrath made heirs of heaven
By faith in God's eternal Son.

2 Wo to the wretch that never felt
The inward pangs of pious grief,
But adds to all his crying guilt
The stubborn sin of unbelief.

3 The law condemns the rebel dead,
Under the wrath of God he lies,
He seals the curse on his own head,
And with a double vengeance dies.

(Hymn 120. B. 1. C. M.)

Faith of Things unseen, Heb. xi. 1, 3, 8, 10.

Faith is the brightest evidence
Of things beyond our sight,
Breaks thru' the clouds of flesh and sense,
And dwells in heavenly light.

It sets times past in present view,
Brings distant prospects home,
Of things a thousand years ago,
Or thousand years to come.

3 By faith we know the worlds were made
By God's almighty word;
Abra'm, to unknown countries led,
By faith obey'd the Lord.

4 He sought a city fair and high,
Built by th' eternal hands;
And faith assures us, tho' we die,
That heavenly building stands.

(Hymn 129. B. I. L. M.)

We walk by Faith not by Sight.

'Tis by the faith of joys to come
We walk thro' deserts dark as night;
Till we arrive at heaven our home,
Faith is our guide, and faith our light.

2 The want of sight she well supplies,
She makes the pearly gates appear;
Far into distant worlds she pries,
And brings eternal glories near.

3 Cheerful we tread the desert thro',
While faith inspires a heavenly ray,
The lion's roar, and tempests blow,
And rocks and dangers fill the way.

4 So Abra'm by divine command
Left his own house to walk with God;
His faith he held the promis'd land,
And fir'd his zeal along the road.

(Hymn 162. B. 2. C. M.)

Meditation of Heaven; or, the Joy of Faith.

My thoughts surmount these lower skies
And look within the veil;
There springs of endless pleasure rise,
The waters never fail.
KNOWLEDGE.

303. Eagle Street New 55, Harborough 142, Gosport 53.

(Psalm 25. ver. 12, 14, 10, 13. 2d Part. S. M.)

Divine Instruction.

WHERE shall the man be found That fears to offend his God, That loves the gospel's joyful sound, And trembles at the rod?

2 The Lord shall make him know The secrets of his heart, The wonders of his covenant show, And all his love impart.

3 The dealings of his hand Are truth and mercy still With such as to his covenant stand, And love to do his will.

4 Their souls shall dwell at ease Before their Maker's face, Their seed shall taste the promises In their extensive grace.

 Любовь к богатым злодеям; или, Религия в словах и деях.


(Psalm 37. ver. 16, 21, 26—31. 2d Part. C. M.)

Charity to the Poor; or, Religion in Words and Deeds.

WHY do the wealthy wicked boast, And grow profanely bold? The meanest portion of the just Exceeds the sinner's gold.

2 The wicked borrows of his friends But ne'er designs to pay; The saint is merciful and lends, Nor turns the poor away.

3 His alms with liberal heart he gives Amongst the sons of need; His memory to long ages lives, And blessed is his seed.

4 His lips abhor to talk prophane, To slander or defraud; His ready tongue declareth to men What he has learn'd of God.

5 The law and gospel of the Lord Deep in his heart abide; Led by the Spirit and the word, His feet shall never slide.

6 When sinners fall, the righteous stand, Preserv'd from every snare; They shall possess the promised land, And dwell for ever there.

Liberality.

306. Bramcoate 8, Kingsbridge 88, Portugal 97.

(Psalm 41. ver. 1, 2, 3. L. M.)

Charity to the Poor; or, Pity to the Afflicted.

BLEST is the man whose bowels move, And melt with pity to the poor, Whose soul, by sympathizing love, Feels what his fellow-saints endure.

2 His heart contrives for their relief More good than his own hands can do; He, in the time of general grief, Shall find the Lord has bowels too.

3 His soul shall live secure on earth, With secret blessings on his head, When drought, and pestilence, and dearth Around him multiply their dead.

4 Or, if he languish on his couch, God will pronounce his sins forgiven, Will save him with a healing touch, Or take his willing soul to heaven.
307. *Newcourt 173, Jennings’s 123.*  
(Psalm 112. As the 113th Psalm)  

The Blessings of the liberal Man.  

That man is blest who stands in awe  
Of God, and loves his sacred law;  
His seed on earth shall be renowned;  
His house the seat of wealth shall be,  
An inexhausted treasury,  
And with successive honours crowned.  

2  
His liberal favours he extends,  
To some he gives, to others lends;  
A generous pity fills his mind:  
Yet what his charity impairs,  
He saves by prudence in affairs,  
And thus he’s just to all mankind.  

3  
His hands, while they his alms bestow’d,  
His glory’s future harvests sow’d;  
The sweet remembrance of the just,  
Like a green root, revives and bears  
A train of blessings for his heirs,  
When dying nature sleeps in dust.  

4  
Beset with threatening dangers round,  
Unmov’d shall he maintain his ground;  
His conscience holds his courage up:  
The soul that’s fill’d with virtue’s light  
Shines brightest in affliction’s night,  
And sees in darkness beams of hope.  

PAUSE.  

5  
Ill tidings never can surprise  
His well’establish’d mind;  
His soul to God his refuge flies,  
And leaves his fears behind.  

4  
In times of general distress,  
Some beams of light shall shine  
To shew the world his righteousness,  
And give him peace divine.  

5  
His works of piety and love  
Remain before the Lord;  
Honour on earth and joys above  
Shall be his sure reward.  

(Psalm 112. C.M.)  

Liberality rewarded.  

Happy is he that fears the Lord,  
And follows his commands,  
Who lends the poor without reward,  
Or gives with liberal hands.  

2  
As pity dwells within his breast  
To all the sons of need;  
So God shall answer his request  
With blessings on his seed.  

3  
No evil tidings shall surprise  
His well-establish’d mind;  
His soul to God his refuge flies,  
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310. *New York 33, Condescension 116,  
Michaels 119.*  
(Hymn 38. B.2. C.M.)  

Love to God.  

Happy the heart where graces reign,  
Where love inspires the breast:  
Love is the brightest of the train,  
And strengthens all the rest.  

2  
Knowledge, alas, ’tis all in vain,  
And all in vain our fear,  
Our stubborn sins will fight and reign  
If love be absent there.  

3  
’Tis love that makes our cheerful feet  
In swift obedience move,  
The devils know and tremble too,  
But Satan cannot love.  

4  
This is the grace that lives and sings  
When faith and hope shall cease,  
’Tis this shall strike our joyful strings  
In the sweet realms of bliss.
Before we quite forsake our clay,
Or leave this dark abode,
The wings of love bear us away
To see our smiling God.

Delight in God.

Mary God, what endless pleasures dwell
Above at thy right hand:
The courts below, how amiable,
Where all thy graces stand!

The swallow near thy temple lies,
And chirps a cheerful note;
The lark mounts upwards to thy skies,
And tunes her warbling throat:

And we, when in thy presence, Lord,
We shout with joyfultongues,
Or sitting round our Father's board,
We crown the feast with songs.

While Jesus shines with quickening grace,
We sing and mount on high;
But if a frown he cloud his face,
We faint, and tire, and die.

Just as we see the lonesome dove
Bemoan her widow'd state,
Wandering she flies thro' all the grove,
And mourns her loving mate.

Just so our thoughts from thing to thing
In restless circles rove,
Just so we droop, and hang the wing,
When Jesus hides his love.

LO! what an entertaining sight
Are brethren that agree,
Brethren whose cheerful hearts unite
In bands of piety!

When streams of love from Christ the spring:
Descend to every soul,
And heavenly peace, with balmy wing,
Shades and bedews the whole:

'Tis like the oil divinely sweet,
On Aaron's reverend head,
The trickling drops perfum'd his feet,
And o'er his garments spread:

'Tis pleasant, as the morning dew
That fall on Zion's hill,
Where God his mildest glory shews,
And makes his grace distil.

Love and Hatred.

NOW by the bowels of my God,
His sharp distress, his sore complaints,
By his last groans, his dying blood,
I charge my soul to love the saints.

Clamour and wrath and war be gone,
Envy and spite forever cease,
Let bitter words no more be known
Amongst the saints, the sons of peace.

The Spirit like a peaceful dove
Flies from the realms of noise and strife;
Why should we vex and grieve his love,
Who seals our souls to heavenly life?

Tender and kind be all our thoughts,
Thro' all our lives let mercy run:
So God forgives our numerous faults
For the dear sake of Christ his Son.

NOT different food, or different dress,
Compose the kingdom of our Lord,
But peace and joy and righteousness,
Faith and obedience to his word.

When weaker Christians we despise
We do the gospel mighty wrong,
For God the gracious and the wise
Receives the feeble with the strong.

Let pride and wrath be banish'd hence,
Meekness and love our souls pursue;
Nor shall our practice give offence
To saints, the Gentile or the Jew.

Let Pharisees of high esteem
Their faith and zeal declare,
All their religion is a dream
If love be wanting there.
Love suffers long with patient eye,
Nor is provok'd in haste,
She lets the present injury die,
And long forgets the past.

[Malice and rage, those fires of hell, 
She quenches with her tongue; 
Hopes, and believes, and thinks no ill, 
Tho' she endure the wrong.]

She nor desires nor seeks to know 
The scandals of the time; 
Nor looks with pride on those below, 
Nor envies those that climb.

She lays her own advantage by 
To seek her neighbour's good; 
So God's own Son came down to die, 
And bought our lives with blood.

Love is the grace that keeps her power 
In all the realms above; 
There faith and hope are known no more, 
But saints forever love.

Behold the love, the generous love 
That holy David shows; 
Hark, how his sounding howels move 
To his afflicted foes!

When they are sick his soul complains, 
And seems to feel the smart; 
The spirit of the gospel reigns, 
And melts his pious heart.

How did his flowing tears condole 
As for a brother dead! 
And fasting mortify'd his soul, 
While for their life he pray'd.

They groan'd; and curs'd him on their bed, 
Yet still he pleads and mourns; 
And double blessings on his head 
The righteous God returns.

O glorious type of heavenly grace! 
Thus Christ the Lord appears; 
While sinners curse, the Saviour prays, 
And pities them with tears.

He, the true David, Israel's king, 
Bliss and below'd of God, 
To save us rebels, dead in sin, 
Paid his own dearest blood.

When in a form of mortal man 
Thy Son on earth was found, 
With cruel slanders, false and vain, 
They compass'd him around.

Their miseries his compassion move, 
Their peace he still pursu'd; 
They render hatred for his love, 
And evil for his good.

Their malice rag'd without a cause, 
Yet, with his dying breath, 
He pray'd for murderers on his cross, 
And bless'd his foes in death.

Lord, shall thy bright example shine 
In vain before my eyes? 
Give me a soul a-kin to thine 
To love mine enemies.

The Lord shall on my side engage, 
And, in my Saviour's name, 
I shall defeat their pride and rage 
Who slander and condemn.

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In vain before my eyes? 
Give me a soul a-kin to thine 
To love mine enemies.

HAD I the tongues of Greeks and Jews, 
And nobler speech that angels use, 
It love be absent, I am found 
Like tinkling brass, an empty sound.

Were I inspired to preach and tell 
All that is done in heaven and hell, 
Or could my faith the world remove, 
Still I am nothing without love.

Should I distribute all my store 
To feed the bowels of the poor, 
Or give my body to the flame 
To gain a martyr's glorious name;

If love to God and love to men 
Be absent, all my hopes are vain; 
Nor tongues, nor gifts, nor fiery zeal 
The work of love can e'er fulfill.

PRUDENCE.

God of my mercy and my praise, 
Thy glory is my song; 
Thou, sinner's speak against thy grace 
With a blaspheming tongue.

A lovely Carriage.

O 'Tis a lovely thing to see 
A man of prudent heart, 
Whose thoughts, and lips, and life agree 
To act a useful part.

When envy, strife, and wars begin 
In little angry souls, 
Mark how the sons of peace come in, 
And quench the kindling coals.
Their minds are humble, mild, and meek,
Nor let their fury rise;
Nor passion moves their lips to speak,
Nor pride exalt their eyes.

Their frame is prudence mix’d with love;
Good works fulfil their day:
They join the serpent with the dove,
But cast the sting away.

Such was the Saviour of mankind;
Such pleasures he pursu’d;
His flesh and blood were all refin’d,
His soul divinely good.

Lord, can these plants of virtue grow
In such a heart as mine?
Thy grace my nature can renew,
And make my soul like thine.

Thus I resolv’d before the Lord,
'Now will I watch my tongue,'
'lest I let slip one sinful word,
Or do my neighbour wrong.'

And if I’m e’er constrain’d to stay
With men of lives profane,
I’ll set a double guard that day,
Nor let my talk be vain.

I’ll scarce allow my lips to speak
The pious thoughts I feel,
Lest scoffers should th’ occasion take
To mock my holy zeal.

Yet if some proper hour appear,
I’ll not be over-aw’d,
But let the scoffing sinners hear
That we can speak for God.

Behold the wretch whose lust and wine
Had wasted his estate,
He begs a share among the swine,
To taste the husks they eat!

'I die with hunger here,' (he cries)
'I starve in foreign lands,
My father’s house has large supplies,
And bounteous are his hands.'

'I’ll go, and with a mournful tongue
Fall down before his face,
'Father, I’ve done thy justice wrong,
Nor can deserve thy grace.'

He said, and hasten’d to his home
To seek his father’s love;
The father saw the rebel come,
And all his bowels move.

He ran, and fell upon his neck,
Embrac’d and kiss’d his Son;
The rebel’s heart with sorrow brake
For follies he had done.

'Take off his clothes of shame and sin,'
(The father gives command)
'Dress him in garments white and clean,
With rings adorn his hand.

'A day of feasting I ordain,
Let mirth and joy abound;
'My son was dead, and lives again,
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Turn, turn us, mighty God,  
And mould our souls afresh,  
Break, sovereign grace, these hearts of stone,  
And give us hearts of flesh.  

Let old ingratitude  
Provoke our weeping eyes,  
And hourly as new mercies fall  
Let hourly thanks arise.

( Hymn 105. B. 2. C. M.)  
Repentance flowing from the Patience of God.

And are we wretches yet alive?  
And do we yet rebel?  
'Tis boundless, 'tis amazing love  
That bears us up from hell!

The burden of our weighty guilt  
Would sink us down to flames,  
And threatening vengeance rolls above  
To crush our feeble frames.

Almighty goodness cries, Forbear;  
And straight the thunder stays;  
And dare we now provoke his wrath,  
And weary out his grace?

No more, ye lusts, shall ye command,  
No more will we obey;  
Stretch out, O God, thy conquering hand,  
And drive thy foes away.

326. Carolina 13, Ludlow 84.  
( Hymn 106. B. 2. C. M.)  
Repentance at the Cross.

Oh, if my soul was form'd for woe,  
How would I vent my sighs!  
Repentance should like rivers flow  
From both my streaming eyes.

'Twas for my sins my dearest Lord  
Hung on the cursed tree,  
And groan'd away a dying life  
For thee, my soul, for thee.

O how I hate those lusts of mine  
That crucify'd my God,  
Those sins that pierc'd and nail'd his flesh  
Fast to the fatal wood!

Yes, my Redeemer, they shall die,  
My heart has so decreed,  
Nor will I spare the guilty things  
That made my Saviour bleed.

Whilst with a melting broken heart  
My murder'd Lord I view,  
I'll raise revenge against my sins,  
And slay the murderers too.
As servants watch their master's hand,
And fear the angry stroke;
Or maids hefore their mistress stand,
And wait a peaceful look;
So for our sins we justly feel
Thy discipline, O God;
Yet wait the gracious moment still,
Till thou remove thy rod.

Those that in wealth and pleasure live
Our daily groans deride,
And thy delays of mercy give
Fresh courage to their pride.

Our foes insult us, but our hope
In thy compassion lies;
This thought shall bear our spirits up,
That God will not despise.

2. Hotham 224, Ayliffe Street 241.
(Hymn 129. B. 1. L. M.)
Submission and Deliverance; or, Abraham offering his Son, Gen. xxii. 6, &c.
SINCE, at your Father's heavenly word
Give up your comforts to the Lord;
He shall restore what you resign,
Or grant you blessings more divine.

So Abraham with obedient hand
Led forth his son at God's command,
The wood, the fire, the knife he took,
His arm prepar'd the dreadful stroke.

'Abraham, forbear (the angel cry'd),
'Thy faith is known, thy love is try'd,
'Thy son shall live, and in thy seed
'Shall the whole earth be bless'd indeed.'

Just in the last distressing hour
The Lord displays delivering power;
The mount of danger is the place
Where we shall see surprising grace.

330. Bedford 91, Sprague 166.
(Hymn 35. B. 1. 2d Part, C. M.)
Submission to effectivie Providence, Job i. 21.
Naked as from the earth we came,
And crept to life at first,
We to the earth return again,
And mingle with our dust.

The dear delights we here enjoy,
Achondly call our own,
Are but short favours borrowed now,
To be repaid anon.

'Tis God that lifts our comforts high,
Or sinks them in the grave;
He gives, and (bless'd be his name)
He takes but what he gave.

Peace, all our unruly passions, then;
Let each rebellion sigh
Be silent at his sovereign will,
And every unnatural died.

5 If smiling mercy crown our lives
Its praises shall be spread,
And we'll adore the justice too
That strikes our comforts dead.

SINCERITY.

332. Bedford 91, Sprague 166.
(Hymn 35. B. 1. 2d Part, C. M.)
Truth, Sincerity, &c. Phil. iv. 8.
Let those who bear the Christian name
Their holy vows fulfil:
The saints, the followers of the Lamb,
Are men of honour still.

True to the solemn oath they take,
Tho' to their hurt they swear;
Constant and just to all they speak,
For God and angels hear.

Still with their lips their hearts agree,
Nor flattering words devise;
They know the God of truth can see
Tho' every false disguise.

They hate the appearance of a lie
In all the shapes it wears:
They live the truth; and when they die,
Eternal life is theirs.

While hypocrites and liars fly
Before the Judge's frown,
His faithful friends, who fear a lie,
Receive the immortal crown.

(Hymn 136. B. 1. C. M.)
Sincerity and Hypocrisy; or, Formality in Worship, John iv. 24, Ps. cxix. 23, 24.
God is a spirit just and wise,
He sees our inmost mind;
In vain to heaven we raise our cries
And leave our souls behind.

Nothing but truth before his throne
With honour can appear,
The painted hypocrites are known
Thro' the disguise they wear.

Their lifted eyes salute the skies,
Their bending knees the ground;
But God abhors the sacrifice
Where not the heart is found.

Lord, search my thoughts, and try my ways,
And make my soul sincere;
Then shall I stand before thy face,
And find acceptance there.
Hypocrisy exposed.

The Lord, the judge, his churches warns,
Let hypocrites attend and fear,
Who place their hope in rites and forms,
But make not faith nor love their care.

They watch to do their neighbours wrong,
Yet dare to seek their Maker’s face;
They take his covenant on their tongue,
But break his laws, abuse his grace.

To heaven they lift their hands unclean,
Defil’d with lust, defil’d with blood;
By night they practice every sin,
By day their mouths draw near to God.

And while his judgments long delay,
They grow secure and sin the more;
They think he sleeps as well as they,
And put far off the dreadful hour.

O dreadful hour! when God draws near,
And sets their crimes he before their eyes!
His wrath their guilty souls shall tear,
And no deliverer dare to rise.

Professions of sincerity, repentance, and obedience.

Thou art my portion, O my God;
Soon as I know thy way,
My heart makes haste to obey thy word,
And suffers no delay.

I choose the path of heavenly truth,
And glory in my choice:
Not all the riches of the earth
Could make me so rejoice.

The testimonies of thy grace —
I set before my eyes;
Them I derive my daily strength,
And there my comfort lies.

If once I wander from thy path,
I think upon my ways,
Then turn my feet to thy commands,
And trust thy pardoning grace.

Now I am thine, for ever thine,
O save thy servant, Lord;
Thou art my shield, my hiding-place,
My hope is in thy word.

Sincerity professed, and grace tried; or, the Heart-searching God.

My God, what inward grief I feel
When impious men transgress thy
I mourn to hear their lips profane,
[Will! Take thy tremendous name in vain.

Does not my soul detest and hate
The sons of malice and deceit?
Those that oppose thy laws and thee
I count them enemies to me.

Lord, search my soul, try every thought;
Thou’st own my heart accuse me not
Of walking in a false disguise,
I beg the trial of thine eyes.

Doth secret mischief lurk within?
Do I indulge some unknown sin?
O turn my feet whene’er I stray,
And lead me in thy perfect way.

ORD, thou hast seen my soul sincere,
Hast made thy truth and love appear;
Before mine eyes I set thy laws,
And thou hast own’d my righteous cause.

Since I have learnt thy holy ways,
I’ve walk’d upright before thy face;
Or if my feet did e’er depart,
’Twas never with a wicked heart.

What sore temptations broke my rest!
What wars and struglings in my breast!
But thro’ thy grace that reigns within,
I guard against my darling sin:

That sin which close besets me still,
That works and strives against my will;
When shall thy Spirit’s sovereign power
Destroy it that it rise no more?

[With an impartial hand, the Lord
Deals out to mortals their reward;
The kind and faithful souls shall find
A God as faithful, and as kind.

The just and pure shall ever say
Thou art more pure, more just than they;
And men that love revenge shall know
God hath an arm of vengeance too.]
TRUST. ZEAL.

338, 339. 'TRUST. ZEAL. 340, 341

TRUST AND CONFIDENCE.

3 8. Lebanon 79, Manning 245.
(Psalm 62. ver. 5—12. L. M.)
No Trust in the Creatures; or, Faith in Divine Grace and Power.

My spirit looks to God alone;
My rock and refuge is his throne;
In all my fears, in all my straits,
My soul on his salvation waits.

2 Trust him, ye saints, in all your ways,
Pour out your hearts before his face:
When helpers fail, and foes invade,
God is our all-sufficient aid.

False are the men of high degree,
The baser sort are vanity;
Laid in the balance both appear
Light as a puff of empty air.

Make not increasing gold your trust,
Nor set your heart on glittering dust;
Why will you grasp the fleeting smoke,
And not believe what God hath spoke?

Once has his awful voice declare'd,
Once and again my ears have heard,
'All power is his eternal due;
'He must be fear'd and trusted too.'

For sovereign power reigns not alone,
Grace is a partner of the throne:
Thy grace and justice, mighty Lord,
Shall well divide our last reward.

339. Abridge 201, Ann's 58, Grovehouse 143.
(Hymn 103. B. 1. C. M.)
Not ashamed of the Gospel, 2 Tim. i. 12.

I'm not ashamed to own my Lord,
Or to defend his cause,
Maintain the honour of his word,
The glory of his cross.

Jesus, my God, I know his name,
His name is all my trust,
Nor will he put my soul to shame,
Nor let my hope be lost.

Firm as his throne his promise stands,
And he can well secure
What I've committed to his hands
Till the decisive hour.

Then will he own my worthless name
Before his Father's face,
And in the new Jerusalem
Appoint my soul a place.

ZEAL.

(Hymn 37. B. 1. 2d Part. C. M.)
Zeal and Fortitude.

Do I believe what Jesus saith,
And think the gospel true?
Lord, make me bold to own my faith,
And practise virtue too.

Suppress my shame, subdue my fear,
Arm me with heavenly zeal,
That I may make thy power appear,
And works of praise fulfill.

If men shall see my virtue shine,
And spread my name abroad,
Thine is the power, the praise is thine,
My Saviour and my God.

Thus when the saints in glory meet,
Their lips proclaim thy grace;
They cast their honours at thy feet,
And own their borrowed rays.

PAUSE.
Are we the soldiers of the cross?
The followers of the Lamb
And shall we fear to own his cause,
Or blush to speak his name?

Now we must fight if we would reign;
Increase our courage, Lord!
We'll bear the toil, endure the pain,
Supported by thy word.

Thy saints in all this glorious war
Shall conquer, tho' they're slain;
They see the triumph from afar,
And shall with Jesus reign.

When that illustrious day shall rise,
And all thy armies shine
In robes of victory thro' the skies,
The glory shall be thine.

ADDRESSES TO THE HOLY SPIRIT.

(Hymn 34. B. 2. C. M.)
Breathing after the Holy Spirit; or, Fer-

Come, holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
With all thy quickening powers,
Kindle a flame of sacred love,
In these cold hearts of ours.

Look, how we grovel here below,
Fond of these trifling toys;
Our souls can neither by nor go
To reach eternal joys.
In vain we tune our formal songs,
In vain we strive to rise;
Hosannas languish on our tongues,
And our devotion dies.

Dear Lord! and shall we ever be
At this poor dying rate?
Our love so faint, so cold to thee,
And thine to us so great!

Come, holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
With all thy quickening powers;
Come, shed abroad a Saviour's love,
And that shall kindle ours.

Eternal Spirit! we confess
And sing the wonders of thy grace;
Thy power conveys our blessings down
From God the Father and the Son.

Enlighten'd by thine heavenly ray,
Our shades and dark'ness turn today;
Thine inward teachings make us know
Our danger and our refuge too.

Thy power and glory works within,
And breaks the chains of reigning sin,
Both our imperious lusts subdue,
And forms our wretched hearts anew.

The troubled conscience knows thy voice,
Thy cheering words awake our joys;
Thy words allay the stormy wind,
And calm the surges of the mind.

O for a sight, a pleasing sight
Of our almighty Father's throne!
There sits our Saviour crown'd with light,
Cloth'd in a body like our own.

Adoring saints around him stand,
And thrones and powers before him fall;
The God shines graciously thro' the man,
And sheds sweet glories on them all.

O what amazing joys they feel
While to their golden harps they sing,
And sit on every heavenly hill,
And spread the triumphs of their King!

When shall the day, dear Lord, appear
That I shall mount to dwell above,
And stand and bow amongst them there,
And view thy face, and sing, and love!

My crimes are great, but not surpass
The power and glory of thy grace:
Great God, thy nature hath no bound,
So let thy pardoning love be found.

O wash my soul from every sin,
And make my guilty conscience clean;
Here on my heart the burden lies,
And past all harms, pain my eyes!
My lips with shame my sins confess
Against thy law, against thy grace:
Lord, should thy judgment grow severe,
I am condemn'd, but thou art clear.

Should sudden vengeance seize my breath,
I must pronounce thee just in death;
And if my soul were sent to hell,
Thy righteous law approves it well.

Yet save a trembling sinner, Lord,
Whose hope, still hovering round thy word,
Would light on some sweet promise there,
Some sure support against despair.

Waiting for Pardon and Direction.

I lift my soul to God,
My trust is in his name;
Let not my foes that seek my blood
Still triumph in my shame.

Sin and the powers of hell
Persuade me to despair;
Lord, make me know thy covenant well,
That I may escape the snare.

From the first dawning light
Till the dark evening rise,
For thy salvation, Lord, I wait
With ever-longing eyes.

Remember all thy grace,
And lead me in thy truth;
Forgive the sins of riper days,
And follies of my youth.

The Lord is just and kind,
The meek shall learn his ways;
And every humble sinner find
The methods of his grace.

For his own goodness sake
He saves my soul from shame;
He pardons (though my guilt be great)
Thro' my Redeemer's name.

Love to the Creatures is dangerous.

How vain are all things here below!
How false, and yet how fair!
Each pleasure hath its poison too,
And every sweet a snare.

The brightest things below the sky
Give but a flattering light;
We should suspect some danger nigh
Where we possess delight.

Our dearest joys, and nearest friends,
The partners of our blood,
How they divide our wavering minds,
And leave but half for God!

The fondness of a creature's love,
How strong it strikes the sense?
Thither the warm affections move,
Nor can we call them thence.

Dear Saviour, let thy beauties be
My soul's eternal food;
And grace command my heart away
From all created good.

A Sight of God mortifies us to the World.

Up to the fields where angels lie,
And living waters gently roll,
Fain would my thoughts leap out and fly,
But sin hangs heavy on my soul.

Thy wondrous blood, dear dying Christ,
Can make this load of guilt remove;
And thou canst hear me where thou fly'st,
On thy kind wings, celestial Dove!

O might I once mount up and see
The glories of th' eternal skies,
What little things these worlds would be!
How despicable to my eyes!

Had I a glance of thee, my God,
Kingdoms and men would vanish soon,
Vanish as tho' I saw them not,
As a dim candle dies at noon.

Then they might fight, and rage, and rave,
I should perceive the noise no more
Than we can hear a shaking leaf,
While rattling thunders round us roar.

Great All in All, Eternal King,
Let me but view thy lovely face,
And all my powers shall bow, and sing
Thine endless grandeur and thy grace.

Parting with carnal Joys.

My soul forsakes her vain delight,
And bids the world farewell,
Base as the dirt beneath my feet,
And mischievous as hell.

No longer will I ask your love,
Nor seek your friendship more;
The happiness that I approve
Lies not within your power.

There's nothing round this spacious earth
That suits my large desire;
To boundless joy and solid mirth
My nobler thoughts aspire.

Where pleasure rolls its living flood,
From sin and dross refined,
Still springing from the throne of God,
And fit to cheer the mind.
5 Th' almighty ruler of the sphere,  
The glorious and the great,  
Brings his own all-sufficiency there  
To make our bliss complete.]  

6 Had I the pinions of a dove  
I'd climb the heavenly road;  
There sits my Saviour dress'd in love,  
And there my smiling God.  

(Hymn 11. B. 2. L. M.)  
The same.  

I SEND the joys of earth away,  
Away, ye tempters of the mind,  
False as the smooth deceitful sea,  
And empty as the whistling wind.  

2 Your streams were floating me along  
Down to the gulph of black despair,  
And whilst I listen'd to your song,  
Your streams had e'en convey'd me there.  

3 Lord, I adore thy matchless grace,  
That warn'd me of that dark abyss,  
That drew me from those treacherous seas,  
And bid me seek superior bliss.  

4 Now to the shining realms above  
I stretch my hands, and glance mine eyes;  
O for the pinionsof a dove  
To hear me to the upper skies.  

352. Workworth 158, Stoke 207.  
(Hymn 106. B. 1. S.M.)  
Dead to Sin by the Cross of Christ, Rom.vi.  
1, 2, 6.  

S HALL we go on to sin  
Because thy grace abounds,  
Or crucify the Lord again,  
And open all his wounds?  

2.  
Forbid it, mighty God,  
Nor let it e'er be said  
That we whose sins are crucify'd  
Should raise them from the dead.  

3.  
We will be slaves no more,  
Since Christ has made us free,  
Has nail'd our tyrants to his cross,  
And bought our liberty.  

(Hymn 81. B. 2. C. M.)  
Our Sin the Cause of Christ's Death.  

AND now the scales have left mine eyes,  
Now I begin to see;  
Oh the curs'd deeds my sins have done!  
What murderous things they be!  

2.  
Were these the traitors, dearest Lord,  
That thy fair body tore!  
Monsters, that stain'd those heavenly limbs  
With floods of purple gore!  

3.  
Was it for crimes that I had done  
My dearest Lord was slain,  
When justice seiz'd God's only Son,  
And put his soul to pain!  

4.  
Forgive my guilt, O Prince of Peace,  
I'll wound my God no more;  
Hence from my heart, ye sins, be gone,  
For Jesus I adore.  

5.  
Furnish me, Lord, with heavenly arms  
From grace's magazine,  
And I'll proclaim eternal war  
With every darling sin.  

354. Sprague 166, Ilephzibah 71, Great Milton 212.  
(Hymn 31. B. 1. 2d Part. C. M.)  
The hidden Life of a Christian, Col. iii. 3.  

O HAPPY soul! that lives on high!  
While men lie grovelling here!  
His hopes are fix'd above the sky,  
And faith fords his fear.  

2.  
His conscience knows no secret sin;  
While peace and joy combine  
To form a life whose holy springs  
Are hidden and divine.
3

He waits in secret on his God;  
His God in secret sees:  
Let earth be all in arms abroad,  
He dwells in heavenly peace.

His pleasures rise from things unseen,  
Beyond this world and time,  
Where neither eyes nor ears have been,  
Nor thoughts of sinners climb.

He wants no pomp nor royal throne  
To raise his figure here;  
Content and pleas'd to live unknown  
Till Christ his life appear.

He looks to heaven's eternal hill  
To meet that glorious day:  
But patient waits his Saviour's will  
To fetch his soul away.

Hymn 116. B. 2. C. M.)

355. Grove House 143, Michael's 119.

How can I sink with such a prop  
As my eternal God,  
Who bears the earth's huge pillars up,  
And spreads the heaven's abroad!

How can I die while Jesus lives,  
Who rose and left the dead?  
Pardon and grace my soul receives  
From mine exalted head.

1 All that I am, and all I have  
Shall be for ever thine,  
Whatever my duty bids me give  
My cheerful hands resign.

Yet if I might make some reserve,  
And duty did not call,  
I love my God with zeal so great  
That I should give him all.

Hymn 140. B. 2. C. M.)


Give me the wings of faith to rise  
Within the veil, and see  
The saints above, how great their joys,  
How bright their glories be.

Once they were mourning here below,  
And wet their couch with tears;  
They wrestled hard, as we do now,  
With sins, and doubts, and fears.

I ask them whence their victory came,  
They, with united breath,  
Acribe their conquest to the Lamb,  
Their triumph to his death.

They mark the footsteps that he trod,  
(All zeal inspird their breast;)  
And following their incarnate God  
Possess the promised rest.

357. Oom's 45, Bromley 104, Truro 105.

(Hymn 48. B. 1. L. M.)


AWAKE, our souls, away, our fears,  
Let every trembling thought be gone;  
Awake and run the heavenly race,  
And put cheerful courage on.

True, 'tis a straight and thorny road,  
And mortal spirits tire and faint;  
But they forget the mighty God  
That feeds the strength of every saint—

3 Thee, mighty God, whose matchless power  
Is ever new and ever young,  
And firm endures while endless years  
Their everlasting circles run.

From thee the overflowing spring,  
Our souls shall drink a fresh supply,  
While such as trust their native strength  
Shall melt away, and drop and die.

Swift as an eagle cuts the air  
We'll mount aloft to thine abode,  
On wings of love our souls shall fly,  
Nor tire amidst the heavenly road.

The Examples of Christ and the Saints.

Hymn 77. 8. 2. L. M.)

358. Oom's 45, Wells 102, Rothwell 174.

The Christian Warfare.

Stand up, my soul, shake off thy fears,  
And gird the gospel-armour on,  
March to the gates of endless joy  
Where thy great Captain-Saviour's gone.

Hell and thy sins resist thy course,  
But hell and sin are vanquish'd foes,  
Thy Jesus nail'd them to the cross,  
And sung the triumph when he rose.

What tho' the prince of darkness rage,  
And waste the fury of his spite,  
Eternal chains confine him down  
To fiery deeps and endless night.

What tho' thine inward lusts rebel,  
'Tis but a struggling gasp for life;  
The weapons of victorious grace  
Shall slay thy sins, and end the strife.

Then let my soul march boldly on,  
Press forward to the heavenly gate,  
There peace and joy eternal reign,  
And glittering robes for conquerors wait.

There shall I wear a starry crown,  
And triumph in almighty grace,  
While all the armies of the skies  
Join in my glorious Leader's praise.
359. Foster 96, Salem 139.
(Psalm 144. ver. 1, 2. 1st Part. C. M.)
Assistance and Victory in the spiritual Warfare.

FOR ever blessed be the Lord,
My Saviour and my shield;
He sends his Spirit with his word
To arm me for the field.

2 When sin and hell their force unite,
He makes my soul his care,
Instructs me to the heavenly fight,
And guards me thro' the war.

3 A friend and helper so divine
Doth my weak courage raise;
He makes the glorious victory mine,
And his shall he the praise.

360. Rippon’s 188, Kingsbridge 98.
(Psalm 119. 17th Part. L. M.)
Courage and Perseverance under Persecution;
or, Grace shining in Difficulties and Trials.

Ver. 143, 28.
HEN pain and anguish seize me, Lord,
All my support is from thy word;
My soul dissolves or heaviness,
Uphold me with thy strengthening grace.

Ver. 161, 78.
They hate me, Lord, without a cause,
They hate to seem love thy laws;
But I will trust and fear thy name,
Till pride and malice die with shame.

(Psalm 7. C. M.)
God’s Care of his People, and Punishment of Persecutors.

My trust is in my heavenly friend,
My hope in thee, my God;
Rise, and my helpless life defend
From those that seek my blood.

2 With insolence and fury they
My soul in pieces tear,
As hungry lions rend the prey,
When no deliverer’s near.

3 If I had e’er provok’d them first,
Or once abus’d my foe,
Then let him tread my life to dust,
And lay mine honour low.

4 If there be malice found in me,
I know thy piercing eyes;
I should not dare appeal to thee,
Nor ask my God to rise.

5 Arise, my God, lift up thy hand,
Their pride and power control;
Awake to judgment, and command
Deliverance for my soul.

PAUSE.

[Let sinners and their wicked rage
Be humbled to the dust;
Shall not the God of truth engage
To vindicate the just?

7 He knows the heart, he tries the reins,
He will defend th’ upright:
His sharpest arrows he ordains
Against the sons of spite.

8 For me their malice digg’d a pit,
But there themselves are cast;
My God makes all their mischief light
On their own heads at last.]

That cruel persecuting race
Must feel his dreadful sword;
Awake, my soul, and praise the grace
And justice of the Lord.

(Psalm 94. ver. 16—23. 2d Part. C. M.)
God our Support and Comfort; or, Deliverance from Temptation and Persecution.

WHO will arise and plead my right
Against my numerous foes,
While earth and hell their force unite,
And all my hopes oppose?

2 Had not the Lord, my rock, my help,
Sustain’d my fainting head,
My life had now insilenced dwelt,
My soul amongst the dead.

3 Alas! my sliding feet, I cry’d;
Thy promise was my prop;
Thy grace stood constant by my side,
Till pride and malice die with shame.

4 While multitudes of mournful thoughts
Within my bosom roll,
Thy boundless love forgives my faults,
Thy comforts cheer my soul.

5 Powers of iniquity may rise,
And frame pernicious laws;
But God, my refuge, rules the skies,
He will defend my cause.

Let malice vent her rage aloud,
Let bold blasphemers scoff;
The Lord our God shall judge the proud,
And cut the sinners off.

363. Great Milton 212, Stamford 9,
(Psalms 16. 1—8. 1st Part. C. M.)
Support and Counsel from God without Merit.

SAVE me, O Lord, from every foe;
In thee my trust I place,
Tho’ all the good that I can do
Can ne’er deserve thy grace.

2 Yet if my God prolong my breath
The saints may profit by’t;
The saints the glory of the earth,
The men of my delight. 

359, 360, 361
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362,
3 Let Heathens to their idols haste,
And worship wood or stone;
But my delightful lot is cast
Where the true God is known.

His hand provides me constant food,
He fills my daily cup;
Much am I pleas'd with present good,
But more rejoice in hope.

God is my portion and my joy,
His counsels are my light;
He gives me sweet advice by day,
And gentle hints by night.

My soul would all her thoughts approve
To his all-seeing eye;
Not death, nor hell my soul shall move,
While such a friend is nigh.

In God most holy, just, and true,
I have repos'd my trust;
Nor will I fear what flesh can do,
The offspring of the dust.

They wrest my words to mischief still,  
Charge me with unknown faults;
Mischief doth all their counsels fill,
And malice all their thoughts.

Shall they escape without thy frown?
Must their devices stand?
O cast the haughty sinner down,
And let him know thy hand!  

PAUSE.

God counts the sorrows of his saints,
Their groans affect his ears;
Thou hast a book for my complaints,
A bottle for my tears.

When to thy throne I raise my cry,
The wicked fear and flee;
So swift is prayer to reach the sky,
So near is God to me.

In thee, most holy, just, and true,
I have repos'd my trust;
Nor will I fear what man can do,
The offspring of the dust.

God is my portion and my joy,
His counsels are my light;
He gives me sweet advice by day,
And gentle hints by night.

My soul would all her thoughts approve
To his all-seeing eye;
Not death, nor hell my soul shall move,
While such a friend is nigh.

Peace is the blessing that I seek,
How lovely are its charms!
I am for peace; but when I speak,
They all declare for arms.

New passions still their souls engage,
And keep their malice strong;
What shall be done to curb thy rage,
Oh thou devouring tongue!

Should burning arrows smite thee thro',
Strict justice would approve;
But I had rather spare my foe,
And melt his heart with love.

My heart rejoices in thy name,
My God, my help, my trust;
Thou hast preserv'd my face from shame,
Mine honour from the dust.

My life is spent with grief,' I cry'd,
My years consume in groans,
My strength decays, mine eyes are dry'd,
And sorrow wastes my bones.

Among mine enemies my name
Was a mere proverb grown,
While to my neighbours I became
Forgotten and unknown.

Slander and fear, on every side,
Seiz'd and set me round;
I to the throne of grace apply'd,
And speedy rescue found.

How great deliverance thou hast wrought
Before the sons of men!

The lying lips to silence brought,
And made their boasted vain.
6 Thy children, from the strife of tongues,
    Shall thy pavilion hide,
Guard them from infamy and wrongs,
    And crush the sons of pride.
7 Within thy secret presence, Lord,
    Let me for ever dwell;
No fenced city, wall'd and barr'd,
    Secures a saint so well.

(Psalm 118. ver. 6—15. 1st Part. C. M.)

Deliverance from a Tumult.

THE Lord appears my helper now,
    Nor is my faith afraid
What all the sons of earth can do,
    Since heaven affords its aid.
2 'Tis safer, Lord, to hope in thee,
    And have my God my friend,
Than trust in men of high degree,
    And on their truth depend.
3 Like bees my foes beset me round,
    A large and angry swarm;
But I shall all their rage confound
    By thine Almighty arm.
4 'Tis thro' the Lord my heart is strong,
    In him my lips rejoice;
While his salvation is my song,
    How cheerful is my voice!
5 Like angry bees they girt me round;
    When God appears they fly;
So burning thorns, with crackling sound,
    Make a fierce blaze and die.
6 Joy to the saints and peace belongs;
    The Lord protects their days;
Let Israel tune immortal songs
    To his almighty grace.

368. Babylon Streams 23, Pauls 246.
(Psalm 143. L. M.)

Complaint of heavy Afflictions in Mind and Body.

MY righteous Judge, my gracious God,
Hear when I spread my hands abroad
And cry for succour from thy throne,
O make thy truth and mercy known.
2 Let judgment not against me pass;
    Behold thy servant pleads thy grace;
Should justice call us to thy bar,
    No man alive is guiltless there.
3 Look down in pity, Lord, and see
    The mighty woes that burden me;
Down to the dust my life is brought,
    Like one long bury'd and forgot.
4 I dwell in darkness and unseen,
    My heart is desolate within;
My thoughts in musing silence trace
    The ancient wonders of thy grace.

(Psalm 55. 1—8, 16—18, 22. C. M.)

Support for the afflicted and tempted Soul.

GOD, my refuge, hear my cries,
Behold my flowing tears,
And triumph in my fears.
Their rage is levelled at my life,
My soul with guilt they load,
And fill my thoughts with inward strife.
To shake my hope in God.
3 With inward pain my heart-strings sound,
    I groan with every breath;
Horror and fear beset me round
    Amongst the shades of death.
4 O were I like a feather'd dove,
    And innocence had wings;
I'd fly, and make a long remove,
    From all these restless things.
5 Let me to some wild desert go,
    And find a peaceful home,
Where storms of malice never blow
    Temptations never come.
6 Vain hopes, and vain inventions all
To 'scape the rage of hell!
The mighty God on whom I call
Can save me here as well.

PAUSE.

By morning light I'll seek his face,
At noon repeat my cry,
The night shall hear me ask his grace,
Nor will he long deny.

8 God shall preserve my soul from fear,
Or shield me when afraid;
Ten thousand angels must appear
If he command their aid.

9 I cast my burdens on the Lord,
The Lord sustains them all;
My courage rests upon his word
That saints shall never fall.

10 My highest hopes shall not be vain,
My lips shall spread his praise;
While cruel and deceitful men
Scarce live out half their days.

(Hymn 25. B.2. C. M.)

Complaining of Spiritual Sloth.

MY drowsy powers, why sleepe ye so!
Awake, my sluggish soul!
Nothing has half thy work to do,
Yet nothing's half so dull.

2 The little ants for one poor grain
Labour, and tug, and strive,
Yet we who have a heaven to obtain,
How negligent we live!

3 We for whose sake all nature stands
And stars their courses move;
We for whose guard the angel hands
Come flying from above;

4 We for whom God the Son came down,
And laboured for our good,
How careless to secure that crown
He purchas'd with his blood!

5 Lord, shall we lie so sluggish still!
And never act our parts?
Come, holy Dove, from th' heavenly hill,
And sit and warm our hearts.

(Hymn 96. B.2. C. M.)

Hardness of Heart complained of.

MY heart, how dreadful hard it is!
How heavy here it lies,
Heavy and cold within my breast
Just like a rock of ice!

2 Sin like a raging tyrant sits
Upon this flinty throne,
And every grace lies bury'd deep
Beneath this heart of stone.

3 How seldom do I rise to God,
Or taste the joys above!
This mountain presses down my faith,
And chills my flaming love.

4 When smiling mercy courts my soul
With all its heavenly charms,
This stubborn, this relentless thing
Would thrust it from my arms.

5 Against the thunders of thy word
Rebellious I have stood,
My heart it shakes not at the wrath
And terrors of a God.

6 Dear Saviour, steep this rock of mine
In thine own crimson sea;
None but a bath of blood divine
Can melt the flint away.

(Hymn 98. B.2. C. M.)

Distress of Soul; or, Backsliding and Desertion.

MINE eyes and my desire
Are ever to the Lord;
I love to plead his promises,
And rest upon his word.

2 Turn, turn thee to my soul,
Bring thy salvation near;
When will thy hand release my feet
Out of the deadly snare!

3 When shall the sovereign grace
Of my forgiving God
Restore me from those dangerous ways
My wandering feet have trod?

4 The tumult of my thoughts
Doth but enlarge my woe;
My spirit languishes, my heart
Is desolate and low.

5 With every morning light
My sorrow new begins;
Look on my anguish and my pain,
And par on all my sins.

PAUSE.

Behold the hosts of hell,
How cruel is their hate!
Against my life they rise, and join
Their fury with deceit.

7 O keep my soul from death,
Nor put my hope to shame,
For I have plac'd my only trust
In my Redeemer's name.

8 With humble faith I wait
To see thy face again;
Of Israel it shall ne'er be said,
'He sought the Lord in vain.'
373. Workop 31, Bangor 231.

(Hymn 163. B. 2. C. M.)

Complaint of Desertion and Temptations.

DEAR Lord, behold our sore distress;
Our sins attempt to reign;
Stretch out thine arm of conquering grace
And let thy foes be slain.

[The lion with his dreadful roar
Affrights thy feeble sheep;
Reveal the glory of thy power,
And chain him to the deep.

Must we indulge a long despair?
Shall our petitions die?
Our mournings never reach thine ear,
Nor tears affect thine eye!

If thou despise a mortal groan
Yet hear a Saviour's blood;
An advocate so near the throne
Pleads and prevaileth with God.

He bought the Spirit's powerful sword
To slay our deadly foes:
Our sins shall die beneath thy word,
And hell in vain oppose.

How boundless is our Father's grace,
In height, and depth, and length:
He makes his Son our righteousness,
His Spirit is our strength.


(Psalm 13. C. M.)

Complaint under Temptations of the Devil.

HOW long wilt thou conceal thy face? My God, how long delay?
When shall I feel those heavenly rays
That chasethy fears away?

How long shall my poor labouring soul
Wrestle and toil in vain?
Thy word can all my foes control,
And ease my raging pain.

See how the prince of darkness tries
All his malicious arts,
He spreads a mist around my eyes,
And throws his fiery darts.

Be thou my sun, and thou my shield,
My soul in safety keep;
Make haste before mine eyes are seal'd
In death's eternal sleep.

How would the tempter boast aloud
If I become his prey?
Behold the sons of hell grow proud
At thy so long delay.

But they shall fly at thy rebuke,
And Satan hide his head;
He knows the terrors of thy look,
And hears thy voice with dread.

Thou wilt display that sovereign grace,
Where all my hopes have hung;
I shall employ my lips in praise,
And victory shall be sung.

375. Brightelmstone 208, Crowley 3.

(Hymn 20. B. 2. C. M.)

Backsliding and Returns; or, the Inconstancy of our Love.

WHY is my heart so far from thee,
My God, my chief delight?
Why are my thoughts no more by day?
With thee, no more by night?

[Why should my foolish passions rove?
Where can such sweetness be?
As I have tasted in thy love,
As I have found in thee?

When my forgetful soul refreshes
The savour of thy grace,
My heart presumes I cannot lose
The relish all my days.

But ere one fleeting hour is pass'd,
The flattering world employs
Some sensual bait to seize my taste,
And to pollute my joys.

[Trifles of nature or of art
With fair deceitful charms
Intrude upon my thoughtless heart,
And thrust thee from my arms.

Then I repent and vex my soul
That I should leave thee so,
Where will those wild affections roll,
That let a Saviour go!

[Sin's promised joys are turn'd to pain;
And I am drown'd in grief;
But my dear Lord returns again, He flies to my relief.

Seizing my soul with sweet surprise,
He draws with loving hands;
Divine compassion in his eyes,
And pardon in his hands.

Wretch that I am to wander thus
In chase of falsedelight!
Let me be fasten'd to thy cross
Rather than lose thy sight.

Make haste, my days, to reach the goal,
And bring my heart to rest
On the dear centre of my soul,
My God, my Saviour's breast.

376. Rippon's 188, Ulverston 139, Psalms 246.

(Psalm 13. L. M.)

Pleading with God under Desertion and Hope in Darkness.

HOW long, O Lord, shall I complain?
Like one that seeks his God in vain:
Canst thou thy face for ever hide?
And I still pray, and be denied.
Shall I for ever be forgot
As one whom thou regardest not!
And still despair of thy return?
How long shall my poor troubled breast
Be with these anxious thoughts opprest?
And Satan, my malicious foe,
Rejoice to see me sunk so low?

How will the powers of darkness boast,
If but one praying soul be lost!
But I have trusted in thy grace,
And shall again behold thy face.

Whate'er my fears or foes suggest,
Thou art my hope, my joy, my rest;
My heart shall feel thy love, and raise
My cheerful voice to songs of praise.

377. Brightelmstone 298, Sprague 166.
(Psalm 119. 16th Part. C. M.)
Prayer for quickening Grace.

Ver. 25, 37.
My soul lies cleaving to the dust;
Lord, give me life divine;
From vain desires and every lust
Turn off these eyes of mine.

I need the influence of thy grace
To speed me in thy way,
Lest I should loiter in my race,
Or turn my feet astray.

When sore afflictions press me down,
I need thy quickening powers;
Thy word that I have rested on
Shall help my heaviest hours.

Are not thy mercies sovereign still?
And thou a faithful God?
Will thou not grant me warmer zeal
To run the heavenly road?

Does not my heart thy precepts love,
And long to see thy face?
And yet how slow my spirits move
Without enlivening grace?

Then shall I love thy gospel more,
And ne'er forget thy word,
When I have felt its quickening power
To draw me near the Lord.

378. Walsal 237, Wantage 204.
(Psalm 119. 12th Part. C. M.)
Breathing after Comfort and Deliverance.

Ver. 153.
My God, consider my distress,
Let mercy plead my cause;
Thou hast sinned against thy grace,
I can't forget thy laws.

Ver. 29, 116.
Forbid, forbid the sharp reproach
Which I so justly fear;
Uphold my life, uphold my hopes,
Nor let my shame appear.

Ver. 122, 135.
Be thou a surety, Lord, for me,
Nor let the proud oppress;
But make thy waiting servant see
The shinings of thy face.

My eyes with expectation fail,
My heart within me cries,
'When will the Lord his truth fulfil,
And make my comforts rise?'

Ver. 139.
Look down upon my sorrows, Lord,
And shew thy grace the same
As thou art ever wont t' afford
To those that love thy name.

379. Walsal 237, Ludlow 84, Wantage 204.
(Psalm 38. C. M.)
Guilt of Conscience and Relief; or, Repentance,
and Prayer for Pardon and Health.

A MIDST thy wrath remember love,
Restore thy servant, Lord;
Nor let a Father's chastening prove
Like an avenger's sword.

My thoughts are like a troubled sea,
My head still bending down;
And I go mourning all the day
Beneath my Father's frown.

My sins a heavy load appear,
And o'er my head are gone;
Too heavy they for me to bear,
Too hard for me t' atone.

My eyes count every tear,
My flesh is sorely prest;
Between the sorrow and the smart
My spirit finds no rest.

All my desire to thee is known,
Thine eye counts every tear,
And every sigh, and every groan
Is noticed by thine ear.

Thou art my God, my only hope;
My God will hear me cry,
My God will bear my spirit up
When Satan bids me die.

(My foot is ever apt to slide,
My foes rejoice to see't;
They raise their pleasure and their pride,
When they supplant my feet.

But I'll confess my guilt to thee,
And grieve for all my sin,
I'll mourn how weak my graces be,
And beg support divine.
My God, forgive my follies past,  
And be for ever nigh;  
O Lord of my salvation, haste,  
Before thy servant die.]

380. Green's Hundred 89, Ulverston 179.  
(Psalm 107. 2d Part. L. M.)

Correction for Sin, and Release by Prayer.

FROM age to age exalt his name,  
God and his grace are still the same;  
He fills the hungry soul with food,  
And feeds the poor with every good.

But if their hearts rebel and rise  
Against the God that rules the skies,  
If they reject his heavenly word,  
And slight the counsels of the Lord;

He'll bring their spirits to the ground,  
And no deliverer shall be found;  
Laden with grief they waste their breath  
In darkness and the shades of death.

Then to the Lord they raise the cry,  
He makes the dawn in light arise,  
And scatters all that dismal shade,  
That hung so heavy round their head.

He cuts the bars of brass in two,  
And lets the smiling prisoners thro';  
Takes off the load of guilt and grief,  
And gives the languishing soul relief.

O may the sons of men record  
The wonderful goodness of the Lord!  
How great his works! how kind his ways!  
Let every tongue pronounce his praise.

381. Ulverston 179, Hotham 224.  
(Psalm 4. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7. L. M.)

Hearing of Prayer; or, God our Portion,  
and Christ our Hope.

O GOD of grace and righteousness,  
Hear and attend when I complain;  
Thou hast enlarged me in distress,  
Bow down a gracious ear again.

Ye sons of men, in vain ye try  
To turn my glory into shame;  
How long will scoffers love to lie,  
And dare reproach my Saviour's name!

Know that the Lord divides his saints  
From all the tribes of men beside;  
He hears the cry of penitents  
For the dear sake of Christ that dy'd.

When our obedient hands have done  
A thousand works of righteousness,  
We put our trust in God alone,  
And glory in his pardoning grace.

Let th' unthinking many say,  
'Who will bestow some earthly good?'  
But, Lord, thy light and love we pray,  
Our souls desire this heavenly food.

Then shall my cheerful powers rejoice  
At grace and favour so divine;  
Nor will I change my happy choice  
For all their corn, and all their wine.

382. Pauls 246, Ulverston 179.  
(Psalm 85. 1-8. 1st Part. L. M.)

Waiting for an Answer to Prayer; or, Deliverance begun and completed.

ORD, thou hast call'd thy grace to mind,  
Thou hast reversed our heavy doom:  
So God forgave when Israel sinn'd,  
And brought his wandering captives home.

Thou hast begun to set us free,  
And made thy fiercest wrath abate;  
Now let our hearts be turned to thee,  
And thy salvation be complete.

Revive our dying graces, Lord,  
And let thy saints in thee rejoice;  
Make known thy truth, fulfil thy word,  
We wait for praise to tune our voice.

We wait to hear what God will say;  
He'll speak, and give his people peace;  
But let them run no more astray,  
Lest his returning wrath increase.

383. Fawcett 184, Ulverston 179.  
(Psalm 51. 3d Part. L. M.)

The Backslider restored; or, Repentance and Faith in the Blood of Christ.

O THOU that hear'st when sinners cry,  
Tho' all my crimes before thee lie,  
Behold them not with angry look,  
But blot their memory from thy book.

Create my nature pure within,  
And form my soul averse to sin:  
Let thy good Spirit never depart,  
Nor hide thy presence from my heart.

I cannot live without thy light,  
Cast out and banish'd from thy sight;  
Thine holy joys, my God, restore,  
And guard me that I fall no more.

Tho' I have griev'd thy Spirit, Lord,  
His help and comfort still afford;  
And let a wretch come near thy throne  
To plead the merits of thy Son.

A broken heart, my God, my king,  
Is all the sacrifice I bring;  
The God of grace will ne'er despise  
A broken heart for sacrifice.

My soul lies humbled in the dust,  
And owns thy dreadful sentence just;  
Look down, O Lord, with pitying eye,  
And save the soul condemn'd to die.

Then will I teach the world thy ways;  
Sinners shall learn thy sovereign grace;  
I'll lead them to my Saviour's blood,  
And they shall praise a pardoning God.
O may thy love inspire my tongue! 
Salvation shall be all my song; 
And all my powers shall join to bless 
The Lord, my strength and righteousness.

Temptations fled at his rebuke, 
The blast of his almighty breath; 
He sent salvation from on high, 
And drew me from the deeps of death.]

Great were my fears, my foes were great, 
Much was their strength, and more their rage; 
But Christ, my Lord, is conqueror still 
In all the wars that devils wage.

My song for ever shall record 
That terrible, that joyful hour; 
And give the glory to the Lord 
Due to his mercy and his power.

Deliverance from Despair, or, Temptations overcome.

T HERE will I love, O Lord, my strength, 
My rock, my tower, my high defence; 
Thy mighty arm shall be my trust, 
For I have found salvation thence.

Death, and the terrors of the grave, 
Stood round me with their dismal shade; 
While floods of high temptations rose, 
And made my sinking soul afraid.

I saw the opening gates of hell, 
With endless pains and sorrows there, 
Which none but they that feel can tell, 
While I was hurry'd to despair.

In my distress I call'd 'my God,' 
When I could scarce believe him mine; 
He bow'd his ear to my complaint, 
Then did his grace appear divine.

[With speed he flew to my relief, 
At on a cherub's wing he rode; 
Aweful and bright as lightning shone 
The face of my deliverer, God.}

Safely in God.

W HEN overwhelm'd with grief 
My heart within me dies, 
Helpless and far from all relief 
To heaven I lift mine eyes.

O lead me to the rock 
That's high above my head, 
And make the covert of thy wings 
My shelter and my shade.

Within thy presence, Lord, 
For ever I'll abide; 
Thou art the tower of my defence, 
The refuge where I hide.
Thou givest me the lot
Of those that fear thy name;
If endless life be their reward,
I shall possess the same.

388. Kingsbridge 88, Ulverston 179.
(Hymn 50. B. 2. L. M.)

Comfort under Sorrows and Pains.

Now let the Lord my Saviour smile,
And shew my name upon his heart,
I would forget my pains awhile,
And in the pleasure lose the smart.

But Oh it swells my sorrows high
To see my blessed Jesus frown,
My spirits sink, my comforts die,
And all the springs of life are down.

Yet why, my soul, why these complaints?
Still while he frowns, his bowels move;
Still on his heart he bears his saints,
And feels their sorrows and his love.

My name is printed on his breast;
His book of life contains my name;
I'd rather have it there impress'd
Than in the bright records of fame.

When the last fire burns all things here
Those letters shall securely stand,
And in the Lamb's fair book appear
Writ by th'eternal Father's hand.

Now shall my minutes smoothly run,
Whilst here I wait my Father's will;
My rising and my setting sun
Roll gently up and down the hill.

Bless'd are the humble souls that see
Their emptiness and poverty;
Treasures of grace to them are given,
And crowns of joy laid up in heaven.

Bless'd are the men of broken heart,
Who mourn for sin with inward smart;
The blood of Christ divinely flows,
A healing balm for all their woes.

Bless'd are the meek, who stand afar
From rage and passion, noise and war;
God will secure their happy state,
And plead their cause against the great.

Bless'd are the souls that thirst for grace,
Hunger and long for righteousness,
They shall be well supply'd and fed,
With living streams and living bread.

Bless'd are the men whose bowels move
And melt with sympathy and love;
From Christ the Lord shall they obtain
Like sympathy and love again.

Bless'd are the pure, whose hearts are clean
From the defiling powers of sin,
With endless pleasure they shall see
A God of spotless purity.

Bless'd are the men of peaceful life,
Who quench the coals of growing strife,
They shall be call'd the heirs of bliss,
The sons of God, the God of peace.

Bless'd are the sufferers who partake
Of pain and shame for Jesus' sake;
Their souls shall triumph in the Lord,
Glory and joy are their reward.

How vast the treasure we possess!
How rich thy bounty, king of grace!
This world is ours, and worlds to come;
Earth is our lodge, and heaven our home.

All things are ours, the gifts of God;
The purchase of a Saviour's blood;
While the good Spirit shews us how
To use and to improve them too.

If peace and plenty crown my days,
They help me, Lord, to speak thy praise;
If bread of sorrows be my food,
Those sorrows work my lasting good.

I would not change my blest estate
For all the world calls good or great;
And while my faith can keep her hold,
I envy not the sinner's gold.

Father, I wait thy daily will;
Thou shalt divide my portion still:
Grant me on earth what seems thee best,
Till death and heaven reveal the rest.

ORD! what a wretched land is this
That yields us no supply!
No cheering fruits, no wholesome trees,
Nor streams of living joy!

But pricking thorns thro' all the ground
And mortal poison grow,
And all the rivers that are found
With dangerous water flow.

Yet the dear path to thine abode
Lies thro' this horrid land;
Lord! we would keep the heavenly road,
And run at thy command.

Our souls shall tread the desert through
With undiverted feet;
And faith and flaming zeal subdue
The terrors that we meet.
Christ. 393, 394

[A thousand savage beasts of prey
   Around the forest roam;
   But Judah’s Lion guards the way,
   And guides the strangers home.]

[Long nights and darkness dwell below,
   With scarce a twinkling ray;
   But the bright world to which we go
   Is everlasting day.]

[By glimmering hopes and gloomy fears
   We trace the sacred road,
   Thro’ dismal deeps and dangerous snares
   We make our way to God.]

Our journey is a thorny maze,
   But we march upward still;
   Forget these troubles of the ways
   And reach at Zion’s hill.

There on a green and flowery mount
   Our weary souls shall sit,
   And with transporting joys recount
   The labours of our feet.

[No vain discourse shall fill our tongue,
   Nor trifles vex our ear,
   Infinite grace shall be our song,
   And God rejoice to hear.]

Eternal glories to the King
   That through us safely through;
   Our tongues shall never cease to sing,
   And endless praise renew.

392. Ulverston 179, Babylon Streams 23.
   (Hymn 100. B. 2. L. M.)

The Presence of Christ is the Life of my Soul.

[How full of anguish is the thought,
   How it distracts and tears my heart
   If God at last, my sovereign judge,
   Should frown, and hide my soul, Depart.]

Lord, when I quit this earthy stage,
   Where shall I fly but to thy breast?
   For I have sought no other home;
   For I have learnt no other rest.

I cannot live contented here,
   Without some glimpses of thy face;
   And heaven without thy presence there
   Would be a dark and tiresome place.

When earthly cares engross the day,
   And hold my thoughts aside from thee,
   The shining hours of cheerful light
   Are long and tedious years to me.

And if no evening visit’s paid
   Between my Saviour and my soul,
   How dull the night! how sad the shade!
   How mournfully the minutes roll!

393. Braintree 25, Condescension 116,
   (Hymn 54. B. 2. C. M.)

God’s Presence is Light in Darkness.

My God, the spring of all my joys,
   The life of my delights,
   The glory of my brightest days,
   And comfort of my nights.

In darkest shades if he appear,
   My dawning is begun;
   He is my soul’s sweet morning-star,
   And he my rising sun.

The opening heavens around me shine
   With beams of sacred bliss,
   While Jesus shews his heart is mine,
   And whispers, I am his!

My soul would leave this heavy clay
   At that transporting word,
   To embrace my dearest Lord.

Fearless of hell and ghastly death
   I’d break thro’ every foe;
   The wings of love, and arms of faith
   Should bear me conqueror through.

   (Psalm 90. ver. 13, &c. 3d Part. C. M.)

Breathing after Heaven.

RETURN, O God of love, return;
   Earth is a tiresome place;
   How long shall we thy children mourn
   Our absence from thy face?

Let heaven succeed our painful years,
   Let sin and sorrow cease,
   And in proportion to our tears
   So make our joys increase.

5

This flesh of mine might learn as soon
   To live, yet part with all my blood;
   Or thrive and grow without my food.

6

[Christ is my light, my life, my care;
   My blessed hope, my heavenly prize;
   Dearer than all my passions are;
   My limbs, my bowels, or my eyes.

The strings that twine about my heart,
   Tortures and racks may tear them off;
   But they can never, never part
   With their dear hold of Christ my love.]

7

[My God! and can an humble child
   That loves thee with a flame so high
   Without the pity of thine eye?
   Impossible—For thine own hands
   Have ty’d my heart so fast to thee;
   And in thy book the promise stands,
   That where thou art thy friends must be.]

8

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   I’d break thro’ every foe;
   The wings of love, and arms of faith
   Should bear me conqueror through.
Thy wonders to thy servants show,  
Make thy own work complete,  
Then shall our souls thy glory know,  
And own thy love was great.  
Then shall we shine before thy throne  
In all thy beauty, Lord;  
And the poor service we have done  
Meet a divine reward.

3

Let cares like a wild deluge come,  
And storms of sorrow fall,  
May I but safely reach my home,  
My God, my heaven, my all.  
There shall I bathe my weary soul  
In seas of heavenly rest,  
And not a wave of trouble roll  
Across my peaceful breast.

(Hymn 65. B. 2. C. M.)

The Hope of Heaven our Support under Trials on Earth.

WHEN I can read my title clear  
To mansions in the skies,  
I bid farewell to every fear,  
And wipe my weeping eyes.  
Should earth against my soul engage,  
And hellish darts be hurled,  
Then I can smile at Satan's rage,  
And face a frowning world.

3

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(Hymn 117. B. 2. L. M.)

Living and dying with God present.

I cannot bear thine absence, Lord,  
My life expires if thou depart;  
Be thou, my heart, still near my God,  
And thou, my God, be near my heart.  
I was not born for earth and sin,  
Nor can I live on things so vile;  
Yet I would stay my Father's time,  
And hope and wait for heaven awhile.

3

Then, dearest Lord, in thine embrace  
Let me resign my fleeting breath,  
And with a smile upon my face  
Pass the important hour of death.

SAINTS AND SINNERS.

(Psalm 1. L. M.)

The Difference between the Righteous and the Wicked.

HAPPY the man, whose cautious feet  
Shun the broad way that sinners go,  
Who hates the place where atheists meet,  
And fears to talk as scoffers do.  
He loves t' employ his morning light  
Amongst the statutes of the Lord;  
And spends the wakeful hours of night,  
With pleasure pondering o'er the word.  
He, like a plant by gentle streams,  
Shall flourish in immortal green;  
And heaven will shine with kindest beams  
On every work his hands he gain.

4

But sinners find their counsels crost;  
As chaff before the tempest flies,  
So shall their hopes be blown and lost,  
When the last trumpet shakes the skies.

5

In vain the rebel seeks to stand  
In judgment with the pious race;  
The dreadful judge with stern command  Divides him to a different place.

6

‘Straight is the way my saints have trod,  
‘I blest the path and drew it plain;  
‘But you would choose the crooked road,  
‘And down it leads to endless pain.'
How will they hear to stand
Before that judgment's seat,
Where all the saints at Christ's right hand
In full assembly meet?

He knows, and he approves
The way the righteous go;
But sinners and their works shall meet
A dreadful overthrow.

BLEST are they undefiled in heart,
Whose ways are right and clean;
Who never from thy law depart,
But fly from every sin.

Blest are the men that keep thy word,
And practise thy commands;
With their whole heart they seek the Lord,
And serve thee with their hands.

Great is their peace who love thy law;
How firm their souls abide!
Nor can a bold temptation draw
Their steady feet aside.

Then shall my heart have inward joy,
And keep my face from shame,
When all thy statutes I obey,
And honour all thy name.

Not so the impious and unjust;
What vain designs they form!
Their hopes are blown away like dust,
Or chaff before the storm.

Sinners in judgment shall not stand
Amongst the sons of grace,
When Christ the judge, at his right hand,
Appoints his saints a place.

His eye beholds the path they tread,
His heart approves it well;
But crooked ways of sinners lead
Down to the gates of hell.

BLEST is the man who shuns the place
Where sinners love to meet;
Who fears to tread their wicked ways,
And hates the scoffers seat:

But in the statutes of the Lord
Has placed his chief delight;
By day he reads or hears the word,
And meditates by night.

[He like a plant of generous kind,
By living waters set,
Safe from the storms and blasting wind,
Enjoys a peaceful state.]

Green as the leaf and ever fair
Shall his profession shine,
While fruits of holiness appear
Like clusters on the vine.

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My God, the steps of pious men
Are order'd by thy will;
Tho' they should fall, they rise again,
Thy hand supports them still.

The Lord delighteth to see their ways,
Their virtue he approves;
He'll ne'er deprive them of his grace,
Nor leave the men he loves.

The heavenly heritage is theirs,
Their portion and their home;
He feeds them now, and makes them heirs
Of blessings long to come.

Wait on the Lord, ye sons of men,
Nor fear when tyrants frown;
Ye shall confess their pride was vain,
When justice casts them down.

The haughty sinner have I seen,
Nor fearing man nor God,
Like a tall bay-tree fair and green,
Spreading his arms abroad.

And to he vanish'd from the ground,
Destroy'd by hands unseen;
Nor root, nor branch, nor leaf was found
Where all that pride had been.

But mark the man of righteousness,
His several steps attend;
True pleasure runs thro' all his ways,
And peaceful is his end.

Why should I vex my soul, and fret
To see the wicked rise?
Or envy sinners waxing great
By violence and lies?
As flowery grass cut down at noon,
Before the evening fades,
So shall their glories vanish soon
In everlasting shades.

Then let me make the Lord my trust,
And practise all that's good;
So shall I dwell among the just,
And he'll provide me food.

I to my God my ways commit,
And cheerful wait his will;
Thy hand, which guides my doubtful feet,
Shall my desires fulfil.

Mine innocence shalt thou display,
And make thy judgments known,
Fair as the light of dawning day,
And glorious as the noon.

The meek at last the earth possess,
And are the heirs of heaven;
True riches, with abundant peace,
To humble souls are given.

Rest in the Lord and keep his way,
Nor let your anger rise
The providence should long delay
To punish haughty vice.

Let sinners join to break your peace,
And plot, and rage, and foam;
The Lord deridesthem, for he sees
Their day of vengeance come.

They have drawn out the threatening sword,
Have bent the murderous bow,
To slay the men that fear the Lord
And bring the righteous low.

My God shall break their bows, and burn
Their persecuting darts,
My work be held against them turn
And pain surprise their hearts.

Blest is the man thy hands chastise,
And to his duty draw;
Thy scourges make thy children wise
When they forget thy law.

But God will never cast off his saints,
Nor his own promise break;
He pardons his inheritance
For their Redeemer's sake.

God loves the Righteous, and hates the Wicked.

My refuge is the God of love,
Why do my foes insult and cry,
'Fly like a timorous trembling dove, 'To distant woods or mountains fly?'

If government be all destroy'd,
(That firm foundation of our peace)
And violence make justice void,
Where shall the righteous seek redress?

The Lord in heaven has fix'd his throne,
His eye surveysthe world below;
To him all mortal things are known,
His eyelids search our spirits through.

If he affects his saints so far
To prove their love, and try their grace,
What may the bold transgressors fear?
His very soul abhors their ways.

On impious wretches he shall rain
Tempests of brimstone, fire, and death,
Such as he kindled on the plain
Of Sodom with his angry breath.

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Whose thoughts and actions are sincere;
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There's a new heaven begun,
When I awake from death,
Drest in the likeness of thy Son,
And draw immortal breath.

The Sinner's Portion and Saint's Hope; or,
the Heaven of separate Souls, and the Resurrection.

LORD, I am thine; but thou wilt prove
My faith, my patience, and my love:
When men of spite against me join,
They are the sword, the hand is thine.

Their hope and portion lie below;
'Tis all the happiness they know,
'Tis all they seek; they take their shares;
And leave the rest among their heirs.

What sinners value, I resign;
Lord, 'tis enough that thou art mine;
I shall behold thy blissful face,
And stand complete in righteousness.

This life's a dream, an empty show;
But the bright world to which I go
Hath joys substantial and sincere;
When shall I wake, and find me there?

O glorious hour! O blest abode!
I shall be near and like my God!
And flesh and sin no more controul
The sacred pleasures of the soul.

My flesh shall slumber in the ground,
Till the last trumpet's joyful sound;
Then burst the chains with sweet surprise,
And in my Saviour's image rise.

Praise God, all his Saints; or, the Saints judging the World.

ALL ye that love the Lord, rejoice,
And let your songs be new;
Amidst the church with cheerful voice
His later wonders shew.

The Jews, the people of his grace,
Shall their Redeemer sing;
And Gentile nations join the praise,
While Zion owns her King.

The Lord takes pleasure in the just,
Whom sinners treat with scorn;
The meek that lie despis'd in dust
Salvation shall adorn.

Saints should be joyful in their King,
Ev'n on a dying bed;
And like the souls in glory sing,
For God shall raise the dead.

Then his high praise shall fill their tongues,
Their hands shall wield the sword;
And vengeance shall attend their songs,
The vengeance of the Lord.

When Christ his judgment-seat ascends,
And bids the world appear,
Thrones are prepar'd for all his friends,
Who humbly lov'd him here.

Then shall they rule with iron rod
Nations that dar'd rebel;
And join the sentence of their God
On tyrants doom'd to hell.

The royal sinners bound in chains,
New triumphs shall afford;
Such honour for the saints remains:
Praise ye, and love the Lord.

Why should my passions mix with earth,
And thus debase my heavenly birth?
Why should I cleave to things below,
And let my God, my Saviour go?

Call me away from flesh and sense,
One sovereign word can draw me thence;
I would obey the voice divine,
And all inferior joys resign.

Be earth with all her scenes withdrawn,
Let noise and vanity be gone;
In secret silence of the mind
My heaven, and there my God I find.
(Psalm 119. 2d Part. C. M.)
Secret Devotion and Spiritual-mindedness;
or, Constant converse with God.
Ver. 147, 55.
To thee, before the dawning light,
My gracious God, I pray;
I meditate thy name by night,
And keep thy law by day.
Ver. 81.
My spirit faints to see thy grace,
Thy promise bears me up;
And while salvation long delays,
Thy word supports my hope.
Ver. 164.
Seven times a day I lift my hands,
And pay my thanks to thee;
Thy righteous providence demands
Repeated praise from me.
When midnight darkness veils the skies,
I call thy works to mind;
My thoughts in warm devotion rise,
And sweet acceptance find.

410. Worksworth 158, Broderips 252.
(Psalm 55. ver. 15—17, 19, 22. S. M.)
Dangerous Prosperity; or, daily Devotions encouraged.
Let sinners take their course,
And choose the road to death;
But in the worship of my God
I'll spend my daily breath.
2
My thoughts address his throne
When morning brings the light;
I seek his blessing every noon,
And pay my vows at night.
3
Thou wilt regard my cries,
O my eternal God,
While sinners perish in surprise
Beneath thine angry rod.
4
Because they dwell at ease,
And no sad changes feel,
They neither fear nor trust thy name,
Nor learn to do thy will.
5
But I with all my care,
Will lean upon the Lord,
I'll cast my burdens on his arm,
And rest upon his word.
6
His arm shall well sustain
The children of his love;
The ground on which their safety stands
No earthly power can move.

411. Ulverston 179, Kingsbridge 88,
Rochford 22.
(Psalm 96. L. M.)
Self-examination; or, Evidence of Grace.
Judge me, O Lord, and prove my ways,
And try my reins, and try my heart;
My faith upon thy promise stays,
Nor from thy law my feet depart.

412, 413

2
I hate to walk, I hate to sit
With men of vanity and lies;
The scoffer and the hypocrite
Are the abhorrence of mine eyes.

3
Amongst thy saints will I appear,
With hands well wash'd in innocence;
But when I stand before thy bar,
The blood of Christ is my defence.

4
I love thy habitation, Lord,
The temple where thine honours dwell;
There shall I hear thine holy word,
And there thy works of wonder tell.

5
Let not my soul be join'd at last
With men of treachery and blood,
Since 1 my days on earth have past
Among the saints, and near my God.

FAMILY WORSHIP.

412. Salem 139, Bedford 91, Croule 3.
(Psalm 101. C. M.)
A Psalm for a Master of a Family.

O
Of justice and of grace I sing,
And pay my God my vows;
Thy grace and justice, heavenly king,
Teach me to rule my house.
2
Now to my tent, O God, repair,
And make thy servant wise;
I'll suffer nothing near me there
That shall offend thine eyes.
3
The man that doth his neighbour wrong,
By falsehood or by force,
The scowful eye, the slanderous tongue,
I'll thrust them from my doors.
4
I'll seek the faithful and the just
And will their help employ;
These are the friends that I shall trust,
The servants I'll employ.

5
The wretch, that deals in sly deceit,
I'll not endure a night;
The liar's tongue I ever hate,
And banish from my sight.
6
I'll purge my family around,
And make the wicked flee;
So shall my house be ever found
A dwelling fit for thee.

413. Marks 65, Rochford 22.
(Psalm 127. L. M.)
The Blessing of God on the Business and Comforts of Life.

If God succeed not, all the cost
And pains to build the house are lost;
If God the city will not keep,
The watchful guards as well may sleep.
What if you rise before the sun,
And work and toil when day is done,
Careful and sparing eat your bread,
To shun that poverty you dread;

*Tis all in vain, till God hath blest;
He can make rich, yet give us rest;
Children and friends are blessings too,
If God our sovereign make them so.

Happy the man to whom he sends
Obedient children, faithful friends;
How sweet our daily comforts prove
When they are season'd with his love!

414. Salem 139, Foster 96, Great Milton 212.
(Psalm 127. C. M.)

God all in all.

If God to build the house deny,
The builders work in vain;
And towns, without his watchful eye,
An useless watch maintain.

Before the morning beams arise,
Your painful work renew,
And till the stars ascend the skies,
Your tiresome toil pursue.

Short be your sleep, and coarse your fare;
In vain, till God has blest;
But if his smiles attend your care,
You shall have food and rest.

Nor children, relatives, nor friends,
Shall real blessings prove,
Nor all the earthy joys he sends,
If sent without his love.

(Psalm 128. C. M.)

Family Blessings.

Happy man whose soul is fill'd
With zeal and reverend awe!
His lips to God their honours yield,
His life adorns the law.

A careful Providence shall stand
And ever guard thy head,
Shall on the labours of thy hand
Its kindly blessings shed.

Thy wife shall be a fruitful vine;
Thy children round thy board,
Each like a plant of honour shine,
And learn to fear the Lord.

The Lord shall thy best hopes fulfil
For months and years to come;
The Lord, who dwells on Zion's hill,
Shall send thee blessings home.

This is the man whose happy eyes
Shall see his house increase,
Shall see the sinking church arise,
Then leave the world in peace.

416. Finsbury 155, Harboro' 142.
(Psalm 133. S. M.)

Communion of Saints; or, Love and Worship in a Family.

Blest are the sons of peace,
Whose hearts and hopes are one,
Whose kind designs to serve and please,
Thr'o' all their actions run.

Blest is the pious house
Where zeal and friendship meet,
Their songs of praise, their mingled vows
Make their communion sweet.

Thus when on Aaron's head
They pour'd the rich perfume,
The oil thro' all his raiment spread,
And pleasure fill'd the room.

Thus on the heavenly hills
The saints are blest above,
Where joy like morning dew distils,
And all the air is love.

(Psalm 133. As the 122d Psalm.)

The Blessings of Friendship.

How pleasant 'tis to see
Kindred and friends agree,
Each in their proper station move,
And each fulfil their part
With sympathising heart,
In all the cares of life and love.

'Tis like the ointment shed
On Aaron's sacred head,
Divinely rich, divinely sweet;
The oil thro' all the room,
Diffus'd a choice perfume,
Ran thro' his robes, and blest his feet.

Like fruitful showers of rain,
That water all the plain,
Descending from the neighbouring hills;
Such streams of pleasure roll
Thro' every friendly soul,
Where love like heavenly dew distils.

Repeat the first stanzas to complete the same.

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(Psalm 122. C. M.)

Going to Church.

How did my heart rejoice to hear
My friends devoutly say,
'In Zion let us all appear,
And keep the solemn day.'

I love her gates, I love the road;
The church adorn'd with grace
Stands like a palace built for God
To shew his milder face.
3. Up to her courts with joys unknown
   The holy tribes repair;
   The Son of David holds his throne,
   And sits in judgment there.

4. He hears our praises and complaints;
   And while his awful voice
   Divides the sinners from the saints,
   We tremble and rejoice.

5. Peace be within this sacred place,
   And joy a constant guest!
   With holy gifts and heavenly grace
   Be her attendants blest!

6. My soul shall pray for Zion still,
   While life or breath remains;
   There my best friends, my kindred dwell,
   There God my Saviour reigns.

(Psalm 122. Proper Tune.)

2. Lift up your hands by morning light,
   And send your souls on high;
   Raise your admiring thoughts by night
   Above the starry sky.

3. The God of Zion cheers our hearts
   With rays of quickening grace;
   The God that spreads the heavens abroad,
   And rules the swelling seas.

421. London 180, Abridge 201, James's 163.
(Psalm 89. ver. 7, &c. 2d Part. C. M.)

The Power and Majesty of God; or reverential Worship.

WITH reverence let the saints appear
   And bow before the Lord,
   His high commands with reverence hear,
   And tremble at his word.

2. How terrible thy glories be!
   How bright thine armies shine!
   Where is the power that vies with thee?
   Or truth compared to thine?

3. The northern pole and southern rest
   On thy supporting hand;
   Darkness and day from east to west
   Move round at thy command.

4. Thy words the raging wind control,
   And rule the hoisterous deep;
   Thou mak'st the sleeping billows roll,
   The rolling billows sleep.

5. Heaven, earth, and air, and sea are thine,
   And the dark world of hell;
   How did thine arm in vengeance shine
   When Egypt durst rebel!

6. Justice and judgment are thy throne,
   Yet wonderful is thy grace;
   While truth and mercy join'd in one,
   Invite us near thy face.

422. Sprague 166, Bedford 91.
(Hymn 109. B. 2. C. M.)

Access to the Throne of Grace by a Mediator.

COME let us lift our joyful eyes
   Up to the courts above,
   And smile to see our Father there
   Upon a throne of love.

2. Once 'twas a seat of dreadful wrath,
   And shot devouring flame;
   Our God appear'd consuming fire,
   And vengeance was his name.

3. Rich were the drops of Jesus' blood
   That calm'd his rowning face,
   That sprinkled o'er the burning throne,
   And turn'd the wrath to grace.

4. Now we may bow before his feet,
   And venture near the Lord;
   No fiery cherub guards his seat,
   Nor double flaming sword.
The peaceful gates of heavenly bliss
Are open'd by the Son;
High let us raise our notes of praise,
And reach the almighty throne.

To thee ten thousand thanks we bring,
Great Advocate on high;
And glory to th' eternal king
That lays his fury by.

423. Green's Hundred 89, Rothwell 174, Ulverston 179.

(Hymn 45. B. 2. L.M.)

God's Condescension to our Worship.

THY favours, Lord, surprise our souls;
Will the Eternal dwell with us?
What canst thou find beneath the poles
To tempt thy chariot downward thus?

Still might he fill his starry throne,
And please his ears with Gabriel's songs;
But 'tis heavenly majesty comes down,
And bows to hearken to our tongues.

Great God, what poor returns we pay
For love so infinite as thine!
Words are but air, and tongues but clay,
But thy compassion's all divine.


(Psalm 84. 1st Part. L.M.)

The Pleasure of public Worship.

HOW pleasant, how divinely fair,
O Lord of hosts, thy dwellings are!
With long desire my spirit faints
To meet thy assemblies of thy saints.

My flesh would rest in thine abode,
My panting heart cries out for God;
My God! my King! why should I be
So far from all my joys and thee?

The sparrow chooses where to rest,
And for her young provides her nest;
But will my God to sparrows grant
That pleasure which his children want?

Blest are the saints who sit on high,
Around thy throne of majesty;
Thy brightest glories shine above,
And all their work is praise and love.

Blest are the souls that find a place
Within the temple of thy grace;
There they behold thy gentler rays,
And seek thy face, and learn thy praise.

Blest are the men whose hearts are set
To find the way to Sion's gate;
God is their strength, and through the road
They lean upon their helper God.

Cheerful they walk with growing strength,
Till all shall meet in heaven at length,
Till all before thy face appear,
And join in nobler worship there.

425. Chard 175, Horsley 205, Breadby 165.

(Psalms 84. 2nd Part. L.M.)

God and his Church; or, Grace and Glory.

GREAT God, attend, while Sion sings
The joy that from thy presence springs;
To spend one day with thee on earth
Exceeds a thousand days of mirth.

Might I enjoy the meanest place
Within thine house, O God of grace,
Not tents of ease, nor thrones of power,
Should tempt my feet to leave thy door.

God is our sun, he makes our day;
God is our shield, he guards our way
From all 'tis assaults of hell and sin,
From foes without, and foes within.

All needful grace will God bestow,
And crown that grace with glory too;
He gives us all things, and withholds
No real good from upright souls.

O God, our King, whose sovereign sway
The glorious hosts of heaven obey;
And devils at thy presence flee,
Blest is the man that trusts in thee.

426. Bedford 91, From 255, Sprague 166.

(Ps. 84. v.1, 4, 2, 3, 10. Paraphrased. C. M.)

Delight in Ordinances of Worship; or, God present in his Churches.

MY soul, how lovely is the place
To which thy God resorts!
'Tis heaven to see his smiling face,
Tho' in his earthly courts.

There the great Monarch of the skies,
His saving power displays,
And light breaks in upon our eyes
With kind and quickening rays.

With his rich gifts the heavenly Dove
Descends and fills the place,
While Christ reveals his wondrous love,
And sheds abroad his grace.

There, mighty God, thy words declare
The secrets of thy will;
And still we seek thy mercy there,
And sing thy praises still.

My heart and flesh cry out for thee,
While far from thine abode;
When shall I tread thy courts, and see
My Saviour and my God?

The sparrow builds herself a nest,
And suffers no remove;
O make me, like the sparrows, blest,
To dwell but where I love.

To sit one day beneath thine eye,
And hear thy gracious voice,
Exceeds a whole eternity
Employ'd in carnal joys.
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8 Lord, at thy threshold I would wait,
While Jesus is within,
Rather than fill a throne of state,
Or live in tents of sin.

9 Could I command the spacious land,
And the more boundless sea,
For one blest hour at thy right hand
I'd give them both away.

427. Greenwich New 62, Clapham 18,
Portsmouth New 144.
(Psalm 84. As the 148th Psalm.)

Longing for the House of God.

LORD of the worlds above,
How pleasant and how fair
The dwellings of thy love,
Thy earthly temples are!
To thine above
My heart aspires,
With warm desires
To see my God.

2 The sparrow, for her young,
With pleasure seeks a nest;
And wandering swallows long
To find their wonted rest:
My spirit faints,
With equal zeal,
To rise and dwell
Among thy saints.

3 O happy souls that pray
Where God appoints to hear!
O happy men that pray
Their constant service there!
They praise thee still;
And happy they
That love the way
To Zion's hill.

4 They go from strength to strength,
Thro' this dark vale of tears,
Till each arrives at length,
Till each in heaven appears:
O glorious seat,
When God our King
Shall thither bring
Our willing feet!

Caermarthen New 35. PAUSE. Grove 125,
To spend one sacred day,
Where God and saints abide,
Affords diviner joy
Than thousand days beside:
Where God resides,
I love it more
To keep the door
Than shine in courts.

6 God is our sun and shield,
Our light and our defence;
With gifts his hands are fill'd,
We draw our blessings thence:
He shall bestow
On Jacob's race
Peculiar grace
And glory too.

7 The Lord his people loves;
His hand no good withholds
From those his heart approves,
From pure and pious souls:
Thrice happy he,
O God of hosts,
Whose spirit trusts
Alone in thee.

428. Bramcote 8, New Sabbath 122,
Leeds 19.
(Hymn 123. B. 2. L, M.)

The Benefit of public Ordinances.

AWAY from every mortal care,
Away from earth our souls retreat;
We leave this worthless world afar,
And wait and worship near thy seat.

2 Lord, in the temple of thy grace
We see thy feet, and we adore;
We gaze upon thy lovely face,
And learn the wonders of thy power.

3 While here our various wants we mourn,
United groans ascend on high,
And prayer bears a quick return
Of blessings in variety.

4 [If Satan rage and sin grows strong,
Here we receive some cheering word;
We gird the gospel'armour on
To fight the battles of the Lord.

5 Or if our spirit faints and dies,
(Our conscience gall'd with inward stings)
Here doth the righteous Sun arise
With healing beams beneath his wings.]

6 Father, my soul would still abide
Within thy temple, near thy side;
But if my feet must hence depart
Still keep thy dwelling in my heart.

429. Michaels 119, Devizes 14, Milborne Port 183.
(Psalm 27. ver. 1-6. 1st Part. C. M.)

The Church is our Delight and Safety.

THE Lord of glory is my light,
And my salvation too;
God is my strength, nor will I fear
What all my foes can do.

2 One privilege my heart desires;
O grant me an abode
Among the churches of thy saints,
The temples of my God!

3 There shall I offer my requests,
And see thy beauty still,
Shall hear thy messages of love,
And there enquire thy will.

4 When troubles rise, and storms appear,
There may his children hide;
God has a strong pavilion where
He makes my soul abide.
Now shall my head be lifted high
Above my foes around,
And songs of joy and victory
Within thy temple sound.

Prayer and Hope.

Soon as I heard my Father say,
' Ye children seek my grace;'
My heart reply'd without delay,
'I'll seek my Father's face.'

Let not thy face be hid from me,
Nor frown my soul away;
God of my life, I fly to thee
In a distressing day.

Should friends and kindred near and dear,
Leave me to want, or die,
My God would make my life his care,
And all my need supply.

Wait on the Lord, ye trembling saints,
And keep your courage up;
He'll raise your spirit when it faints;
And far exceed your hope.

Praise waits in Sion, Lord, for thee;
There shall our vows be paid;
All flesh shall seek thine aid.

O thou, whose mercy hangs the skies
To save when humble sinners pray,
All lands to thee shall lift their eyes,
And islands of the northern sea.

Wait on the Lord, ye trembling saints,
And keep your courage up;
He'll raise your spirit when it faints;
And far exceed your hope.

The praise of Sion waits for thee,
My God; and praise becomes thy house;
There shall thy saints thy glory see,
And there perform their public vows.

O thou, whose mercy bends the skies
To save when humble sinners pray,
All lands to thee shall lift their eyes,
And islands of the northern sea.

Against my will my sins prevail,
But grace shall purge away their stain;
The blood of Christ will never fail
To wash my garments white again.

Blest is the man whom thou shalt choose,
And give him kind access to thee,
To taste thy love divinely free.

O thou, whose mercy hangs the skies
To save when humble sinners pray,
All lands to thee shall lift their eyes,
And islands of the northern sea.

Lord, our iniquities prevail,
But pardoning grace is thine,
And thou wilt grant us power and skill
To conquer every sin.

Blest are the men whom thou wilt choose
To bring them near thy face,
Give them a dwelling in thine house
To feast upon thy grace.

In answering what thy church requests,
Thy truth and terror shine,
And works of dreadful righteousness
Fulfil thy kind design.

Thus shall the wondering nations see
The Lord is good and just:
And distant islands fly to thee,
And make thy name their trust.

They dread thy glittering tokens, Lord,
When signs in heaven appear;
But they shall learn thy holy word,
And love as well as fear.
Here in thy courts I leave my vow,  
And thy rich grace record;  
Witness, ye saints, who hear me now,  
If I forsake the Lord.

(Hymn 145. B. 2. C. M.)

Sight through a Glass, and Face to Face.

I LOVE the windows of thy grace  
Through which my Lord is seen,  
And long to meet my Saviour's face  
Without a glass between.

O that the happy hour were come  
To change my faith to sight!  
I shall behold my Lord at home  
In a diviner light.

Haste, my Beloved, and remove  
These interposing days;  
Then shall my passions all be love,  
And all my powers be praise.

LORD'S DAY.

(Psalm 5. C. M.)

For the Lord's Day Morning.

ORD, in the morning thou shalt hear  
My voice ascending high;  
To thee will I direct my prayer,  
To thee lift up mine eye.

Up to the hills where Christ is gone  
To plead for all his saints,  
Presenting at his Father's throne  
Our songs and our complaints.

Thou art a God before whose sight  
The wicked shall not stand;  
Sinners shall never be thy delight,  
Nor dwell at thy right hand.

But to thy house will I resort  
To taste thy mercies there;  
I will frequent thine holy court,  
And worship in thy fear.

O may thy Spirit guide my feet  
In ways of righteousness!  
Make every path of duty straight  
And plain before my face.

Irish 117, Foster 96, PAUSE. Miall 240.

My watchful enemies combine  
To tempt my feet astray;  
They flutter with a base design  
To make my soul their prey.

Lord, crush the serpent in the dust,  
And all his plots destroy;  
While those that in thy mercy trust  
For ever shout for joy.

The men that love and fear thy name  
Shall see their hopes fulfilled;  
The mighty God will compass them  
With favour as a shield.

Mount Ephraim 185, Price's 187.  
(Psalm 19. 1st Part. S. M.)

The Book of Nature and Scripture.

For a Lord's Day Morning.

BEHOLD the lofty sky  
Declares its maker God,  
And all his starry works on high  
Proclaim his power abroad.

The darkness and the light  
Still keep their course the same;  
While night to day and day to night  
Divinely teach his name.

In every different land  
Their general voice is known;  
They shew the wonders of his hand,  
And orders of his throne.

Ye British lands, rejoice,  
Here he reveals his word,  
We are not left to nature's voice  
To bid us know the Lord.

His statutes and commands  
Are set before our eyes,  
He puts his gospel in our hands,  
Where our salvation lies.

His laws are just and pure,  
His truth without deceit,  
His promises for ever sure,  
And his rewards are great.

[Not honey to the taste  
Affords so much delight,  
Nor gold that has the furnace pass  
So much alluresthe sight.

While of thy works I sing,  
Thy glory to proclaim,  
Accept the praise, my God, my king,  
In my Redeemer's name.]

Sutton 149, Pechham 7.  
(Psalm 19. 2d Part. S. M.)

God's Word most excellent; or, Sincerity and Watchfulness.

The same.

BEHOLD the morning sun  
Beginsthis glorious way;  
His beams thro' all the nations run,  
And life and light convey.

But where the gospel comes,  
It spreads diviner light,  
It calls dead sinners from their tombs,  
And gives the blind their sight.

How perfect is thy word!  
And all thy judgments just!  
For ever sure thy promise, Lord,  
And men securely trust.
LORD’s DAY.

4

My gracious God, how plain
Are thy directions given!
O! may I never read in vain,
But find the path to heaven!

PAUSE.

I hear thy word with love,
And I would fain obey;
Send thy good Spirit from above
To guide me, lest I stray.

6

O who can ever find
The errors of his ways?
Yet with a bold presumptuous mind,
I would not dare transgress.

7

Warn me of every sin,
Forgive my secret faults,
And cleanse this guilty soul of mine,
Whose crimes exceed my thoughts.

8

While with my heart and tongue,
I spread thy praise abroad,
Accept the worship and the song,
My Saviour and my God.

(Psalm 63, ver. 1, 2, 5, 3, 4. 1st Part. C. M.)

The Morning of a Lord’s Day.

EARLY, my God, without delay
I haste to seek thy face;
My thirsty spirit faints away,
Without thy cheering grace.

2

So pilgrims on the searching sand,
Beneath a burning sky,
Long for a cooling stream at hand,
And they must drink or die.

3

I’ve seen thy glory, and thy power
Thro’ all thy temple shine;
My God, repeat that heavenly hour,
That vision so divine.

4

Not all the blessings of a feast
Can please my soul so well,
As when thy richer grace I taste,
And in thy presence dwell.

5

Not life itself, with all her joys,
Can my best passions move,
Or raise so high my cheerful voice
As thy forgiving love.

6

Thus till my last expiring day
I’ll bless my God and king;
Thus will I lift my hands to pray,
And tune my lips to sing.

(Psalm 63. L. M.)

Longing after God; or, the Love of God better than Life.

GREAT God, indulge my humble claim,
Thou art my hope, my joy, my rest;
The glories that compose thy name
Stand all engaged to make me best.

440. Vermont 134, Eagle Street New 55,
Henley 38.
(Psalm 63. S. M.)

Seeking God.

My God, permit my tongue
This joy, to call thee mine,
And let my early cries prevail
To taste thy love divine.

2

My thirsty fainting soul
Thy mercy dost implore;
Not travellers in desert lands
Can pant for water more.

3

Within thy churches, Lord,
I long to find my place,
Thy power and glory to behold,
And feel thy quickening grace.

4

For life without thy love
No relish can afford;
No joy can be compared to this,
To serve and please the Lord.

5

To thee I’ll lift my hands,
And praise thee while I live;
Not the rich dainties of a feast
Such food or pleasure give.

6

In wakeful hours at night
I call my God to mind;
I think how wise his counsels are,
And all his dealings kind,
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7
Since thou hast been my help,
To thee my spirit flies,
And on thy watchful providence
My cheerful hope relies.

8
The shadow of thy wings
My soul in safety keeps;
I follow where my Father leads,
And he supports my steps.

441. Ryland 48, Henley 38, Eagle Street
New 55.
(Hymn 14. B. 2. S. M.)
The Lord's Day; or, Delight in Ordinances.

WELCOME, sweet day of rest,
That saw the Lord arise;
Welcome to this reviving breast,
And these rejoicing eyes!

2
The King himself comes near,
And feasts his saints to-day,
Here we may sit, and see him here,
And love, and praise, and pray.

3
One day amidst the place,
Where my dear God hath been,
Is sweeter than ten thousand days
Of pleasure les.

4
My willing soul would stay
In such a frame as this,
And sit and sing herself away
To everlasting bliss.

442. Derby 169, Horsley 205, New
Sabbath 122.
(Psalm 92. 1st Part. L. M.)
A Psalm for the Lord's Day.

SWEET is the work, my God, my King,
To praise thy name, give thanks and
To shew thy love by morning-light, [sing,
And talk of all thy truth at night.

2
Sweet is the day of sacred rest,
No mortal care shall seize my breast;
O may my heart in tune he found
Like David's harp of solemn sound!

3
My heart shall triumph in my Lord,
And bless his works, and bless his word;
Thy works of grace, how bright they shine!
How deep thy counsels! how divine!

4
Fools never raise their thoughts so high;
Like brutes they live, like brutes they die;
Like grass they flourish, 'till thy breath
Blast them in everlasting death.

5
But I shall share a glorious part
When grace hath well refined my heart,
And fresh supplies of joy are shed,
Like holy oil, to cheer my head.

6
Sin (my worst enemy before)
Shall vex my eyes and ears no more;
My inward foes shall all be slain,
Nor Satan break my peace again.

(Hymn 72. B. 2. C. M.)
The Lord's Day; or, the Resurrection of Christ.

BLESS'd morning, whose young dawning
Beheld our rising God,
[rays
That saw him triumph o'er the dust,
And leave his dark abode.

2
In the cold prison of a tomb
The dead Redeemer lay,
Till the revolving skies had brought
The third, th' appointed day.

3
Hell and the grave unite their force
To hold our God in vain,
The sleeping Conqueror arose,
And burst their feeble chain.

4
To thy great name, almighty Lord,
These sacred hours we pay,
And loud hosannas shall proclaim
The triumph of the day.

5
[Salvation and immortal praise
To our victorious King,
Let heaven and earth, and rocks, and seas,
With glad hosannas ring.]

444. Gainsborough 29, Great Milton 212,
Boston 159.
(Psalm 118. ver. 24–26. 4th Part. C. M.)
Hosanna; the Lord's Day; or, Christ's Resurrection and our Salvation

THIS is the day the Lord hath made,
He calls the hours his own;
Let heaven rejoice, let earth be glad,
And praise surround the throne.

2
To-day he rose and left the dead,
And satan's empire fell;
To-day the saints his triumphs spread,
And all his wonders tell.

3
Hosanna to th' anointed King,
To David's holy Son;
Help us, O Lord; descend and bring
Salvation from the throne.

4
Blest be the Lord, who comes to men
With messages of grace;
Who comes in God his Father's name
To save our sinful race.

5
Hosanna in the highest strains
The church on earth can raise;
The highest heavens, in which he reigns,
Shall give him nobler praise.
BEFORE PRAYER.

(Psalm 118. ver. 22—27. S. M.)

An Hosanna for the Lord’s-Day; or, a new Song of Salvation by Christ.

See what a living stone
The builders did refuse;
Yet God hath built his church thereon
In spite of envious Jews.

The scribe and angry priest
Reject thine only Son;
Yet on this rock shall Zion rest
As the chief corner-stone.

This is the glorious day
That our Redeemer made;
Let us rejoice, and sing, and pray,
Let all the church be glad.

Hosanna to the King
Of David’s royal blood:
Bless him, ye saints; he comes to bring
Salvation from your God.

We bless thine holy word,
Which all this grace displays;
And offer on thine altar, Lord,
Our sacrifice of praise.

446. Darby 169, Rowles 73, Marks 65.
(Psalm 118. ver 22—27. L. M.)

The same.

Lo! what a glorious corner stone
The Jewish builders did refuse; But God hath built his church thereon,
In spite of envy, and the Jews.

Great God, the work is all divine,
The joy and wonder of our eyes;
This is the day that proves it thine,
The day that saw our Saviour rise.

Sinners rejoice, and saints be glad:
Hosanna, let his name be blest:
A thousand honours on his head,
With peace, and light, and glory, rest!

A God’s own name he comes to bring
Salvation to our dying race:
Let the whole church address their King
With hearts of joy, and songs of praise.

BEFORE PRAYER.

(Psalm 99. 2d Part. S. M.)

A holy God worshipped with Reverence

Exalt the Lord our God,
And worship at his feet;
His nature is all holiness,
And mercy is his seat.

When Israel was his church,
When Aaron was his priest,
When Moses cry’d, when Samuel pray’d,
He gave his people rest.

Oft he forgave their sins,
Nor would destroy their race;
And oft he made his vengeance known,
When they abus’d his grace.

Exalt the Lord our God,
Whose grace is still the same;
Still he’s a God of holiness,
And jealous for his name.

(Psalm 95. C. M.)

A Psalm before Prayer.

Sing to the Lord Jehovah’s name,
And in his strength rejoice;
When his salvation is our theme,
Exalted be our voice.

With thanks approach his awful sight,
And psalms of honour sing;
The Lord’s a God of boundless might,
The whole creation’s King.

Let princes hear, let angels know,
How mean their natures seem,
Those gods on high, and gods below,
When once compar’d with him.

Earth with its caverns dark and deep
Lies in his spacious hand,
He fix’d the seas what hounds to keep,
And where the hills must stand.

Come, and with humble souls adore,
Come, kneel before his face;
O may the creatures of his power
Be children of his grace!

Now is the time he bends his ear,
And waits for your request;
Come, lest he rouse his wrath and swear
‘ Ye shall not see my rest.’
A Psalm before Sermon.

COME, sound his praise abroad,  
And hymns of glory sing;  
Jehovah is the sovereign God,  
The universal King.

He formed the depths unknown;  
He gave the seas their bound;  
The watery worlds are all his own;  
And all the solid ground.

3

Come, worship at his throne,  
Come, bow before the Lord:  
We are his works, and not our own;  
He formed us by his word.

4

To-day attend his voice,  
Nor dare provoke his rod;  
Come, like the people of his choice,  
And own your gracious God.

5

But if your ears refuse  
The language of his grace,  
And hearts grow hard, like stubborn Jews,  
That unbelieving race;

6

The Lord in vengeance drest  
Will lift his hand and swear,  
'You that despise my promised rest  
Shall have no portion there.'

450. Wareham 117, Green's Hundred 99.  
(Psalm 95. 1, 2, 3, 6—11. L. M.)

Canaan lost through Unbelief; or, a Warning to delaying Sinners.

COME let our voices join to raise  
A sacred song of solemn praise;  
God is a sovereign King; rehearse  
His honours in exalted verse.

2

Come, let our souls address the Lord,  
Who fram'd our natures with his word;  
He is our shepherd; we the sheep  
His mercy chose, his pastures keep.

3

Come, let us hear his voice to-day,  
The counsels of his love obey;  
Nor let our harden'd hearts renew  
The sins and plagues that Israel knew.

4

Israel, that saw his works of grace,  
Yet tempt their Maker to his face;  
A faithless unbelieving brood  
That tir'd the patience of their God.

5

Thusaith the Lord, 'How false they prove!  
* Forget my power, abuse my love;  
* Since they despise my rest, I swear,  
Their feet shall never enter there.'

6

[Look back, my soul, with holy dread,  
And view those ancient rebels dead;  
Attend the offer'd grace to-day,  
Nor lose the blessing by delay.

Seize the kind promise while it waits,  
And march to Zion's heavenly gates;  
Believe, and take thy promised rest;  
Obey, and be for ever blest.]

(Hymn 163. B. 2. C. M.)

Unfruitfulness, Ignorance, and unsanctified Affections.

LONG have I sat beneath the sound  
Of thy salvation, Lord,  
But still how weak my faith is found,  
And knowledge of thy word!

2

Oft I frequent thy holy place,  
And hear almost in vain;  
How small a portion of thy grace  
My memory can retain!

3

[My dear Almighty, and my God,  
How little art thou known  
By all the judgments of thy rod,  
And blessings of thy throne!]

4

[How cold and feeble is my love!  
How negligent my fear!  
How low my hope of joys above!  
How few affections there!]

5

Great God, thy sovereign power impart  
To give thy word success;  
Write the salvation in my heart,  
And make me learn the grace.

6

[Shew my forgetful feet the way  
That leads to joy on high;  
There knowledge grows without decay,  
And love shall never die.]

AFTER SERMON.

I

N God's own house pronounce his praise,  
His grace he there reveals;  
To heaven your joy and wonder raise,  
For there his glory dwells.

2

Let all your sacred passions move,  
While you rehearse his deeds;  
But the great work of saving love  
Your highest praise exceeds.

3

All that have motion, life, and breath,  
Proclaim your Maker blest;  
Yet when my voice expires in death,  
My soul shall praise him best.
(Hymn 135. B. 1. L. M.)
The Love of Christ shed abroad in the Heart.
Eph. iii. 16, &c.
COME, dearest Lord, descend and dwell
By faith and love in every breast;
Then shall we know, and taste, and feel
The joys that cannot be express'd.

454. *Abridge* 201, *Grove House* 143,
(Sprague 166.)
The World's three chief Temptations.
WHEN in the light of faith divine
We look on things below,
Honour, and gold, and sensual joy,
How vain and dangerous too!

2
Honour's a puff of noisy breath;
Yet men expose their blood,
And venture everlasting death
To gain that airy good.

3
Whilst others starve the nobler mind,
And feed on shining dust,
They rob the serpent of his food
'To indulge a sordid lust.'

4
The pleasures that allure our sense
Are dangerous snares to souls;
There's but a drop of flattering sweet,
And dash'd with bitter bowls.

5
God is mine all-sufficient good,
My portion and my choice;
In him my vast desires are fill'd,
And all my powers rejoice.

6
In vain the world accosts my ear,
And tempts my heart anew;
I cannot buy your bliss so dear,
Nor part with heaven for you.

(Hymn 146. B. 2. L. M.)
The Vanity of Creatures; or, no Rest on Earth.
MAN has a soul of vast desires,
He burns within with restless fires,
Tost to and fro, his passions fly
From vanity to vanity.

2
In vain on earth we hope to find
Some solid good to fill the mind,
We try new pleasures, but we feel
The inward thirst and torment still.

(Hymn 56. B. 2. C. M.)
The Misery of being without God in this World; or, Vain Prosperity.

O, I shall envy them no more
Who grow profanely great,
Tho' they increase their golden store,
And rise to wonderous height.

2
They taste of all the joys that grow
Upon this earthly clod,
Well they may search the creature thro',
For they have ne'er a God.

3
Shake off the thoughts of dying too,
And think your life your own;
But death comes hastening on to you
To mow your Glory down.

4
Yes, you must bow your stately head,
Away your Spirit flies,
And no kind angel near your bed
To bear it to the skies.

5
Go now, and boast of all your stores,
And tell how bright you shine;
Your heaps of glittering dust are yours,
And my Redeemer's mine.

457. *Wareham* 117, *Kingsbridge* 88,
(Psalms 246.)
The Prosperity of Sinners cursed.
ORD, what a thoughtless wretch was I,
To mourn, and murmur, and repine
To see the wicked plac'd on high,
In pride and robes of honour shine!
2 But oh their end, their dreadful end!  
Thy sanctuary taught me so:  
On slippery rocks I see them stand,  
And fiery billows roll below.

3 Now let them boast how tall they rise,  
I'll never envy them again;  
There they may stand with haughty eyes,  
Till they plunge deep in endless pain.

Their fancy'd joys, how fast they flee!  
Just like a dream when Man awakes;  
Their songs of softest harmony  
Are but a preface to their plagues.

5 Now I esteem their mirth and wine  
Too dear to purchase with my blood;  
Lord, 'tis enough that thou art mine,  
My life, my portion, and my God.

(Hymn 164. B. 2. C. M.)  
The End of the World.

W HY should this earth delight us so?  
Why should we fix our eyes  
On these low grounds where sorrows grow,  
And every pleasure dies?

While time his sharpest teeth prepares  
Our comforts to devour,  
There is a land above the stars,  
And joys above his power.

3 Nature shall be dissolv'd and die,  
The sun must end his race,  
The earth and sea for ever fly  
Before my Saviour's face.

4 When will that glorious morning rise!  
When the last trumpet sound,  
And call the nations to the skies,  
From underneath the ground?

THE JEWISH CHURCH;

OR,

THE HISTORY OF THE ISRAELITES.

459. Cambridge New 74, Michaels 119.  
(Psalm 103. Abridged. C. M.)

God's Conduct of Israel, and the Plagues of Egypt

GIVE thanks to God, invoke his name,  
And tell the world his grace;  
Sound thro' the earth his deeds of fame,  
That all may seek his face.

2 His covenant, which he kept in mind  
For numerous ages past,  
To numerous ages yet behind  
In equal force shall last.

3 He swore to Abram and his seed,  
And made the blessing sure:  
Gentiles the ancient promise read,  
And find his truth endure.

4 'Thy seed shall make all nations blest,'  
(Said the Almighty voice)  
'And Canaan's land shall be their rest,  
'The type of heavenly joys.'

[How large the grant! how rich the grace!  
To give them Canaan's land,  
When they were strangers in the place,  
A little feeble band!]

6 Like pilgrims thro' the countries round  
Securely they remov'd;  
And haughty kings that on them frowned,  
Severely he reprov'd.
Now let the world forbear its rage;
Nor put the church in fear;
Israel must live thro' every age,
And be the Almighty's care.

Thus were the tribes from bondage brought,
And left the hated ground:
Each some Egyptian spoils had got,
And not one feel'd found.

The Lord himself chose out their way,
And mark'd their journeys right,
Gave them a leading cloud by day,
A fiery guide by night.

They thirst; and waters from the rock
In rich abundance flow,
And following still the course they took,
Ran all the desert thro'.

O wondrous stream! O blessed type
Of ever-flowing grace!
So Christ our rock maintains our life
Thro' all this wilderness.

Thus guarded by the Almighty hand
The chosen tribes possess
Canaan the rich, the promised land,
And there enjoyed their rest.

Then let the world forbear its rage,
The church renounce her fear;
Israel must live thro' every age,
And be the Almighty's care.

WHAT a stiff rebellious house
Was Jacob's ancient race!
Falseto their own most solemn vows,
And to their Maker's grace.

They broke the covenant of his love,
And did his laws despise,
Forgot the works he wrought to prove
His power before their eyes.

They saw the plagues on Egypt light,
From his revenging hand:
What dreadful tokens of his might
Spread o'er the stubborn land!

They saw him cleave the mighty sea,
And march'd in safety through,
With watery walls to guard their way,
Till they had escap'd the foe.

A wonderous pillar mark'd the road,
Composer'd of shade and light;
By day it prov'd a sheltering cloud,
A leading fire by night.

He from the rock their thirst supply'd;
The gushing waters fell,
And ran in rivers by their side,
A constant miracle.

Yet they provok'd the Lord most high,
And dared distrust his hand;
'Can he with heed our host supply
Amidst this desert land!'?

The Lord with indignation heard,
And caus'd his wrath to flame;
His terrors ever stand prepar'd
To vindicate his name.

WHEN Israel sins, the Lord reproves,
And fills their hearts with dread;
Yet he forgives the men he loves,
And sends them heav'nly bread.

He fed them with a liberal hand,
And made his treasures known;
He gave the midnight clouds command
To pour provision down.

The manna, like a morning shower,
Lay thick around their feet;
The corn of heaven, so light, so pure,
As tho' twere angels meat.

But they in murmuring language said,
'Manna is all our feast;
We loathe this light, this airy bread;
We must have flesh to taste.'
5 'Ye shall have flesh to please your lust;'
The Lord in wrath reply'd,  
And sent them quails like sand or dust,  
Heap'd up from side to side.

6 He gave them all their own desire;  
And greedy as they fed,  
His vengeance burnt with secret fire,  
And smote the rebels dead.

7 When some were slain, the rest return'd,  
And sought the Lord with tears;  
Under the rod they fear'd and mourn'd,  
But soon forgot their fears.

8 Oft he chastis'd and still forgave,  
Till by his gracious hand  
The nation he resolv'd to save,  
Possess'd the promis'd land.

463. Hotham 224, King'sbridge 88.
(Psalm 107. 3d Part. L.M.)

Intemperance punished and pardoned; or, a Psalm for the Glutton and the Drunkard.

VAIN man, on foolish pleasures bent,  
Prepares for his own punishment;  
What pains, what loathsome maladies  
From luxury and lust arise!

2 The drunkard feels his vitals waste,  
Yet drowns his health to please his taste;  
'till all his active powers are lost,  
And fainting life draws near the dust.

3 The glutton groans and loathes to eat,  
His soul abhors delicious meat;  
Nature, with heavy loads oppressed,  
Would yield to death to have releas'd.

4 Then how the frighted sinners fly  
To God for help with earnest cry!  
He hears their groans, prolongs their breath,  
And saves them from approaching death.

5 No medicines could effect the cure  
So quick, so easy, or so sure:  
The deadly sentence God repeals,  
He sends his sovereign word, and heals.

6 O may the sons of men record  
The wondrous goodness of the Lord!  
And let their thankful offerings prove  
How they adore their Maker's love.

464. Wareham 117, Green's Hundred 89.  
(Psalm 78. ver. 32, &c. 4th Part. L.M.)

Backsliding and Forgiveness; or, Sin punished and Saints saved.

GREAT God, how oft did Israel prove  
By turns thine anger and thy love!  
There in a glass our hearts may see  
How fickle and how false they be.

2 How soon the faithless Jews forgot  
The dreadful wonders God had wrought!  
Then they provoke him to his face,  
Nor fear his power, nor trust his grace.

3 The Lord consum'd their years in pain,  
And made their travels long and vain;  
A tedious march through unknown ways  
Wore out their strength, and spent their days.

4 Oft when they saw their brethren slain,  
They mourn'd and sought the Lord again;  
Call'd him the rock of their abode,  
Their high Redeemer and their God.

5 Their prayers and vows before him rise,  
As flattering words or solemn lies,  
While their rebellious tempers prove  
False to his covenant and his love.

6 Yet did his sovereign grace forgive  
The men who not deserv'd to live;  
His anger oft away he turn'd,  
Or else with gentle flame it burn'd.

7 He saw their flesh was weak and frail,  
He saw temptations still prevail;  
The God of Abraham lov'd them still,  
And led them to his holy hill.

465. Worksworth 158, Stool 164, Harbottle 142.  
(Ps. 106. v. 7, 8, 12—14, 43—48. 2d Pt. S.M.)

Israel punished and pardoned; or, God's unchangeable Love.

GOD of eternal love,  
How fickle are our ways!  
And yet how oft did Israel prove  
Thy constancy of grace!

2 They saw thy wonders wrought,  
And then thy praise they sung;  
But soon thy works of power forgot,  
And murmured with their tongue.

3 Now they believe his word,  
While rocks with rivers flow;  
Now with their lusts provoke the Lord,  
And he reduc'd them low.

4 Yet when they mourn'd their faults,  
He hearken'd to their groans,  
Brought his own covenant to his thoughts,  
And call'd them still his sons.

5 Their names were in his book,  
He say'd them from their foes;  
Oft he chastis'd, but ne'er forsook  
The people that he chose.

6 Let Israel bless the Lord,  
Who lov'd their ancient race;  
And christians join the solemn word  
Amen, to all the praise.
466. Bangor 231, Workop 31, Wantage 204.

(PSalm 129. C.M.)

Persecutors punished.

Up from my youth, may Israel say,
Have I been nurs'd in tears;
My griefs were constant as the day,
And tedious as the years.

2
Up from my youth I bore the rage
Of all the sons of strife;
Oft they assail my riper age,
But not destroy'd my life.

3
Their cruel plough had torn my flesh
With furrows long and deep,
Hourly they vex'd my wounds afresh,
Nor let my sorrows sleep.

4
The Lord grew angry on his throne,
And with impartial eye
Measur'd the mischief they had done,
Then let his arrows fly.

5
How was their insolence surpris'd
To hear his thunders roll!
And all the foes of Zion seiz'd
With horror to the soul.

6
Thus shall the men that hate the saints
Be hlasted from the sky;
Their glory fades, their courage faints,
And fall their projects die.

7
[What tho' they flourish tall and fair,
They have no root beneath;
Their growth shall perish in despair,
And he despis'd in death.]

8
[Of corn that on the house-top stands
No hope of harvest gives;
The reaper never shall fill his hands,
Nor binder fold the sheaves.

9
It springs and withers on the place:
A word of blessing on the grass,
Nor minds it as he goes.]

467. Wells 102, Horsley 205, Wareham 117.

(PSalm 136. C.M.)

Give thanks to God the sovereign Lord;
His mercies still endure;
And be the King of kings ador'd;
His truth is ever sure.

2
What wonders hath his wisdom done!
How mighty is his hand!
Heaven, earth, and sea, he fram'd alone;
How wide is his command!

3
The sun supplies the day with light;
How bright his counsels shine!
The moon and stars adorn the night;
How bright his counsel shines.

4
[He struck the sons of Egypt dead;
How dreadful is his rod!
And thence with joy his people led:
How gracious is our God!]

5
He cleft the swelling sea in two;
His arm is great in might;
And gave the tribes a passage thro';
His power and grace unite.

6
But Pharaoh's army there he drown'd;
How glorious are his ways!
And brought his saints thro' desert ground:
Eternal be his praise.

7
Great monarchs fell beneath his hand,
Victorious is his sword;
While Israel took the promis'd land,
And faithful is his word.

8
He saw the nations dead in sin;
He felt his pity move;
How sad the state the world was in!
How boundless was his love!

9
He sent to save us from our woe;
His goodness never fails:
From death, and hell, and every foe;
And still his grace prevails.

10
Give thanks to God the heavenly King;
His mercies still endure:
Let the whole earth his praises sing;
His truth is ever sure.
469. Daruells 82. Resurrection 72.
(Psalm 136. As the 148th Psalm.)
The same.

Give thanks to God most high,
The universal Lord;
The sovereign King of kings;
And he his grace ador'd.
His power and grace
Are still the same;
And let his name
Have endless praise.

How mighty is his hand!
What wonders hath he done!
He form'd the earth and seas,
And spread the heavens alone.
Thy mercy, Lord,
Shall still endure;
And ever sure
Abides thy word.

His wisdom fram'd the sun
To crown the day with light;
The moon and twinkling stars
To cheer the darksome night.
His power and grace
Are still the same;
And let his name
Have endless praise.

[He smote the first-born sons,
The flower of Egypt, dead:
And thence his chosen tribes
With joy and glory led.
Thy mercy, Lord,
Shall still endure;
And ever sure
Abides thy word.

His power and lifted rod
Cleft the Red Sea in two,
And for his people made
A wonderful passage thro'.
His power and grace
Are still the same;
And let his name
Have endless praise.

But cruel Pharaoh there
With all his host he drown'd;
And brought his Israel safe
Thro' a long desert ground.
Thy mercy, Lord,
Shall still endure;
And ever sure
Abides thy word.

Darwells 82. PAUSE. Resurrection 72.
The kings of Canaan fell
Beneath his dreadful hand;
While his own servants took
Possession of their land.
His power and grace
Are still the same;
And let his name
Have endless praise.

He saw the nations lie
All perishing in sin,
And pity'd the sad state
The ruin'd world was in.
Thy mercy, Lord,
Shall still endure;
And ever sure
Abides thy word.

He sent his only Son
To save us from our woe,
From satan, sin, and death,
And every hurtful foe.
His power and grace
Are still the same;
And let his name
Have endless praise.

Give thanks aloud to God,
To God the heavenly King;
And let the spacious earth
His works and glories sing.
Thy mercy, Lord,
Shall still endure;
And ever sure
Abides thy word.

470. Abridge 201, Bedford 91, Wantage 204.
(Psalm 77. 2d Part. C. M.)
Comfort derived from ancient Providences; or,
Israel delivered from Egypt, and brought to Canaan.

How awful is thy chastening rod!
(May thine own children say)
The great, the wise, the dreadful God!
How holy is his way?

I'll meditate his works of old;
The King that reigns above;
I'll hear his ancient wonders told,
And learn to trust his love.

Long did the house of Joseph lie
With Egypt's yoke oppress'd:
Long he delay'd to hear their cry,
Nor gave his people rest.

The sons of good old Jacob seem'd
Abandon'd to their foes;
But his almighty arm redeem'd
The nation that he chose.

Israel his people, and his sheep,
Must follow where he calls;
He bid them venture thro' the deep,
And made the waves their walls.

The waters saw thee, mighty God!
The waters saw thee come;
Backward they fled, and frightened stood,
To make thine armies room.

Strange was thy journey through the sea,
Thy footsteps, Lord, unknown:
Terrors attend the wonderous way
That brings thy mercies down.
471. Winchester 137, Wells 102.  
(PSALM 114. L. M.)

MIRACLES ATTENDING ISRAEL’S JOURNEY.

WHEN Israel, freed from Pharaoh’s hand,  
Left the proud tyrant and his land,  
The tribes with cheerful homage own  
Their King, and Judah was his throne.

2
Across the deep their journey lay;  
The deep divides to make them way:  
Jordan beheld their march, and fled  
With backward current to his head.

3
The mountains shook like frightened sheep,  
Like lambs the little hillocks leap;  
Not Sinai on her base could stand,  
Conscious of sovereign power at hand.

4
What power could make the deep divide?  
Make Jordan backward roll his tide?  
Why did ye leap, ye little hills!  
And whence the right that Sinai feels!

5
Let every mountain, every flood,  
Retire, and know the approaching God,  
The King of Israel see him here;  
Tremble, thou earth, adore and fear.

6
He thunders, and all nature mourns,  
The rock to standing pools he turns;  
L’lints spring with fountains at his word,  
And fires and seas confess the Lord.

472. Irish 171, Gainsborough 29.  
(Hymn 124. B. B. C. M.)

MOSSES, AARON, AND JOSHUA.

THIS is not the law of ten commands  
On holy Sinai given,  
Or sent to men by Moses’ hands,  
Can bring us safe to heaven.

2
This is not the blood which Aaron spilt,  
Nor smoke of sweetest smell,  
Can buy a pardon for our guilt,  
Or save our souls from hell.

3
Aaron the priest resigns his breath  
At God’s immediate Will;  
And in the desert yields to death  
Upon th’ appointed hill.

4
And thus on Jordan’s yonder side  
The tribes of Israel stand,  
While Moses bow’d his head and dy’d  
Short of the promised land.

5
Israel rejoice, now Joshua* leads,  
He’ll bring your tribes to rest;  
So far the Saviour’s name exceeds  
The Ruler and the Priest.

473. CHARD 175, MARKS 65, BRAMCOATE 8.  
(Psalm 107. 1st Part. L. M.)

ISRAEL LED TO CANAAN, AND CHRISTIANS TO HEAVEN.

GIVE thanks to God; he reigns above,  
Kind are his thoughts, his name is love;  
His mercy ages past have known,  
And ages long to come shall own.

2
Let the redeemed of the Lord  
The wonders of his grace record;  
Israel, the nation whom he chose,  
And rescued from their mighty foes.

3
[When God’s almighty arm had broke  
Their fetters and th’ Egyptian yoke,  
They trac’d the desert, wandering round  
A wild and solitary ground.

4
There they could find no leading road,  
Nor city for a fix’d abode;  
Nor food, nor fountain, to assuage  
Their burning thirst, or hunger’s rage.

5
In their distress to God they cry’d,  
God was their Saviour and their guide;  
He led their march far wandering round,  
’Twas the right path to Canaan’s ground.

6
Thus when our first release we gain  
From sin’s old yoke, and Satan’s chain,  
We have this desert world to pass,  
A dangerous and a tiresome place.

7
He feeds and clothes us all the way,  
He guides our footsteps lest we stray,  
He guards us with a powerful hand,  
And brings us to the heavenly land.

8
O let the saints with joy record  
The truth and goodness of the Lord!  
How great his works! how kind his ways!  
Let every tongue pronounce his praise.

* joshua, the same with jesus, and signifies a Saviour.
THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

THE SETTLEMENT AND BEAUTY OF A CHURCH.

(Psalm 15. C. M.)

Characters of a Saint; or, a Citizen of Zion; or, the Qualifications of a Christian.

Who shall inhabit in thy hill, O God of holiness?
Whom will the Lord admit to dwell so near his throne of grace?

The man that walks in pious ways, and works with righteous hands; that trusts his Maker's promises, and follows his commands.

He speaks the meaning of his heart, nor slanders with his tongue; will scarce believe an ill-report, nor do his neighbour wrong.

The wealthy sinner he contemns, loves all that fear the Lord; and though to his own hurt he swears, still he performs his word.

His hands disdain a golden crown, and never gripèt the poor; this man shall dwell with God on earth, and find his heaven secure.

475. Portugal 97, Bram_coate 8.
(Psalm 15. L. M.)

Religion and Justice, Goodness and Truth; or, Duties to God and Man; or, the Qualifications of a Christian.

Who shall ascend thy heavenly place, Great God, and dwell before thy face? whose hands are pure, whose heart is clean, whose lips still speak the thing they mean; nor slanders dwell upon his tongue; he hates to do his neighbour wrong.

Scarce will he trust an ill-report, nor vents it to his neighbour's hurt: sinners of state he can despise, but saints are honour'd in his eyes.

Firm to his word he ever stood, and always makes his promise good; nor dares to change the thing he swears, whatever pain or loss he bears.

He never deals in bribing gold, and mourns that justice should be sold: while others gripe and grind the poor, sweet charity attends his door.

476. Liverpool 93, Oxford 177, Evans's 90.
(Psalm 24. C. M.)

Dwelling with God.

The earth for ever is the Lord's, with Adam's numerous race; he rais'd its arches o'er the floods, and built it on the seas.

But who among the sons of men may visit thine abode? he that has hands from mischief clean, whose heart is right with God.

This is the man may rise, and take the blessings of his grace; this is the lot of those that seek the God of Jacob's face.

Now let our soul's immortal powers to meet the Lord prepare, lift up their everlasting doors, the king of glory's near.

The king of glory! who can tell the wonders of his might! he rules the nations; but to dwell with saints is his delight.

477. Salem 139, Foster 96.
(Psalm 132. ver. 4, 5, 7, 8, 15-17. C. M.)

A Church established.

No sleep nor slumber to his eyes good David would afford, till he had found below the skies a dwelling for the Lord.

The Lord in Zion plac'd his name, his ark was settled there; to Zion the whole nation came to worship thrice a year.

But we have no such lengths to go, no wander far abroad; where'er the saints assemble now, there is a house for God.

Arise, O King of grace, arise, and enter to thy rest! lo! thy church waits with longing eyes, thus to be own'd and blest.
5 Enter with all thy glorious train,  
Thy Spirit and thy word;
All that the ark did once contain
Could no such grace afford.

Here, mighty God, accept our vows,
Here let thy praise be spread;
Bless the provisions of thy house,
And fill thy poor with bread.

Here let the Son of David reign,
Let God's Anointed shine;
Justice and truth his court maintain,
With love and power divine.

Here let him hold a lasting throne;
And as his kingdom grows,
Fresh honours shall adorn his crown,
And shame confound his foes.

Psalm 133. ver. 5, 13 '48. L. M.)

At the Settlement of a Church; or, the Ordination of a Minister.

WHERE shall we go to seek and find
An habitation for our God,
A dwelling for th' Eternal Mind
Amongst the sons of flesh and blood?

The God of Jacob chose the hill
Of Zion for his ancient rest;
And Zion is his dwelling still,
His church is with his presence blest.

Here will I fix my gracious throne,
And reign for ever, saith the Lord;
Here shall my power, and love be known,
And blessings attend my word.

Here will I meet the hungry poor,
And fill their souls with living bread;
Sinners that wait before my door,
With sweet provisions shall be fed.

Girded with truth and cloth'd with grace,
My priests, my ministers shall shine:
Not Aaron, in his costly dress,
Made an appearance so divine.

The saints, unable to contain
Their inward joys, shall shout and sing;
The Son of David here shall reign,
And Zion triumph in her King.

[Jesus shall see a numerous seed
Born here, t' uphold his glorious name;
His crown shall flourish on his head,
While all his foes are cloth'd with shame!]

(479. Michael 119, Foster 96, Salem 139.
Psalm 118. ver. 22, 23. 3d Part. C. M.)

Christ the Foundation of his Church.

BEHOLD the sure foundation-stone
Which God in Zion lays
To build our heavenly hopes upon,
And his eternal praise.

2 Chosen of God, to sinners dear,
And saints adore the name,
They trust their whole salvation here,
Nor shall they suffer shame.

The foolish builders, scribe and priest,
Reject it with disdain;
Yet on this rock, the church shall rest,
And envy rage in vain.

What tho' the gates of hell withstand,
Yet must this building rise:
'Tis thy own work, almighty God,
And wonderous in our eyes.

480. Martin's Lane 67, Rowles 73.
(PSalm 45. 2d Part. L. M.)

Christ and his Church; or, the Mystical Marriage.

THe King of saints, how fair his face,
Adorn'd with majesty and grace!
He comes with blessings from above,
And wins the nations to his love.

At his right hand our eyes behold
The queen array'd in purest gold;
The world admires her heavenly dress,
Her robe of joy and righteousness.

He forms her beauties like his own;
He calls and seats her near his throne:
Fair stranger, let thine heart forget
The idols of thy native state.

So shall the King the more rejoice
In thee, the favourite of his choice;
Let him be lov'd and yet ador'd,
For he's thy Maker and thy Lord.

O happy hour, when thou shalt rise
To his fair palace in the skies,
And all thy sons (a numerous train)
Each like a prince in glory reign!

Let endless honours crown his head;
Let every age his praises spread;
While we with cheerful songs approve
The condescensions of his love.

481. Ephraim 185, Henley 38, Sutton 149.
(PSalm 45. S. M.)

The Glory of Christ; the Success of the Gospel; and the Gentle Church.

M Y Saviour and my King,
Thy beauties are divine;
Thy lips with blessings overflow,
And every grace is thine.

Now make thy glory known,
Gird on thy dreadful sword,
And ride in majesty to spread
The conquests of thy word.

Strike thro' thy stubborn foes,
Or melt their hearts to obey,
While justice, meekness, grace and truth,
Attend thy glorious way.
CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

482. Thy laws, O God, are right; Thy throne shall ever stand; And thy victorious gospel proves A sceptre in thy hand.

5 [Thy Father and thy God Hath without measure shed His Spirit, like a joyful oil, To anoint thy sacred head.]

6 [Behold, at thy right hand The Gentile church is seen, Like a fair bride in rich attire, And princes guard the queen.]

7 Fair bride, receive his love, Forget thy Father's house; Forsake thy gods, thy idol-gods, And pay thy Lord thy vows.

8 O let thy God and King Thy sweetest thoughts employ; Thy children shall his honours sing In palaces of joy.

482. Bramcoats 8, Newcourt 173, Horsely 205. (Psalm 87. L. M.)

The Church the Birth-place of the Saints; or, Jews and Gentiles united in the Christian Church.

GOD in his earthly temple lays Foundations for his heavenly praise; He likes the tents of Jacob well, But still in Zion loves to dwell.

2 His mercy visits every house That pay their night and morning vows; But makes a more delightful stay Where churches meet to praise and pray.

3 What glories were describ'd of old! What wonders are of Zion told! Thou city of our God below, Thy fame shall Tyre and Egypt know.

4 Egypt and Tyre, and Greek and Jew, Shall there begin their lives anew: Angels and men shall join to sing The hill where living waters spring.

5 When God makes up his last account Of natives in his holy mount, 'Twill be an honour to appear As one new-born or nourish'd there!

483. Derby 169, Rothwell 174, Portugal New 263. (Psalm 92, ver. 12, &c. 2d Part. L. M.)

The Church is the Garden of God.

ORD, 'tis a pleasant thing to stand In gardens planted by thy hand; Let me within thy courts be seen Like a young cedar fresh and green.

2 There grow thy saints in faith and love, Blest with thine influence from above; Not Lebanon with all its trees Yields such a comely sight as these.

3 The plants of grace shall ever live; (Nature decays, but grace must thrive) Time, that doth all things else impair, Still makes them flourish strong and fair.

4 Laden with fruits of age, they shew The Lord is holy, just and true; None that attend his gates shall find A God unfaithful or unkind.


The Church is the Honour and Safety of a Nation.

GREAT is the Lord our God, And let his praise be great; He makes his churches his abode, His most delightful seat.

2 These temples of his grace, How beautiful they stand! The honours of our native place, And bulwarks of our land.

3 In Sion God is known A refuge in distress; How bright has his salvation shone Through all her palaces!

4 When kings against her join'd, And saw the Lord was there, In wild confusion of the mind They fled with hasty fear.

5 When navies tall and proud Attempt to spoil our peace, He sends his tempests roaring loud, And sinks them in the seas.

6 Oft have our fathers told, Our eyes have oft seen, How well our God secures the fold Where his own sheep have been.

7 In every new distress We'll to his house repair, We'll think upon his wondrous grace, And seek deliverance there.


The Beauty of the Church; or, Gospel Worship and Order.

FAR as thy name is known The world declares thy praise; Thy saints, O Lord, before thy throne Their songs of honour raise.

2 With joy let Judah stand On Sion's chosen hill, Proclaim the wonders of thy hand, And counsels of thy will.
Let strangers walk around
The city where we dwell,
Compass and view thine holy ground,
And mark the building well;

The orders of thy house,
The worship of thy court,
The cheerful songs, the solemn vows;
And make a fair report.

How decent and how wise!
How glorious to behold!
Beyond the pomp that charms the eyes,
And rites adorn'd with gold.

The God we worship now
Will guide us till we die,
Will be our God while here below,
And ours above the sky.

How did the spreading branches shoot,
And bless the nations with the fruit!
But now, dear Lord, look down and see
The mourning vine, that lovely tree.

Why is its beauty thus defac'd?
Why hast thou laid her fences waste?
Strangers and foes against her join,
And every beast devours the vine.

Return, almighty God, return,
Nor let thy bleeding vineyard mourn;
Turn us to thee, thy love restore,
We shall be saved, and sigh no more.

Lord, when this vine in Canaan grew
Thou wast its strength and glory too;
Attack'd in vain by all its foes,
Till the fair branch of promise rose;

Fair branch, ordain'd of old to shoot
From David's stock, from Jacob's root;
Himself a noble vine, and we
The lesser branches of the tree.

*Tis thy own Son, and he shall stand
Girt with thy strength at thy right hand;
Thy first-born Son, adorn'd and blest
With power and grace above the rest.

O! for his sake attend our cry,
Shine on thy churches lest they die;
Turn us to thee, thy love restore,
We shall be saved, and sigh no more.

The Church's Prayer under Affliction; or, the Vineyard of God wasted.

ORD, we have heard thy works of old,
Thy works of power and grace,
When to our ears our fathers told
The wonders of their days

How thou didst build thy churches here,
And make thy gospel known;
Amongst them did thine arm appear,
Thy light and glory shone.
In God they boasted all the day,  
And in a cheerful throng  
Did thousands meet to praise and pray,  
And grace was all their song.  

But now our souls are seiz’d with shame,  
Confusion fills our face,  
To hear the enemy blaspheme,  
And fools reproach thy grace.  

Yet have we not forgot our God,  
Nor falsely dealt with heaven,  
Nor have our steps declin’d the road  
Of duty thou hast given.  

Tho’ dragons all around us roar  
With their destructive breath,  
And thine own hand has bruis’d us sore  
Hard by the gates of death.  

PAUSE.  

Awake, arise, almighty Lord,  
Why slee’st thy wonted grace? Why should we look like men ahhorr’d,  
Or hanish’d from thy face!  

Wilt thou forever cast us off,  
And dies upon the ground;  
Rise for our help, rebuke the proud,  
And all their powers confound.  

Redeem us from perpetual shame,  
Our Saviour and our God;  
We plead the honours of thy name,  
The merits of thy blood.  

489. Walsa 237, Bangor 231.  
(Psalm 74. C. M.)  

The Church pleading with God under sore Persecution.  

WILL God for ever cast us off?  
His wrath for ever smock  
Against the people of his love,  
His little chosen flock?  

Think of the tribes so dearly bought  
With their Redeemer’s blood;  
Nor let thy Sion be forgot,  
Where once thy glory stood.  

Lift up thy feet and march in haste,  
Aloud our ruin calls;  
See what a wide and fearful waste  
Is made within thy walls.  

Where once thy churches pray’d and sang,  
Thy foes prophanely roar:  
Over thy gates their ensigns hang  
Sad tokens of their power.  

How are the seats of worship broke!  
They tear the buildings down;  
And he that deals the heaviest stroke  
Procures the chief renown.  

With flames they threaten to destroy  
Thy children in their nest;  
‘Come let us burn at once,’ they cry,  ‘The temple and the priest.’  

And still to heighten our distress  
Thy presence is withdrawn;  
Thy wonted signs of power and grace,  
Thy power and grace are gone.  

No prophet speaks to calm our woes,  
But all the seers mourn;  
There’s not a soul amongst us knows  
The time of thy return.  

How long, eternal God, how long,  
Shall men of pride blaspheme? Shall saints be made their endless song,  
And bear immortal shame?  

Canst thou forever sit and hear  
Thine holy name profan’d! And still thy jealousy for heanmmmflo  
And still withhold thy hand?  

What strange deliverance hast thou shown  
In ages long before!  
And now no other God we own,  
No other God adore.  

Thou didst divide the raging sea,  
By thy resistless might:  
To make thy tribes a wonderous way,  
And then secure their flight.  

Is not the world of nature thine,  
The darkness and the day!  
Didst thou not hid the morning shine,  
And mark the sun his way?  

Hath not thy power form’d every coast  
And set the earth it’s bounds,  
With summer’s heat and winter’s frost,  
In their perpetual rounds?  

And shall the sons of earth and dust  
That sacred power blaspheme?  
Will not thy hand that form’d them first,  
Avenge thine injur’d name?  

Think on the covenant thou hast made,  
And all thy words of love;  
Nor let the birds of prey invade  
And vex thy mourning dove.  

Our foes would triumph in our blood,  
And make our hope their jest;  
Plead thine own cause, almighty God!  
And give thy children rest.
490. Aynhoe 106, Broderip 252, Peckham 7
(Psalm 83. S. M.)

A Complaint against Persecutors

And will the God of grace Perpetual silence keep?
The God of justice hold his peace, And let his vengeance sleep.

Behold what cursed snares The men of mischief spread;
The men that hate thy saints and thee Lift up their threatening head.

Against thy hidden ones Their counsels they employ, And malice, with her watchful eye, Pursues them to destroy.

The noble and the base Into thy pastures leap; The lion and the stupid ass Conspire to vex thy sheep.

Come, let us join, they cry, To root them from the ground, Till not the name of saints remain, Nor memory shall be found.

Awake, almighty God, And call thy wrath to mind; Give them like forests to the fire, Or stubble to the wind.

Convince their madness, Lord, And make them seek thy name; Or else their stubborn rage confound, That they may die in shame.

They fly like chaff before the wind, Before thine angry breath; The angel of the Lord behind Pursues them down to death.

They love the road that leads to hell; Then let the rebels die, Whose malice is implacable Against the Lord on high.

But if thou hast a chosen few Amongst that impious race, Divide them from the bloody crew By thy surprising grace.

Then will I raise my tuneful voice To make thy wonders known; In their salvation I'll rejoice, And bless thee for my own.

492. Anns 58, James's 163.
(Psalm 14. 2d Part. C. M.)

The Folly of Persecutors.

Are sinners now so senseless grown, That they the saints devour? And never worship at thy throne, Nor fear thy awful power?

Great God, appear to their surprise, Reveal thy dreadful name; Let them no more thy wrath despise, Nor turn our hope to shame.

Dost thou not dwell among the just! And yet our foes deride, That we should make thy name our trust; Great God, confound their pride.

O that the joyful day were come To finish our distress! When God shall bring his children home, Our songs shall never cease.

491. Bangor 231, Ludlow 84, Wantage 204.
(Psalm 35. ver. 1—9. 1st Part. C. M.)

Prayer and Faith of persecuted Saints; or, Imprecations mixed with Charity.

Now plead my cause, almighty God, With all the sons of strife; And fight against the men of blood, Who fight against my life.

Draw out thy spear and stop their way, Lift thine avenging rod; But to my soul in mercy say, 'I am thy Saviour God.'

They plant their snares to catch my feet, And nets of mischief spread; Plunge the destroyers in the pit That their own hands have made.

Let fogs and darkness hide their way, And slippery be their ground; Thy wrath shall make their lives a prey, And all their rage confound.

(Psalm 53. ver. 4—6. C. M.)

Victory and Deliverance from Persecution.

Are all the foes of Sion fools, Who thus devour her saints? Do they not know her Saviour rules, And pity her complaints?

They shall be seiz'd with sad surprise; For God's revenging arm Scatters the bones of them that rise To do his children harm.

In vain the sons of Satan boast Of armies in array; When God has first despis'd their host, They fall an easy prey.

O for a word from Sion's King Her captives to restore! Jacob with all his tribes shall sing, And Judah weep no more.
THE SAFETY, DELIVERANCE, AND TRIUMPH OF THE CHURCH.

496. Newbury 132, Sprague 166. (Hymn 8. B. 1. C. M.)

The Safety and Protection of the Church, Isaiah xxvi. 1-6.

1. HOW honourable is the place Where we adoring stand, Zion the glory of the earth, And beauty of the land!

2. Bulwarks of mighty grace defend The city where we dwell, The walls of strong salvation made, Defy th' assaults of hell.

3. Lift up the everlasting gates, The doors wide open fling, Enter ye nations that obey The statutes of our king.

4. Here shall you taste unmingled joys, And live in perfect peace, You that have known Jehovah's name, And venture'd on his grace;

5. Trust in the Lord, for ever trust, And banish all your fears; Strength in the Lord Jehovah dwells, Eternal as his years.

6. [What tho' the rebels dwell on high, His arm shall bring them low, Low as the caverns of the grave Their lofty heads shall bow.]

7. [On Babylon our feet shall tread In that rejoicing hour, The ruins of her walls shall spread A pavement for the poor.]

THE CHURCH is God's House and Care.

PRAISE ye the Lord, exalt his name, While in his holy courts ye wait, Ye saints, that to his house belong, Or stand attending at his gate.

2. Praise ye the Lord; the Lord is good; To praise his name is sweet employ: Israel he chose of old, and still His church is his peculiar joy.

3. The Lord himself will judge his saints; He treats his servants as his friends; And when he hears their sore complaints, Repents the sorrows that he sends.

4. Thro' every age the Lord declares His name, and breaks th' oppressor's rod; He gives his suffering servants rest, And will be known, Th' almighty God.

5. Bless ye the Lord, who taste his love, People and priests exalt his name; Amongst his saints he ever dwells; His church is his Jerusalem.

NOW shall my inward joys arise And burst into a song, Almighty love inspires my heart, And pleasure my tongue.

2. God on his thirsty Sion-hill Some mercy-drops has thrown, And solemn oaths have bound his love To shower salvation down.

3. Why do we then indulge our fears, Suspicions and complaints? Is he a God, and shall his grace Grow weary of his saints?

4. Can a kind woman e'er forget The infant of her womb, And 'mongst a thousand tender thoughts Her suckling have no room?

5. 'Yet,' saith the Lord, 'should nature change, 'And mothers monsters prove, 'Sion still dwells upon the heart 'Of everlasting Love.'

6. 'Deep on the palms of both my hands 'I have engrav'd her name, 'My hands shall raise her ruin'd walls, 'And build her broken frame.'

God is our shield, and God our sun; Swift as the fleeting moments run, On us he sheds new beams of grace, And we reflect his brightest praise.
498. **Chord 175. Ailie Street 241.**

*(Hymn 18. B. 2. L. M.)*

**The Ministry of Angels.**

*HIGH on a hill of dazzling light*
*The King of Glory spreads his seat,*
*And troops of angels stretch'd for flight*
*Stand waiting round his awful feet.*

1. *Go, saith the Lord, my Gabriel, go,*
   *Salute the virgin's fruitful womb;*
   *Make haste, ye cherubs, down below,*
   *Sing and proclaim the Saviour come.*

2. *Here a bright squadron leaves the skies,*
   *And thick around Elisha stands;*
   *Anon a heavenly soldier flies,*
   *And breaks the chains from Peter's hands.*

3. *Thy winged troops, O God of hosts,*
   *Wait on thy wandering church below,*
   *Here we are sailing to thy coasts,*
   *Let angels be our convoy too.*

4. *Are they not all thy servants, Lord!*
   *At thy command they go and come,*
   *With cheerful haste obey thy word,*
   *And guard thy children to their home.*

499. **Chord 175. Wells 102, Winchester 137.**

*(Psalm 46. 1st Part. L. M.)*

**The Church's Safety and Triumph among national Desolations.**

*God is the refuge of his saints,*
*When storms of sharp distress invade;*
*Ere we can offer our complaints*
*Behold him present with his aid.*

2. *Let mountains from their seats be hurl'd*
   *Down to the deep, and buried there;*
   *Convulsions shake the solid world,*
   *Our faith shall never yield to fear.*

3. *Loud may the troubled ocean roar,*
   *In sacred peace our souls abide,*
   *When from on high his thunder roars,*
   *He awes the trembling world to peace.*

4. *There is a stream whose gentle flow*
   *Supplies the city of our God;*
   *Life, love and joy, still gliding thro',*
   *And watering our dry, dehydrated soul.*

5. *That sacred stream, thine holy word,*
   *That all our raging fears control;*
   *Sweet peace thy promises afford,*
   *And give new strength to fainting souls.*

6. *Sion enjoys her monarch's love,*
   *Secure against a threatening hour;*
   *Nor can she ever founds move,*
   *Built on his truth, and armed with power.*

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500. **Bromley 104, Coombs's 45, Chard 175.**

*(Psalm 46. 2d Part. L. M.)*

**God fights for his Church.**

*LET Sion in her king rejoice,*
*Tho' tyrants rage and kingdoms rise;*
*He utters his almighty voice,*
*The nations melt, the tumult dies.*

2. *The Lord of old for Jacob fought,*
   *And Jacob's God is still our aid;*
   *Behold the works he has wrought,*
   *What desolations he has made!*

3. *From sea to sea, thro' all the shores,*
   *He makes the noise of battle cease;*
   *When from on high his thunder roars,*
   *He awes the trembling world to peace.*

4. *He breaks the bow, he cuts the spear,*
   *Chariots he burns with heavenly flame;*
   *Keep silence all the earth, and hear*
   *The sound and glory of his name.*

5. *Be still, and learn that I am God,*
   *I'll be exalted o'er the lands;*
   *I will be known and fear'd abroad,*
   *But still my throne in Sion stands.*

6. *O Lord of hosts, almighty king,*
   *While we so near thy presence dwell,*
   *Our faith shall sit secure, and sing*
   *Defiance to the gates of hell.*

501. **Cambridge New 74, Tunbridge 193.**

*(Hymn 28. B. 1. C. M.)*

**The Triumph of Christ over the Enemies of his Church.**

*What mighty man, or mighty God,*
*Comes travelling in state,*
*Along the Idumean road,*
*Away from Bozrah's gate?*

2. *The glory of his robes proclaim,*
   *'Tis some victorious king:*
   *'Tis I, the Just, the Almighty One,*
   *That your salvation bring.'*

3. *Why, mighty Lord,' thy saints inquire,*
   *Why thine apparel red;*
   *And all thy vestures stain'd like those*
   *Who in the wine-press tread?*

4. *I by myself have trod the press,*
   *And crushed my foes alone;*
   *My wrath has struck the rebels dead,*
   *My fury stamp'd them down.*

5. *'Tis Edom's blood that dye my robes*
   *With joyful scarlet stains,*
   *The triumph that my raiment wears*
   *Sprung from their bleeding veins.*

6. *Thus shall the nations be destroy'd*
   *That dare insult my saints,*
   *I have an arm t'avenge their wrongs,*
   *An ear for their complaints.*

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The Ruin of Antichrist, Isa. lxiii. 4-7.

1 Lift my banners, saith the Lord,
   Where Antichrist has stood,
The city of my gospel-foes
   Shall be a field of blood.

2 My heart has study'd just revenge,
   And now the day appears,
The day of my redeem'd is come
   To wipe away their tears.

3 Quite weary is my patience grown,
   And bids my fury go;
Swift as the lightning it shall move,
   And be as fatal too.

4 I call for helpers but in vain:
   Then has my gospel none!
Well, mine own arm has might enough
   To crush my foes alone.

5 Slaughter and my devouring sword
   Shall walk the streets around,
Babel shall reel beneath my stroke,
   And stagger to the ground.

6 Thy honours, O victorious King!
   Thine own right hand shall raise,
While we thy heavenly war sing,
   Raise thy Deliverer's name on high.

503. London 180, Tunbridge 103, Canterbury 199. (Hymn 56. B. 1. C. M.)

The Song of Moses and the Lamb; or, Babylon falling, Rev. xvi. 3, xvi. 19, xvi. 6.

1 We sing the glories of thy love,
   We sound thy dreadful name;
The Christian church unites the songs
   Of Moses and the Lamb.

2 Great God, how wonderous are thy works
   Of vengeance and of grace!
Thou King of saints, Almighty Lord,
   How just and true thy ways!

3 Who dares refuse to fear thy name,
   Or worship at thy throne?
Thy judgments speak thine holiness
   Thro' all the nations known.

4 Great Babylon, that rules the earth,
   Drunk with the martyr's blood,
Her crimes shall speedily awake
   The fury of our God.

5 The cup of wrath is ready mix'd,
   And she must drink the dregs;
Strong is the Lord her sovereign judge,
   And shall fulfill the plagues.

504. Chard 175, Redemption 248, Wells 102. (Hymn 58. B. 1. L. M.)

The Devil vanquished; or, Michael's War with the Dragon, Rev. xii. 7.

1 Let mortal tongues attempt to sing
   The wars of heaven, when Michael stood
Chief general of the Eternal King,
   And fought the battles of our God.

2 Against the dragon and his host
   The armies of the Lord prevail:
In vain they rage, in vain they boast,
   Their courage sinks, their weapons fail.

3 Down to the earth was Satan thrown,
   Down to the earth his legions fell;
Then was the trumpet of triumph blown,
   And shook the dreadful deeps of hell.

4 Now is the hour of darkness past,
   Christ hath assum'd his reigning power;
Behold the great accuser cast
   Down from the skies, to rise no more.

5 Twas by thy blood, immortal Lamb,
   Thine armies trod the tempter down;
Twas by thy word and powerful name,
   They gain'd the battle and renown.

6 Rejoice, ye heavens; let every star
   Shine with new glories round the sky;
Saints, while ye sing the heavenly war,
   Raise your Deliverer's name on high.

505. Wells 102, Old Hundred 100, Islington 40. (Hymn 59. B. 2. L. M.)

Babylon fallen, Rev. xviii. 20, 21.

In Gabriel's hand a mighty stone
   Lies, a fair type of Babylon:
' Pro hets, rejoice, and, all ye saints,
   God shall avenge your long complaints.'

2 He said, and dreadful as he stood,
   He sunk the millstone in the flood:
' Thus terribly shall Babel fall;
   Thus, and no more, be found at all.'

506. Follett 181, Otford 106, Irish 171. (Psalm 126. C. M.)

The Joy of a remarkable Conversion; or, Mala'hog; removed.

1 When God reveal'd his gracious name,
   And chang'd my mournful state,
My rapture seem'd a lessing dream;
   The grace appear'd so great.

2 The world beheld the glorious change,
   And did thy hand confess;
   And sung surprising grace:
3 'Great is the work,' my neighbours cry'd,
And own'd the power divine;
'Great is the work,' my heart reply'd,
'And be the glory thine.'

4 The Lord can clear the darkest skies,
Can give us day for night,
Make drops of sacred sorrow rise
To rivers of delight.

5 Let those that sow in sadness wait
Till the fair harvest come,
They shall confess their sheaves are great,
And shout the blessings home.

6 Thy seed lie bury'd long in dust,
It'san't deceive their hope;
The precious grain can ne'er be lost,
For grace insures the crop.

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509. Exeter 4, New York 33, Salem 139.
(Psalm 34. ver. 1—10. 1st Part. C. M.)

Prayer and Praise for eminent Deliverance.

1 All bless the Lord from day to day;
How good are all his ways!
Ye humble souls that use to pray,
Come, help my lips to praise!

2 Sing to the honour of his name,
How a poor sufferer cry'd,
Nor was his hope expos'd to shame,
Nor was his suit deny'd.

3 When threatening sorrows round me stood,
And endless fears arose,
Like the loud billows of a flood,
Redoubling all my woes;

4 I told the Lord my sore distress
With heavy groans and tears,
He gave my sharpest torments ease,
And silenced all my fears.

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(Psalm 66. ver. 13—20. 2d Part. C. M.)

Praise to God for hearing Prayer.

1 Now shall my solemn vows be paid:
To that almighty power,
That heard the long requests I made
In my distressful hour.

2 My lips and cheerful heart prepare
To make his mercies known;
Come, ye that fear my God, and hear!
The wonders he has done,
3
When on my head huge sorrows fell,
I sought his heavenly aid;
He saved my sinking soul from hell
And death's eternal shade.

4
If sin lay cover'd in my heart,
While prayer employ'd my tongue,
The Lord had shewn me no regard,
Nor I his praises sung.

5
But God, (his name be ever blest)
Hath set my spirit free,
Nor turn'd from him my poor request,
Nor turn'd his heart from me.

PRAISE TO GOD; or, COMMUNION WITH SAINTS.

1
O God, the great, the ever-blest,
Let songs of honour be address'd
His mercy firm forever stands;
Give him the thanks his love demands.

2
Who knows the wonders of thy ways!
Who shall fulfil thy boundless praise!
Blest are the souls that fear thee still,
And pay their duty to thy will.

3
Remember what thy mercy did
For Jacob's race, thy chosen seed;
And with the same salvation bless
The meanest suppliant of thy grace.

4
O may I see thy tribes rejoice,
And aid their triumphs with my voice!
This is my glory, Lord, to be
Join'd to thy saints, and near to thee.

PRAYER AND PRAISE FOR THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE CHURCH.

1
This shall be known when we are dead,
And left on long record,
That ages yet unborn may read,
And trust, and praise the Lord.

MISSIONARY MEETINGS.

1
Chard 175, Derby 169, Bromley 104.
(Psalms 72. 1st Part. L. M.)

THE KINGDOM OF CHRIST.

GREAT God, whose universal sway
The known and unknown worlds obey,
Now give the kingdom to thy Son,
Extend his power, exalt his throne.

2
Thy sceptre well becomes his hands,
All heaven submits to his commands;
His justice shall avenge the poor,
And pride and rage prevail no more.

3
With power he vindicates the just,
And treats the oppressor in the dust;
His worship and his fear shall last
Till hours and years and time be past.

4
As rain on meadows newly mown
So shall he send his influence down;
His grace on fainting souls distils
Like heavenly dew on thirsty hills.

5
The heathen lands that lie beneath
The shades of overspreading death,
Revive at his first dawning light,
And deserts blossom at the sight.

6
The saints shall flourish in his days,
Drest in the robes of joy and praise;
Peace like a river from his throne
Shall flow to nations yet unknown.

CHRIST'S KINGDOM AMONG THE GENTILES.

1
Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2
Behold the island with their kings,
And Europe her best tribute brings;
From north to south the princes meet
To pay their homage at his feet.

3
There Persia glorious to behold,
There India shines in eastern gold;
And barbarous nations at his word
Submit, and bow, and own their Lord.

4
For him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown his head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.
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5
People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on his love with sweetest song;
And infant-voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on his name.

6
Blessings abound where'er he reigns,
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains,
The weary find eternal rest;
And all the sons of want are blest.

7
[Where he displays his healing power,
Death and the curse are known no more;
In him the tribes of Adam boast
More blessings than their father lost.

8
Let every creature rise, and bring
Peculiar honors to our king;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the long Amen.]

(Psalm 45. C.M.)
The personal Glories and Government of Christ.

I'll speak the honors of my king,
His form divinely fair;
None of the sons of mortal race
May with the Lord compare.

2
Sweet is thy speech, and heavenly grace
Upon thy lips is shed;
Thy God, with blessings infinite,
Hath crown'd thy sacred head.

3
Gird on thy sword, victorious Prince,
Ride with majestic sway;
Thy terrors shall strike thro' thy foes,
And make the world obey.

4
Thy throne, O God, for ever stands;
Thy word of grace shall prove
A peaceful sceptre in thy hands,
To rule the saints by love.

5
Justice and truth attend thee still,
But mercy is thy choice;
And God, thy God, thy soul shall fill
With most peculiar joys.

515. Chard 175, Coombs's 45, Gloucester 12.
(Psalm 45. 1st Part. L.M.)

Now be my heart inspired to sing
The glories of my Saviour-king,
Jesus the Lord; how heavenly fair
His form! how bright his beauties are!

2
O'er all the sons of human race
He shines with a superior grace,
Love from his lips divinely flows,
And blessings all his state compose.

3
Dress thee in arms, most mighty Lord,
Gird on the terror of thy sword,
In majesty and glory ride
With truth and meekness at thy side.

4
Thine anger, like a pointed dart,
Shall pierce the foes of stubborn heart;
Or words of mercy, kind and sweet,
Shall melt the rebels at thy feet.

5
Thy throne, O God, for ever stands,
Grace is the sceptre in thy hands;
Thy laws and works are just and right,
Justice and grace are thy delight.

6
God, thine own God, has richly shed
His oil of gladness on thy head;
And with his sacred Spirit blest
His first-born Son above the rest.

517. Hotkan 224, Portugal 97.
(Psalm 110. 1st Part. L.M.)
Christ exalted, and Multitudes converted; or,
the Success of the Gospel.

Thus the eternal Father spake
To Christ the Son, 'Ascend and sit
At my right hand, till I shall make
Thy foes submissive at thy feet.

1
From Zion shall thy word proceed,
Thy word, the sceptre in thy hand,
Shall make the hearts of rebels bleed,
And bow their wills to thy command.

2
That day shall shew thy power is great,
When saints shall flock with willing minds
And sinners crowd thy temple gate;
Where holiness in beauty shines.

4
O blessed power! O glorious day!
What a large victory shall ensue!
And converts, who thy grace obey,
Exceed the drops of morning-dew.

518. Bramcoate 8, Marks 65.
(Psalm 110. 2d Part. L.M.)
The Kingdom and Priesthood of Christ.

Thus the great Lord of earth and sea
Spake to his Son, and thus he swore;
Eternal shall thy priesthood be,
And change from hand to hand no more.

2
Aaron and all his sons must die;
But everlasting life is thine,
To save for ever those that fly
For refuge from the wrath divine.

3
By me Melchisedek was made
On earth a king and priest at once;
And thou, my heavenly priest shalt plead,
And thou, my King, shalt rule my sons.

4
Jesus the priest ascends his throne,
While counsels of eternal peace,
Between the Father and the Son,
Proceed with honour and success.

5
Thro' the wobble earth his reign shall spread,
And crush the powers that dare rebel;
Then shall he judge the rising dead,
And send the guilty world to hell.
Christ's Kingdom and Priesthood.

Jesus, our Lord, ascend thy throne,
And near the Father sit;
In Zion shall thy power be known,
And make thy foes submit.

What wonders shall thy gospel do!
Thy converts shall surpass
The numerous drops of morning dew,
And own thy sovereign grace.

God hath pronounced a firm decree,
Nor changes what he swore;
Eternal shall thy priesthood be,
When Aaron is no more.

Melchisedek, that wonderous priest,
That king of high degree,
That holy man who Abram blest,
Was but a type of thee.

Jesus our priest forever lives,
To plead for us above;
Jesus our King forever gives
The blessings of his love.

God shall exalt his glorious head,
And his high throne maintain,
Shall strike the powers and princes dead
Who dare oppose his reign.

NOW be the God of Israel blest,
Who makes his truth appear,
His mighty hand fulfils his word,
And all the oaths he swore.

Now he bedews old David's root
With blessings from the skies;
He makes the Branch of promise grow,
The promis'd Horn arise.

John was the prophet of the Lord
To go before his face,
The herald which our Saviour God
Sent to prepare his ways.

He makes the great salvation known,
He speaks of pardon'd sins;
While grace divine and heavenly love
In its own glory shines.
523. *Denbigh 54, Rowles 73, Islington 40.*

(Psalm 117. L. M.)

**The same.**

From all that dwell below the skies,
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
Thro' every land, by every tongue.

1 Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attendsthy word;
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
Tillsunsshallriseand setno more.

2 Our souls receive diviner breath,
Rais'd from corruption, guilt and death;
So from the grave did Christ arise,
And lives to God above the skies.

3 No more let sin or Satan reign
Over our mortal flesh again;
The various lusts we serv'd before
Shall have dominion now no more.


(Psalm 117. S. M.)

**The same.**

Thy name, almighty Lord,
Shall sound thro'honrest lands;
Great is thy grace, and sure thy word,
Thy truth for ever stands.

2 Far be thine honour spread,
And long thy praise endure,
Till morning light and evening shade
Shall be exchanged no more.

525. *Portugal 97, Green's Hundred 89.*

(Hymn 52. B. l. L. M.)


Twas the commission of our Lord,
Go, teach the nations and baptize;
The nations have receiv'd the word
Since he ascended to the skies.

2 He sits upon th' eternal hills,
With grace and pardon in his hands,
And sends his covenant, with the seals,
To bless the distant British lands.

3 Repent, and be baptiz'd, (he saith)
For the remission of your sins;
And thus our sense assists our faith,
And shews us what his gospel means.

4 Our souls he washes in his blood,
As water makes the body clean;
And the good Spirit from our God
Descends like purifying rain.

5 Thus we engage ourselves to thee,
And seal our covenant with the Lord:
O may the great Eternal Three
In heaven our solemn vows record!


(Hymn 192. B. l. L. M.)

Believers buried with Christ in Baptism,
Rom. vi. 3, &c.

Do we not know that solemn word,
That we are buried with the Lord,
Baptiz'd into his death, and then
Put off the body of our sin?


(Hymn 113. B. l. C. M.)


How large the promise! how divine
To Abraham and his seed!
I'll be a God to thee and thine,
Supplying all their need.

2 The words of his extensive love
From age to age endure;
The angel of the covenant proves,
And seals the blessing sure.

3 Jesus the ancient faith confirms
To our great fathers given;
He takes young children to his arms,
And calls them heirs of heaven.

4 Our God, how faithful are his ways!
His love endures the same;
Nor from the promise of his grace
Blots out the children's name.

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528. **Gainsbro' 29, Bath Chapel 26.**
   (Hymn 114. B. 1. C. M.)
   The same, Rom. xi. 16, 17.
   **GENTILES by nature we belong**
   To the wild olive-wood;
   Grace took us from the barren tree,
   And grafts us in the good.

2
   With the same blessings grace endows
   The Gentile and the Jew;
   If pure and holy be the root,
   Such are the branches too.

3
   Then let the children of the saints
   Be dedicate to God;
   Pour out thy Spirit on them, Lord,
   And wash them in thy blood.

4
   Thus to the parents and their seed
   Shall thy salvation come,
   And numerous households meet at last
   In one eternal home.

529. **George's 2, Bath Chapel 26.**
   (Hymn 121. B. 1. C. M.)
   **Children devoted to God, Gen. xvii. 7, 10.**
   Acts xvi. 14, 15, 33.
   (For those who practise Infant Baptism.)
   Thus saith the mercy of the Lord,
   'I'll be a God to thee;
   I'll bless thy numerous race, and they
   Shall be a seed for me.'

2
   Abra'm believd the promise'd grace
   And gave his sons to God;
   But water seals the blessing now,
   That once was seal'd with blood.

3
   Thus Lydia sanctify'd her house
   When she receiv'd the word;
   Thus the believing jailor gave
   His household to the Lord.

4
   Thus later saints, eternal king,
   Thine ancient truth embrace;
   To thee their infant-spring bring,
   And humbly claim the grace.

530. **Froome 255, James's 163.**
   (Hymn 134. B. 2. C. M.)
   **Circumcision abolished.**
   The promise was divinely free,
   Extensive was the grace;
   I will the God of Abrah'm be,
   And of his numerous race.

2
   He said; and with a bloody seal
   Confirm'd the words he spoke;
   Long did the sons of Abrah'm feel
   The sharp and painful yoke.

3
   Till God's own Son, descending low,
   Gave his own flesh to bleed;
   And Gentiles taste the blessing now,
   From the hard bondage fre'd.

531. **Aisle Street 241, Islington 40.**
   (Hymn 127. B. 2. L. M.)
   **Circumcision and Baptism.**
   (Written only for those who practise the Baptism of Infants.)
   Thus did the sons of Abrah'm pass
   Under the bloody seal of grace;
   The young disciples bore the yoke,
   Till Christ the painful bondage broke.

2
   By milder ways doth Jesus prove
   His Father's covenant, and his love;
   He seals to saints his glorious grace,
   And not forbids their infant-race.

3
   Their seed is sprinkled with his blood,
   Their children set apart for God,
   His Spirit on their offspring shed,
   Like water pour'd upon the head.

4
   Let every saint with cheerful voice
   In this large covenant rejoice;
   Young children in their early days
   Shall give the God of Abrah'm praise.

532. **Bedford 91, Irish 171, Braintree 25.**
   (Hymn 141. B. 2. C. M.)
   **Faith assisted by Sense; or, Preaching, Baptism, and the Lord's Supper.**
   My Saviour-God, my Sovereign-Prince
   Reigns far above the skies;
   But brings his graces down to sense
   And helps my faith to rise.

2
   My eyes and ears shall bless his name,
   They read and hear his word;
   My touch and taste shall do the same
   When they receive the Lord.

3
   Baptismal water is design'd
   To seal his cleansing grace,
   While at his feast of bread and wine
   He gives his saints a place.

4
   But not the waters of a flood
   Can make my flesh so clean,
   As by his Spirit and his blood
   He'll wash my soul from sin.

5
   Not choicest meats, or nohest wines
   So much my heart refreshed,
   As when my faith goes through the signs
   And feasts upon his flesh.

6
   I love the Lord that stoops so low
   To give his word a seal;
   But the rich grace his hands bestow
   Exceeds the figures still.
THE LORD's SUPPER.

533. Old Hundred 100, Green's Hundred 89.
(Hymn 1. B.3. L. M.)

The Lord's Supper instituted,
1 Cor. xi, 23, &c.

T WAS on that dark, that doleful night
When powers of earth and hell arose
Against the Son of God's delight,
And friends betray'd him to his foes:

Before the mournful scene began
He took the bread, and blest, and brake:

What love thro' all his actions ran!
What wonderous words of grace he spake!

'This is my body broke for sin,
Receive and eat the living food.'

Then took the cup, and blest the wine;
'Tis the new covenant in my blood.'

[For us his flesh with nails was torn,
He bore the scourge; he felt the thorn;
And justice pour'd upon his head
Its heavy vengeance in our stead.

For us his vital blood was spilt,
To buy the pardon of our guilt,
When for black crimes of biggest size
He gave his soul a sacrifice.]

Do this (he cry'd) till time shall end,
In memory of your dying friend;
Meet at my table, and record
The love of your departed Lord.

Jesus, thy feast we celebrate,
We show thy death, we sing thy name,
Till thou return, and we shall eat
The marriage supper of the lamb.]

534. Worksworth 158, Harborough 142.
(Hymn 2. B.3. S. M.)

Communion with Christ, and with Saints,
1 Cor. x. 16, 17.

J E S U S invites his saints
To meet around his board;
Here pardon'd rebels sit, and hold
Communion with their Lord.

For food he gives his flesh,
He bids us drink his blood;
Amazing favour! matchless grace
Of our descending God!

This holy bread and wine
Maintains our fainting breath,
By union with our living Lord,
And interest in his death.

Our heavenly Father calls
Christ and his members one;
We the young children of his love,
And he the first-born Son.

5 We are but several parts
Of the same broken bread;
One body hath its several limbs,
But Jesus is the head.

6 Let all our powers be joint'd
His glorious name to raise;
Pleasure and love fill every mind,
And every voice be praise.

535. Irish 171, Bedford 91.
(Hymn 3. B.3. C. M.)
The New Testament in the Blood of Christ;
or, the New Covenant sealed.

'THE promise of my Father's love
Shall stand for ever good;
He said; and gave his soul to death,
And seal'd the grace with blood.

To this dear covenant of thy word
I set my worthless name;
I seal th' engagement to my Lord,
And make my humble claim.

Thy light and strength, and pardoning grace,
And glory shall be mine;
My life and soul, my heart and flesh,
And all my powers are thine.

I call that legacy my own
Which Jesus did bequeath;
'Twas purchased with a dying groan,
And ratified in death.

Sweet is the memory of his name,
Who bless'd us in his will,
And to his testament of love
Made his own life the seal.

536. Condescension 116, Bangor 231.
(Hymn 4. B.3. C. M.)
Christ's dying Love; or, our Pardon bought
at a dear Price.

H O W condescending and how kind
Was God's eternal Son!
Our misery reach'd his heavenly mind,
And pity brought him down.

[When justice by our sins provok'd
Drew forth its dreadful sword,
He gave his soul up to the stroke
Without a murmuring word.]

[He sunk beneath our heavy woes
To raise us to his throne;
There's never a gift his hand bestows
But cost his heart a groan.]

This was compassion like a God,
That when the Saviour knew
The price of pardon was his blood,
His pity ne'er withdrew.
THE LORD's SUPPER.

537. Bath Chapel 26, Michaels 119.

CHRIST the Bread of Life. John vi. 31, 35, 39.

Let us adore the eternal word,
'Tis he our souls hath fed;
Thou art our living stream, O Lord,
And thou the immortal bread.

1. [The manna came from lower skies,
But Jesus from above,
Where the fresh springs of pleasure rise,
And rivers flow with love.

2. The Jews the fathers dy'd at last
Who eat that heavenly bread;
But these provisions which we taste
Can raise us from the dead.]

3. Bless the Lord that gives his flesh
To nourish dying men;
And often spreads his table fresh
Lest we should faint again.

4. Our souls shall draw their heavenly breath
While Jesus finds supplies;
Nor shall our graces sink to death,
For Jesus never dies.

5. Daily our mortal flesh decays,
But Christ our life shall come;
His unresisted power shall raise
Our bodies from the tomb.

538. Allie Street 241, Ulverston 179.

The Memorial of our absent Lord,

Jesus is gone above the skies,
Where our weak senses reach him not;
And carnal objects court our eyes
To thrust our Saviour from our thought.

2. He knows what wandering hearts we have
Apt to forget his lovely face;
And to refresh our minds he gave
These kind memorials of his grace.

3. The Lord of life this table spread
With his own flesh and dying blood;
We on the rich provision feed,
And taste the wine, and bless the God.

4. Let sinful sweets be all forgot,
And earth grow less in our esteem;
Christ and his love fill every thought,
And faith and hope be fix'd on him.

5. While he is absent from our sight
'Tis to prepare our souls a place,
That we may dwell in heavenly light,
And live for ever near his face.

6. Our eyes look upwards to the hills
Whence our returning Lord shall come;
We wait thy chariot's awful wheels
To fetch our longing spirits home.

539. Allie Street 241, Ulverston 179.

Crucifixion to the World by the Cross of Christ;

When I survey the wonderous cross
On which the prince of glory dy'd,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

3. See from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet?
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4. [His dying crimson like a robe
Spreads o'er his holy on the tree,
Then am I dead to all the globe,
And all the globe is dead to me.]

5. Were the whole realm of nature mine?
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

540. Elim 151, Hephzibah 77.

The Tree of Life.

COME let us join a joyful tune
To our exalted Lord,
Ye saints on high around his throne,
And we around his board.

2. While once upon this lower ground
Weary and faint ye stood,
What dear refreshments here ye found
From this immortal food?

3. The tree of life that near the throne
In heaven's high garden grows
Laden with grace bends gently down,
Its ever-smiling boughs.
THE LORD's SUPPER.

4

[Hovering amongst the leaves there stands
The sweet celestial dove;
And Jesus on the branches hangs
The banner of his love.]

5

['Tis a young heaven of strange delight
While in his shade we sit;
His fruit is pleasing to the sight,
And to the taste as sweet.

6

New life it spreads thro' dying hearts,
And cheers the drooping mind;
Vigour and joy the juice imparts
Without a sting behind.

7

Now let the flaming weapon stand,
And guard all Eden's trees:
There's never a plant in all that land
That bears such fruits as these.

8

Infinite grace our souls adore,
Whose wonderous hand has made
This living branch of sovereign power
To raise and heal the dead.

9

While the Eternal Three
Bear their record above,
Here I believe he dy'd for me,
And seal my Saviour's love.

10

[Lord, cleanse my soul from sin,
Nor let thy grace depart;
Great Comforter, abide within,
And witness to my heart.]

542. Old Hundred 100, Wareham 147.

(Hymn 10. B. 3. L. M.)

Christ crucified; the Wisdom and Power of God.

NATURE with open volume stands
To spread her Maker's praise abroad;
And every labour of his hands
Shews something worthy of a God.

2

But in the grace that rescued man
His brightest form of glory shines;
Here on the cross 'tis fairest drawn
In precious blood and crimson lines.

3

[Here his whole name appears complete;
Nor wit can guess, nor reason prove:
Which of the letters best is writ,
The power, the wisdom, or the love.

4

Here I behold his inmost heart
Where grace and vengeance strangely join
Piercing his Son with sharpest smart
To make the purchas'd pleasures mine.

5

O the sweet wonders of that cross
Where God the Saviour lov'd and dy'd;
Her noblest life my spirit draws
From his dear wounds and bleeding side.

6

I would forever speak his name
In sounds to mortal ears unknown,
With angels joint to praise the Lamb,
And worship at his Father's throne.

543. Bedford 91, Sprague 166.

(Hymn 11. B. 3. C. M.)

Pardon brought to our Senses.

ORD, how divine thy comforts are
How heavenly is the place
Where Jesus spreads the sacred feast
Of his redeeming grace!

2

There the rich bounties of our God
And sweetest glories shine,
There Jesus says, that ' I am his,
And my beloved's mine.'

3

Here,' (says the kind redeeming Lord)
And shows his wounded side
'See here the spring of all your joys,
That open'd when I died.'

4

[He smiles and cheers my mournful heart;
And tells of all his pain,
'All this,' says he, ' I bore for thee,
And then he smiles again.']

5
THE LORD's SUPPER.

What shall we pay our heavenly King
For grace so vast as this?
He brings our pardon to our eyes,
And seals it with a kiss.

[Let such amazing loves as these
Be sounded all abroad,
Such favours are beyond degrees,
And worthy of a God.]

To him that wash'd us in his blood
Be everlasting praise,
Salvation, honour, glory, power,
Eternal as his days.

(Hymn 12. B.3. L.M.)

How rich are thy provisions, Lord!
Thy table furnish'd from above,
The fruits of life o'er-spread the board,
The cup o'er-flows with heavenly love.

Thine ancient family the Jews
Were first invited to the feast,
We humbly take what they refuse,
And Gentiles thy salvation taste.

We are the poor, the blind, the lame,
And help was far, and death was nigh,
But at the gospel call we came,
And every want receiv'd supply.

From the high-way that leads to hell,
From paths of darkness and despair,
Lord, we are come with thee to dwell,
Glad to enjoy thy presence here.

545. Sprague 166, Bedford 91.
(Hymn 13. B.3. C.M.)

Now sweet and awful is the place
With Christ within the doors,
While everlasting love displays
The choicest of her stores.

Here every bowl of our God
With soft compassion rolls,
Here peace and pardon bought with blood
Is food for dying souls.

[While all our hearts and all our songs
Join to admire the feast,
Each of us cry with thankful tongues,
'Lord, why was I a guest?]

Why was I made to hear thy voice,
'And enter while there's room?
'When thousands make a wretched choice
'And rather starve than come.'

'Twas the same love that spread the feast,
That sweetly forc'd us in,
Else we had still refuse'd to taste,
And perish'd in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God,
Constrain the earth to come;
Send thy victorious word abroad,
And bring the strangers home.

We long to see thy churches full,
That all the chosen race
May with one voice and heart and soul
Sing thy redeeming grace.

546. Green's Hundred 89, Rochford 22.
(Hymn 14. B.3. L.M.)
The Song of Simeon, Luke ii. 28; or, a Sight of Christ makes Death easy.

Now have our hearts embrac'd our God,
We would forget all earthly charms,
And wish to die as Simeon would
With his young Saviour in his arms.

Our lips should learn that joyful song,
Were but our hearts prepar'd like his,
Our souls still willing to be gone,
And at thy word depart in peace.

Here we have seen thy face, O Lord,
And view'd salvation with our eyes,
Tasted and felt the living word,
The bread descending from the skies.

Thou hast prepar'd this dying Lamb,
Hast set his blood before our face,
To teach the terrors of thy name,
And show the wonders of thy grace.

547. James' 163, Gainsborough 29.
(Hymn 15. B.3. C.M.)
Our Lord Jesus at his own Table.

The memory of our dying Lord
Awakes a thankful tongue:
How rich he spread his royal board,
And blest the food, and sung.

Happy the men that eat this bread,
But double blest was he
That gently bow'd his loving head,
And lean'd it, Lord, on thee.
THE LORD's SUPPER. 549, 550

By faith the same delights we taste
As that great favourite did,
And sit and lean on Jesus breast,
And take the heavenly bread.] 3

Down from the palace of the skies
Hither the King descends,
Come, my beloved, eat, (he cries)
And drink salvation, friends.
4

My flesh is food and physic too,
A balm for all your pains;
And the red streams of pardon flow
From these my pierced veins.
5

Hosanna to his bounteous love
For such a taste below!
And yet he feeds his saints above
With nobler blessings too.
6

[Come the dear day, the glorious hour
That brings our souls to rest!
Then we shall need these types no more,
But dwell at th' heavenly feast.]

548. Abridge 201, Bedford 91.
(Hymn 16. B.3. C.M.)

The Agonies of Christ.

NOW let our pains be all forgot,
Our hearts no more repine,
Our sufferings are not worth a thought,
When, Lord, compared with thine.
1

In lively figures here we see
The bleeding Prince of love;
Each of us hope, he dy'd for me,
And then our griefs remove.
2

[Our humble faith here takes her rise
While sitting round his board;
And back to Calvary she flies
To view her groaning Lord.
3

His soul what agonies it felt
When his own God withdrew!
And the large load of all our guilt
Lay heavy on him too.
4

But the divinity within
Supported him to hear;
Dying he conquer'd hell and sin,
And made his triumph there.
5

Grace, wisdom, justice join'd and wrought
The wonders of that day:
No mortal tongue, nor mortal thought
Can equal thanks repay.
6

Our hymns should sound like those above,
Could we our voices raise;
Yet, Lord, our hearts shall all be love,
And all our lives be praise.
7

519. Falcon 209, Eagle Street New 55.
(Hymn 17. B.3. S.M.)

Incomparable Food; or, the Flesh and Blood of Christ.

[We sing th' amazing deeds
That grace divine performs;
Th' eternal God comes down and bleeds
To nourish dying worms.
1

This soul-reviving wine,
Dear Saviour, 'tis thy blood;
We thank that sacred flesh of thine
For this immortal food.
2

The banquet that we eat
Is made of heavenly things,
Earth hath no dainties half so sweet
As our Redeemer brings.
3

In vain had Adam sought
And search'd his garden round,
For there was no such blessed fruit
In all the happy ground.
4

Th' angelic host above
Can never taste this food,
They feast upon their Maker's love,
But not a Saviour's blood.
5

On us th' almighty Lord
Bestows this matchless grace,
And meets us with some cheering word,
With pleasure in his face.
6

Come, all ye drooping saints,
And banquet with the King,
This wine will drown your sad complaints,
And tune your voice to sing.
7

Salvation to the name
Of our adored Christ:
Thro' the wide earth his grace proclaim,
His glory in the high'st.
8

550. Portugal 97, Ulverston 179.
(Hymn 18. B.3. L.M.)

The same.

JESUS, we bow before thy feet,
Thy table is divinely stord:
Thy sacred flesh our souls have eat,
'Tis living bread; we thank thee, Lord!
1

And here we drink our Saviour's blood,
We thank thee, Lord, 'tis generous wine;
Mingled with love the fountain flow'd
From that dear bleeding heart of thine.
2

On earth is no such sweetness found,
For the Lamb's flesh is heavenly food;
In vain we search the globe around
For bread so fine, or wine so good.
3

Carnal provisions can at best
But cheer the heart or warm the head,
But the rich cordial that we taste
Gives life eternal to the dead.
4
551. Warham 117, Green's Hundred 89.
(Hymn 19. B. 3. L. M.)
Glory in the Cross; or, not ashamed of Christ crucify'd.

552. Bath Chapel 26, Bedford 91.
(Hymn 20. B. 3. C. M.)
The Provisions for the Table of our Lord; or, the Tree of Life, and River of Love.

ORD, we adore thy bounteous hand,
And sing the solemn feast
Where sweet celestial dainties stand
For every willing guest.

[The tree of life adorns the board
With rich immortal fruit,
And ne'er an angry flaming sword
To guard the passage to't.

The cup stands crown'd with living juice;
The fountain flows above,
And runs down streaming for our use
In rivulets of love.

The food's prepar'd by heavenly art,
The pleasures well refin'd,
They spread new life thro' every heart,
And cheer the drooping mind.

Shout and proclaim the Saviour's love
Ye saints that taste his wine,
Join with your kindred saints above,
In loud Hosannas join.

A thousand glories to the God
That gives such joy as this,
Hosanna! let it sound abroad,
And reach where Jesus is.
554, 555

554. Ulverston 179, Wareham 117.

(Hymn 22. B.3. L.M.)

The Compassion of a dying Christ.

Our spirits join to adore the Lamb; O that our feeble lips could move In strains immortal as his name, And melting as his dying love.

Was ever equal pity found? The prince of heaven reigns his breath, And pours his life out on the ground To ransom guilty worms from death.

[Rebels, we broke our Maker's laws; He from the threatening set us free, Bore the full vengeance on his cross, And nail'd the curses to the tree.]

The law proclaims no terror now, And Sinai's thunder roars no more; From all his wounds new blessings flow, A sea of joy without a shore.

Here we have wash'd our deepest stains And heal'd our wounds with heavenly blood; Blest fountain! springing from the veins Of Jesus our incarnate God.

In vain our mortal voices strive To speak compassion so divine; Had we a thousand lives to give, A thousand lives should all be thine.

555. Irish 171, Ludlow 84.

(Hymn 23. B.3. C.M.)

Grace and Glory by the Death of Christ.

Sitting around our father's board We raise our tuneful breath; Our faith beholds her dying Lord, And dooms our sins to death. 2

We see the blood of Jesus shed, Whence all our pardons rise; The sinner views th' atonement made, And loves the sacrifice. 3

Thy cruel thorns, thy shameful cross Procure us heavenly crowns; Our highest gain springs from thy loss, Our healing from thy wounds. 4

Oh! impossible that we Who dwell in feeble clay, Should equal sufferings bear for thee, Or equal thanks repay. 5

O 3

556. Workop 31, Foster 96.

(Hymn 24. B.3. C.M.)

Pardon and Strength from Christ.

Father, we wait to feel thy grace, To see thy glories shine; The Lord will his own table bless, And make the feast divine.

We touch, we taste the heavenly bread, We drink the sacred cup; With outward forms our sense is fed, Our souls rejoice in hope.

We shall appear before the throne Of our forgiving God, Drest in the garments of his son, And sprinkle'd with his blood.

We shall be strong to run the race, And climb the upper sky; Christ will provide our souls with grace, He bought a large supply.

[Let us indulge a cheerful frame For joy becomes a feast; We love the memory of his name More than the wine we taste.]


(Hymn 25. B.3. C.M.)

Divine Glories and our Graces.

How are thy glories here display'd, As bright as thou shine, While at thy word we break the bread, And pour the flowing wine.

Here thy revenging justice stands And pleads its dreadful cause; Here saving mercy spreads her hands Like Jesus on the cross.

Thy saints attend with every grace On this great sacrifice; And love appears with cheerful face, And faith with fixed eyes.

Our hope in waiting posture sits, To heaven directs her sight; Here every warmer passion meets, And warmer powers unite.

Zeal and revenge perform their part, And rising sin destroy; Repentance comes with aching heart, Yet not forbids the joy.

Dear Saviour, change our faith to sight, Let sin for ever die; Then shall our souls be all delight, And every tear be dry.

O 3
SOLOMON's SONG.

(Hymn 66. B. 1. L. M.)

CHRIST the King at his Table. Sol. Song i. 2—5, 12, 13, 17.

LET him embrace my soul, and prove
Mine interest in his heavenly love:
The voice that tells me, Thou art mine,
Exceeds the blessings of the vine.

On thee th' anointing Spirit came,
And spread the savour of thy name;
That oil of gladness and of grace
Draws virgin souls to meet thy face.

Jesus, allure me by thy charms,
My soul shall fly into thine arms:
Our wandering feet thy favour bring
To the fair chambers of the king.

[Wonder and pleasure tunes our voice
To speak thy praises, and our joys;
Our memory keeps this love of thine
Beyond the taste of richest wine.]

Thou in ourselves deform'd we are,
And black as Kedar tent appear,
Yet when we put thy beauties on,
Fair as the courts of Solomon.

[While at his table sits the King,
He loves to see us smile and sing;
Our graces are our best perfume,
And breathe like spikenard round the room.]

As myrrh new-bleeding from the tree,
Such is a dying Christ to me;
And while he makes my soul his guest,
My bosom, Lord, shall be thy rest.

[No beams of cedar or of fir
Can with thy courts on earth compare;
And here we wait until thy love
Raise us to nobler seats above.]

559. New Court 173, Bredby 165.
(Hymn 67. B. 1. L. M.)

Seeking the Pastures of Christ the Shepherd,
Sol. Song ii. 1, 2.

THOU whom my soul admires above
All earthy joy, and earthy love,
Tell me, dear Shepherd, let me know,
Where doth thy sweetest pasture grow?

Where is the shadow of that rock,
That from the sun defends thy flock?
Fain would I feed among thy sheep,
Among them rest, among them sleep.

Why should thy bride appear like one
That turns aside to paths unknown?
My constant feet would never rove,
Would never seek another love.

560. Martin's Lane 67, Newcourt 173.
(Hymn 68. B. 1. L. M.)

The Banquet of Love, Sol. Song ii. 1—4, 6, 7.

BEHOLD the Rose of Sharon here,
The Lily which the vallies bear;
Behold the Tree of Life, that gives
Refeshing fruit and healing leaves.

Amongst the thorns so lilies shine;
Amongst wild gourds the noble vine;
So in mine eyes my Saviour proves
Amidst a thousand meaner loves.

Beneath his cooling shade I sat
To shield me from the burning heat;
Of heavenly fruit he spreads a feast
To feed my eyes and please my taste.

[Kindly he brought me to the place
Where stands the banquet of his grace,
He saw me faint, and o'er my head
The banner of his love he spread.]

With living bread and generous wine
He cheers this sinking heart of mine;
And opening his own heart to me,
He shews his thoughts, how kind they be.

O never let my Lord depart,
Lie down and rest upon my heart;
I charge my sins not once to move,
Nor stir, nor wake, nor grieve my love.

561. Kimbolton 251, Bromley 104.
(Hymn 69. B. 1. L. M.)

Christ appearing to his Church, and seeking her Company, Sol. Song ii. 1—13.

THE voice of my beloved sounds
Over the rocks and rising grounds,
O'er hills of guilt and seas of grief,
He leaps, he flies to my relief.

Now thro' the veil of flesh I see
With eyes of love he looks at me;
Now in the gospel's clearest glass
He shews the beauties of his face.

Gently he draws my heart along
Both with his beauties and his tongue;
' Rise, (saith my Lord) make haste away;
' No mortal joys are worth thy stay.
SOLOMON's SONG.

562. "The Jewish winter state is gone, The mist are fled, the spring comes on, The sacred turtle dove we hear, Proclaim the new, the joyful year."

563. "Th' immortal vine of heavenly root Blossoms and buds, and gives her fruit! Lo, we are come to taste the wine; Our souls rejoice and bless the vine."

564. "And when we hear our Jesus say, 'Rise up my love, make haste away!' Our hearts would fain out-fly the wind, And leave all earthly loves behind."

565. "Sometimes I find him in my way, Directed by a heavenly ray; I leap for joy to see his face, And hold him fast in mine embrace."

566. "I bring him to my mother's home, Nor does my Lord refuse to come, To Sion's sacred chambers, where My soul first drew the vital air."

567. "He gives me there his bleeding heart, Pien'd for my sake with deadly smart; I give my soul to him, and there Our loves their mutual tokens share."

568. "I charge you all, ye earthly toys, Approach not to disturb my joys; Nor sin, nor hell come near my heart, Nor cause my Saviour to depart."

569. "The daughters of Sion, come, behold The crown of honour and of gold, Which the glad church with joys unknown Plac'd on the head of Solomon."

570. "Jesus, thou everlasting King, Accept the tribute which we bring, Accept the well-deserv'd renown, And wear our praises as thy crown."

571. "Let every act of worship be Like our espousals, Lord, to thee; Like the dear hour when from above We first receiv'd thy pledge of love."

572. "The gladness of that happy day, Our hearts would wish it long to stay, Nor let our faith forsake it's hold, Nor comfort sink, nor love grow cold."

573. "Each following minute as it flies, Increase thy praise, improve our joys, Till we are rais'd to sing thy name At the great supper of the lamb."

574. "O that the months would roll away, And bring that coronation-day! The king of grace shall fill the throne With all his Father's glories on."

575. "Kind is the speech of Christ our Lord, Affection sounds in every word, 'Lo, thou art fair, my love,' he cries, 'Not the young doves have sweeter eyes.'"
2 Sweet are thy lips, thy pleasing voice
Salutes mine ear with secret joys.
No spice so much delights the smell,
Nor milk nor honey taste so well.

3 Thou art all fair, my bride, to me,
I will behold no spot in thee.
What mighty wonders love performs,
And puts a comeliness on worms!

4 Defil'd and loathsome as we are,
He makes us white, and calls us fair;
Adorns us with that heavenly dress,
His graces, and his righteousness.

5 My sister and my spouse,' he cries,
Bound to my heart thy variousties,
Thy powerful love my heart detains
In strong delight and pleasing chains.

6 He calls me from the leopard's den,
From this wild world of asts and men,
To Sion where his glories are;
Not Lebanon is half so fair.

(Hymn 74. B. 1. L. M.)
The Church the Garden of Christ,
Sol. Song iv. 12, 14, 15. and v. 1.

WE are a garden wall'd around,
Chosen and made peculiar ground;
A little spot inclos'd by grace
Out of the world's wide wilderness.

2 Like trees of myrrh and spice we stand
Planted by God the Father's hand;
And all his springs in Sion flow
To make the young plantation grow.

3 Awake, O heavenly wind, and come,
Blow on this garden of perfume;
Spirit divine, descend and breathe
A gracious gale on plantings beneath.

4 Make our best spices flow abroad
To entertain our Saviour God:
And faith, and love, and joy appear,
And every grace be active here.

5 Let my beloved come, and taste
His pleasant fruits at his own feast:
' I come, my spouse, I come,' he cries,
With love and pleasure in his eyes.

6 Our Lord into his garden comes,
Well pleas'd to smell our poor perfumes,
And calls us to a feast divine,
Sweeter than honey, milk, or wine.

7 Eat of the tree of life, my friends,
The blessings that my Father sends;
Your taste shall all my dainties prove,
And drink abundance of my love.

8 Jesus, we will frequent thy board,
And sing the bounties of our Lord:
But the rich food on which we live
Demands more praise than tongues can give.

567. Newcourt 173, Marks 65.
(Hymn 75. B. 1. L. M.)
The Description of Christ the Beloved,
Sol. Song v. 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16.

T HE wondering world enquires to know
Why I should love my Jesus so:
'What are his charms,' say they, 'above
The objects of a mortal love?'

2 Yes, my beloved, to my sight,
Shews a sweet mixture, red and white:
All human beauties, all divine
In my beloved meet and shine.

3 His head the finest gold excels,
There wisdom in perfection dwells;
And glory like a crown adorns
The cruel scourge, the piercing spear.

4 His hands are fairer to behold
Than diamonds set in rings of gold;
Those heavenly hands that on the tree
Were nail'd, and torn, and bled for me.

5 His eyes are majesty and love,
The eagle tempered with the dove;
No more shall tricklings or sorrows roll
Thro' those dear windows of his soul.

6 His mouth that out loud complaints,
Now smiles, and cheers his fainting saints;
His countenance more graceful is
Than Lebanon with all its trees.

7 All over glorious is my Lord,
Must be belov'd, and yet ador'd:
His worth if all the nations knew,
Sure the whole earth would love him too.

(Hymn 76. B. 1. L. M.)
Christ dwells in Heaven, but visits on Earth,
Sol. Song vi. 1, 2, 3, 12.

W HEN strangers stand and hear me tell
What beauties in my Saviour dwell;
Where he is gone, they fain would know,
That they may seek and love him too.
TIMES AND SEASONS.

MORNINGS AND EVENINGS.

569. Leeds 19, Truro 105.

(The Love of Christ to the Church, in his Language to her, and Provisions for her; Sol. Song vii. 5, 6, 9, 18, 13.

NOW in the galleries of his grace Appears the king, and thus he says, 'How fair my saints are in my sight! 'My love how pleasant for delight?' 1

Kind is thy language, Sovereign Lord. There's heavenly grace in every word: From that dear mouth a stream divine Flows sweeter than the choicest wine. 2

Such wonderous love awakes the lip Of saints that were almost asleep, To speak the praises of thy name. And makes our cold affections flame. 3

These are the joys he lets us know In fields and villages below, Gives us a relish of his love, But keeps his noblest feast above. 4

TIMES AND SEASONS.

570. Uterston 179, Magdalene 214.

(=Hymn 78. B. 1. L. M.)

The Strength of Christ's Love, and the Soul's Jealousy of her own; Sol. Song viii. 5, 6, 7, 13, 14.

Who is this fair one in distress, That travels from the wilderness? And pressed with sorrows and with sins, On her beloved Lord she leans. 1

This is the spouse of Christ our God, Bought with the treasure of his blood; And her request and her complaint Is but the voice of every saint.] 2

'O let my name engraven stand, Both on thy heart and on thy hand: Seal me upon thine arm; and wear That pledge of love forever there. 3

Stronger than death thy love is known, Which floods of wrath could never drown; And hell and earth in vain combine To quench a fire so much divine. 4

But I am jealous of my heart, Lest it should once from thee depart; Then let thy name be well imprest As a fair signet on my breast. 5

Till thou hast brought me to thy home, Where fears and doubts can never come, Thy countenance let me oft see, And often thou shalt hear from me. 6

Come, my beloved, haste away, Cut short the hours of thy delay, Fly like a youthful hart or roe Over the hills where spices grow. 7

From the fair chambers of the east The circuit of his race begins; And, without weariness or rest, Round the whole earth he flies and shines. 1

O like the sun may I fulfil Thy appointed duties of the day, With ready mind and active will March on and keep my heavenly way. 2
TIMES AND SEASONS.

(Hymn 6. B. 2. C. M.)

A Morning Song.

4 But I shall rove and lose the race,
If God my sun should disappear,
And leave me in this world's wild maze
To follow every wandering star.

5 Lord, thy commands are clean and pure,
Enlightening our clouded eyes,
Thy threatenings just, thy promise sure,
Thy gospel makes the simple wise.

6 Give me thy counsels for my guide,
And then receive me to thy bliss;
All my desires and hopes beside
Are faint and cold compared with this.

573. Portugal 97, Rippon's 188, Magdalene 214.
(Psalm 3. 1—5. 8. L. M.)

A Morning Psalm.

O LORD, how many are my foes,
In this weak state of flesh and blood!
My peace they daily discompose,
But my defence and hope is God.

2 Tired with the burdens of the day,
To thee I rais'd an evening cry;
Thou heard'st when I began to pray,
And thine Almighty help was nigh.

3 Supported by thine heavenly aid,
I laid me down, and slept secure;
Not death should make my heart afraid,
Tho' I should wake and rise no more.

574. Kimbolton 211, Newcourt 173, New Sabbath 122.
(Hymn 81. B. 1. L. M.)

A Song for Morning or Evening,
Lam. iii. 23. Isa. xlv. 7.

MY God, how endless is thy love!
Thy gifts are every evening new,
And morning mercies from above
Gently distill like early dew.

2 Thou spread'st the curtains of the night,
Great guardian of my sleeping hours;
Thy sovereign word restores the light,
And quickens all my drowsy powers.

3 I yield my powers to thy command,
To thee I consecrate my days;
Perpetual blessings from thine hand
Demand perpetual songs of praise.

575. Magdalene 214, Hotham 224, Portugal 97.
(Psalm 141. ver.2—5. L. M.)

Watchfulness and brotherly Reproof.

A Morning or Evening Psalm.

MY God, accept my early vows,
Like morning-incense in thine house,
And let my nightly worship rise
Sweet as the evening sacrifice.

2 Watch o'er my lips, and guard them, Lord,
From every rash and heedless word;
Nor let my feet incline to tread
The guilty path where sinners lead.

3 O may the righteous, when I stray,
Smite, and reprove my wandering way!
Their gentle words, like ointment shed,
Shall never hruise, but cheer my head.

576. James'i 163, Sprague 166, Bedford 91.
(Hymn 8. B. 2. C. M.)

An Hymn for Morning or Evening.

HOSANNA, with a cheerful sound,
To God's upholding hand,
Ten thousand snares attend us round,
And yet secure we stand.

2 That was a most amazing power
That rais'd us with a word,
And every day and every hour
We lean upon the Lord.

3 The evening rests our weary head,
And angels guard the room;
We wake and we admire the hed
That was not made our tomb.
The rising morning can't assure
That we shall end the day,
For death stands ready at the door
To seize our lives away.

Our breath is forfeited by sin
To God's revenging law;
We own thy grace, Immortal King,
In every gasp we draw.

God is our sun, whose daily light
Our joy and safety brings;
Our feeble flesh lies safe at night
Beneath his shady wings.

Thus far the Lord has led me on,
Thus far his power prolongs my days;
And every evening shall make known
Some fresh memorial of his grace.

Much of my time has run to waste,
And I perhaps am near my home;
But he forgives my follies past,
He gives me strength for days to come.

I lay my body down to sleep,
Peace is the pillow for my head,
While well-appointed angels keep
Their watchful stations round my head.

In vain the sons of earth and hell
Tell me a thousand frightful things,
My God in safety makes me dwell
Beneath the shadow of his wings.

Faith in his name for his my fear;
O may thy presence ne'er depart!
And in the morning make me hear
The love and kindness of thy heart.

Thus when the night of death shall come,
My flesh shall rest beneath the ground,
And wait thy voice to rouse my tomb,
With sweet salvation in the sound.

ORD, thou wilt hear me when I pray;
I am for ever thine
I fear before thee all the day,
Nor would I dare to sin.

And while I rest my weary head
From cares and business free,
'Tis sweet conversing on my bed
With my own heart and thee.

I pay this evening sacrifice;
And when my work is done,
Great God, my faith and hope relies
Upon thy grace alone.

Thus with my thoughts composed to peace,
I'll give mine eyes to sleep;
Thy hand in safety keeps my days,
And will my slumber keep.

ORD, when I count thy mercies o'er,
They strike me with surprise;
Not all the sands that spread the shore
To equal numbers rise.

My flesh with fear and wonder stands,
The product of thy skill,
And hourly blessings from thy hands
Thy thoughts of love reveal.

These on my heart by night I keep;
How kind, how dear to me!
O may the hour that ends my sleep
Still find my thoughts with thee.

WAS in the watches of the night
I thought upon thy power,
I kept thy lovely face in sight
Amidst the darkest hour.
2 My flesh lay resting on my bed,
My soul arose on high;
' My God, my life, my hope,' I said,
'Bring thy salvation nigh.'
3 My spirit labours up thine hill,
And climbs the heavenly road;
But thy right hand upholds me still,
While I pursue my God.
4 Thy mercy stretches over my head
The shadow of thy wings;
My heart rejoices in thine aid,
My tongue awakes and sings.
5 But the destroyers of my peace
Shall fret and rage in vain;
The tempter shall forever cease,
And all my sins be slain.
6 Thy sword shall give my foes to death,
And send them down to dwell
In the dark caverns of the earth,
Or to the deeps of hell.

THE SEASONS OF THE YEAR.

582. Milbourn Port 183, Stamford 9,
Elim 151.
(Psalm 65. 3d Part. C. M.)
The Blessings of the Spring; or, God gives Rain.
A Psalm for the Husbandman.

Good is the Lord, the heavenly king,
Who makes the earth his care,
Visits the pastures every spring,
And bids the grass appear.
2 The clouds, like rivers rais'd on high,
Pour out, at thy command,
Their watery blessings from the sky,
To cheer the thirsty land.
3 The soften'd ridges of the field
Permit the corn to spring;
The valleys rich provision yield,
And the poor labourers sing.
4 The little hills on every side
Rejoice at falling showers;
The meadows, drest in all their pride,
Perfume the air with flowers.
5 The barren clods, refresh'd with rain,
Promise a joyful crop;
The parching grounds look green again,
And raise the reaper's hope.
6 The various months thy goodness crowns;
How bounteous are thy ways!
The bleating flocks spread over the downs,
And shepherds shout thy praise.

583. Miles Lave 39, Foster 96.
(Psalm 65. 3d Part. C. M.)
The Providence of God in Air, Earth, and Sea; or, the Blessing of Rain.
'Tis by thy strength the mountain stood,
God of eternal power;
The sea grows calm at thy command,
And tempests cease to roar.
2 Thy morning light and evening shade
Successive comforts bring;
Thy plenteous fruits make harvest glad,
Thy flowers adorn the spring.
3 Seasons and times, and moons and hours,
Heaven, earth, and air are thine;
When clouds distil in fruitful showers,
The author is divine.
4 Those wandering cisterns in the sky,
Borne by the winds around,
With watery treasures well supply
The furrows of the ground.
5 The thirsty ridges drink their fill,
And ranks of corn appear;
Thy ways abound with blessings still,
Thy goodness crowns the year.

584. Marks 65, Gloucester 12, Wells 102.
(Psalm 147. 2d Part. L. M.)
Summer and Winter.
A Song for Great Britain.

O Britain, praise thy mighty God, And make his honours known abroad; He bid the ocean round thee flow; Not bars of brass could guard thee so. 2 Thy children are secure and blest; Thy shores have peace, thy cities rest; He feedeth sons with honest wheat, And adds his blessing to their meat.
3 Thy changing seasons he ordains,
Thine early and thy later rains;
His flakes of snow like wool he sends,
And thus the springing corn defends.
4 With hoary frost he strews the ground;
His hail descends with clattering sound;
Where is the man so vainly bold
That dares defy his dreadful cold?
5 He bids the southern breezes blow,
The ice dissolves, the waters flow.
But he hath nobler works and ways
To call the Britons to his praise.
6 To all the isles his laws are shown.
His gospel thro' the nation known;
He hath not thus reveal'd his word
To every land: Praise ye the Lord.
YOUTH AND OLD AGE.

585. Staughton 264, Milbourn Port 183, Great Milton 212.
(Psalm 147. 7—9, 13—18. C. M.)

The Seasons of the Year.

With songs and honours sounding loud
Address the Lord on high;
Over the heavens he spread his cloud,
And waters veil the sky.

He sends his showers of blessing down
To cheer the plains below;
He makes the grass the mountains crown,
And corn in vallies grow.

He gives the grazing ox his meat,
He hears the ravens cry;
But man, who tastes his finest wheat,
Should raise his honours high.

His steady counsels change the face
Of the declining year;
He hides the sun cut short his race,
And wintery days appear.

His hoary frost, his fleecy snow
Descend and cloth the ground;
The liquid streams for heart to flow,
In icy fettersound.

When from his dreadful stores on high
He pours the rattling hail,
The wretch that dares this God defy
Shall find his courage fail.

He sends his word and melts the snow,
The fields no longer mourn;
He calls the warmer gales to blow,
And bids the spring return.

The changing wind, the flying cloud,
With songs and honours sounding loud,
Praise ye the sovereign Lord.

586. Old Hundred 100, Wareham 117, Wells 102.
(Psalm 29. L. M.)

Storm and Thunder.

Give to the Lord, ye sons of fame,
Give to the Lord renown and power,
Ascribe due honours to his name,
And his eternal might adore.

The Lord proclaims his power aloud
Over the ocean and the land;
His voice divides the watery cloud,
And lightnings blaze at his command.

He speaks, and tempest, hail, and wind,
Lay the wide forest bare around;
The fearful hart, and frightened hind,
Leap at the terror of the sound.

To Lebanon he turns his voice,
And lo, the stately cedars break;
The mountains tremble at the noise,
The vallies roar, the deserts quake.

(Hymn 62. B. 2. C. M.)

God the Thunderer; or, the last Judgment, and Hell.
(Made in a great sudden Storm of Thunder, Aug. 20th, 1697.)

Sing to the Lord, ye heavenly hosts,
And thou, O earth, adore,
Let death and hell thro' all their coasts
Stand trembling at his power.

His sounding chariot shakes the sky,
He makes the clouds his throne,
There all his stores of lightning lie,
Till vengeance dart them down.

His nostrils breathe out fiery streams,
And from his awful tongue
A sovereign voice divides the flames,
And thunder roars along.

Think, O my soul, the dreadful day
When this incensed God
Shall rend the sky, and burn the sea,
And fling his wrath abroad.

What shall the wretch the sinner do?
He once defy'd the Lord;
But he shall dread the thunderer now,
And sink beneath his word.

Tempests of angry fire shall roll
To blast the rebel-worm,
And beat upon his naked soul
In one eternal storm.

588. Old Hundred 100, Wareham 117.
(Pr. 8. v. 1, 2. Paraphrased. 1st Pt. L. M.)

The Hosanna of the Children, or, Infants praising God.

Almighty Ruler of the skies,
Thro' the wide earth thy name is spread,
And thine eternal glories rise
O'er all the heavens thy hands have made.

To thee the voices of the young
A monument of honour raise;
And babes, with un instructed tongue,
Declare the wonders of thy praise.

YOUTH AND OLD AGE.
Thy power assists their tender age
To bring proud rebels to the ground,
To still the bold blasphemer's rage,
And all their policies confound.

Children amidst thy temple throng
To see their great Redeemer's face;
The Son of David is their song,
And young hosannas fill the place.

The frowning scribes and angry priests
In vain their impious cavils bring;
Revenge sits silent in their breasts,
While Jewish babes proclaim their king.

If you desire a length of days,
And peace to crown your mortal state,
Restrain your feet from impious ways,
Your lips from slander and deceit.

The eyes of God regard his saints,
His ears are open to their cries;
He sets his frowning face against
The sons of violence and lies.

To humble souls and broken hearts
God with his grace is ever nigh;
Pardon and hope his love imparts
When men in deep contrition lie.

He tells their tears, he counts their groans,
His Son redeems their souls from death;
His Spirit heals their broken bones,
They in his praise employ their breath.

COME, children, learn to fear the Lord;
And that your days be long,
Let not a false or spiteful word
Be found upon your tongue.

Depart from mischief, practise love,
Pursue the works of peace;
So shall the Lord your ways approve,
And set your souls at ease.

His eyes awake to guard the just,
His ears attend their cry;
When broken spirits dwell in dust,
The God of grace is nigh.

What tho' the sorrows here they taste
Are sharp and tedious too,
The Lord, who saves them all at last,
Is their supporter now.

Evil shall smite the wicked dead;
But God secures his own,
Prevents the mischief when they slide,
Or heals the broken bone.

When desolation like a flood
O'er the proud sinner rolls,
Saints find a refuge in their God,
For he redeemed their souls.

MUST all the charms of nature then
So hopeless to salvation prove?
Can hell demand, can heaven condemn
The man whom Jesus deigns to love?

The man who sought the ways of truth,
Paid friends and neighbours all their due,
(A modest, sober, lovely youth)
And thought he wanted nothing now.

But mark the change! thus spake the Lord,
'Come part with earth for heaven to-day,'
The youth, astonished at the word,
In silent sadness went his way.

Poor virtues that he boasted so,
This test unable to endure;
Let Christ, and grace, and glory go
To make his land and money sure!

Ah foolish choice of treasures here!
Ah fatal love of tempting gold!
Must this base world be bought so dear?
Are life and heaven so cheaply sold?

In vain the charms of nature shine,
If this vile passion govern me:
Transform my soul, O love divine,
And make me part with all for thee.

NOW in the heat of youthful blood
Remember your Creator God,
Behold, the months come hastening on
When you shall say, My joys are gone.

Behold the aged sinner goes
Laden with guilt and heavy woes
Down to the regions of the dead,
With endless curses on his head.

The dust returns to dust again,
The soul in agonies of pain
Ascends to God, not there to dwell,
But hears her doom, and sinks to hell.

Eternal King, I fear thy name,
Teach me to know how frail I am;
And when my soul must hence remove,
Give me a mansion in thy love.
Youth and Judgment, Eccl. xi. 9.

Ye sons of Adam, vain and young,
Indulge your eyes, indulge your tongue,
Taste the delights your souls desire,
And give a loose to all your fire:

Pursue the pleasures you design,
And cheer your hearts with songs and wine,
Enjoy the day of mirth; but know
There is a day of judgment too.

God from on high beholds your thoughts,
His hook records your secret faults;
The works of darkness you have done
Must all appear before the sun.

The vengeance to your follies due
Should strike your hearts with terror thro'!
How will ye stand before his face,
Or answer for his injured grace?

Almighty God, turn off their eyes
From these alluring vanities;
And let the thunder of thy word
Awake their souls to fear the Lord.

The same.

The aged Saint's Reflection and Hope.

My God, my everlasting hope,
I live upon thy truth;
Thy hands have held my childhood up,
And strengthened all my youth.

My flesh was fashioned by thy power,
With all the limbs of mine;
And from my mother's painful hour
I've been entirely thine.

Still has my life new wonders seen
Repeated every year;
Behold my days that yet remain,
Trust them to thy care.

Cast me not off when strength declines,
When hoary hairs arise;
And round me let thy glory shine
When'er thy servant dies.

Then in the history of my age,
When men review my days,
They'll read thy love in every page,
In every line thy praise.

The aged Christian's Prayer and Song; or,
Old Age, Death, and the Resurrection.

God of my childhood and my youth,
The guide of all my days,
I have declared thy heavenly truth,
And told thy wonderful ways.

Wilt thou forsake my hoary hairs,
And leave my fainting heart?
Who shall sustain my sinking years
If God my strength depart?
Let me thy power and truth proclaim
To the surviving age,
And leave a savour of thy name
When I shall quit the stage.

The land of silence and of death
Attends my next remove;
O may these poor remains of breath
Tench the wide world thy love!

Thy righteousness is deep and high,
Unsearchable thy deeds;
Thy glory spreads beyond the sky,
And all my praise exceeds.

Oft have I heard thy threatenings roar,
And oft endured the grief;
But when thy hand has prest me sore,
Thy grace was my refuge.

By long experience have I known
Thy sovereign power to save;
At thy command I venture down
Securely to the grave.

When I lie hurried deep in dust,
My flesh shall be thy care;
These withering limbs with thee I trust
To raise them strong and fair.

Prayer heard, and Saints saved; or, Pride,
Atheism, and Oppression punished.

For a Humiliation Day.

Why doth the Lord stand off so far,
And why conceal his face,
When great calamities appear,
And times of deep distress!

Lord, shall the wicked still deride
Thy justice and thy power!
Shall they advance their heads in pride,
And still thy saints devour!

They not thy judgments from their sight,
And then insult the poor;
They boast in their exalted height
That they shall fall no more.

Arise, O God, lift up thine hand,
Attend our humble cry;
No enemy shall dare to stand
When God ascends on high.

Why do the men of malice rage,
And say with foolish pride,
'S The God of heaven will never engage
'To fight on Zion's side?'

But thou for ever art our Lord;
And powerful is thine hand,
As when the heathens felt thy sword,
And perish'd from thy land.

Thou wilt prepare our hearts to pray,
And cause thine ear to hear;
He hearkens what his children say,
And puts the world in fear.

Proud tyrants shall no more oppress,
No more despise the just;
And mighty sinners shall confess
They are but earth and dust.

Complaint of a general Corruption of Manners; or, the Promise and Signs of Christ's coming to Judgment.

Help, Lord, for men of virtue fail,
Religion loses ground;
The sons of violence prevail,
And treacheries abound.

Their oaths and promises they break,
Yet act the flatterer's part;
With fair deceitful lips they speak,
And with a double heart.

If we reprove some hateful lie,
How is their fury stir'd;
'Are not our lips our own,' they cry,
'And who shall be our Lord?'

Scorners appear on every side,
Where a vile race of men
Is rais'd to seats of power and pride,
And hears the sword in vain.

Is not thy chariot hastening on?
Hast thou not given this sign!
May we not trust and live upon
A promise so divine!

'Yes,' saith the Lord, 'now will I rise,
And make oppressors flee;
I shall appear to their surprise,
And set my servants free.'

Thy word, like silver seven times try'd,
Thro' ages shall endure;
The men that in thy truth confide
Shall find the promise sure.

The Saint's Safety and Hope in evil Times; or, Sins of the Tongue complained of; viz. Blasphemy, Falshood, &c.

ORD, if thou dost not soon appear,
Virtue and truth will fly away;
A faithful man, amongst us here,
Will scarce be found, if thou delay.

The whole discourse, when neighbours
Is fill'd with trifles loose and vain; [meet,
Their lips are flattery and deceit,
And their proud language is profane.
601. Walsal 237, Bangor 231.  
(Psalm 60. ver. 1-5. 10-12. C.M.)  
On a Day of Humiliation for Disappointments in War.

ORD, hast thou cast the nation off?  
Must we forever mourn!  
Wilt thou indulge immortal wrath!  
Shall mercy ne'er return?  

The terror of one frown of thine  
Melt all our strength away;  
Like men that totter drunk with wine,  
We tremble in dismay.

Great Britain shakes beneath thy stroke,  
And dreads thy threatening hand;  
O heal the island thou hast broke,  
Confirm the wavering land.

Lift up a banner in the field,  
For those that fear thy name;  
Save thy beloved with thy shield,  
And put our foes to shame.

Go with our armies to the fight,  
Like a confederate God;  
In vain confederate powers unite  
Against thy lifted rod.

Our troops shall gain a wide renown  
By thine assisting hand;  
'Tis God that treads the mighty down,  
And makes the feeble stand.

(Psalm 20. L.M.)  
Prayer and Hope of Victory  
For a Day of Prayer in Time of War.

ow may the God of power and grace  
Attend his people's humble cry!  
Jehovah hears, when Israel prays,  
And brings deliverance from on high.

603. Portugal 97, Green's Hundred 89.  
(Hymn 30. B.1. L. M.)  
Prayer for Deliverance answered.  
Isa. xxvi. 8-12, 20, 21.

In thine own ways, O God of love,  
We wait the visits of thy grace,  
Our souls desire is to thy name,  
And the remembrance of thy face.

My thoughts are searching, Lord, for thee,  
'Mongst the black shades of lonely night;  
My earnest cries salute the skies  
Before the dawn restore the light.

Look, how rebellious men deride  
The tender patience of my God;  
But they shall see thy lifted hand,  
And feel the scourges of thy rod.

Hark, the eternal tend the sky,  
A mighty voice before him goes,  
A voice of music to his friends,  
But threatening thunder to his foes.

Come, children, to your father's arms,  
Hide in the chambers of my grace,  
Till the fierce storms be overblown,  
And my revenging fury cease.

My sword shall boast its thousands slain,  
And drink the blood of haughty kings,  
While heavenly peace around my flock  
Stretches its soft and shady wings.
A Song of Praise to God from Great Britain.

Nature with all her powers shall sing
God the Creator and the King;
Nor air, nor earth, nor seas,
Deny the tribute of their praise.

[Begin to make his glories known,
Ye seraphs that sit near his throne;
Tune your harps high, and spread the sound
To the creation's utmost bound.]

All mortal things of meaner frame,
Exert your force and own his name;
Whilst with our souls and with our voice
We sing his honours and our joys.]

[Amidst our isle, exalted high,
Do thou our glory stand,
And like a wall of guardian fire
Surround the favourite land.]

When shall thy name, from shore to shore,
Sound all the earth abroad,
And distant nations know and love
Their Saviour and their God?

Sing to the Lord, ye distant lands,
Sing loud with solemn voice;
While British tongues exalt his praise,
And British hearts rejoice.

He the great Lord, the sovereign judge,
That sits enthron'd above,
Wisely commands the worlds he made
In justice and in love.

Earth shall obey her maker's will,
And yield a full increase;
Our God will crown his chosen isle
With fruitfulness and peace.

The Redeemer scatters round
His choicest favours here,
While the creation's utmost bound
Shall see, adore, and fear.

Happy the city, where their sons
Like pillars round a palace set,
And daughters bright as polish'd stones
Give strength and beauty to the state.

Happy the country, where the sheep,
Cattle, and corn, have large increase;
Where men securely work or sleep,
Nor sons of plunder break the peace.
They sow the fields, and trees they plant,
Whose yearly fruit supplies their want:
Their race grows up from fruitful stocks,
Their wealth increases with their flocks.

Thus they are blest; but if they sin,
He lets the heathen nations in,
A savage crew invades their lands,
Their princes die by barbarous hands.

Their captive sons, expos'd to scorn,
Wander unpity'd and forlorn;
The country lies unfenced, untill'd,
And desolation spreads the field.

Yet if the humbled nation mourns,
Again his dreadful hand he turns;
Again he makes their cities thrive,
And bids the dying churches live.

The righteous, with a joyful sense,
Admire the works of Providence;
And tongues of atheists shall no more
Blaspheme the God that saints adore.

How few, with pious care record
These wonderous dealings of the Lord!
But wise observers still shall find
The Lord is holy, just, and kind.

608. George's 2, Evans's 190.
(Hymn 111. B. 2. C. M.)
Thanksgiving for Victory; or, God's Dominion and our Deliverance.

(Psalm 18. 1st Part. C. M.)

Victory and Triumph over temporal Enemies.

We love thee, Lord, and we adore,
Now is thine arm reveal'd;
Thou art our strength, our heavenly tower,
Our bulwark and our shield.

We fly to our eternal rock,
And find a sure defence;
His holy name our lips invoke,
And draw salvation thence.

When God, our leader, shines in arms,
What mortal heart can bear
The thunder of his loud alarms?
The lightning of his spear?

He rides upon the winged wind,
And angels in array
In millions wait to know his mind,
And swift as flames obey.

He speaks, and at his fierce rebuke
Whole armies are dismay'd;
His voice, his frown, his angry look
Strikes all their courage dead.

He forms our generals for the field,
With all their dreadful skill;
Gives them his awful sword to wield,
And makes their hearts of steel.

[He arms our captains to the fight,
Tho' there his name's forgot;
He girded Cyrus with his might,
But Cyrus knew him not.

Oft has the Lord whole nations blest
For his own church's sake;
The powers that give his people rest
Shall of his care partake.]

610. Liverpool 83, Cambridge New 74,
Evans's 190.
(Psalm 18. 2d Part. C. M.)
The Conqueror's Song.

To thine almighty arm we owe
The triumphs of the day;
Thy terrors, Lord, confound the foe,
And melt their strength away.

'Tis by thine aid our troops prevail,
And break united powers,
Or burn their boasted fleets, or scale
The proudest of their towers.

How have we chas'd them thro' the field,
And trod them to the ground,
While thy salvation was our shield,
But they no shelter found!

In vain to idol-saints they cry,
And perish in their blood;
Where is a rock so great, so high,
So powerful as our God?
The rock of Israel ever lives,  
His name be ever blest;  
*Tis his own arm the victory gives,  
And gives his people rest.

On kings that reign as David did,  
He pours his blessings down;  
Secures their honours to their seed,  
And well supports the crown.

A Song for the Fifth of November.

Had not the Lord, may Israel say,  
Had not the Lord maintain'd our side,  
When men, to make our lives a prey,  
Rose like the swelling of the tide;  
The swelling tide had stop't our breath,  
So fiercely did the waters roll,  
We had been swallow'd deep in death;  
Proud waters had o'erwhelm'd our soul.

We leap for joy, we shout and sing,  
Who just escap'd the fatal stroke;  
50 flies the herd with cheerful wing,  
When once the fowler's snare is broke.

For ever blessed be the Lord,  
Who broke the fowler's cursed snare,  
Who sav'd us from the murdering sword,  
And made our lives and souls his care.

Our help is in Jehovah's name,  
Who form'd the earth, and built the skies;  
He that upholds that wondrous frame  
Guards his own church with watchful eyes.

The Church saved, and her Enemies disappointed.

6:12. Cambridge New 74, Tiverton 109, 
Michaels 119.

The Church saved, and her Enemies disappointed.

Thee, mighty God, our souls admire,  
Thee our glad voices sing,  
And join with the celestial choir  
To praise th' eternal King.

Thy power the whole creation rules,  
And on the starry skies  
Sits smiling at the weak designs  
Thine envious foes devise.

Thy scorn derides their feeble rage,  
And with an awful frown  
Flings vast confusion on their plots,  
And shakes their Babel down.

Vain are those artful shapes of eyes and ears;  
The molten image neither sees nor hears;  
Their hands are helpless, nor their feet can move,  
Yet sottish mortals make their long complaints  
To their deaf idols, and their moveless saints.

The rich have statues well adorn'd with gold;  
The poor, content with gods of coarser mould,  
With tools of iron carve the senseless stock,  
Lopt from a tree, or hroken from a rock:  
People and priest drive on the solemn trade,  
And trust the gods that saws and hammers made.
Be heaven and earth amaz'd! 'Tis hard to say
Which is more stupid, or their gods or they:
O Israel, trust the Lord, he hears and sees,
He knows thy sorrows, and restores thy peace:
His worship does a thousand comforts yield,
He is thy help, and he thy heavenly shield.

O Britain, trust the Lord: Thy foes in vain
Attempt thy ruin, and oppose his reign;
Had they prevail'd darkness had clos'd our days,
And death and silence had forbid his praise:
But we are sav'd, and live: let songs arise,
And Britain bless the God that built the skies.

Israel saved, and the Assyrians destroyed; or,
God's vengeance against his Enemies proceeds from his Church.

N Judah God of old was known;
His name in Israel great;
In Salem stood his holy throne,
And Sion was his seat.

Among the praises of his saints
His dwelling there he chose; There he receiv'd their just complaints Against their haughty foes.

From Sion went his dreadful word,
And broke the threatening spear; The bow, the arrows, and the sword, And crush'd th'Assyrian war.

What are the earth's wide kingdoms else But mighty hills of prey! The hill on which Jehovah dwells Is glorious more than they.

'Twas Sion's king that stopp'd the breath Of captains and their bands: The men of might slept fast in death, And never found their hands.

At thy rebuke, O Jacob's God,
Both horse and chariot fell; Who knows the terrors of thy rod? Thy vengeance who can tell?

What power can stand before thy sight When once thy wrath appears? When heaven shines round with dreadful light, The earth lies still and fears.

When God in his own sovereign ways Comes down to save the opprest, The wrath of man shall work his praise, And he'll restrain the rest.

[Vow to the Lord, and tribute bring, Ye princes, fear his frown; His terror shakes the proudest king, And cuts an army down.

The thunder of his sharp rebuke
Our haughty foes shall feel; For Jacob's God hath not forsook, But dwells in Sion still.

Honour to Magistrates; or, Government from God.

ETERNAL Sovereign of the sky, And Lord of all below, We mortals to thy majesty Our first obedience owe.

Our souls adore thy throne supreme, And bless thy providence For magistrates of meaner name, Our glory and defence.

[The crowns of British princes shine With rays above the rest, Where laws and liberties combine To make the nation bless'd.]

Kingdoms on firm foundations stand, While virtue finds reward; And sinners perish from the land By justice and the sword.

Let Caesar's due be ever paid To Caesar and his throne, But consciences and souls were made To be the Lord's alone.

Mercy and judgment are my song; And since they both to thee belong, My gracious God, my righteous king, To thee my songs and vows I bring.

If I am rais'd to bear the sword, I'll take my counsels from thy word; Thy justice and thy heavenly grace Shall be the pattern of my ways.

Let wisdom all my actions guide, And let my God with me reside; No wicked thing shall dwell with me, Which may provoke thy jealousy.

No sons of slander, rage and strife Shall be companions of my life; The haughty look, the heart of pride Within my doors shall ne'er abide.

[I'll search the land, and raise the just To posts of honour, wealth and trust: The men that work thy holy will Shall be my friends and favorites still.]

In vain shall sinners hope to rise By flattering or malicious lies; And while the innocent I guard, The bold offender shall be spair'd.
617. Marks 65, Derby 169, Gloucester 12.

(Psalm 75. L.M.)

Power and Government from God alone.

Applied to the glorious Revolution by King William, or the happy Accession of King George to the Throne.

O thee, most holy, and most high,
'to thee, we bring our thankful praise;
Thy works declare thy name is nigh,
Thy works of wonder and of grace.

Britain was doom'd to be a slave,
Her frame dissolve, her fears were great;
When God a new support gave
To bear the pillars of the state.

He from thy hand receiv'd his crown,
And swore to rule by wholesome laws;
His foot shall tread the oppressor down,
His arm defend the righteous cause.

Let haughty sinners sink their pride,
Nor lift so high their scornful head;
But lay their foolish thoughts aside,
And own the king that God hath made.

Such honours never come by chance,
Nor do the winds promotion blow;
'Tis God the judge doth one advance,
'Tis God that lays another low.

No vain pretence to royal birth
Shall fix a tyrant on the throne;
God the great sovereign of the earth
Will rise and make his justice known.

His hand holds out the dreadful cup
Of vengeance, mix'd with various plagues,
To make the wicked drink them up,
Wring out and taste the bitter dregs.

Now shall the Lord exalt the just,
And while he tramples on the proud,
And lays their glory in the dust,
My lips shall sing his praise aloud.

618. Otford 106, Milbourne Port 183, Evans 190.

(Psalm 21. C.M.)

Our King is the Care of Heaven.

The king, O Lord, with songs of praise,
Shall in thy strength rejoice;
And, blest with thy salvation, raise
To heaven his cheerful voice.

Thy sure defence, thro' nations round,
Has spread his glorious name;
And his successful actions crown'd
With majesty and fame.

619. Jennings 123, Old Hundred and Thirteenth 215.

(Psalm 58. As the 113th Psalm.)

Warning to Magistrates.

JUDGES, who rule the world by laws,
Will ye despise the righteous cause,
When th' injured poor before you stands!
Dare ye condemn the righteous poor,
And let rich sinners escape secure,
While gold and greatness shine your hands!

Have ye forgot, or never knew,
That God will judge the judges too!
High in the heavens his justice reigns;
Yet you invade the rights of God,
And send your bold decrees abroad,
To bind the conscience in your chains.

A poison'd arrow is your tongue,
The arrow sharp, the poison strong,
And death attends where'er it wounds;
You hear no counsels, cries or tears;
So the deaf adder stops her ears
Against the power of charming sounds.

Th' Almighty thunders from the sky,
Their grandeur melts, their titles die,
As hills of snow dissolve and run,
Or snails that perish in their slime,
Vain births, that never see the sun.

Thus shall the vengeance of the Lord
Safety and joy to saints afford;
And all that hear shall join and say,
'Sure there's a God that rules on high,
'A God that hears his children cry,
'And will their sufferings well repay.'
SICKNESS AND RECOVERY.

PSALM 82. L. M.

God the supreme Governor; or, Magistrates warned.

Among the assemblies of the great,
A greater Ruler takes his seat;
The God of heaven, as Judge, surveys
Those gods on earth and all their ways.

2 Why will ye then frame wicked laws?
Or why support the unrighteous cause?
When will ye once defend the poor,
That sinners vex the saints no more?

3 They know not, Lord, nor will they know,
Dark are the ways in which they go;
Their name of earthly gods is vain,
For they shall fall and die like men.

4 Arise, O Lord, and let thy Son
Possess his universal throne,
And rule the nations with his rod;
He is our Judge, and he our God.

PSALM 102. v. 1-13, 20, 21. 1st Part. C. M.

A Prayer of the Afflicted.

Hear me, O God, nor hide thy face,
But answer lest I die;
Hast thou not huilt a throne of grace
To hear when sinners cry?

2 My days are wasted like the smoke
Dissolving in the air;
My strength is dry’d, my heart is broke,
And sinking in despair.

3 My spirits flag like withering grass
Burnt with excessive heat;
In secret groans my minutes pass,
And I forget to eat.

4 As on some lonely building’s top
The sparrow tells her moan,
Far from the tents of joy and hope
I sit and grieve alone.

5 My soul is like a wilderness,
Where beasts of midnight howl;
There the sad raven finds her place,
And there the screaming owl.

6 Dark dismal thoughts and boding fears
Dwell in my troubled breast;
While sharp reproaches wound my ears,
Nor give my spirit rest.

7 My cup is mingled with my woes,
And tears are my repast;
My daily bread like ashes grows
Unpleasant to my taste.

8 Sense can afford no real joy
To souls that feel thy frown;
Lord, ’twas thy hand advance’d me high,
Thy hand hath cast me down.

9 My looks like wither’d leaves appear,
And life’s declining light
Grows faint as evening shadows are
That vanish into night.

10 But thou for ever art the same,
O my eternal God:
Ages to come shall know thy name,
And spread thy works abroad.

11 Thou wilt arise and shew thy face,
Nor will my Lord delay
Beyond his appointed hour of grace,
That long expected day.

12 He hears his saints, he knows their cry,
And by mysterious ways
Redeems the prisoners doom’d to die,
And fills their tongues with praise.

PSALM 39. ver. 9-13. 3d Part. C. M.

Sick-Bed Devotion; or, pleading without repining.

God of my life, look gently down,
Behold the pains I feel;
But I am dumb before thy throne,
Nor dare dispute thy will.

2 Diseases are thy servants, Lord,
They come at thy command;
I’ll not attempt a murmuring word
Against thy chastening hand.

3 Yet I may plead with humble cries,
Remove thy sharp rebukes;
My strength consumes, my spirit dies
Through thy repeated strokes.

4 Crush’d as a moth beneath thy hand,
We moulder to the dust;
Our feeble powers can ne’er withstand,
And all our beauty’s lost.

5 [This mortal life decays apace,
How soon the huffl’s hroke!
Adam and all his numerous race
Are vanity and smoke.

6 I’m but a sojourner below
As all my fathers were,
May I be well prepar’d to go
When I the summons hear.

7 But if my life be spar’d awhile,
Before my last remove,
Thy praise shall be my business still,
And I’ll declare thy love.]
623. **Ludlow 84, Walsal 237, Wantage 204.**

(Psalm 119. 14th Part. C. M.)

**Benefit of Afflictions, and Support under them.**

Ver. 153, 81, 82.

**CONSIDER all my sorrows, Lord,**
And thy deliverance send;
My soul for thy salvation faints,
When will my troubles end?

Ver. 50.

This is the comfort I enjoy
When new distress begins,
I read thy word, I run thy way,
And hate my former sins.

Ver. 92.

Had not thy word been my delight
When earthly joys were fled,
My soul oppressed with sorrows weight
Had sunk amongst the dead.

Ver. 67.

Before I knew thy chastening rod
My feet were apt to stray;
But now I learn to keep thy word,
Nor wander from thy way.

624. **Workop 31, Crowle 3.**

(Psalm 119. Last Part. L. M.)

**Sanctified Affections; or Delight in the Word of God.**

Ver. 67, 59.

**FATHER, I bless thy gentle hand;**
How kind was thy chastising rod,
That forc'd my conscience to a stand,
And brought my wandering soul to God!

Ver. 71.

Ere I felt thy scourges, Lord,
I left my guide, and lost my way;
But now I love and keep thy word,
My God, who hears my humble moan,
Willease my flesh, and cheer my heart.

Ver. 74.

Then all that love and fear the Lord
At my salvation shall rejoice;
For I have hoped in thy word,
And made thy grace my only choice.

625. **Babylon Streams 23, Ulverston 179, Green's Hundred 89.**

(Psalm 6. L. M.)

**Temptations in Sickness overcome.**

**ORD, I can suffer thy rebukes,**
When thou with kindness dost chastise;
But thy fierce wrath I cannot bear,
O let it not against me rise!

2

Pity my languishing estate,
And ease the sorrows that I feel;
The wounds thine heavy hand hath made,
O let thy gentler touches heal.

3

See how I pass my weary days
In sighs and groans; and when 'tis night,
My bed is water'd with my tears;
My grief consumes and dims my sight.

4

Look how the powers of nature mourn!
How long, Almighty God, how long?
When shall thine hour of grace return?
When shall I make thy grace my song?

5

I feel my flesh so near the grave,
My thoughts are tempted to despair;
But graves can never praise the Lord,
For all is dust and silence there.

6

Depart, ye tempters, from my soul,
And all despairing thoughts depart;
My God, who hears my humble moan,
Will ease my flesh, and cheer my heart.

626. **Bangor 231, Ludlow 84, Walsal 237.**

(Psalm 6. C. M.)

**Complaint in Sickness; or, Diseases healed.**

**N anger, Lord, rebuke me not,**
Withdraw the dreadful storm;
Nor let thy fury grow so hot
Againsta feeble worm.

2

My soul's bow'd down with heavy cares,
My flesh with pain opprest;
My couch is witness to my tears,
My tears for hid my rest.

3

Sorrow and pain wear out my days;
I waste the night with cries,
Counting the minutes as they pass,
Till the slow morning rise.

4

Shall I be still tormented more!
Mine eye consum'd with grief?
How long, my God, how long before
Thy hand affords relief?

5

He hears when dust and ashes speak,
He pities all our groans,
He saves us for his mercy's sake
And heals our broken bones.

6

The virtue of his sovereign word
Restores our fainting breath;
For silent graves praise not the Lord,
Nor is he known in death.
SICKNESS AND RECOVERY.

627. Wells 102, Marks 65, Leeds 19.

(Psalm 91. ver. 1-7. 1st Part. L. M.)

Safety in public Diseases and Dangers.

He that hath made his refuge God,
Shall find a most secure abode,
Shall walk all day beneath his shade,
And there at night shall rest his head.

Then will I say, 'My God, thy power
Shall be my fortress and my tower;
I that am forlorn of feeble dust
Make thine almighty arm my trust.'

Thrice happy man! thy Maker's care
Shall keep thee from the fowler's snare,
Satan, the fowler, who betrays
 Unguarded souls a thousand ways.

Just as a hen Protects her brood
From birds of prey that seek their blood
Under her feathers, so the Lord
Makes his own arm his people's guard.

If burning beams of noon conspire
To dart a pestilential fire,
God is their life; his wings are spread
To shield them with an healthful shade.

If vapours with malignant breath
Rise thick, and scatter midnight death,
Israel is safe in the poison'd air
Grows pure, if Israel's God be there.

PAUSE.

What tho' a thousand at thy side,
At thy right hand ten thousand dy'd,
'Illy God his Chosen people saves
Amongst the dead, amidst the graves.

So when he sent his angel down
To make his wrath in Egypt known,
And slew their sons, his careful eye
Pass'd all the doors of Jacob by.

But if the fire, or plague, or sword,
Receive commission from the Lord
To strike his saints among the rest,
Their very pains and deaths are blest.

The sword, the pestilence or fire
Shall but fulfil their best desire,
From sins and sorrows set them free,
And bring thy children, Lord, to thee.


(Psalm 91. ver. 9-16. 2d Part. C. M.)

Protection from Death, Guard of Angels,
Victory and Deliverance.

Firm was my health, my day was bright,
And I presumed 'twould never be night;
Fondly I said within my heart,
Pleasure and peace shall never depart.

But I forgot thine arm was strong,
Which made my mountain stand so long;
Soon as thy face began to hide,
My health was gone, my comforts dy'd.

I cry'd aloud to thee, my God,
What canst thou profit by my blood?
Deep in the dust can I declare
Thy truth, or sing thy goodness there?

Hear me, O God of grace, I said,
And bring me from among the dead:
Thy word rebuk'd the pains I felt,
Thy pardoning love remove'd my guilt.

My groans, and tears, and forms of woe,
Are turn'd to joy and praises now;
I throw my sackcloth on the ground,
And ease and gladness gird me round.

My tongue, the glory of my frame,
Shall never be silent of thy name; I heaven,
Thy praise shall sound through earth and
For sickness heal'd, and sins forgiven.
630. Brameate 8, Bredby 165, Rippon's 188.

1. (Psalm 30. 1st Part. L. M.)
   Sickness healed, and Sorrow removed.

WILL extol thee, Lord, on high,
At thy command diseases fly;
Who but a God can speak and save
From the dark borders of the grave?

Sing to the Lord, ye saints of his,
And tell how large his goodness is;
Let all your powers rejoice and bless,
While you record his holiness.

His anger but a moment stays;
His love is life and length of days;
Though grief and tears the night employ,
The morning-star restores the joy.

(Psalms 31. 5, 13-19, 22, 23. 1st Pt. C. M.)

Into thine hand, O God of truth,
My spirit I commit;
Thou hast redeemed my soul from death,
And saved me from the pit.

The passions of my hope and fear
Maintain'd a doubtful strife,
While sorrow, pain, and sin conspir'd
To take away my life.

My times are in thine hand, I cry'd,
Though I draw near the dust;
Thou art the refuge where I hide,
The God in whom I trust.

O make thy reconciled face
Upon thy servant shine,
And save me for thy mercy's sake,
For I'm entirely thine.

[PAUSE.]

'Twas in my haste, my spirit said,
I must despise and die,
I am cut off before thine eyes;
But thou hast heard my cry.

Thy goodness how divinely free!
How wondrous is thy grace
To those that fear thy majesty,
And trust thy promises!

O love the Lord, all ye his saints,
And sing his praises loud;
He'll bend his car to your complaints,
And recompense the proud.

(Psalms 116. 1st Part. C. M.)

Recovery from Sickness.

I love the Lord; he bow'd his ear,
And chas'd my griefs away;
O let my heart no more despair,
While I have breath to pray!

My flesh declin'd, my spirits fell,
And I drew near the dead,
While inward pangs, and fears of hell,
Perplex'd my wakeful head.

My God, I cry'd, thy servant save,
Thou ever good and just;
Thy power can rescue from the grave,
Thy power is all my trust.

The Lord beheld me sore distrest,
He bid my pains remove:
Return, my soul, to God thy rest,
For thou hast known his love.

My God hath saved my soul from death,
And dry'd my falling tears;
Return, my soul, to God thy rest,
And my remaining years.

633. Crewle 3, Grove House 143.
(Hymn 55. B. I. C. M.)

Hezekiah's Song; or, Sickness and Recovery, Isaiah xxxviii. 9, &c.

When we are rais'd from deep distress,
Our God deserves a song;
We take the pattern of our praise
From Hezekiah's tongue.

The gates of the devouring grave
Are open'd wide in vain,
If he that holds the keys of death
Commands them fast again.

Pains of the flesh are wont to abuse
Our minds with slavish fears;
Our days are past, and we shall lose
The remnant of our years.

We chatter with a swallow's voice,
Or like a dove we mourn,
With bitterness instead of joys,
Afflicted and forlorn.

Jehovah speaks the healing word,
And no disease withstands;
Fevers and plagues obey the Lord,
And fly at his commands.

If the strings of life should break,
He can our frame restore;
He casts our sins behind his back,
And they are found no more.

634. Michaels 119, Foster 96, Salem 129.
(Psalms 118. ver. 17-21. 2d Part. C. M.)

Public Praise for Deliverance from Death.

Lord, thou hast heard thy servant cry,
And rescued from the grave;
Now shall he live; and none can die
If God resolve to save.
Thy praise, more constant than before,
Shall fill his daily breath;
Thy hand, that hast chastis'd him sore,
Defends him still from death.

Open the gates of Zion now,
For we shall worship there,
The house where all the righteous go
Thy mercy to declare.

Time and Eternity.

635. Angel's Hymn 60, Horsey 205.
(Hymn 88. B. 1. L. M.)

Life the Day of Grace and Hope,
Ecc. ix. 4, 5, 6, 10.

LIFE is the hour that God has given
To 'scape from hell, and fly to heaven,
The day of grace, and mortals may Secure the blessings of the day.

The living know that they must die,
But all the dead forgotten lie,
Their memory and their sense is gone,
Alike unknowing and unknown.

Then what my thoughts design to do,
My hands, with all your might pursue,
Since no device, nor work is found,
Nor faith, nor hope beneath the ground.

There are no acts of pardon past
In the cold grave to which we haste,
But darkness, death, and long despair
Reign in eternal silence there.

636. Salem 139, Bedford 91.
(Hymn 44. B. 1. 2d Part. C. M.)

The true Improvement of Life.

AND is this life prolong'd to me!
Are days and seasons given?
Or let me then prepare to be
A fitter heir of heaven.

In vain these moments shall not pass,
These golden hours be gone:
Lord, I accept thine offer'd grace,
I bow before thy throne.

Now cleanse my soul from every sin
By my Redeemer's blood:
Now let my flesh and soul begin
The honours of my God.

Let me no more my soul beguile
With sin's deceitful toys:
Let cheerful hope increasing still
Approach to heavenly joys.

My thankful lips shall loud proclaim
The wonders of thy praise,
And spread the savour of thy name
Where'er I spend my days.

On earth let my example shine,
And when I leave this state,
May heaven receive this soul of mine
To bliss supremely great.

Wells 102, Portugal 97.
(Hymn 46. B. 1. 1st Part. L. M.)

The Privileges of the Living above the Dead.

AWAKE, my zeal, awake, my love,
To serve my Saviour here below,
In works which perfect saints above
And holy angels cannot do.

Awake, my charity to feed
The hungry soul, and clothe the poor:
In heaven are found no sons of need,
There all these duties are no more.

Subdue thy passions, O my soul!
Maintain the fight, thy work pursue,
Daily thy rising sins controul,
And be thy victories ever new.

The land of triumph lies on high,
There are no foes I encounter there:
Lord, I would conquer till I die,
And finish all the glorious war.

Let every flying hour confess
I gain thy gospel fresh renown;
And when my life and labours cease,
May I possess the promised crown!
638. \textit{Wiltia} 237, Bangor 231.  
(Hymn 39. B. 2. C. M.)  
\textbf{The Shortness and Misery of Life.}  

\textit{Our days, alas! our mortal days}  
Are short and wretched too;  
\textit{Evil and few}, the patriarch says,  
And well the patriarch knew.  

\textit{Tis but at best a narrow bound}  
That heaven allows to men,  
And pains and sins run through the round  
Of three-score years and ten.  

Well, if ye must be sad and few,  
Run on, my days, in haste;  
Moments of sin, and months of woe,  
Ye cannot fly too fast.  

Let heavenly love prepare my soul,  
And call her to the skies  
Where years of long salvation roll,  
And glory never dies.  

\textit{Gen xlvii. 9.}  

(Hymn 58. B. 2. C. M.)  
\textbf{The Shortness of Life, and the Goodness of God.}  

\textit{Time! what an empty vapour 'tis!}  
And days how swift they are!  
Swift as an Indian arrow flies,  
Or like a shooting star.  

\textit{The present moments just appear,}  
Then slide away in haste.  
That we can never say, \textit{They're here,}  
But only say, \textit{They're past.]}  

\textit{Our life is ever on the wing,}  
And death is ever nigh;  
The moment when our lives begin  
We all begin to lie.  

Yet, mighty God, our fleeting days  
Thy lasting favours share,  
Yet with the bounties of thy grace  
Thou load'st the rolling year.  

\textit{His sovereign mercy finds us food,}  
And we are clothed with love;  
While grace stands pointing out the road,  
That leads our souls above.  

\textit{His goodness runs an endless round;}  
All glory to the Lord;  
His mercy never knows a bound,  
And be his name ador'd!  

Thus we begin the lasting song,  
And when we close our eyes,  
Let the next age thy praise prolong  
Till time and nature dies.  

\textit{Gen xlvii. 9.}  

(Psalm 144. ver. 3–6. 2d Part. C. M.)  
\textbf{The Vanity of Man, and Condescension of God.}  

\textit{Lord, what is man, poor feeble man,}  
Born of the earth at first!  
His life a shadow, light and vain,  
Still hastening to the dust.  

O what is feeble dying man  
Or any of his race,  
That God should make it his concern  
To visit him with grace!  

That God who darts his lightnings down,  
Who shakes the worlds above,  
And mountains tremble at his frown,  
How wonderful is his love.  

(Psalm 39. ver. 4–7. 2d Part. C. M.)  
\textbf{The Vanity of Man as mortal.}  

\textit{Tell me the measure of my days,}  
Thou maker of my frame;  
I would survey life's narrow space,  
And learn how frail I am.  

A span is all that we can boast,  
An inch or two of time;  
Man is but vanity and dust  
In all his flower and prime.  

See the vain race of mortals move  
Like shadows o'er the plain;  
They rage and strive, desire and love,  
But all the noise is vain.  

Some walk in honour's gaudy show,  
Some dig for golden ore,  
They toil for heirs, they know not who,  
And straight are seen no more.  

What should I wish or wait for then  
From creatures, earth and dust!  
They make our expectations vain,  
And disappoint our trust.  

Now I forbid my carnal hope,  
My fond desires recall;  
I give my mortal interest up,  
And make my God my all.  

642. Abridge 201, Charmouth 28,  
London 180.  
(Hymn 32. B. 2. C. M.)  
\textbf{Fragility and Folly.}  

\textit{How short and hasty is our life!}  
How vast our souls affairs!  
Yet senseless mortals vainly strive  
To lavish out their years.  

Our days run thoughtlessly along,  
Without a moment's stay;  
Just like a story or a song  
We pass our lives away.
TIME AND ETERNITY.

3 God from on high invites us home,  
But we march heedless on,  
And ever hastening to the tomb,  
Stoop downwards as we run.

4 How we deserve the deepest hell  
That slight the joys above!  
What chains of vengeance should we feel  
That break such cords of love!

5 Draw us, O God, with sovereign grace,  
And lift our thoughts on high,  
That we may end this mortal race  
And see salvation nigh.

643. Abridge 201, Charmouth 28, 
Windsor 247.  
(Hymn 55. B. 2. C. M.)

Frail Life and succeeding Eternity.

Thee we adore, eternal name,  
And humbly own to thee,  
How feeble is our mortal frame!  
What dying worms are we!

2 [Our wasting lives grow shorter still  
As months and days increase;  
And every beating pulse we tell  
Leaves but the number less.

3 The year rolls round, and steals away  
The breath that first it gave;  
What'er we do, where'er we be,  
We're travelling to the grave.

4 Dangers stand thick throughout all the ground  
To push us to the tomb,  
And fierce diseases wait around  
To hurry mortals home.

5 Good God! on what a slender thread  
Hang everlasting things!  
The eternal states of all the dead  
Upon life's feeble strings.

6 Infinite joy or endless woe  
Attends on every breath;  
And yet how unconcern'd we go  
Upon the brink of death!

7 Waken, O Lord, our drowsy sense  
To walk this dangerous road;  
And if our souls are hurry'd hence  
May they be found with God!

644. Abridge 201, Canterbury 199, 
Annus 58.  
(Psalms 90. ver. 1—5. 1st Part. C. M.)

Man frail, and God eternal.

Our God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home.

2 Under the shadow of thy throne  
Thy saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is thine arm alone,  
And our defence is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood,  
Or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting thou art God,  
To endless years the same.

4 Thy word commands our flesh to dust,  
Return, ye sons of men;  
All nations rose from earth at first,  
And turn to earth again.

5 A thousand ages in thy sight  
Are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.

6 [The busy tribes of flesh and blood  
With all their lives and care,  
Are carry'd downwards by thy flood,  
And lost in following years.

7 Time like an ever-rolling stream  
Bears all its sons away;  
They fly forgotten as a dream  
Dies at the opening day.

8 Like flowery fields the nations stand,  
Pleas'd with the morning light;  
The flowers beneath the mower's hand  
Lie withering ere 'tis night.

9 Our God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Be thou our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home.

645. Whitefield 168, Ustick 'Tt, 
Worksworth 158.  
(Psalms 90. ver. 5, 10, 12. S. M.)

The Frailty and Shortness of Life.

Lord, what a feeble piece  
Is this our mortal frame!  
Our life how poor a trifle 'tis,  
That scarce deserves the name!

2 Alas the brittle clay  
That built our body first;  
And every month, and every day  
'Tis mouldering back to dust.

3 Our moments fly space,  
Nor will our minutes stay;  
Just like a flood our hasty days  
Are sweeping us away.

4 Well, if our days must fly,  
We'll keep their end in sight,  
We'll spend them all in wisdom's way,  
And let them speed their flight.

5 They'll wait us sooner o'er  
This life's tempestuous sea:  
Soon we shall reach the peaceful shore  
Of blest eternity.
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DEATH AND THE RESURRECTION.
DEATH AND RESURRECTION. 650, 651, 652, 653, 654

3 Yet in the midst of death and grief
This thought our sorrow shall assuage,
Our Father and our Saviour live;
Christ is the same thro' every age.

'Twas he this earth's foundation laid;
Heaven is the building of his hand:
This earth grows old, these heavens shall
And all be changed at his command. [fade,

The starry curtains of the sky,
Like garments shall be laid aside;
But still thy throne stands firm and high;
Thy church for ever must abide.

Before thy face thy church shall live,
And on thy throne thy children reign;
This dying world shall they survive,
And the dead saints be raised again.

(Hymn 52. B. 2. C. M.)

Death dreadful, or delightful.

D E A T H ! 'tis a melancholy day
To those that have no God,
When the poor soul is forced away
To seek her last abode.

In vain to heaven she lifts her eyes,
But guilt, a heavy chain,
Still drag's her downward from the skies
To darkness, fire, and pain.

Awake and mourn, ye heirs of hell,
Let stubborn sinners fear,
You must be driven from earth, and dwell
A long for ever there.

See how the pit gapes wide for you,
And flashes in your face,
And thou, my soul, look downwards too,
And sing redeeming grace.

5 He is a God of sovereign love
That promised heaven to me,
And taught my thoughts to soar above,
Where happy spirits be.

Prepare me, Lord, for thy right hand,
Then come the joyful day,
Come, death, and some celestial band
To bear my soul away.

(Hymn 17. B. 1. C. M.)

Victory over Death, 1 Cor. xv. 55, &c.

O For an overcoming faith
To cheer my dying hours,
To triumph o'er the monster Death,
And all his frightful powers!

Joyful with all the strength I have
My quivering lips should sing,
Where is thy boasted victory, Grave?
And where the monster's sting?

3 If sin be pardoned I'm secure,
Death hath no sting beside;
The law gives sin its damning power,
But Christ my ransom dy'd.

Now to the God of victory
Immortal thanks be paid,
Who makes us conquerors while we die,
Thro' Christ our living head.

652. Milbourne Port 183, Wiltshire 110,
Providence 10.
(Hymn 6. B. 1. C. M.)

Triumph over Death, Job xix. 25-27.

GREAT God, I own thy sentence just,
And nature must decay;
I yield my body to the dust
To dwell with fellow-clay.

2 Yet faith may triumph o'er the grave,
And trample on the tombs:
My Jesus, my Redeemer lives,
My God, my Saviour comes.

3 The mighty Conqueror shall appear
High on a royal seat,
And Death the last of all his foes
Lie vanquished at his feet.

4 Thou greedy worms devour my skin,
And gnaw my wasting flesh,
When God shall build my bones again,
He clothes them all afresh.

5 Then shall I see thy lovely face
With strong immortal eyes,
And feast upon thy unknown grace
With pleasure and surprise.

(Hymn 18. B. 1. C. M.)

Blessed are the Dead that die in the Lord,
Rev. xiv. 13.

H E A R what the voice from heaven pro-
For all the pious dead, [claims,
Sweet is the savour of their names,
And soft their sleeping bed.

2 They die in Jesus and are blessed;
How kind their slumberers are!
From sufferings and from sins releas'd,
And freed from every snare.

3 Far from this world of toil and strife,
They're present with the Lord;
The labours of their mortal life
End in a larger reward.

(Hymn 49. B. 2. C. M.)

Moses dying in the Embraces of God.

D E A T H cannot make our souls afraid
If God be with us there;
We may walk thro' her darkest shade,
And never yield to fear.
DEATH AND RESURRECTION.

2 I could renounce my all below
If my Creator bid,
And run if I were call'd to go,
And die as Moses did.

3 Might I but climb to Pisgah's top,
And view the promis'd land,
My flesh itself should long to drop,
And pray for the command.

4 Clasp'd in my heavenly Father's arms
I would forget my breath,
And lose my life among the charms
Of so divine a death.

655. Irish 171, Bedford 91, Providence 10.
(Hymn 19. B. 1. C. M.)

The Song of Simeon; or, Death made desirable, Luke ii. 27, &c.

ORD, at thy temple we appear,
As happy Simeon came,
And haste to meet our Saviour here;
O make our joys the same!

2 With what divine and vast delight
The good old man was fill'd,
When fondly in his wither'd arms
He clasp' the holy child!

3 Now I can leave this world, he cry'd,
Behold thy servant die,
I've seen thy great salvation, Lord,
And close my peaceful eyes.

4 This is the light prepar'd to shine
Upon the Gentile lands,
Thine Israel's glory and their hope
To break their slavish bands.

5 Jesus, the vision of thy face
Hath overpowering charms,
Scarcely shall I feel death's cold embrace
If Christ be in my arms.

6 Then while ye hear my heart-strings break
How sweet my minutes roll!
A mortal paleness on my cheek,
And glory in my soul.

656. Cambridge New 74, Exeter 4,
Miles's Lane 32.
(Hymn 66. B. 2. C. M.)

A Prospect of Heaven makes Death easy.

HERE is a land of pure delight
Where saints immortal reign,
Infinite day excludes the night,
And pleasures banish pain.

2 There everlasting spring abides,
And never-withering flowers:
Death like a narrow sea divides
This heavenly land from ours.

3 [Sweet fields beyond the swelling flood
Stand dress'd in living green:
So to the Jews old Canaan stood,
While Jordan roll'd between.

4 But timorous mortals start and shrink
To cross this narrow sea,
And linger shivering on the brink,
And fear to launch away.

5 O! could we make our doubts remove,
These gloomy doubts that rise,
And see the Canaan that we love,
With unclouded eyes!

6 Could we but climb where Moses stood,
And view the landscape o'er,
Not Jordan's stream, nor death's cold flood,
Should fright us from the shore.

(Hymn 31. B. 2. L. M.)

Christ's Presence makes Death easy.

WHY should we start and fear to die?
What timorous worms we mortals
Death is the gate of endless joy,
[are! And yet we dread to enter there.

2 The pains, the groans, and dying strife,
Fright our approaching souls away;
Still we shrink back again to life,
Fond of our prison and our clay.

3 O, if my Lord would come and meet,
My soul should stretch her wings in haste,
Fly fearless thro' Death's iron gate,
Nor feel the terrors as she past.

4 Jesus can make a dying bed
Feel soft as downy pillows are,
While on his breast I lean my head,
And breathe my life out sweetly there.

658. Windsor 247, Amns 58.
(Hymn 27. B. 1. C. M.)

Assurance of Heaven; or, a Saint prepared
to die, 2 Tim. iv. 6-8, 18.

DEATH may dissolve my body now,
And bear my spirit home;
Why do my minutes move so slow,
Nor my salvation come?

2 With heavenly weapons I have fought
The battles of the Lord,
Finish'd my course, and kept the faith,
And wait the sure reward.

3 God has laid up in heaven for me
A crown which cannot fade;
The righteous Judge at that great day
Shall place it on my head.

4 Nor hath the King of grace decreed,
This prize for me alone;
But all that love and long to see
Th' appearance of his Son.

5 Jesus the Lord shall guard me safe
From every ill design;
And to his heavenly kingdom keep
This feeble soul of mine.
God is my everlasting aid,
And hell shall rage in vain;
To him be highest glory paid,
And endless praise—Amen.

Death and immediate Glory,
2 Cor. v. 1, 5–8.

There is a house not made with hands,
Eternal and on high;
And here my spirit waiting stands
Till God shall bid it fly.

Shortly this prison of my clay
Must he dissolve and fall,
Then, O my soul, with joy obey
Thy heavenly Father's call.

'Tis he by his almighty grace
That forms thee fit for heaven,
And as an earnest of the place,
Has his own Spirit given.

We walk by faith of joy to come,
Faith lives upon his word;
But while the body is our home
We're absent from the Lord.

'Tis pleasant to believe thy grace,
But we had rather see;
We would be absent from the flesh,
And present, Lord, with thee.

Absent from flesh! O blissful thought,
What unknown joys this moment brings,
Freed from the mischiefs sin has brought,
From pains and tears and all their springs.

Absent from flesh! illustrious day,
Surprising scene! triumphant stroke
That rends the prison of my clay,
And I can feel my fetters broke.

Absent from flesh! then rise my soul
Where feet nor wings could never climb,
Beyond the heavens, where planets roll
Measuring the cares and joys of time.

I go where God and glory shine,
His presence makes eternal day,
My all that's mortal, I resign,
For angels wait and point my way.

My thoughts on awful subjects roll,
Damnation and the dead;
What horrors seize the guilty soul
Upon a dying bed!
2 Be thou our comfort, mighty God!  
Our helper and our friend:  
Nor leave us in this dangerous road,  
Till all our trials end.

3 O may our feet pursue the way  
Our pious fathers led!  
With love and holy zeal obey  
The counsels of the dead.

Let us be wean'd from all below,  
Let hope our grief expel,  
While death invites our souls to go  
Where our best kindred dwell.

(Hymn 63. B. 2. C. M.)  
A Funeral Thought.

3 STOOP down my thoughts, that use to rise,  
Converse awhile with death:  
Think how a gasping mortal lies,  
And pants away his breath.

His quivering lip hangs feebly down,  
His pulses faint and few,  
Then, speechless, with a doleful groan  
He bids the world adieu.

But, O the soul that never dies!  
At once it leaves the clay!  
Ye thoughts, pursue it where it flies,  
And trace its wonderful way.

Up to the courts where angels dwell,  
It mounts triumphing there,  
Or devils plunge it down to hell  
In infinite despair.

And must my body faint and die?,  
And must this soul remove?  
O for some guardian angel nigh  
To bear it safe above!

Jesus, to thy dear faithful hand  
My naked soul I trust,  
And my flesh waits for thy command  
To drop into my dust.

667. Rippon's 198, Hotham 224, Paul's 246.  
(Hymn 24. B. 1. L. M.)

IN vain the wealthy mortals toil,  
And heap their shining dust in vain,  
Look down and scorn the humble poor,  
And boast their lofty hills of gain.

Their golden cordials cannot ease  
Their pained hearts or aching heads,  
Nor fright nor hrihe approaching death  
From glittering roofs and downy heads.

The lingering, the unwilling soul  
The dismal summons must obey,  
And bid a long a sad farewell  
To the pale lump of lifeless clay.

Thence they are huddled to the grave,  
Where kings and slaves have equal thrones;  
Their bones without distinction lie  
Amongst the heap of meaner bones.
DEATH AND RESURRECTION.

WHY do the proud insult the poor, And boast the large estates they have? How vain are riches to secure Their haughty owners from the grave!  

They can't redeem one hour from death, With all the wealth in which they trust; Nor give a dying brother breath, When God commands him down to dust.  

There the dark earth and dismal shade Shall clasp their naked bodies round; That flesh, so delicately fed, Lies cold, and moulders in the ground.  

Like thoughtless sheep the sinner dies, Laid in the grave for worms to eat; The saints shall in the morning rise, And find th' oppressor at their feet.  

His honours perish in the dust, And pomp and beauty, birth and blood; That glorious day exalts the just To full dominion o'er the proud.  

My Saviour shall my life restore, And raise me from my dark abode; My flesh and soul shall part no more, But dwell forever near my God.

WHY doth the man of riches grow To insolence and pride. To see his wealth and honours flow With every rising tide!  

[Why doth he treat the poor with scorn Made of the same clay, And boast as tho' his flesh was born Of better dust than they?  

Not all his treasures can procure His soul a short reprieve, Redeem from death one guilty hour, Or make his brother live.  

[Life is a blessing can't be sold, The ransom is too high; Justice will ne'er be bribed with gold That man may never die.]  

He sees the brutish and the wise, The timorous and the brave, Quit their possessions, close their eyes, And hasten to the grave.  

Yet 'tis his inward thought and pride,— 'My house shall ever stand; 'And that my name may long abide, 'I'll give it to my land.'

Vain are his thoughts; his hopes are lost, How soon his memory dies! His name is written in the dust Where his own carcass lies.  

PAUSE.  

This is the folly of their way; And yet their sons, as vain, Approve the words their fathers say, And act their works again.  

Men void of wisdom and of grace, If honour raise them high, Live like the beast, a thoughtless race, And like the beast they die.  

[Laid in the grave like silly sheep, Death feeds upon them there, Till the last trumpet break their sleep In terror and despair.]

Death and the Resurrection.  

YE sons of pride that hate the just, And trample on the poor, When death has brought you down to dust, Your pomp shall rise no more.  

The last great day shall change the scene; When will that hour appear? When shall the just revive, and reign O'er all that scorn'd them here?  

God will my naked soul receive, When separate from the flesh; And break the prison of the grave To raise my bones afresh.  

Heaven is my everlasting home, Th' inheritance is sure; Let men of pride their rage resume, But I'll repine no more.

REMEMBER, Lord, our mortal state, How frail our life! how short the date! Where is the man that draws his breath Safeguarded from disease, secure from death?  

Lord, while we see whole nations die, Our flesh and sense repine and cry, 'Must death for ever rage, and reign? Or hast thou made mankind in vain?'  

Where is thy promise to the just? 'Are not thy servants turn'd to dust?' But faith for hidethese mournful sighs, And sees the sleeping dust arise.  

That glorious hour, that dreadful day Wipes the reproach of saints away, And clears the honour of thy word; Awake, our souls, and bless the Lord.
672. James 123, Old Hundred and Thirteenth 215.
(Psalm 89, ver. 47, &c. Last Part.)
As the 113th Psalm.

Death and the Resurrection.

Think, mighty God, on feeble man,
How few his hours; how short his span!
Short from the cradle to the grave:
Who can secure his vital breath
Against the bold demands of death,
With skill to fly, or power to save?

Lord, shall it be for ever said,
'The race of man was only made
For sickness, sorrow, and the dust!''
Are not thy servants day by day
Sent to their graves, and turn'd to clay!
Lord, where's thy kindness to the just?

Hast thou not promised to thy Son
And all his seed a heavenly crown!
But flesh and sense indulged despair;
For ever blessed he the Lord
That faith can read his holy word,
And find a resurrection there.

For ever blessed he the Lord,
Who gives his saints a long reward
For all their toil, reproach and pain;
Let all below and all above
Join to proclaim thy wonderous love,
And each repeat their loud Amen.

673. Wareham 117, Angel's Hymn 60.
(Psalm 16. 3rd Part. L.M.)

Courage in Death, and Hope of the Resurrection.

When God is nigh, my faith is strong;
His arm is my almighty prop:
Be glad, my heart; rejoice, my tongue,
My dying flesh shall rest in hope.

Thee in the dust I lay my head,
Yet, gracious God, thou wilt not leave
My soul for ever with the dead,
Nor lose thy servants in the grave.

My flesh shall thy first call obey,
Shake off the dust, and rise on high;
Then shalt thou lead the wondrous way
Up to thy throne above the sky.

There streams of endless pleasure flow;
And full discoveries of thy grace
(Which we but tasted here below)
Spread heavenly joys thro' all the place.

674. Whitfield 168, Broderip's 252.
(Hymn 110. B. 2. S.M.)

Triumph over Death in Hope of the Resurrection.

And must this body die?
This mortal frame decay?
And must these active limbs of mine
Lie mouldering in the clay:

Corruption, earth and worms,
Shall but refine this flesh,
Till my triumphant spirit comes
To put it on afresh.

God my Redeemer lives,
And often from the skies
Looks down and watches all my dust,
Till he shall bid it rise.

Array'd in glorious grace
Shall there vile bodies shine,
And every shape and every face
Look heavenly and divine.

These lively hopes we owe
To Jesus' dying love;
We would adore his grace below,
And sing his power above.

Dear Lord, accept the praise
Of these our humble songs,
Till tunes of nobler sound we raise
With our immortal tongues.

675. Babylon Streams 23.
(Hymn 102 B. 2. L. M.)

A happy Resurrection.

O, I'll repine at death no more,
But with a cheerful gasp resign
To the cold dungeon of the grave
These dying withering limbs of mine.

Worms devour my wasting flesh,
And crumble all my bones to dust,
My God shall raise my frame anew
At the revival of the just.

Break, sacred morning, thro' the skies,
Bring that delightful, dreadful day,
Cut short the hours, dear Lord, and come,
Thy lingering wheels, how long they stay!

Our weary spirits faint to see
The light of thy returning face,
And hear the language of those lips
Where God has shed his richest grace.

Haste then upon the wings of love,
Rouse all the plous sleeping clay,
That we may join in heavenly joys,
And sing the triumph of the day.
DAY OF JUDGMENT.

676. Old Hundred 100, Wareham 117.
(Rev. xi. 15-18.)

Let the seventh angel sound on high,
Let shouts be heard thro' all the sky;
Kings of the earth, with glad accord
Give up your kingdoms to the Lord.

Almighty God, thy power assume,
Who wast, and art, and art to come:
Jesus, the Lamb, who once was slain,
For ever live, for ever reign.

Now must the rising dead appear,
Now the decisive sentence hear;
Now the dear martyrs of the Lord
Receive an infinite reward.

677. Chard 175, Wareham 117.

Christ reigning in Heaven, and coming to Judgment.

He reigns; the Lord, the Saviour reigns;
Praise him in evangelic strains;
And distant islands join their voice.

Deep are his counsels and unknown;
But grace and truth support his throne:
The gloomy clouds his ways surround,
Justice is their eternal ground.

In robes of judgment, lo! he comes,
Shakes the wide earth, and cleaves the tombs;
Before him burns devouring fire,
The mountains melt, the seas retire.

His enemies, with sore dismay,
Fly from the sight, and shun the day;
Then lift your heads, ye saints, on high,
And sing, for your redemption's nigh.

678. Wantage 204, Workop 31.

The everlasting Absence of God intolerable.

That awful day will surely come,
Th' appointed hour makes haste,
When I must stand before my Judge,
And past the solemn test.

Thou lovely chief of all my joys,
Thou sovereign of my heart,
How could I bear to hear thy voice
Pronounce the sound, Depart?

[The thunder of that dismal word
Would so torment my ear,
'Twould tear my soul asunder, Lord,
With most tormenting fear.]

[What to be banished from my life,
And yet forbid to die!
To linger in eternal pain,
Yet death for ever fly!]

O wretched state of deep despair,
To see my God remove,
And fix my doleful station where
I must not taste his love.

Jesus, I throw my arms around,
And hang upon thy breast;
Without a gracious smile from thee
My spirit cannot rest.

Give me one kind assuring word
To sink my fears again;
And cheerfully my soul shall wait
Her threescore years and ten.


Wrath and Mercy from the Judgment Seat.

With my whole heart I'll raise my song,
Thy wonders I'll proclaim;
Thou sovereign Judge of right and wrong
Wilt put my foes to shame.

I'll sing thy majesty and grace;
My God prepares his throne
To judge the world in righteousness,
And make his vengeance known.

Then shall the Lord a refuge prove
For all the poor opprest,
To save the people of his love,
And give the weary rest.

The men, that know thy name, will trust
In thy abundant grace;
For thou hast ne'er forsook the just,
Who humbly seek thy face.

Sing praises to the righteous Lord,
Who dwells on Zion's hill,
Who executes his threatening word,
And doth his grace fulfil.

(Hymn 45. B. 1. C. M.)

The last Judgment, Rev. xxi. 5—8.

See where the great incarnate God
Fills a majestic throne,
While from the skies his awful voice
Bears the last judgment down.

1 I am the first, and I the last,
'Tis' endless years the same;
I AM is my memorial still,
And my eternal name.

3 Such favours as a God can give
My royal grace he bestows;
Ye thirstysouls, come taste the streams
Where life and pleasure flows.

2 'I am the first, and I the last,
'Tis' endless years the same;
'I AM is my memorial still,
And my eternal name.

3 Such favours as a God can give
My royal grace hestows;
Ye thirstysouls, come taste the streams
Where life and pleasure flows.


(Psalm 50. ver. 1—6. 1st Part. C. M.)

The last Judgment; or, the Saints rewarded.

The Lord, the judge before his throne,
Bids the whole earth draw nigh,
The nations near the rising sun,
And near the western sky.

2 No more shall bold blasphemers say,
'Judgment will never begin,'
No more abuse his long delay
To impudence and sin.

3 Thron'd on a cloud our God shall come,
Bright flames prepare his way,
Thunder and darkness, fire and storm,
Lead on the dreadful day.

682. Abridge 201, Ann's 58, Charmouth 28.

(Ps. 50. v. 1, 5, 8, 16, 21, 22. 3d P. C. M.)

The Judgment of Hypocrites.

When Christ to judgment shall descend,
And saints surround their Lord,
He calls the nations to attend,
And hear his awful word.

1 Not for the want of bullocks slain
Will I the world reprove;
Altars and rites, and forms are vain,
Without the fire of love.

3 And what have hypocrites to do
To bring theirsacrifice?
They call my statutes just and true,
But deal in theft and lies.

4 Could you expect to 'scape my sight,
And sin without control?
But I shall bring your crimes to light,
With anguish in your soul.

5 Consider, ye that slight the Lord,
Before his wrath appear;
If once you fall beneath his sword,
There's no deliverer there.

683.

(The last Judgment.)

Heaven from above his call shall hear,
Attending angels come,
And earth and hell shall know, and fear,
His justice, and their doom.

4 'But gather all my saints,' he cries,
'That made their peace with God,
By the Redeemer's sacrifice,
And seal'd it with his blood.

5 'Their faith and works brought forth to light
Shall make the world confess
My sentence of reward is right,
And heaven adore my grace.'
3. Behold! my covenant stands for ever good
Seal'd by th' eternal sacrifice in blood,
And sign'd with all their names; the Greek,
the Jew,
That paid the ancient worship or the new,
There's no distinction here: come, spread
their thrones,
And near me seat my favourites and my
sons.

4. I their almighty Saviour and their God,
I am their judge: ye heavens proclaim
abroad
My just eternal sentence, and declare
Those awful truths that sinners dread to
hear:
Sinners in Zion, tremble and retire;
I doom the painted hypocrite to fire.

5. Not for the want of goats or bullocks slain
Do I condemn thee; bulls and goats are
vain
Without the flames of love: in vain the
store
Of brutal offerings that were mine before;
Mine are the tamer heasts and savage
breed,
Flocks, herds, and fields, and forests where
they feed.

6. If I were hungry would I ask thee food!
When did I thirst, or drink thy bullocks
blood?
Can I be flattered with thy cringing bows,
Thy solemn charitings and fantastic vows:
Are my eyes charm'd thy vestments to behold,
Glaring in gems, and gay in woven gold?

7. Unthinking wretch! how couldst thou hope
to please
A God, a spirit, with such toys as these?
While with my grace and statutes on thy
tongue,
Thou love'st deceit, and dost thy brother
wrong;
In vain to pious forms thy zeal pretends,
Thieves and adulterers are thy chosen
friends.

8. Silent I waited with long-suffering love,
But didst thou hope that I should ne'er re
prove?
And cherish such an impious thought within
That God the righteous would indulge thy
sin:
Behold my terrors now my thunders roll,
And thy own crimes affright thy guilty soul?

9. Sinners, awake betimes; ye fools, be wise;
Awake before this dreadful morning rise;
Change your vain thoughts, your crooked
works amend,
Fly to the Saviour, make the judge your
friend;
Lest like a lion his last vengeance tear
Your trembling souls, and no deliverer near.

684. Old Fiftidh 233.
(Psalm 50. To the old proper Tune.)

The last Judgment.

THE God of glory sends his summons forth,
Calls the south nations, and awakes the north;
From east to west the sovereign orders spread
Thro' distant worlds and regions of the dead:
The trumpet sounds; hell trembles; heaven
rejoices;
Lift up your heads, ye saints, with cheerful
voices.

2. No more shall atheists mock his long delay;
His vengeance sleeps no more; behold the
day;
Behold the judge descends; his guards are
nigh;
Tempests and fire attend him down the sky.
When God appears, all nature shall adore
him;
While sinners tremble, saints rejoice before
him:

3. Heaven, earth, and hell draw near; let all
tings come
To hear my justice and the sinners doom;
But gather first my saints; the judge com
mands
Bring them, ye angels, from their distant
lands!
When Christ returns, wake every cheerful
passion,
And shout, ye saints; he comes for your salva
tion.

4. Behold my covenant stands for ever good,
Seal'd by th' eternal sacrifice in blood,
And sign'd with all their names; the
Greek, the Jew,
That paid the ancient worship or the new.
There's no distinction here: join all your
voices,
And raise your heads, ye saints, for heaven
rejoices.

5. Here, saith the Lord, ye angels, spread
their thrones,
And near me seat my favourites and my
sons:
Come, my redeem'd, possess the joys pre
par'd
Ere time began; 'tis your divine reward:
When Christ returns, wake every cheerful
passion;
And shout, ye saints, he comes for your sal
vation.

PAUSE 1.

6. I am the Saviour, I th' almighty God,
I am the judge: ye heavens, proclaim
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My just eternal sentence, and declare
Those awful truths that sinners dread to
hear:
When God appears, all nature shall adore
him;
While sinners tremble, saints rejoice before
him.

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Stand forth, thou bold blasphemer and profane,
Now feel my wrath, nor call my threatenings vain:
Thou hypocrite, once drest in saint's attire,
I doom the painted hypocrite to fire:
Judgment proceeds; hell trembles; heaven rejoices;
Lift up your heads, ye saints, with cheerful voices:

Not for the want of goats or bullocks slain
Do I condemn thee; bullocks and goats are vain
Without the flames of love: in vain the store
Of brutal offerings that were mine before:
Earth is the Lord's; all nature shall adore him;
While sinners tremble, saints rejoice before him.

If I were hungry, would I ask thee food?
When did I thirst? or drink thy bullocks' blood?
Mine are the tamer beasts and savage breed,
Flocks, herds, and fields, and forests where they feed:
All is the Lord's; he rules the wide creation;
Gives sinners vengeance, and the saints salvation.

Can I be flatter'd with thy cringing bows,
Thy solemn chatterings and fantastic vows?
Are my eyes charm'd thy vestments to behold,
Glaring in gems, and gay in woven gold?
God is the judge of hearts; no fair disguises
Can screen the guilty when his vengeance rises.

Unthinking wretch! how couldst thou hope to please
A God, a spirit, with such toys as these?

While with my grace and statutes on thy tongue,
Thou lov'st deceit, and dost thy brother wrong?
Judgment proceeds; hell trembles; heaven rejoices;
Lift up your heads, ye saints, with cheerful voices:

In vain to pious forms thy zeal pretends,
Thieves and adulterers are thy chosen friends;
While the false flatterer at my altar waits,
His harden'd soul divine instruction hates.
God is the judge of hearts; no fair disguises
Can screen the guilty when his vengeance rises.

Silent I waited with long-suffering love;
But didst thou hope that I should ne'er reprove?
And cherish such an impious thought within,
That the All Holy would indulge thy sin!
See, God appears; all nature join to adore him;
Judgment proceeds, and sinners fall before him.

Behold my terrors now; my thunders roll,
And thy own crimes at fright thy guilty soul;
Now like a lion shall my vengeance tear thy bleeding heart, and no deliverer near;
Judgment concludes; hell trembles; heaven rejoices;
Lift up your heads, ye saints, with cheerful voices.

Sinners, awake betimes; ye fools, be wise;
Awake before this dreadful morning rise;
Change your vain thoughts, your crooked works amend,
Fly to the Saviour, make the judge your friend:
Then join the saints; wake every cheerful passion;
When Christ returns, he comes for your salvation.

HELL AND HEAVEN.

[With holy fear and humble song,
The dreadful God our souls adore;
Reverence and awe becomes the tongue
That speaks the terrors of his power.

Far in the deep where darkness dwells,
The land of horror and despair,
Justice has built a dismal hell,
And laid her stores of vengeance there.

[Eternal plagues and heavy chains,
Tormenting racks and fiery coals,
And darts t' inflict immortal pains
Dy'd in the blood of damned souls.]

[There Satan the first sinner lies,
And roars, and bites his iron bands;
In vain the rebel strives to rise;
Crush'd with the weight of both thine hands.]

[There guilty ghosts of Adam's race
Shriek out, and howl beneath thy rod;
Once they could scorn a Saviour's grace,
But they incens'd a dreadful God.]

(Hymn 44- B. 2. L. M.)

Hell; or, the Vengeance of God.

684. "Stand forth, thou bold blasphemer and profane,"
685. "Now feel my wrath, nor call my threatenings vain:"
684. "Thou hypocrite, once drest in saint's attire,"
685. "I doom the painted hypocrite to fire:"
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HELL AND HEAVEN.

(Hymn 44- B. 2. L. M.)

Hell; or, the Vengeance of God.
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Tremble, my soul, and kiss the Son;
Sinners obey the Saviour's call;
Else your damnation hastens on,
And hell gapes wide to wait your fall.

(Hymn 105. B. 1. C. M.)

Heaven invisible and holy, 1 Cor. ii. 9, 10;
Rev. xvi. 27.

NOR eye has seen, nor ear has heard,
Nor sense nor reason known
What joys the Father has prepar'd
For those that love the Son.

But the good Spirit of the Lord
Reveals a heaven to come:
The beams of glory in his word
Allure and guide us home.

Pure are the joys above the sky,
And all the region peace;
No wanton lips, nor envious eye
Can see or taste the bliss.

Those holy gates for ever bar
Pollution, sin, and shame;
None shall obtain admittance there
But followers of the Lamb.

He keeps the Father's book of life,
There all their names are found;
The hypocrite in vain shall strive
To tread the heavenly ground.

Freedom from Sin and Misery in Heaven.
(Hymn 86. B. 2. C. M.)

Our sins, alas, how strong they be!
And like a violent sea
They break our duty, Lord, to thee,
And hurry us away.

The waves of trouble how they rise!
How loud the tempests roar!
But death shall land our weary souls
Safe on the heavenly shore.

There to fulfil his sweet commands
Our speedy feet shall move,
No sin shall clog our winged zeal,
Or cool our burning love.

There shall we sit, and sing, and tell
The wonders of his grace,
Till heavenly raptures fire our hearts,
And smile in every face.

For ever his dear sacred name
Shall dwell upon our tongue,
And Jesus and Salvation be
The close of every song.

688. Islington 40, Derby 169.
(Hymn 40. B. 1. L. M.)
The Business and Blessedness of glorified Saints, Rev. vii. 13, &c.

What happy men, or angels, these
That all their robes are spotless white?

Whence did this glorious troop arrive
At the pure realms of heavenly light?

From torturing racks and burning fires,
And seas of their own blood they came;
But nobler blood has washed their robes,
Flowing from Christ the dying Lamb.

Now they approach th' Almighty throne,
With loud hosannas night and day,
Sweet Anthems to the great Three One
Measure their blest eternity.

No more shall hunger pain their souls,
He bids their parching thirst be gone,
And spreads the shadow of his wings
To screen them from the scorching sun.

The Lamb that fills the middle throne
Shall shed around his milder beams,
There shall they feast on his rich love,
And drink full joys from living streams.

Thus shall their mighty bliss renew
Thro' the vast round of endless years,
And the soft hand of sovereign Grace
Heals all their wounds, and wipes their tears.

The same, or, the Martyrs glorified,
Rev. vii. 13, &c.

These glorious minds, how bright they shine!
Whence all their white array!
How came they to the happy seats
Of everlasting day?

From torturing pains to endless joys
On fiery wheels they rode,
And strangely wash'd their raiment white
In Jesus' dying blood.

Now they approach a spotless God,
And bow before his throne;
Their warbling harps and sacred songs
Adore the Holy One.

The unveil'd glories of his face
Amongst his saints reside,
While the rich treasure of his grace
Sees all their wants supply'd.

Tormenting thirst shall leave their souls,
And hunger flee as fast;
The fruit of life's immortal tree
Shall be their sweet repast.

The Lamb shall lead his heavenly flock
Where living fountains rise,
And Love divine shall wipe away
The sorrows of their eyes.

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HEAVEN.

690. Irish 171, Elim 151, Hammond 292.

(Hymn 33. B. 2. C. M.)

The Blessed Society in Heaven.

Raise thee, my soul, fly up, and run Thro' every heavenly street, And say, There's nothing below the sun That's worthy of thy feet.

Thus will we mount on sacred wings, And tread the courts above; Nor earth, nor all her mightiest things Shall tempt our meanest love.

There on a high majestic throne Th' Almighty Father reigns, And sheds his glorious goodness down On all the blissful plains.

Bright like a sun the Saviour sits, And spreads eternal noon, No evening there, nor gloomy nights, To want the feeble moon.

Amidst those ever-shining skies Behold the sacred Dove, While banish'd sin and sorrow flies From all the realms of love.

The glorious tenants of the place Stand bending round the throne; And saints and seraphs sing and praise The infinite Three One.

But O what beams of heavenly grace Transport them all the while! Ten thousand smiles from Jesus' face, And love in every smile!

Jesus, and when shall that dear day, That joyful hour appear, When I shall leave this house of clay To dwell amongst them there?

Then at thy feet with awful fear Th' adoring armies fall; With joy they shrink to nothing there, Before th' eternal All.

There I would vie with all the host In duty and in bliss, While less than nothing I could boast And vanity confess.

The more thy glories strike mine eyes, The humbler I shall lie; Thus while I sink, my joys shall rise Unmeasurably high.

* Isaiah xl. 17.

691. Elim 151, Bath Chapel 26, Stillman 66.

(Hymn 68. B. 2. C. M.)

The Humble Worship of Heaven.

Father, I long, I faint to see The place of thine abode, I'd leave thy earthly courts and flee Up to thy seat, my God!

Here I behold thy distant face, And 'tis a pleasing sight; But to abide in thine embrace Is infinite delight.

I'd part with all the joys of sense To gaze upon thy throne; Pleasure springs fresh for ever thence, Unspeakable, unknown.

[There all the heavenly hosts are seen, In shining ranks they move, And drink immortal vigour in, With wonder and with love.

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* Isaiah xl. 17.

692. Elim 151, Liverpool 83, Stillman 66.

(Hymn 91. B. 2. C. M.)

The Glory of Christ in Heaven.

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The delights, the heavenly joys, The glories of the place Where Jesus sheds the brightest beams Of his overflowing grace!

Sweet majesty and awful love Sit smiling on his brow, And all the glorious ranks above At humble distance bow.

[Princes to his imperial name Bend their bright sceptres down, Dominions, thrones, and powers rejoice To see him wear the crown.]

Archangels sound his lofty praise Through every heavenly street, And lay their highest honours down Submissive at his feet.

Those soft, those blessed feet of his That once rude iron tore, High on a throne of light they stand, And all the saints adore.

His head, the dear majestic head That cruel thorns did wound, See what immortal glories shine, And circle it around.

This is the man, the exalted man Whom we unseen adore; But when our eyes behold his face, Our hearts shall love him more.

[Lord, how our souls are all on fire To see thy blessed abode, Our tongues rejoice in tunes of praise To our incarnate God.]

And whilst our faith enjoys this sight, We long to leave our clay, And wish thy fiery chariots, Lord, To fetch our souls away.]
FROM thee, my God, my joys shall rise,
And run eternal rounds,
Beyond the limits of the skies
And all created bounds.

The holy triumphs of my soul
Shall death itself out-brave,
Leave dull mortality behind,
And fly beyond the grave.

There, where my blessed Jesus reigns
In heaven's unmeasur'd space,
I'll spend a long eternity
In pleasure and in praise.

I cannot persuade myself to put a full period to these divine Hymns, till I have addressed a special Song of Glory unto God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Though the Latin name of it, Gloria Patri, be retained in our nation from the Roman Church; and though there be some excesses of superstitious honour paid to the words of it, which may have wrought some unhappy prejudices in weaker Christians, yet I believe it still to be one of the noblest parts of Christian worship. The subject of it is the doctrine of the Trinity, which is that peculiar glory of the Divine Nature, that our Lord Jesus Christ has so clearly revealed unto men, and is so necessary to true Christianity. The action is praise, which is the most complete and exalted part of Heavenly Worship. I have cast the song into a variety of forms, and have fitted it by a plain version or a larger paraphrase, to be sung either alone or at the conclusion of another Hymn. I have added also a few Hosannas, or ascriptions of salvation to Christ, in the same manner, and for the same end.

DOXOLOGIES.

(Those of each Metre are placed together, beginning with Long Metre.)

(Hymn 75. B. 9. C. M.)
The beatific Sight of Christ.

The millions of years my wondering eyes
Shall o'er thy beauties rove,
And endless ages I'll adore
The glories of thy love.

[Sweet Jesus, every smile of thine
Shall fresh endearments bring,
And thousand tastes of new delight
From all thy graces spring.

Haste, my beloved, fetch my soul
Up to thy blest abode,
Fly, for my spirit longs to see
My Saviour and my God.]
697. (Hymn 33. B.3. L.M.)

Or thus:

All glory to thy wondrous name,
Father of mercy, God of love,
Thus we exalt the Lord, the Lamb,
And thus we praise the heavenly Dove.

698. Bath Chapel 26, Irish 171, Boston 159.

(Hymn 27. B.3. 1st C.M.)

Glory to God the Father's name,
Who, from our sinful race,
Chose out his favourites to proclaim
The honours of his grace.

Glory to God the Son he paid,
Who dwelt in humble clay,
And to redeem us from the dead
Gave his own life away.

Glory to God the Spirit give,
From whose almighty power
Our souls their heavenly birth derive,
And bless the happy hour.

Glory to God that reigns above,
The eternal Three and One,
Who by the wonders of his love
Has made his nature known.


(Hymn 30. B.3. 2d C.M.)

The God of mercy be ador'd,
Who calls our souls from death,
Who saves by his redeeming word,
And new-creating breath.

To praise the Father and the Son
And Spirit all divine,
The One in Three, and Three in One,
Let saints and angels join.

700. (Hymn 34. B.3. 3d C.M.)

Now let the Father and the Son
And Spirit be ador'd,
Where there are works to make him known,
Or saints to love the Lord.

701. (Hymn 35. B.3. C.M.)

Or thus:

HONOUR to the Almighty Three,
And everlasting One;
All glory to the Father be,
The Spirit, and the Son.

702. The 2d at the end of the Psalms.

(C.M.)

Let God the Father, and the Son,
And Spirit be ador'd,
Where there are works to make him known,
Or saints to love the Lord.

703. Aynhoe 108, Eagle Street New 55,
Simons 250.

(Hymn 28. B.3. 1st S.M.)

Let God the Father live
For ever on our tongues;
Sinners from his first love derive
The ground of all their songs.

2 Ye saints, employ your breath
In honour to the Son,
Who bought your souls from hell and death
By offering up his own.

3 Give to the Spirit praise
Of an immortal strain,
Whose light and power and grace conveys
Salvation down to men.

4 While God the Comforter
Reveals our pardon'd sin,
O may the blood and water bear
The same record within.

5 To the great One and Three
That seal this grace in heaven,
The Father, Son, and Spirit, be
Eternal glory given.


(Hymn 31. B.3. 2d S.M.)

Let God the Maker's name
Have honour, love and fear,
To God the Saviour pay the same,
And God the Comforter.

2 Father of Lights above,
Thy mercy we adore,
The Son of thy eternal love,
And Spirit of thy power.

705. (Hymn 36. B.3. 3d S.M.)

Ye angels round the throne,
And saints that dwell below,
Worship the Father, love the Son,
And bless the Spirit too.
706. (Hymn 37. B.3. S.M.)

Or thus:

Give to the Father praise,
Give glory to the Son,
And to the Spirit of his grace
Be equal honour done.

707. The 5th at the end of the Psalms.

As the 113th Psalm.

Now to the great and sacred Three,
The Father, Son, and Spirit be
Eternal praise and glory given,
Thro' all the worlds where God is known,
By all the angels near the throne,
And all the saints in earth and heaven.


(A Song of Praise to the blessed Trinity.
The 1st as the 148th Psalm.

I Give immortal praise
To God the Father's love
For all my comforts here,
And better hopes above;
He sent his own
Eternal Son
To die for sins,
That man had done.

2 To God the Son belongs
Immortal glory too,
Who bought us with his blood
From everlasting woe:
And now he lives,
And now he reigns,
And sees the fruit
Of all his pains.

3 To God the Spirit's name
Immortal worship give,
Whose new-creating power
Makes the dead sinner live:
His work completes
The great design,
And fills the soul
With joy divine.

4 Almighty God, to Thee
Be endless honours done,
The undivided Three,
And the Mysterious One:
Where reason fails
With all her powers,
Their faith prevails,
And love adores.

709. Resurrection 72, Portsmouth 144.

(The 1st as the 148th Psalm.

To Him that chose us first
Before the world began,
To Him that bore the curse
To save rebellious man,

710, 711, 712

To Him that form'd
Our hearts anew,
Is endless praise
And glory due.

2 The Father's love shall run
Thro' our immortal songs,
We bring to God the Son
Hosannas on our tongues;
Our lips address
The Spirit's name
With equal praise,
And zeal the same.

3 Let every saint above,
And angel round the throne,
For ever bless and love
The sacred Three in One:
Thus heaven shall raise
His honours high
When earth and time
Grow old and die.

710. Swinburne's 44, Darwell's 82.

(Hymn 40. B.3.)

The 3rd as the 148th Psalm.

To God the Father's throne
Perpetual honours raise;
Glory to God the Son,
To God the Spirit praise:
And while our lips
Their tribute bring,
Our faith adores
The name we sing.

711. The 6th at the end of the Psalms.

As the 148th Psalm.

To God the Father's throne
Perpetual honours raise;
Glory to God the Son,
To God the Spirit praise:
With all our powers,
Eternal King,
Thy name we sing,
While faith adores.

712. (Hymn 41. B.3.)

Or thus:

To our eternal God,
The Father and the Son,
And Spirit all divine,
Three mysteries in One,
Salvation, power,
And praise be given,
By all on earth
And all in heaven.
THE HOSANNA; OR, SALVATION ASCRIBED TO CHRIST.

713. Derby 169, Rotkwell 174.

(Hymn 42. B. 3. L. M.)

HOSANNA to king David's Son
Who reigns on a superior throne;
We bless the Prince of heavenly birth
Who brings salvation down to earth.

Let every nation, every age,
In this delightful work engage;
Old men and babes in Sion sing
The growing glories of her King.

714. Great Milton 212, Miall 240.

(Hymn 43. B. 3. C. M.)

HOSANNA to the Prince of grace,
Sion, behold thy King;
Proclaim the Son of David's race,
And teach the babes to sing.

Hosanna to th' Incarnate Word,
Who from the Father came;
Acribe salvation to the Lord,
With blessings on his name.

715. Liverpool 83, Great Milton 212.

(Hymn 16. B. 1. C. M.)

HOSANNA to the royal son
Of David's ancient line,
His nature two, his person one,
Mysterious and divine.

The root of David here we find,
And offspring of the same;
Eternity and time are join'd
In our Immanuel's name.

Blest he that comes to wretched men
With peaceful news from heaven;
Hosannas of the highest strain
To Christ the Lord be given.

Let mortals ne'er refuse to take
Th' hosanna on their tongues,
Lest rocks and stones should rise, and break
Their silence into songs.

716. Liverpool 83, Michael's 119.

(Hymn 89. B. 2. C. M.)

Christ's Victory over Satan.

HOSANNA to our conquering King!
The prince of darkness flies,
His troops rush headlong down to hell
Like lightning from the skies.

There bound in chains the lions roar,
And fright the rust'd sheep,
But heavy bars confine their power
And malice to the deep.

Hosanna to our conquering King,
All hail, incarnate love!
Ten thousand songs and glories wait
To crown thy head above.

Thy victories and thy deathless fame
Through the wide world shall run,
And everlasting ages sing
The triumphs thou hast won.

717. Vermont 134, Falcon Street 209.

(Hymn 44. B. 3. S. M.)

HOSANNA to the Son
Of David and of God,
Who brought the news of pardon down,
And bought it with his blood.

To Christ the anointed King
Be endless blessings given,
Let the whole earth his glory sing
Who made our peace with heaven.

718. Portsmouth 144, Grove 125.

(Hymn 45. B 3. As the 148th Psalm.)

HOSANNA to the King
Of David's ancient blood;
Behold he comes to bring
Forgiving grace from God:

Let old and young
Attend his way, and at his feet
Their honours lay.

Glory to God on high,
Salvation to the Lamb;
Let earth, and sea, and sky
His wonderous love proclaim:

Upon his head
Shall honours rest, and every age
Pronounce him blest.
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