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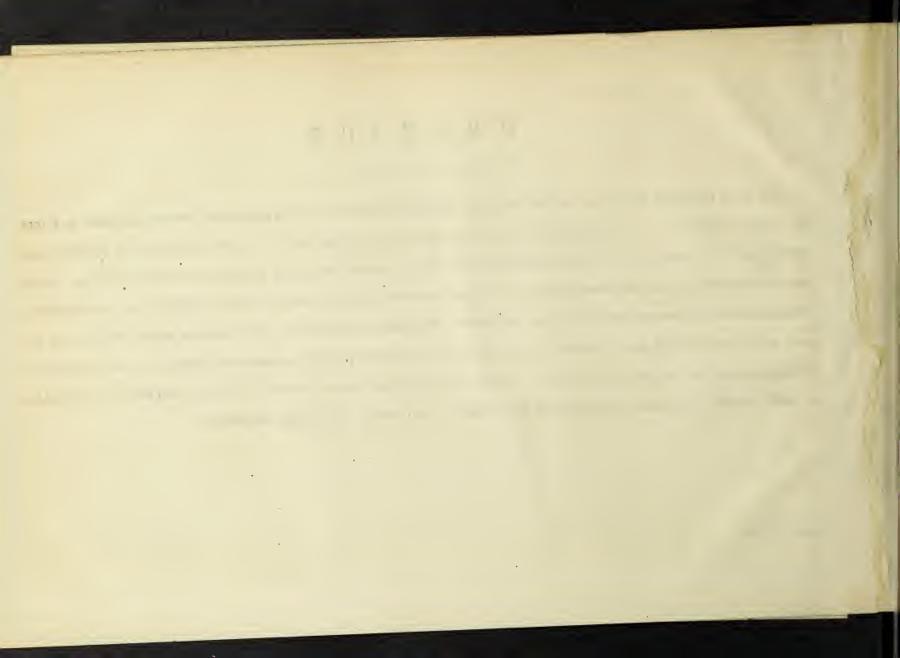
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For more than forty years past the musical compositions of the author of this volume have been finding their way into the current publications of psalmody, till they have become widely scattered and not a little disfigured by misprints and mutilations. The object of the present undertaking has been to render them more generally accessible, and to give them the advantage of a careful and thorough revision. Those pieces which have gained the widest circulation are here unaltered. Others have now undergone such changes as will render them increasingly useful. The numbers which needed to be recast, were comparatively few. Some of the pieces which were called forth by temporary exigencies, are now omitted as having accomplished the purposes intended. All that the author had wished to retain, however, could not be comprised in a single volume. His labors, therefore, will be continued with the hope of ultimate completion.



INTRODUCTION.

Music, regarded simply as an art, fixes attention upon itself—employed legitimately in offices of devotion, it guides the mind in the direction of spiritual objects. In the one case, just as in relation to painting and sculpture, we study the conceptions of the artist for aesthetic improvement or gratification. In the other, a nobler object is before us to absorb our thoughts and fill us with heavenly aspirations. We are not here, in a gallery of the arts, or at a public concert—but in the audience-chamber of the unscen Eternal, and all aesthetic considerations are therefore comparatively trivial.

This distinction is the same as that which exists in oratory. If a fine speaker is merely declaiming before us, we become critical in attention to his manner, carefully discriminating between excellencies and defects. But how differently are we employed under the solemn appeals from the pulpit! We are listening to an ambassador from heaven, whose own peculiarities have liftle to do with the import of his message. Skillful he well may be, and truly eloquent—but there must be no show of aesthetic attractions. The speaker must stand behind his message and let it take full possession of our minds. This is his earnest endeavor, and one that measures the success of his appeals.

Now, that a distinction so obviously essential as this, should be so extensively ignored in our methods of public praise, is one of the strangest anomalies of these enlightened times—and we see in it the foundation of all those troubles and perplexities which arise in this branch of public worship.

The popular idea seems to be, that true devotion can be kindled and sustained in exercises of praise by mere artistic appliances. If this is really so, we may continue to toil on in our experiments, with the anticipation of ultimate success. We may trust in the exquisite touches or the rich combinations of an instrument of unlimited powers. We may try the efficacy of a rude choir, whose clamorous utterances are without meaning: or a refined one whose articulations are artistically and systematically indistinct. Or, a hired quartette, or a solo singer may be procured to play upon our sympathies as on oceasions of artistic interest. Or, wearied by so many unsatisfactory devices, we may come to the conclusion that music has lost its power, and must be left to the mercy of the multitude, who shall sing as they list without instruction or guidance. Or, sick at last of the fruits of this abandonment, we may seek to resume appliances in new forms of effort. And if in every step of our progress we meet with ignorance, prejudice, self-esteem, jealousy, love of display, and stubbornness, and misrule, we do but encounter those normal and necessary influences which appertain to musical display.

Æsthetics have their importance, and should by no means be undervalued. But their influence has limitations, which are too liable to be forgotten. There is need of watchfulness. The spirit of song is no substitute for the spirit of praise. Christians who are active, intelligent and influential, should take this interest into their own hands, and dispose of it in every respect as the evangelical nature of our religion requires. Artists, of course, will sometimes demur.

But when they would abridge the privileges which properly belong as the basis of feeling; and until music can be made the intelligible. for dull, unmeaning simplicity on the other. We want nothing in our worship which will remind us of the opera; nor shall we be satisfied with the stale, common-place of by-gone centuries. We must have music uninjured by secular associations which is full of power, and be careful always to use that power aright. We speak confidently in this matter, though in the face of venerated authorities, With the precepts and examples of the Bible in favor of our position, we are not to be driven from it by decisions which are merely human.

What shall we do with them? They are various in their characteristies, but full of meaning and remarkable for spirituality. They embrace humble confessions of sin, petitions for pardon, supplications for mercy and grace, thanksgivings for blessings received, expressions of faith, and hope, and love, and sentiments of elevated, the temple above. How shall these themes be treated? Shall they be made the trivial subjects of mimetic imitation, and the occasions of artistic display? Shall their meaning be obscured and misrepresented by the song; and their diction be cmasculated through the demands of mere euphony?

Far different is the true course to be pursued. Emotional characteristics of the music should be in strict accordance with the soul-

to us; and especially when they would substitute histrionic influ-sure interpreter of our entire mental conceptions and discriminations ences in the place of personal devotion, their counsels should be set it must not be allowed in any manner to interfere with the priviaside. We have no desire for Sabbath concerts on the one hand, nor leges of verbal delivery. This decision, however liable to be forgotten, is in accordance with ancient usages, with the nature of our religion, and with the teachings of inspiration. We may think it convenient to place the choir in an impracticable position behind us. and to muffle and drown their articulations by curtains and overmastering instruments. Or we may fill the house with such deafening instrumentation as to prevent the assembly from hearing each other in their songs of praise. But, in doing so, we make ourselves responsible for a failure of influences which are essential, and for the absence of which nothing can sufficiently atone. We may think Verbal themes of song are furnished us by the pen of inspiration. it expedient, also, to commit this entire interest, mental and emotional, to minds that have no true apprehension of spiritual things: but, in so doing, we make ourselves accountable for the unhallowed influences of a vain and empty oblation. Our responsibilities are inevitable.

Such, in brief, are the views which for a long series of years have holy joy, such as animate the angelic hosts and glorified spirits in influenced the writer in his teachings and productions. He pretends not to perfection in anything; but his position should be understood by those who would rightly estimate the character of his labors.

If, for instance, he might have treated the sacred text as a mere accessory to song, he could in many eases have given greater attractiveness to the music. If he might have written for worshipers not as they really are, but as they possibly might be in musical acquiretelling interest of the themes; and these should have the fullest ments, he could easily have produced strains which none but the advantage of an earnest, intelligible utterance. Some will plead initiated could understand or enjoy. Or if, like the great masters of that music is itself a language. But religion demands intelligence the Italian and the German schools, he might have sat as a painter,

ment a leader among personal worshipers who seek to offer intelligent spiritual sacrifices in the presence of the great Searcher of diously endeavored to avoid. hearts, is an entirely different matter from that of becoming an success, of course, has been limited.

succeed; or that his productions should always have the advan- Hutton. Hymns that are more declamatory employ melodies of a tage of a right interpretation, for the knowledge of his precise position, as already intimated, is essential to a right estimate of his labors. And if the strains he has produced will sometimes give, through the divine blessing, true delight and comfort to evangelical worshipers, even at the expense of displeasing thoughtless devotees of the art, he will be satisfied that he has not been laboring in vain.

The proper field for church music is chaste simplicity. But the idea is a relative one. That which is simple to one person may be complicated to another, especially where true cultivation is neglected. Congregations, as well as choirs and individuals, differ widely from each other in this respect. The effort has been to meet those differences; and the tunes here presented we hope will prove suffi- out energy or expression. But how different and how delightful are ciently dissimilar to answer this purpose.

form the chief object of attention. The tune should illustrate the structure which have power of expression and freshness of interest. language by providing for a distinct, impassioned, melifluous utter- The larger pieces in this volume are intended chiefly for opening

with the worshipers at a distance before him, he could have been | ance. Let the language in the following pages be rightly treated, more imaginative, and rapturous in his strains. He could have and it will form the truest interpretation of the accompanying music. represented his worshipers as mere amateurs filled with aesthetic This principle has not been universally regarded by composers. We aspirations. But a very different task has been before him, and one often meet with beautiful music in connection with fine poetry, where involving more solemn responsibilities. To become in this depart- one of the two factors must necessarily be sacrificed for the preservation of the other. Such ill-ordered arrangements we have stu-

The simplest strains in the present volume, called Metrical Chants, aspirant for musical fame. If he has been at all successful in such are intended, not for that incoherent chattering which too often oca work as this, the praise belongs to Another and not to him. His curs in modern chanting, but for the more natural flow of narrative or didactic stanzas. Hymns somewhat more emotional are here con-It was not possible in the nature of things that he should always nected with speaking or syllabic melodies, such as Beneficence, Baden, similar structure which are more emphatic, such as Hemans and White. Hymns of a mild meditative character receive tunes of a slower movement, like Brown and Peniel. When deeper pathos prevails, the hymns require such tunes as admit of a swelling cmphasis, like Romberg and Tioga. Hymns embracing more of the picturesque and the beautiful, we have connected with flowing, legato melodies.

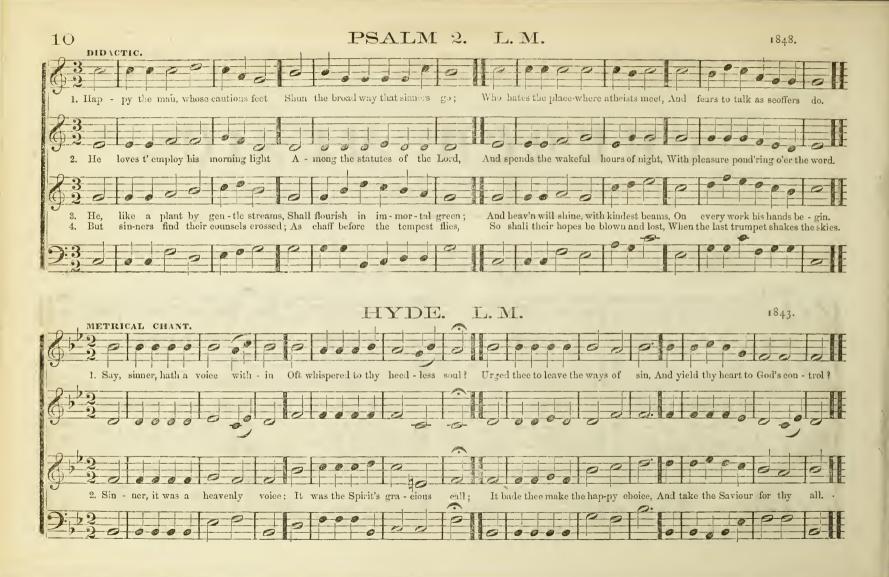
But, not to dwell on distinctions—the movement should never be of a heavy, drawling character. This savors more of indolence than of animated devotion. We see this in rude congregational singing, where the voices mutually waiting for each other, move entirely withthe influences of the congregational style, when an efficient choir of The language of the psalms and hymns, as we have seen, forms personal worshipers give direction and character to the movement! the true basis of church music. This, and not the tune, should The best melodies for this purpose are generally those of a simple

purpose than for public worship. Of this, others must be left to mind. judge. We can not here enlarge, but must allow the music to speak

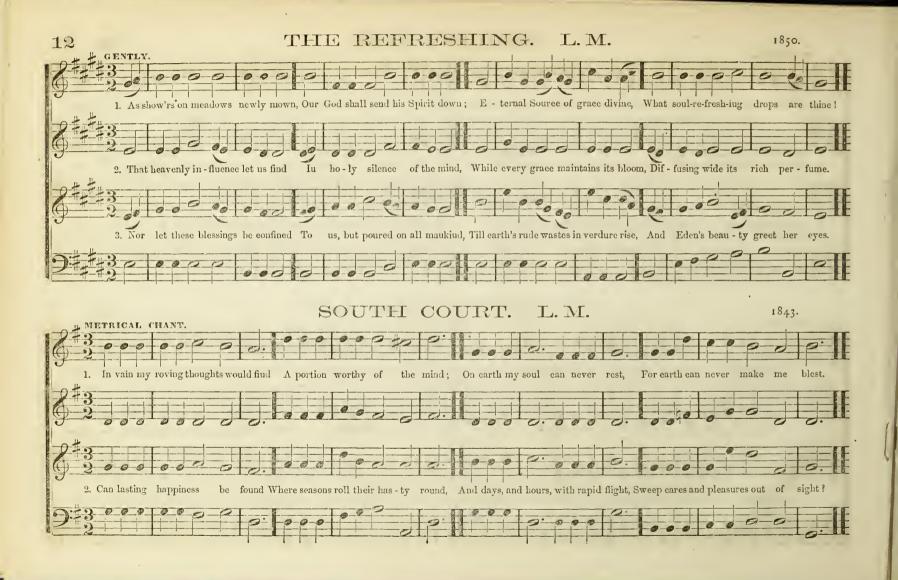
and closing exercises, and for occasions of special interest. Here, for itself; and we hope it may do so, always in connection with too, the language must be carefully treated. It must be the more good verbal delivery. Let secular music destroy its own language, if distinctly spoken because it does not meet the eye of the worshipers. it will, by ignoring the claims of articulation, accent, emphasis, and Verbal repetitions, too, should not be so uniformly rendered as to momentary pauses; for here the verbiage is comparatively unimdestroy that heightening of the sentiment for which they are in- portant, being little else than an excuse for singing. But not so tended. Generally speaking, the true characteristics of a piece should with the language which is consecrated to the purposes of intelligent. be fully represented in the style of its execution. This requires earnest, Christian devotion. Such licenses are here inadmissible, study, and study tends to the increase of knowledge and practical and should be wholly discarded. The distinction between the two skill. A small number of these pieces may be more suitable for this styles in this respect is heaven-wide, and should ever be borne in

CHURCH MUSIC.

SAREPTA. L. M. 1. The praise of Zi - on waits for thee, And praise, O God, becomes thy house; There shall thy saints thy glo-ry see, And there perform their pub - lie vows. 2. O thou, whose merey bends the skies, To save when humble sinners pray; All lands to thee shall lift their eyes, And every yielding heart o-bey. 3. Blest is the man whom thou wilt choose, And give him kind ac - cess to thee; Give him a place with - in thy house, To taste thy love di - vine - ly free.











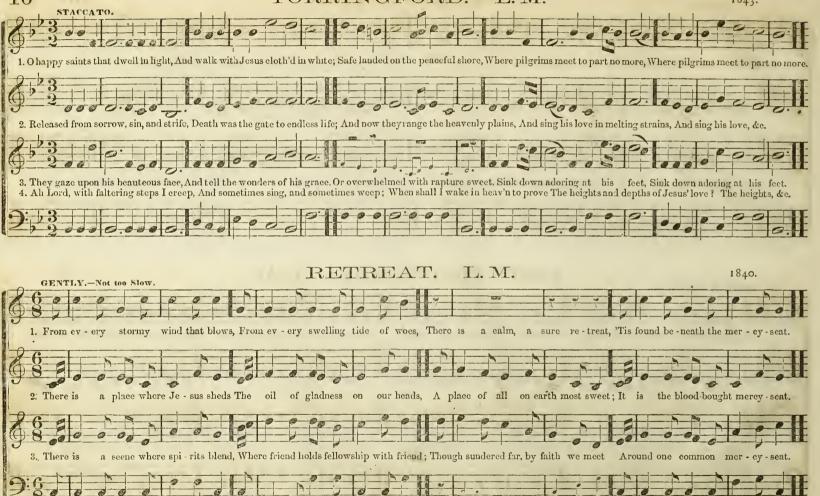






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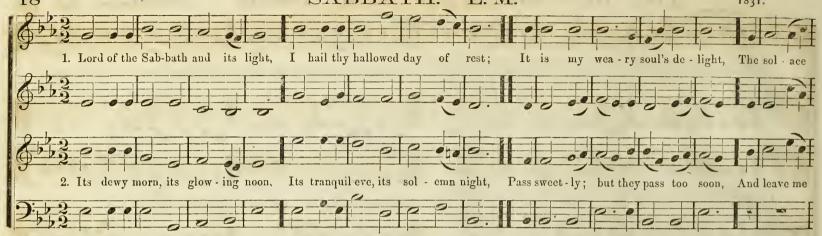


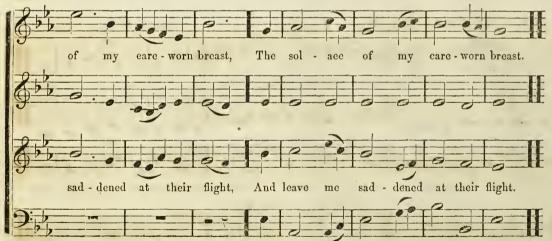




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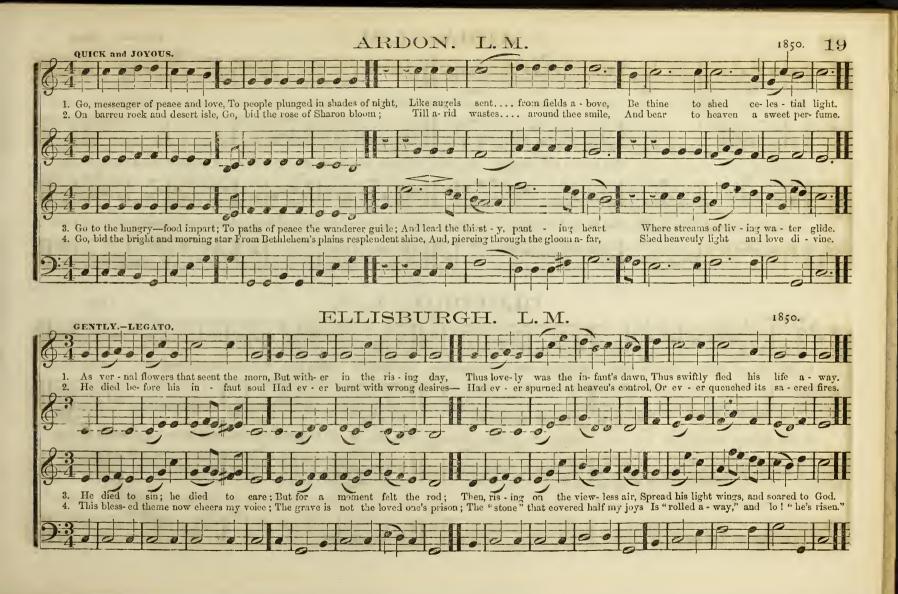
Yet sweetly as they glide along,
And hallowed though the calm they yield,
Transporting though their rapturous song,
And heavenly visions seem revealed;

4.

My soul is desolate and drear,
My silent harp untuned remains,
Unless, my Saviour, thou art near,
To heal my wounds, and soothe my pains.

5.

O! Jesus, let me ever hail
Thy presence with the day of rest;
Then will thy servant never fail
To deem thy Sabbaths doubly blest.

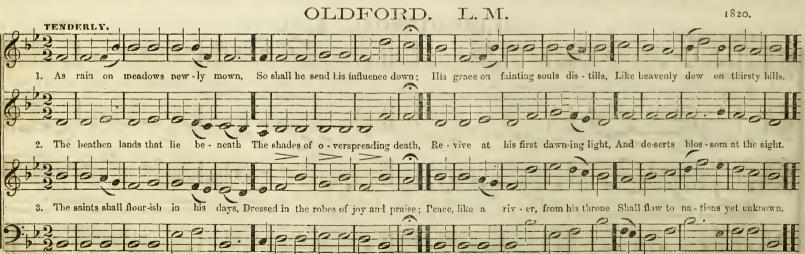




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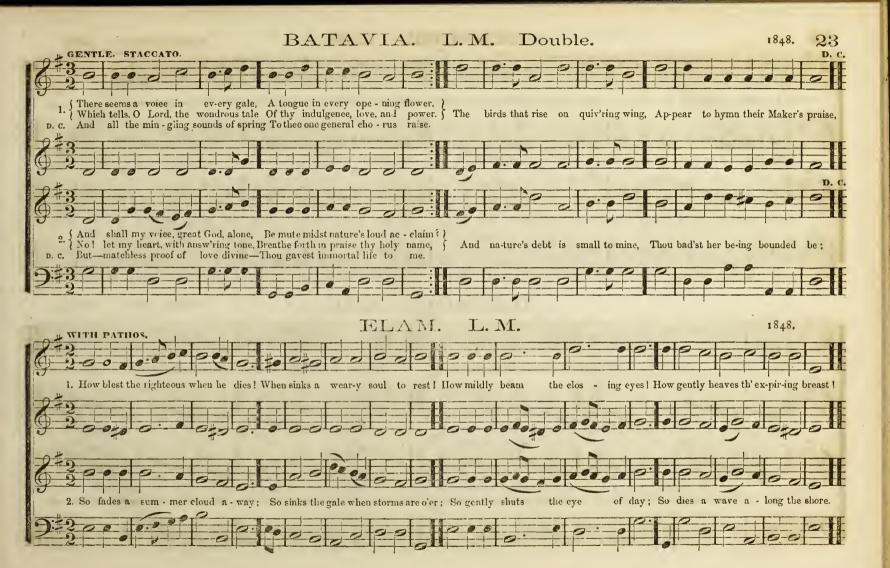
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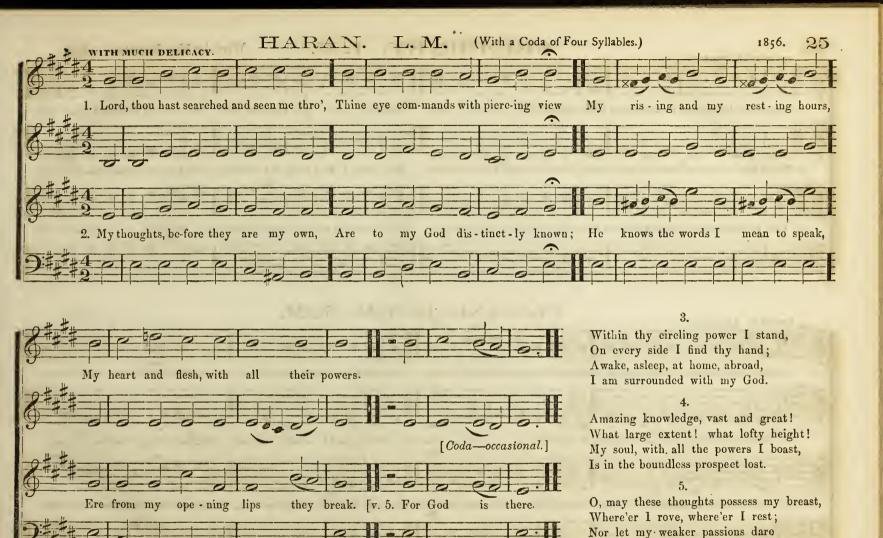




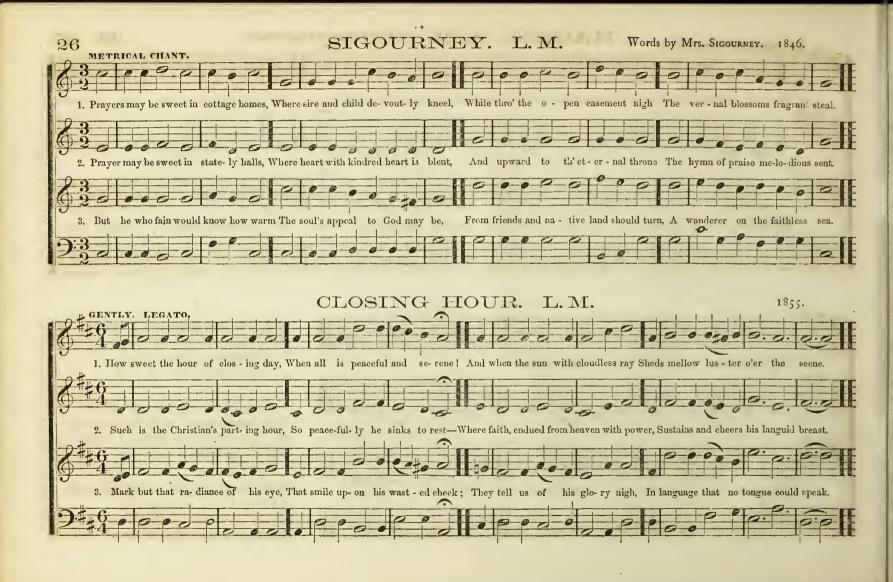


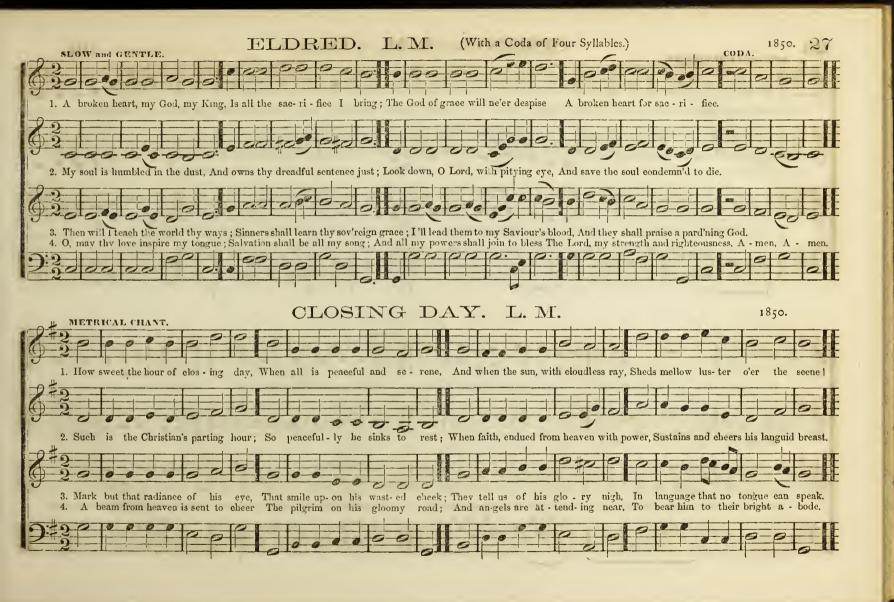






Consent to sin, for God is there.













Infinite grace, which triumphs here.







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No more fatigue—no more distress, Nor sin, nor death shall reach the place; No groans shall mingle with the songs Which warble from immortal tongues.

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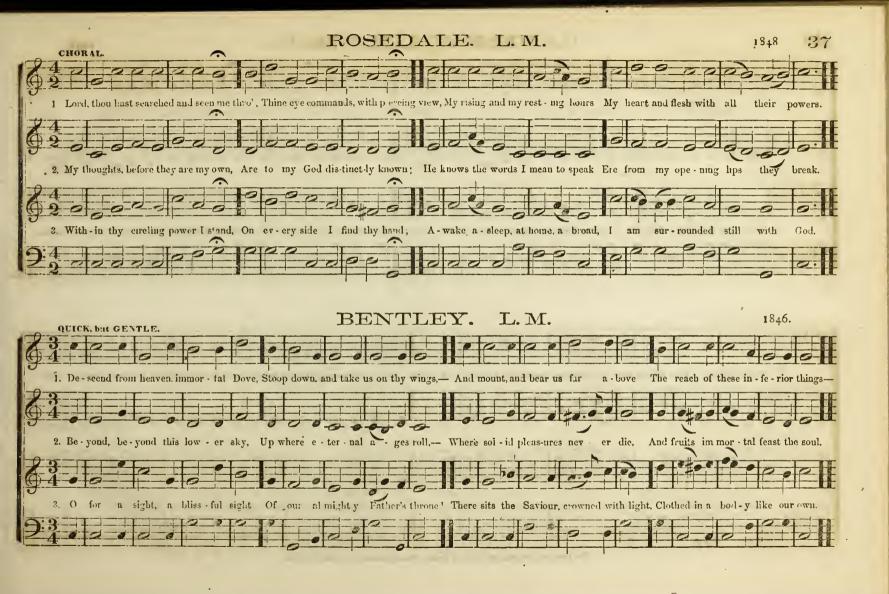
No rude alarms of raging foes, No eares to break the long repose; No midnight shade, no clouded sun, But saered, high, eternal noon.

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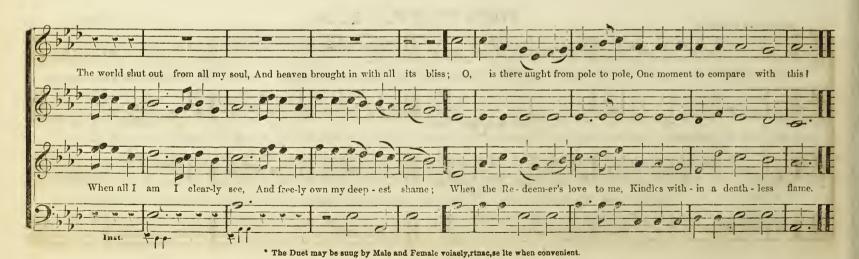
Thine earthly Sabbaths, Lord, we love, But there's a nobler rest above; To that our longing souls aspire, With cheerful hope, and strong desire.

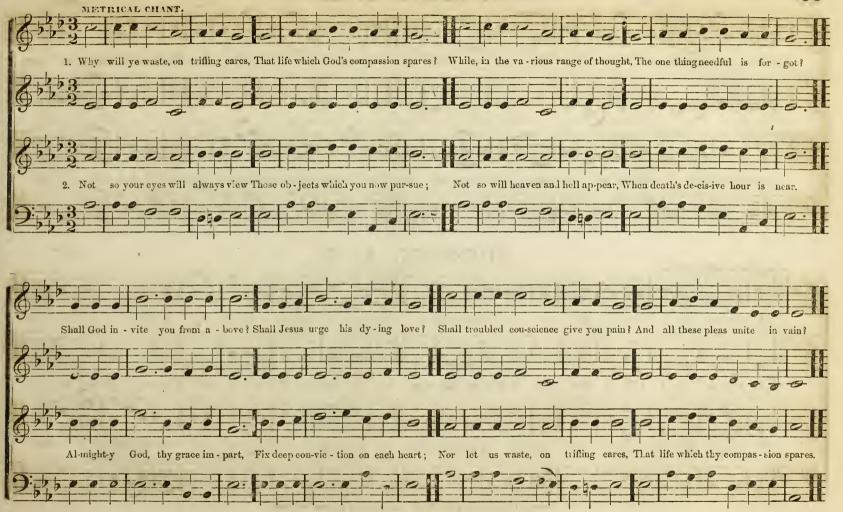


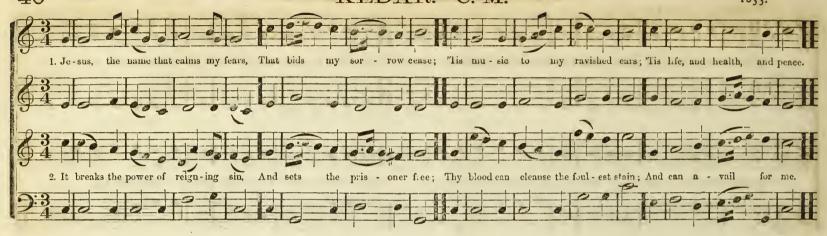


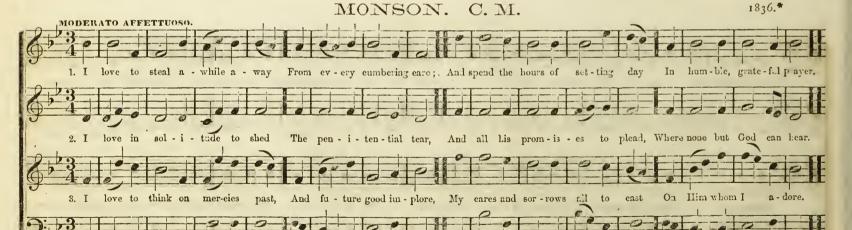






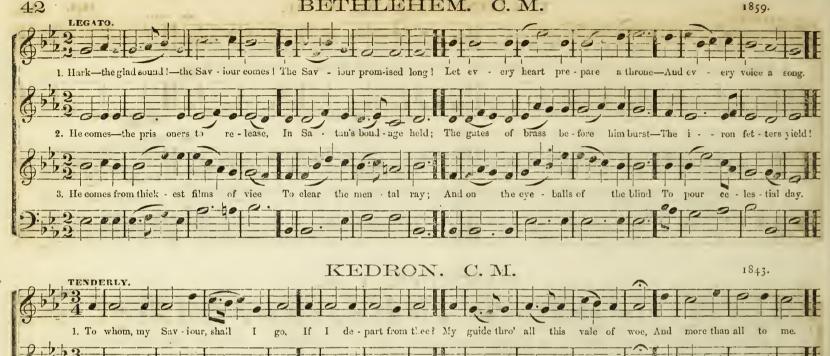






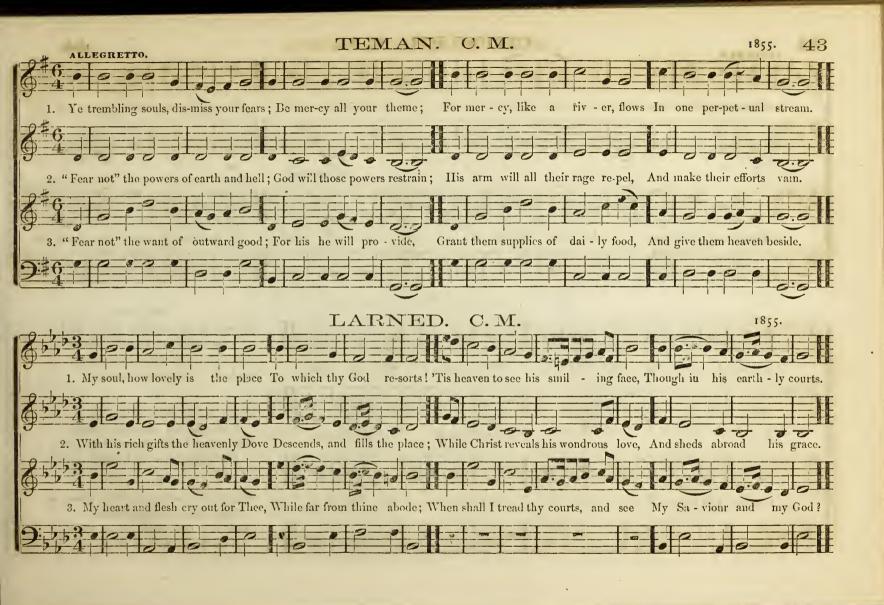
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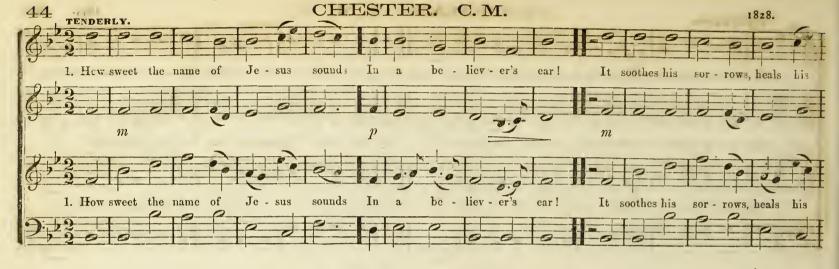




2. The world re - jeet thy gen - tle reign, And pay thy death with scorn; Oh, they could plat thy crown a - gain, And sharp-en ev - ery thorn.

3 But I have felt thy dy - - ing love Breathe gently thro' my heart; To whis-per hope of joys a - bove-And can we ev - er part?







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It makes the wounded spirit whole,
And ealms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
And to the weary, rest.

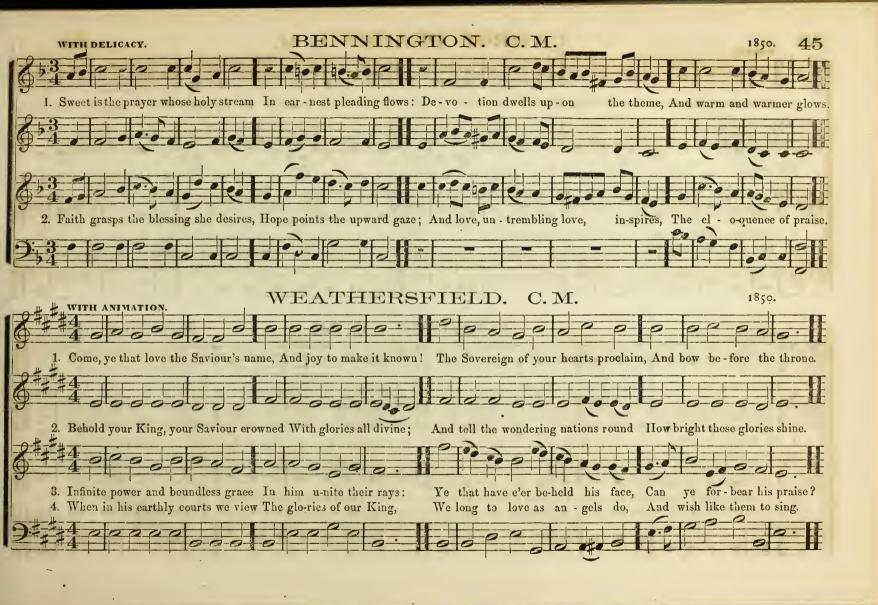
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Weak is the effort of my heart.

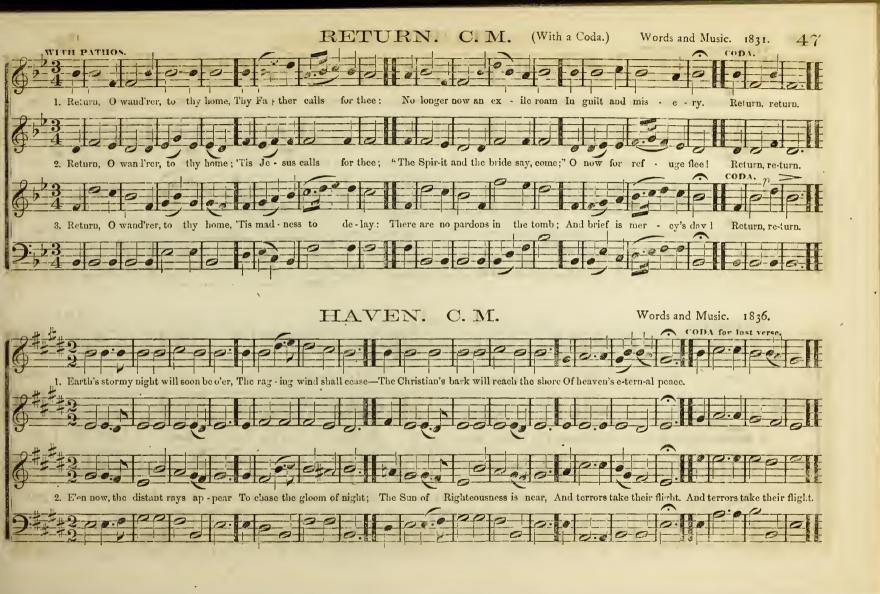
And cold my warmest thought:
But when I see thee as thou art,
I'll praise thee as I ought.

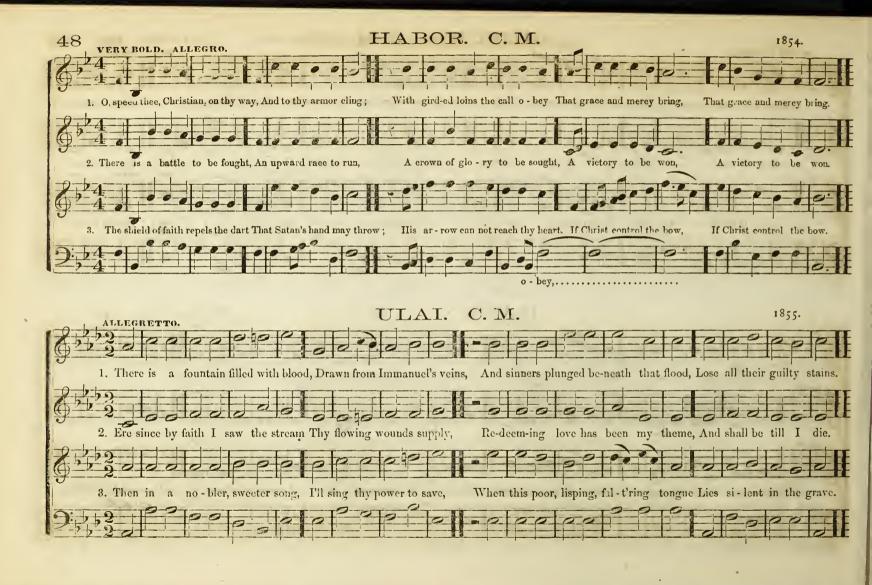
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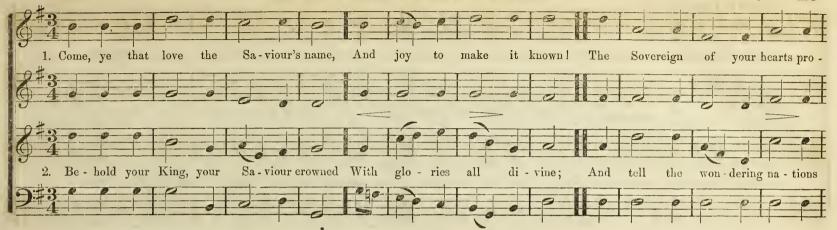
Till then, I would thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath;
And may the music of thy name
Refresh my soul in death.













3.

Infinite power and boundless grace
In him unite their rays:
Ye that have e'er beheld his face,
Can ye forbear his praise?

4.

When in his earthly courts we view
The glories of our King,
We long to love as angels do,
And wish like them to sing.

5.

And shall we long and wish in vain?

Lord, teach our songs to rise:

Thy love can animate the strain,

And bid it reach the skies.







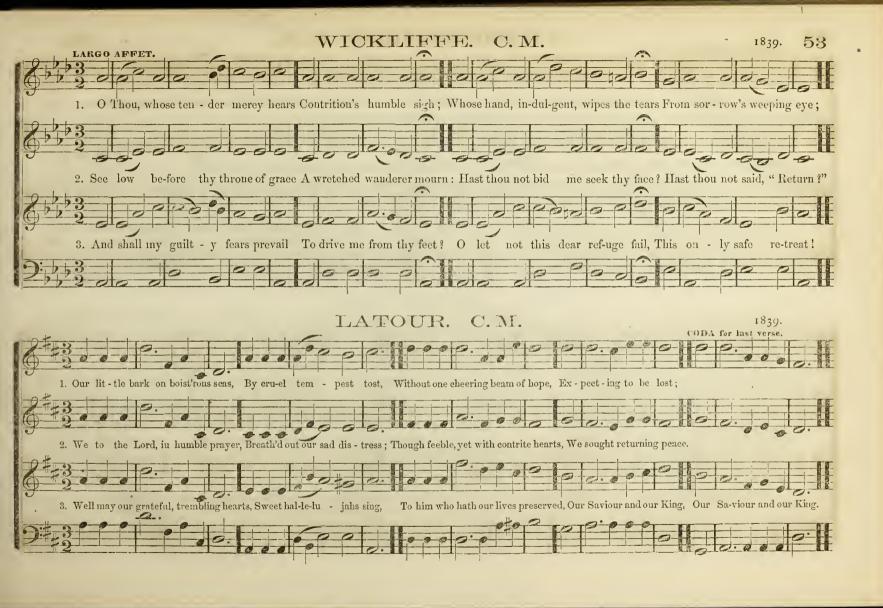


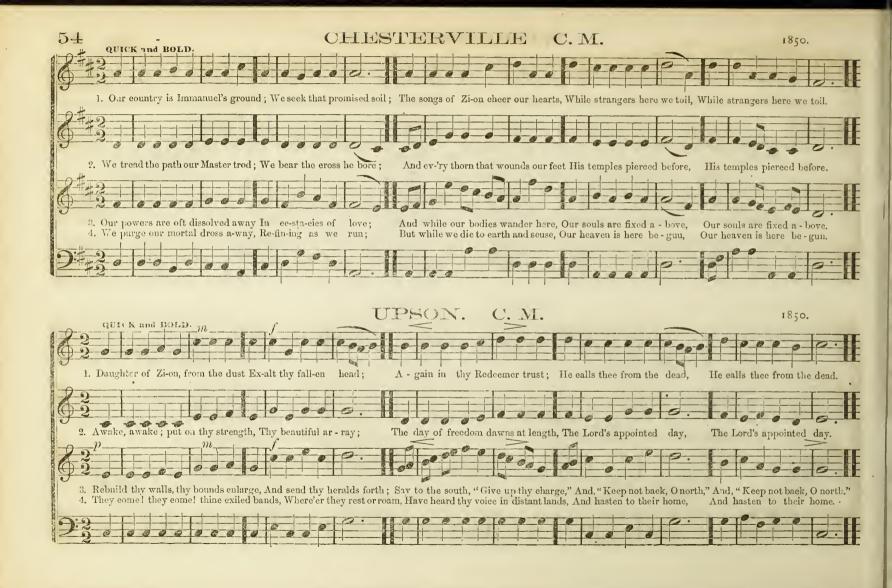
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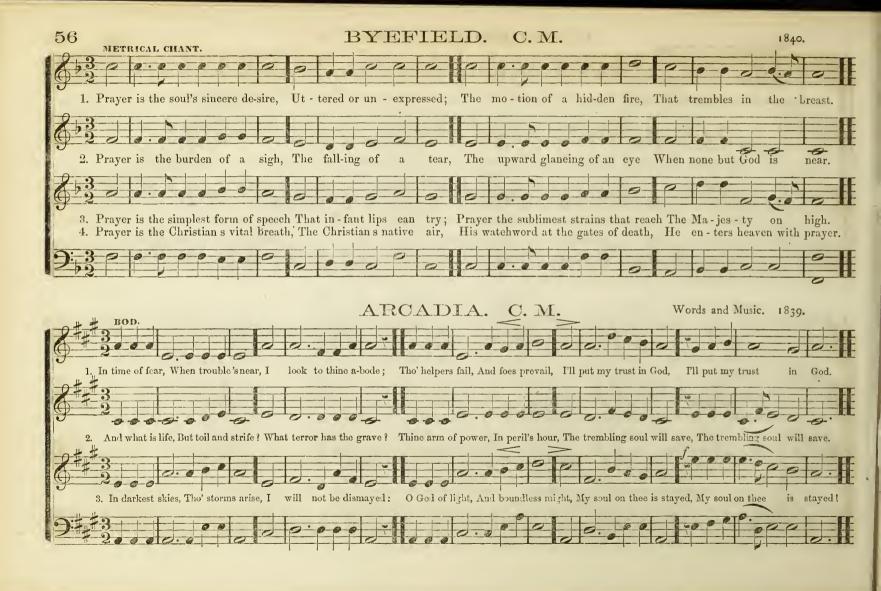


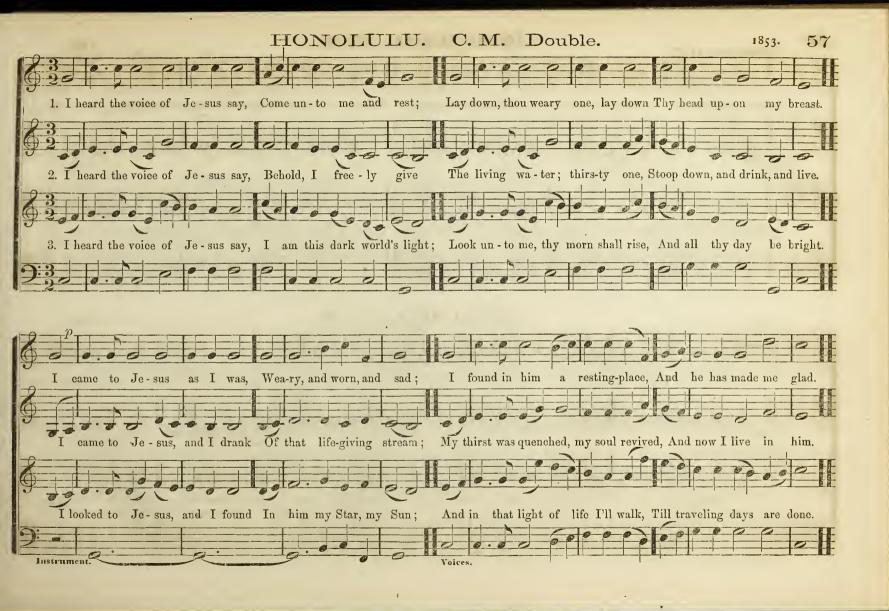


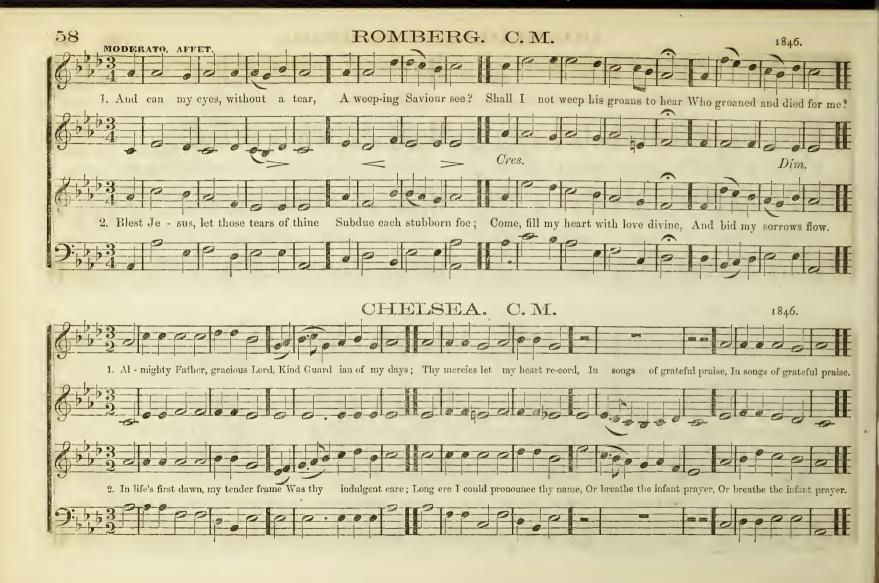


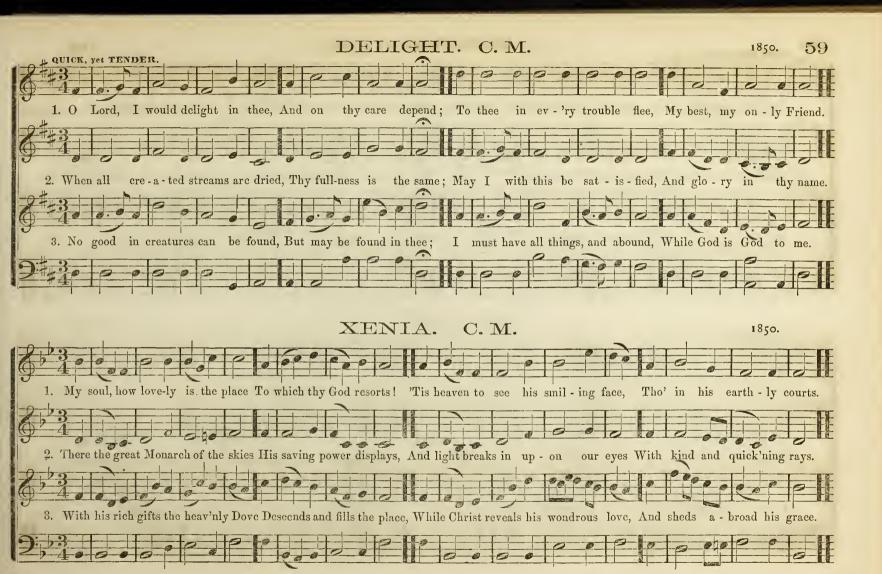


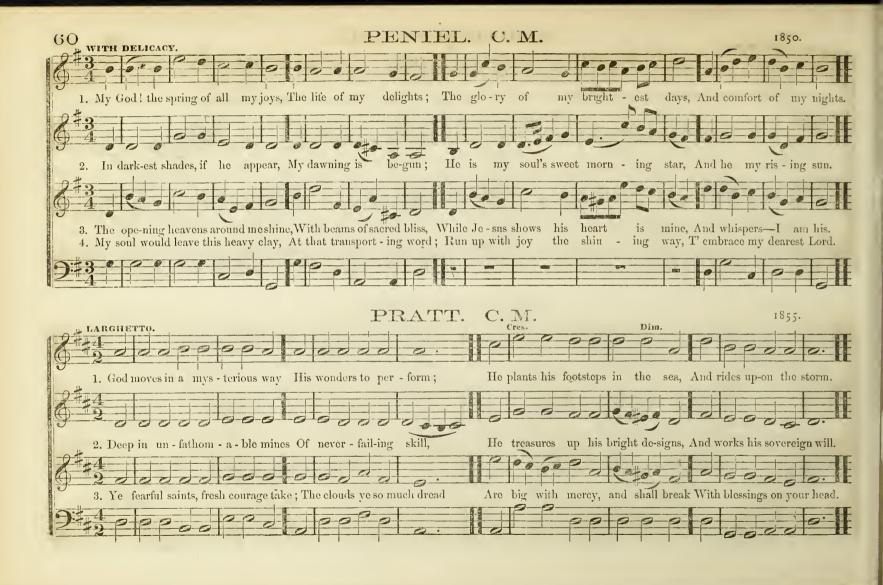




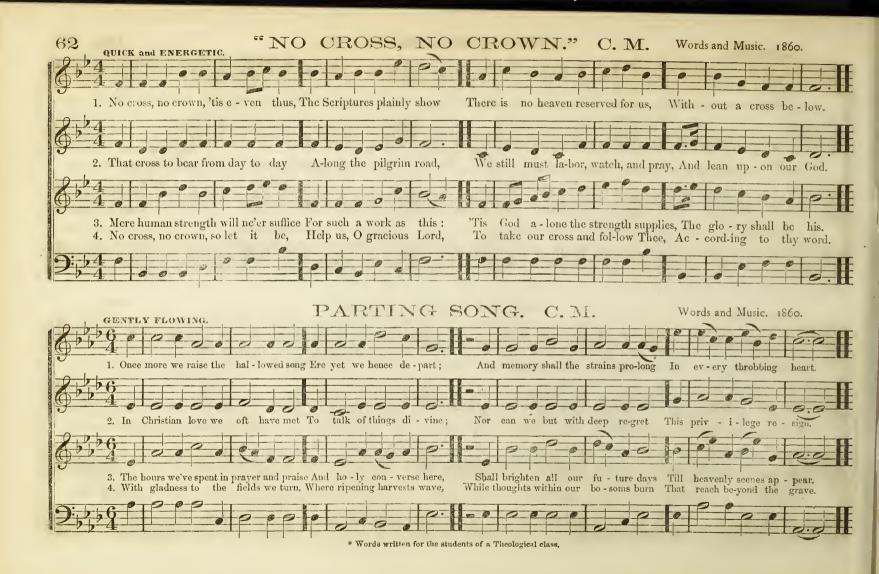


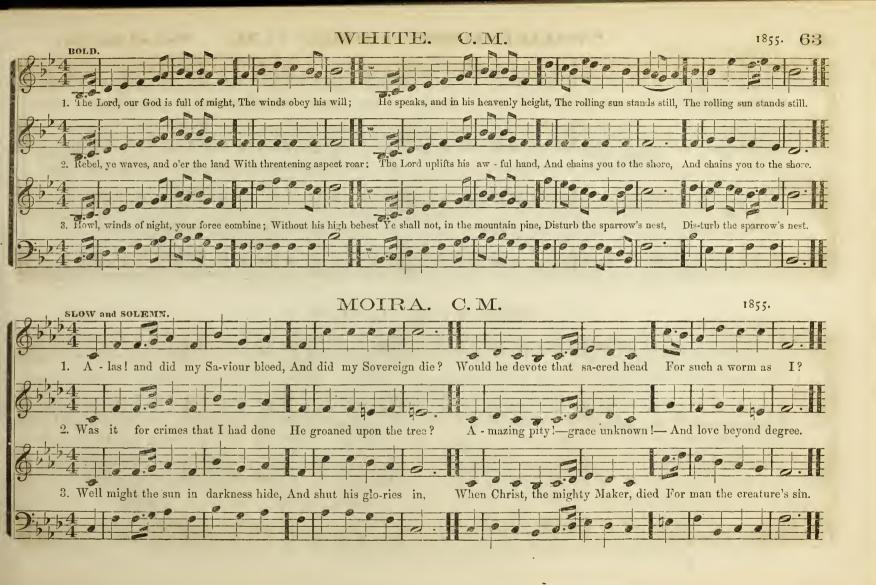


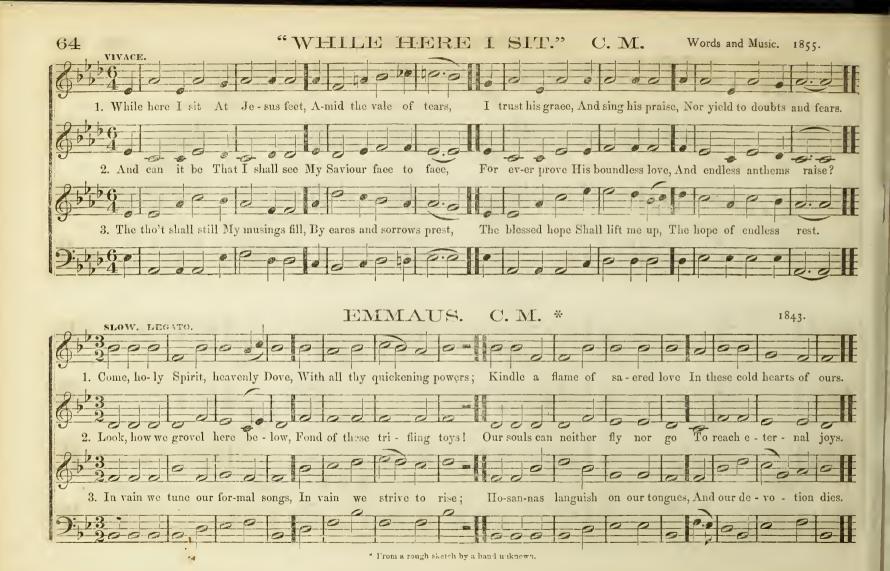
















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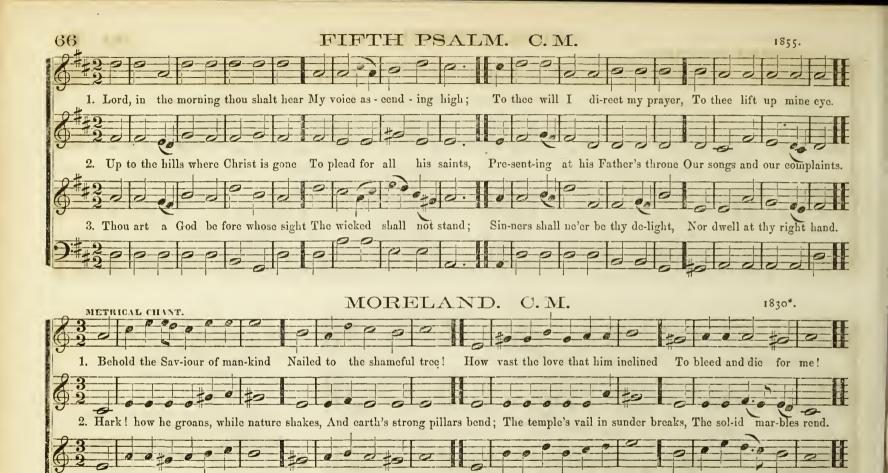
Hast thou a lamb in all thy flock
I would disdain to feed?
Hast thou a foe before whose face
I fear thy cause to plead?

5.

Could not my heart pour forth its blood In honor of thy name? And challenge the cold hand of death To damp th' immortal flame?

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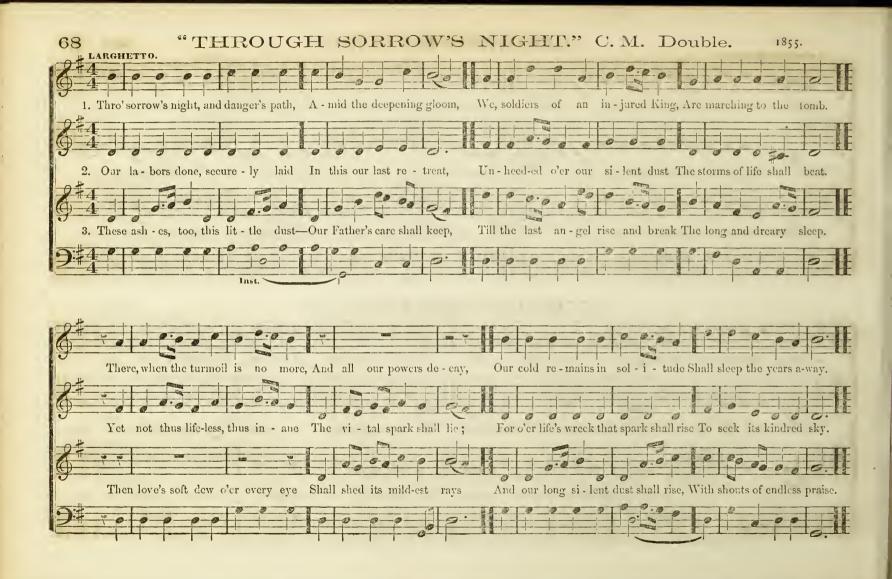
Thou know'st I love thee, dearest Lord,
But O, I long to soar
Far from the sphere of mortal joys,
And learn to love thee more.



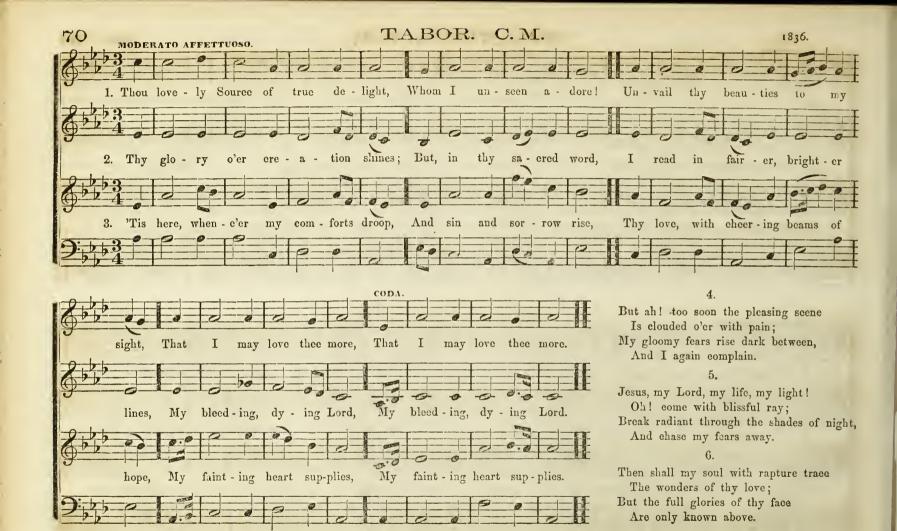
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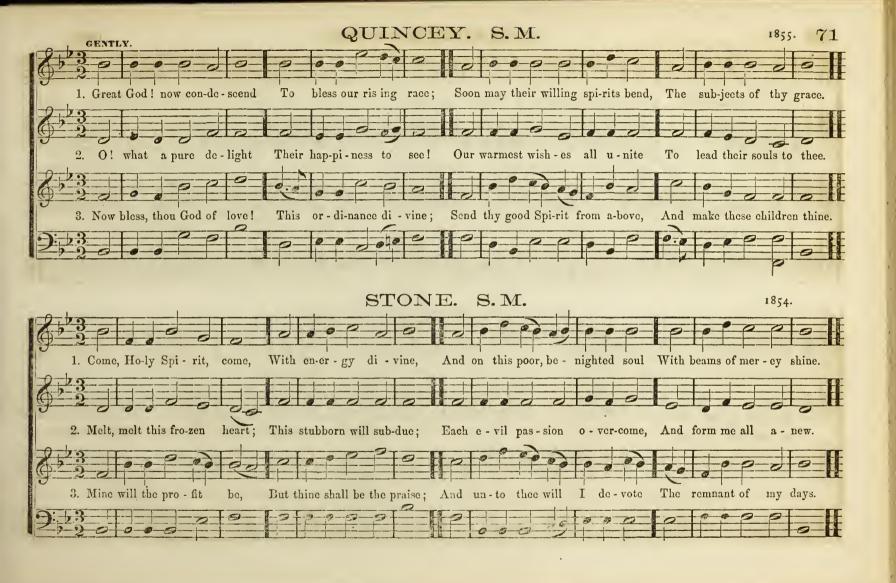
3. 'Tis finished! now the ransom's paid, "Re-ceive my soul," he cries; See, how he bows his sacred head! He bows his head, and dies!

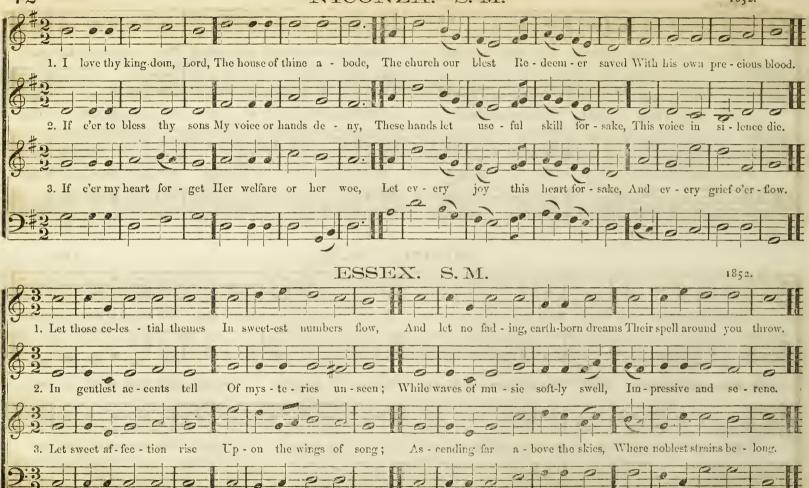








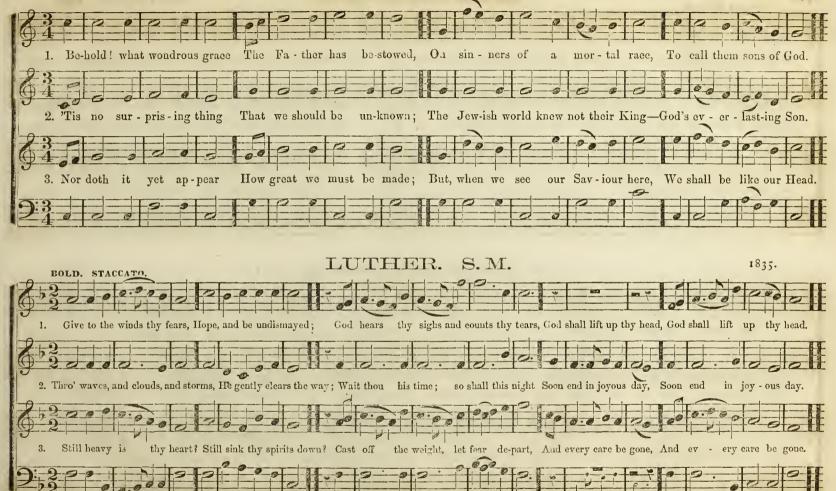


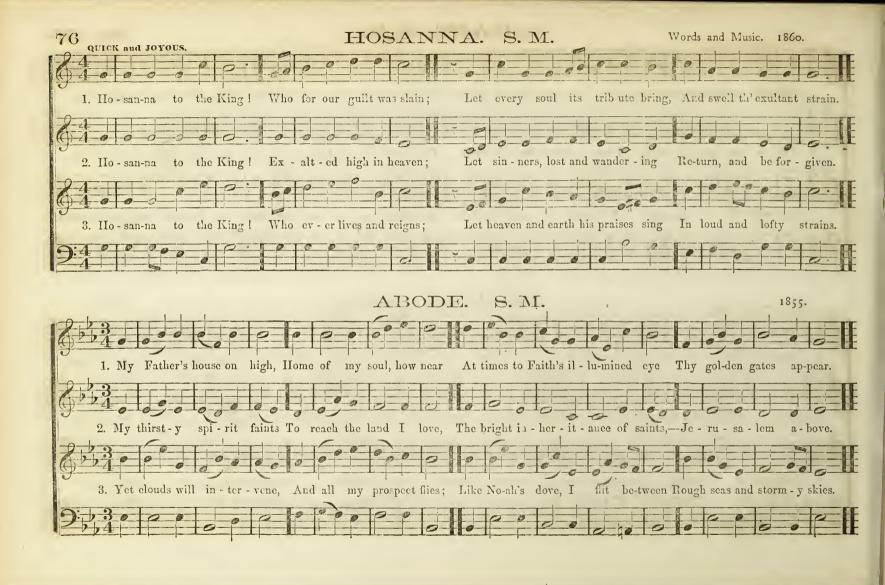


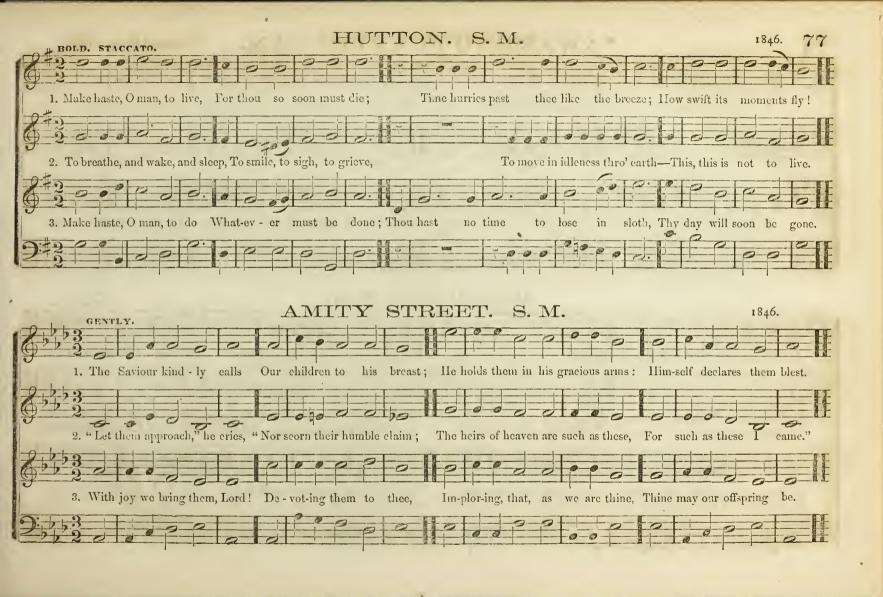




2. Then let our songs a - bound, And every tear be dry; We're marching thro' Immanuel's ground To fair - er worlds on high, To fair-er worlds on high.

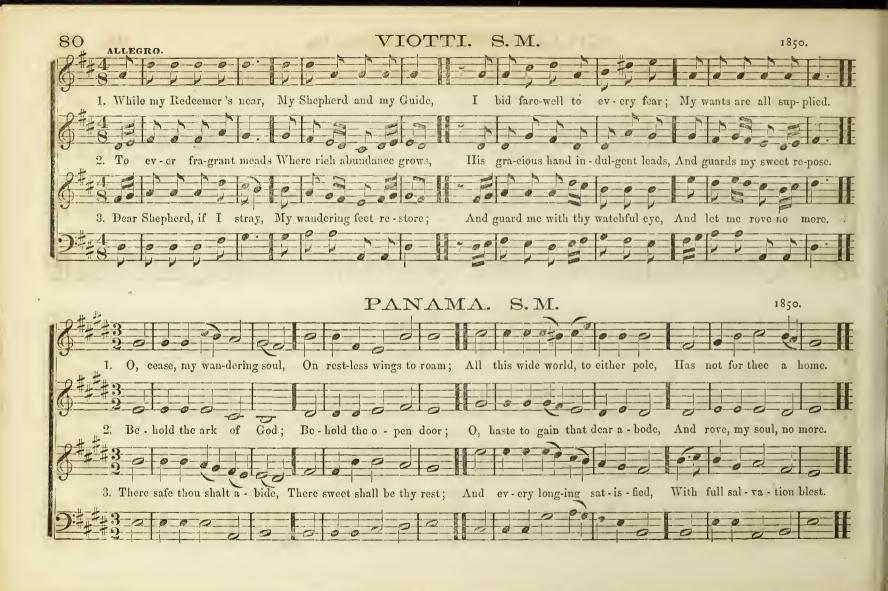














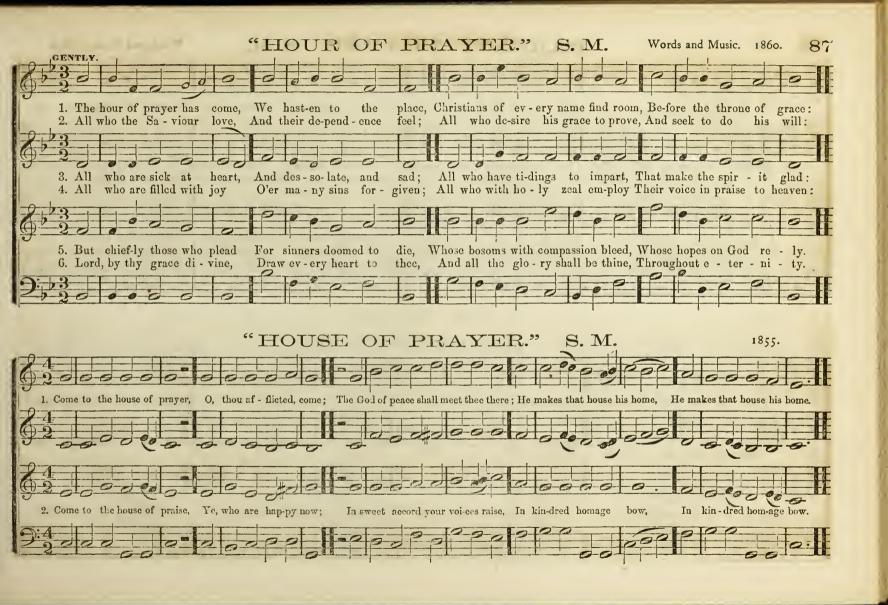




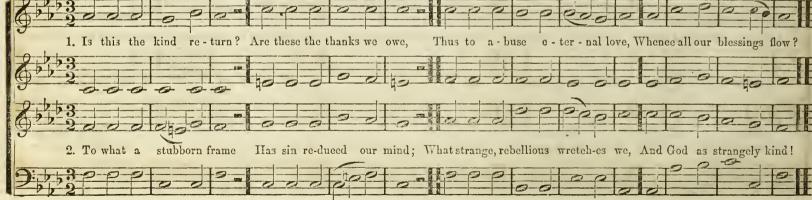


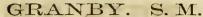












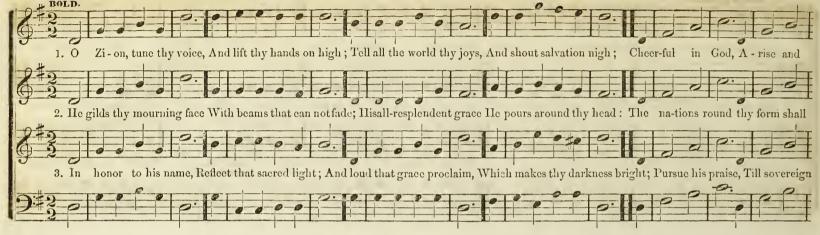
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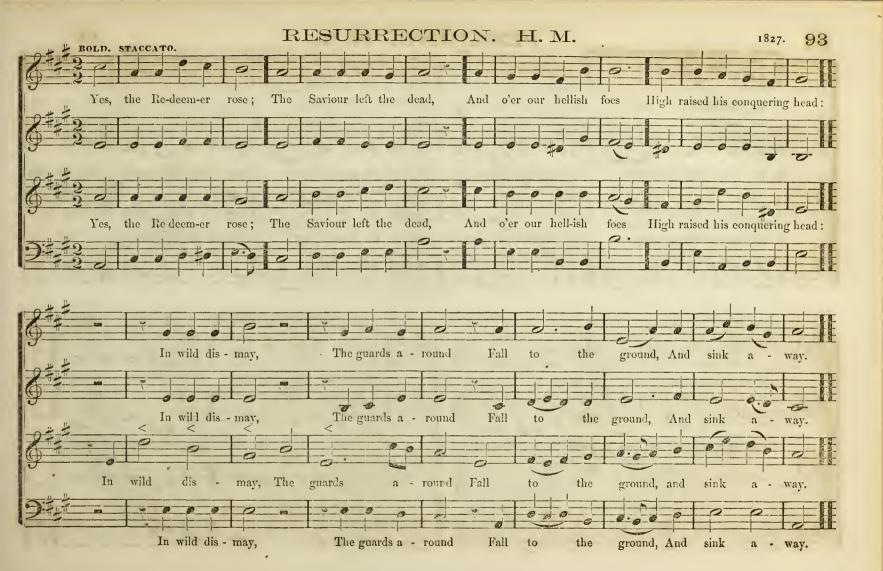


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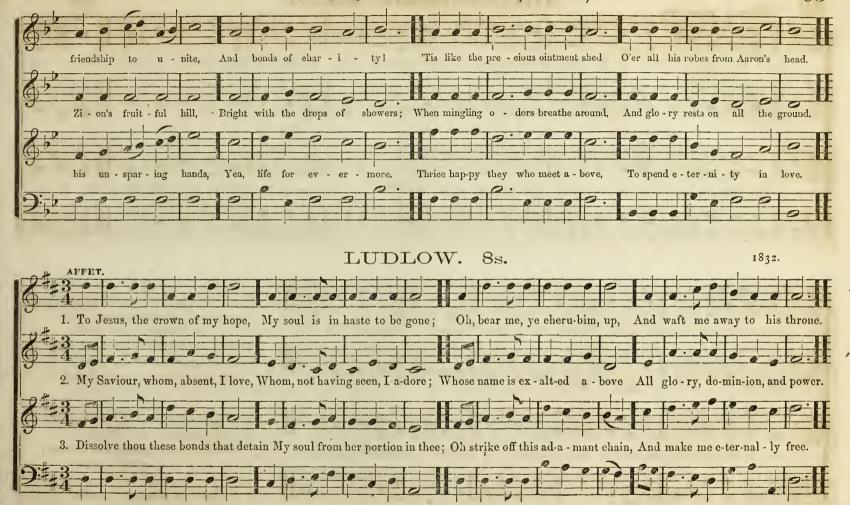




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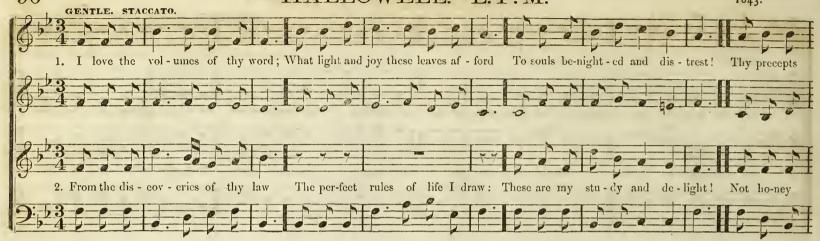
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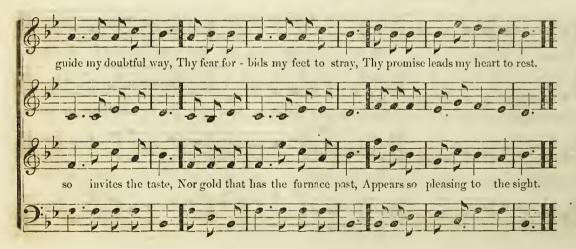




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3.

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,
Converts my soul, subdues my sin,
And gives a free, but large reward.

4.

Who knows the errors of his thoughts?

My God, forgive my secret faults,

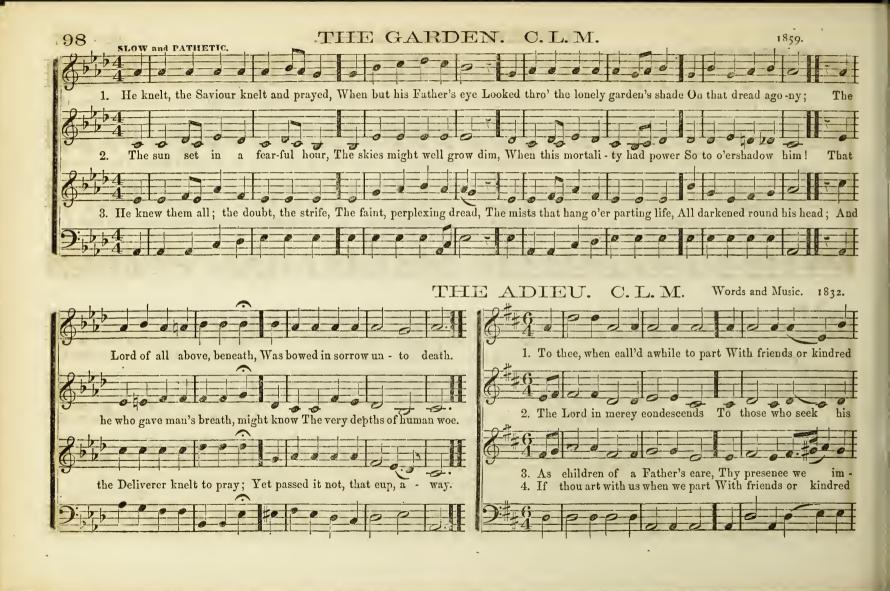
And from presumptuous sins restrain;

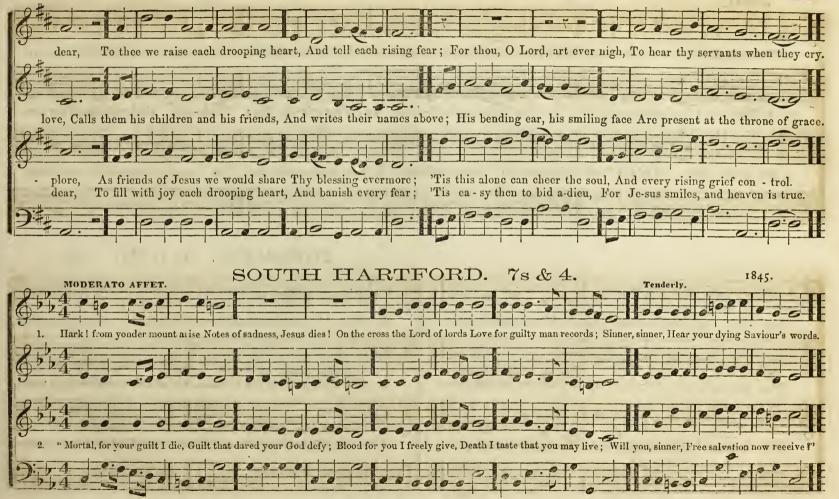
Accept my poor attempts at praise,

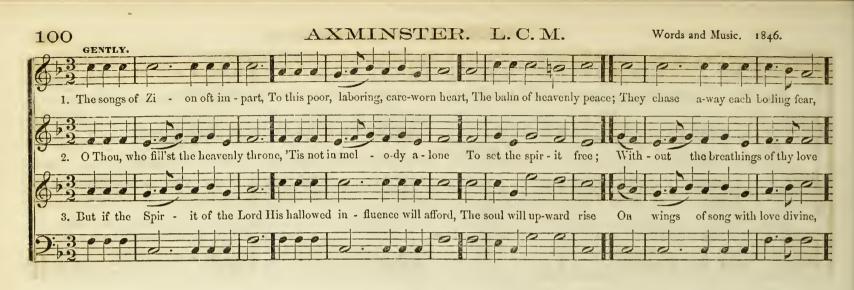
That I have read thy book of grace,

And book of nature, not in vain.







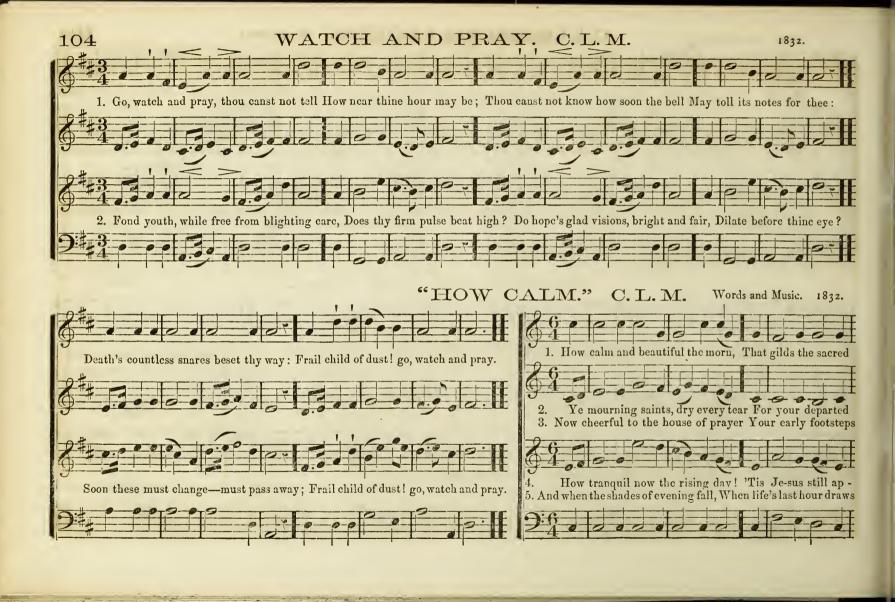


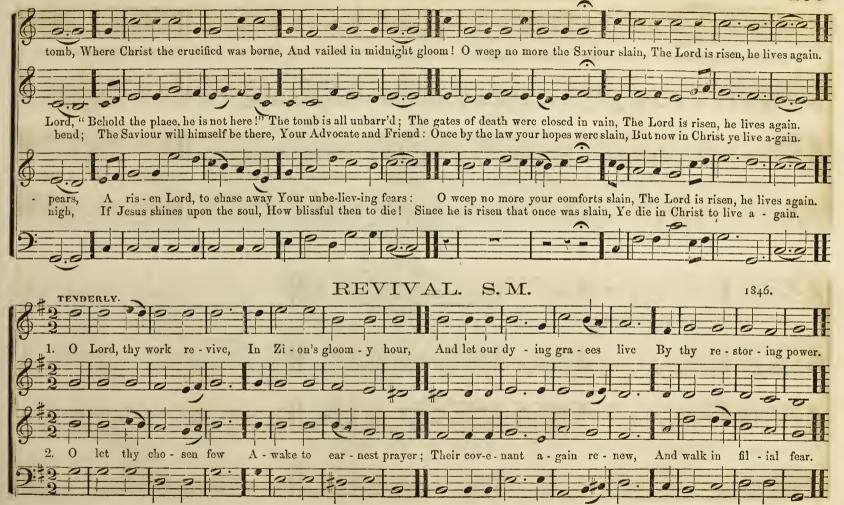




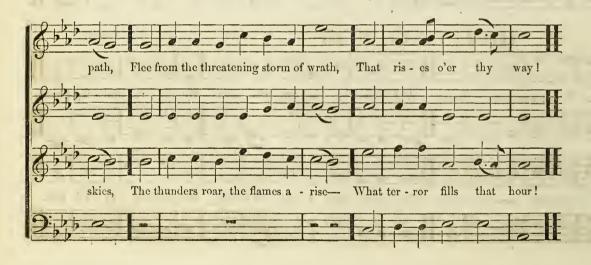








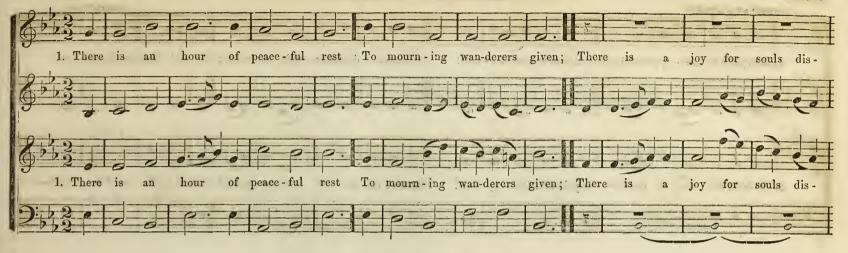


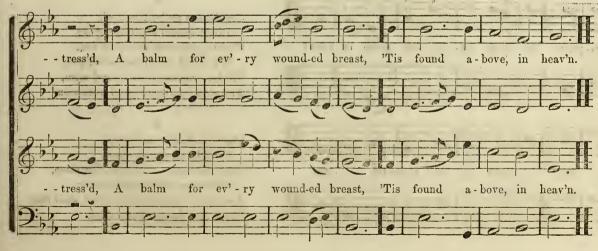


That warning voice, O sinner, hear,
Whose accents linger on thine ear,
Thy footsteps now retrace:
Renounce thy sins, and be forgiven;
Believe, become an heir of heaven,
And sing redeeming grace.

4.

Then, while a voice of pardon speaks,
The storm is hushed, the morning breaks,
The heavens are all screne:
Fresh verdure clothes the beauteous fields,
Joy echoes from the distant hills,
New wonders fill the scene.





- 2. There is a home for weary souls,
 By sins and sorrows driven;
 When tossed on life's tempestuous shoals,
 Where storms arise—and ocean rolls,
 And all is drear—but heaven.
- 3. There faith lifts up the tearless eye,

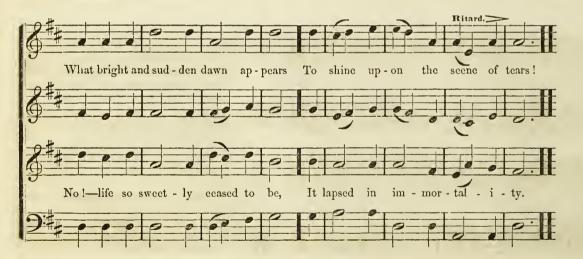
 The heart no longer riven;

 It views the tempest passing by,

 Sees evening shadows quickly fly,

 And all serene in heaven.
- 4. There fragrant flowers immortal bloom,
 And joys supreme are given;
 There rays divine disperse the gloom;
 Beyond the dark and narrow tomb
 Appears the dawn of heaven.





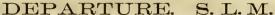
Could tears revive the dead,
Rivers should swell our eyes:
Could sighs recall the spirit fled,
We would not quench our sighs

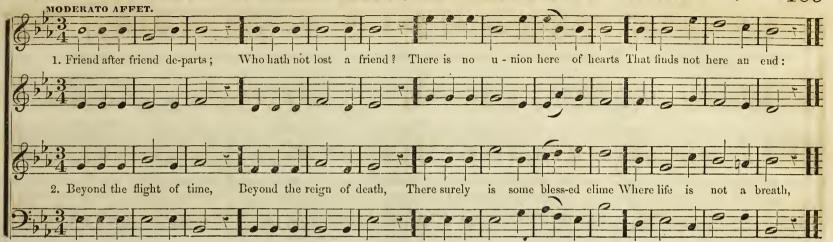
We would not quench our sighs, Till love relumed this altered mien, And all th' embodied soul were seen.

4

Bury the dead,—and weep,
In stillness, o'er the loss;
Bury the dead,—in Christ they sleep,
Who bore on earth his cross;
And, from the grave, their dust shall rise
In his own image to the skies.

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3.

There is a world above,

Where parting is unknown;

A long eternity of love,

Formed for the good alone;

And faith beholds the dying here

Translated to that glorious sphere.

4.

Thus star by star declines,

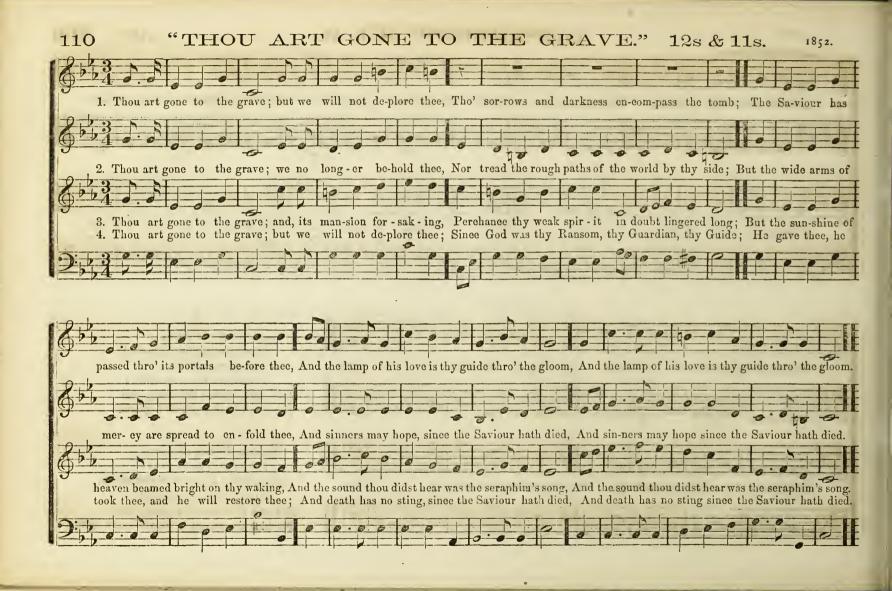
Till all are passed away;

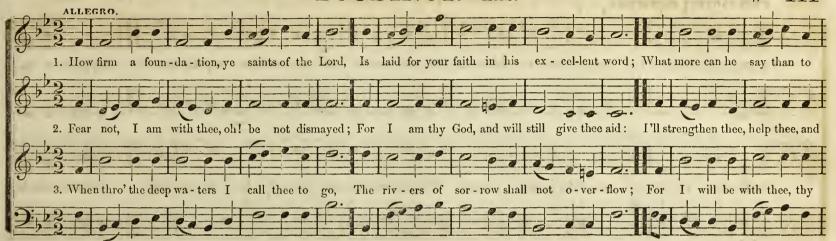
As morning high and higher shines,

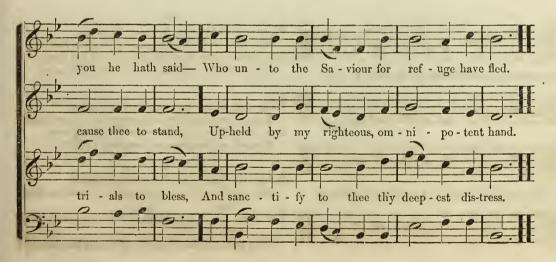
To pure and perfect day;

Nor sink those stars in empty night,

But hide themselves in heaven's own light.







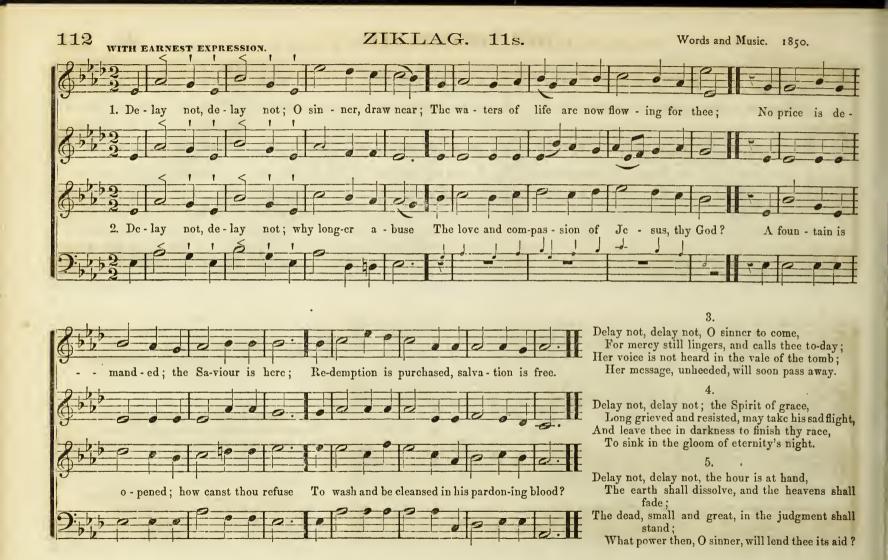
When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply, The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

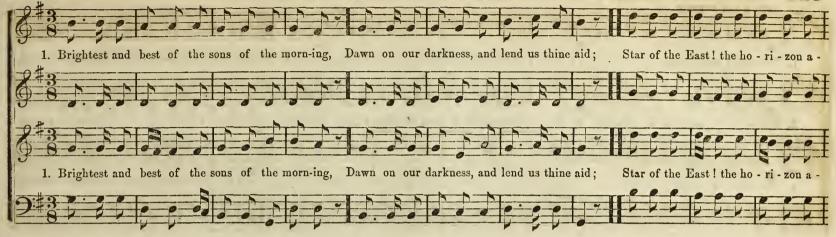
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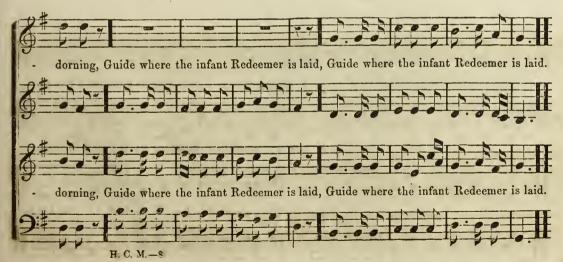
E'en down to old age all my people shall prove My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn, Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

6.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I will not—I will not desert to his foes; That soul—though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never—no never—no never forsake!







Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining;
Low lies his head, with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore him, in slumber reclining—
Maker, and Monarch, and Saviour of all.

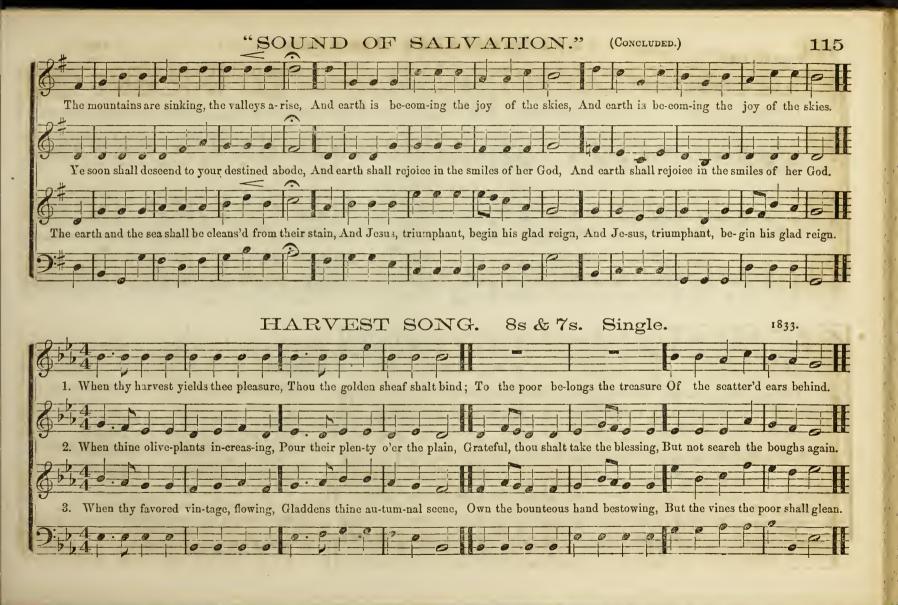
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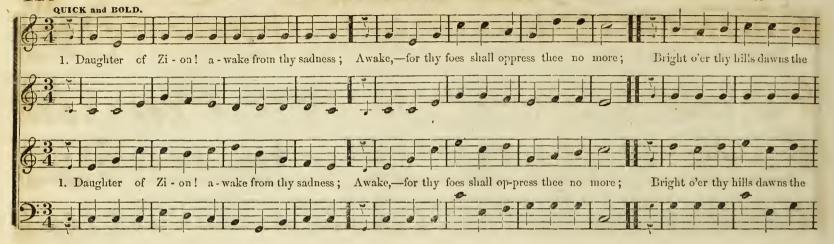
Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
Odors of Edom, and offerings divine,
Gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine?

1.

Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gold, would his favor secure;
Richer, by far, is the heart's adoration,—
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.









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Daughter of Zion! awake from thy sadness;
Awake,—for thy foes shall oppress thee no more;
Bright o'er thy hills dawns the day star of gladness;
Arise,—for the night of thy sorrow is o'er.

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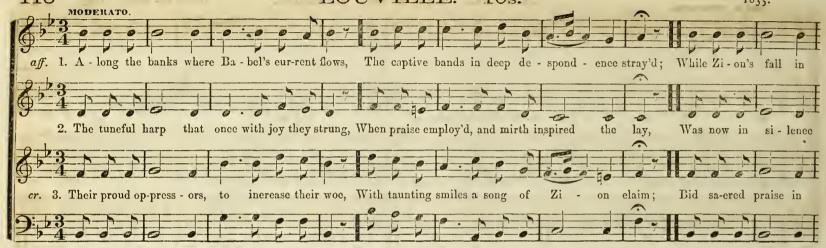
Strong were thy foes; but the arm that subdued them,
And scattered their legions, was mightier far;
They fled, like the chaff, from the scourge that pursued
them:

Vain were their steeds and their chariots of war.

3.

Daughter of Zion! the power that hath saved thee, Extolled with the harp and the timbrel should be: Shout,—for the foe is destroyed that enslaved thee, Th' oppressor is vanquished, and Zion is free.







But how, in heathen chains, and lands unknown, Shall Israel's bands the sacred anthems raise? "O hapless Salem! God's terrestrial throne, Thou land of glory, sacred mount of praise!

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"If e'er my memory lose thy lovely name,
If my cold heart neglect my kindred race,
Let dire destruction seize this guilty frame,
My hand shall perish, and my voice shall cease.

3.

"Yet shall the Lord, who hears when Zion calls, O'ertake her foes with terror and dismay; His arm avenge her desolated walls, And raise her children to eternal day."





Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou, who changest not, abide with me!

3.

I need thy presence every passing hour: What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me!

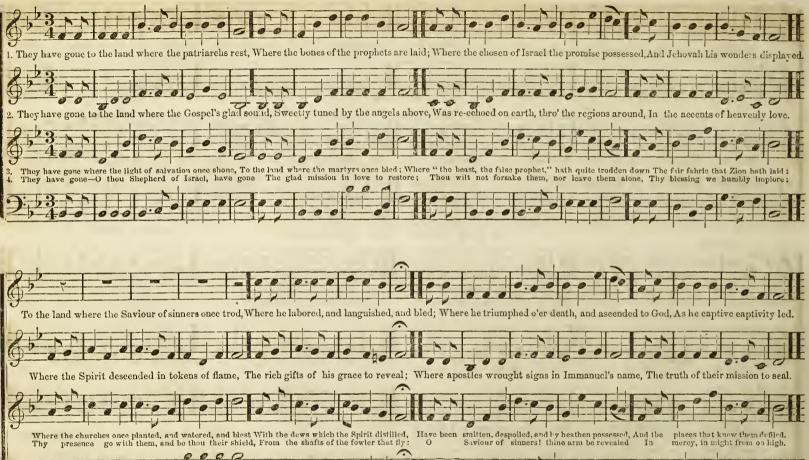
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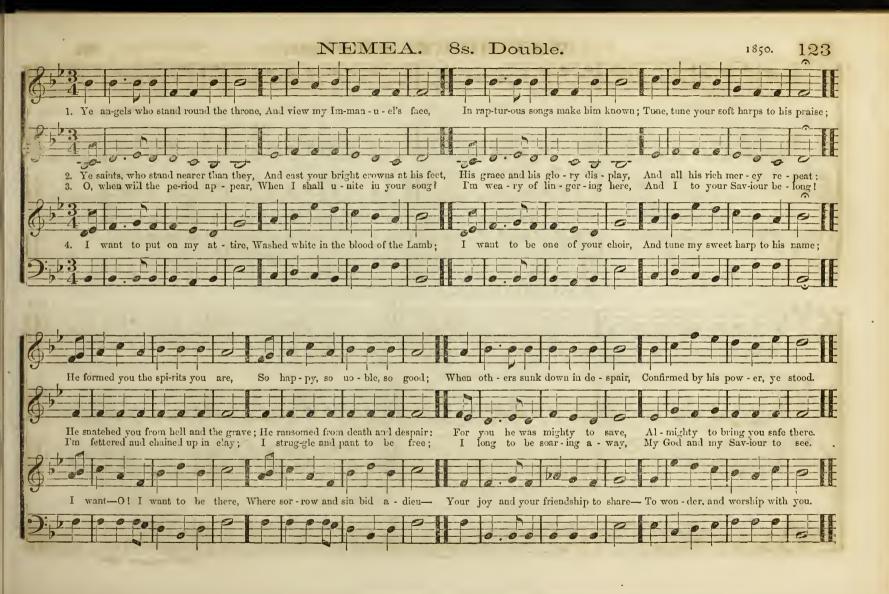
Not a brief glanee I long, a passing word, But as thou dwell'st with thy disciples, Lord, Familiar, condescending, patient, free, Come, not to sojourn, but t'abide with me.

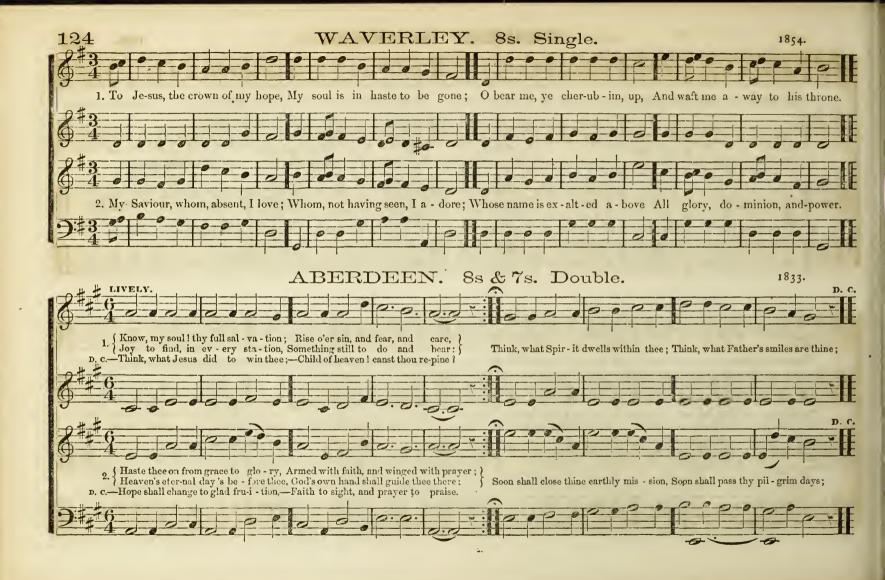


While sin-ners trem - ble, saints re-joice be - fore him.



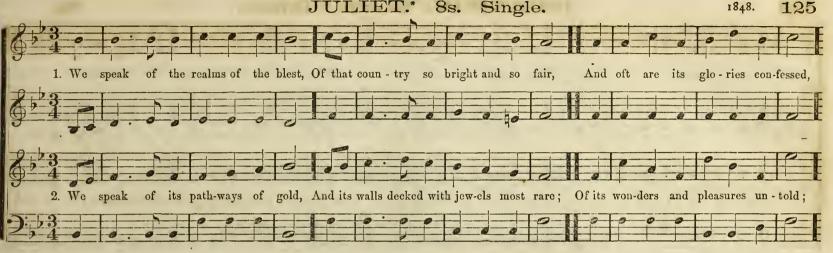


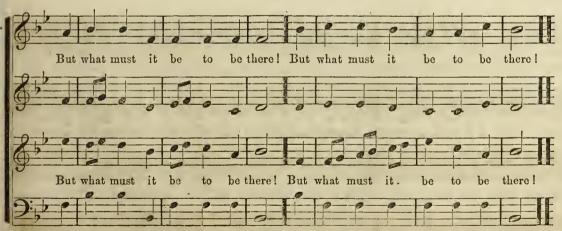










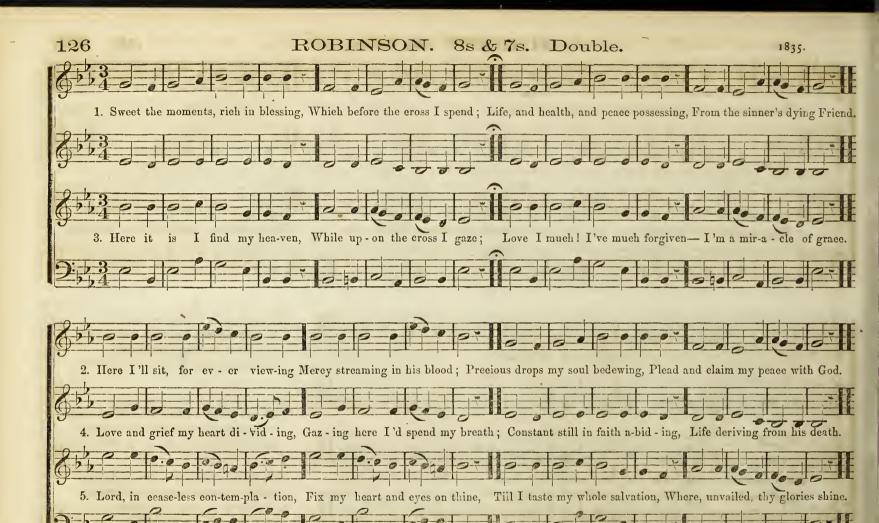


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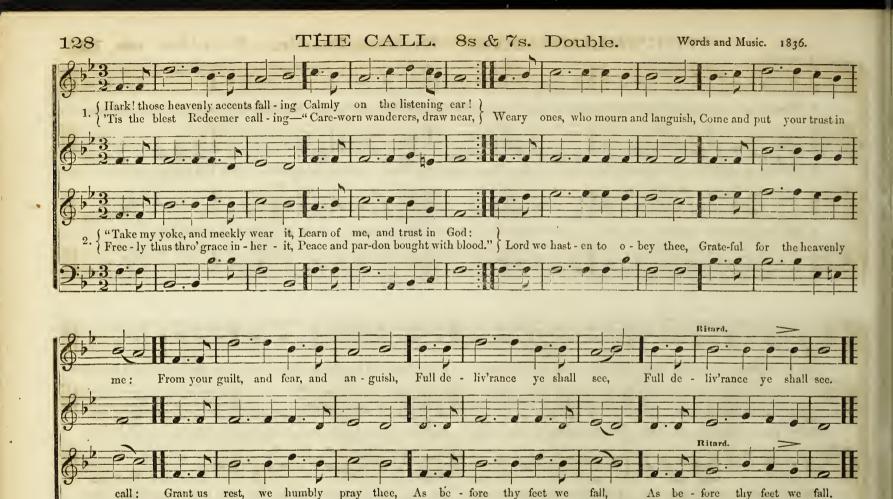
We speak of its freedom from sin, From sorrow, temptation, and care; From trials without and within; But what must it be to be there!

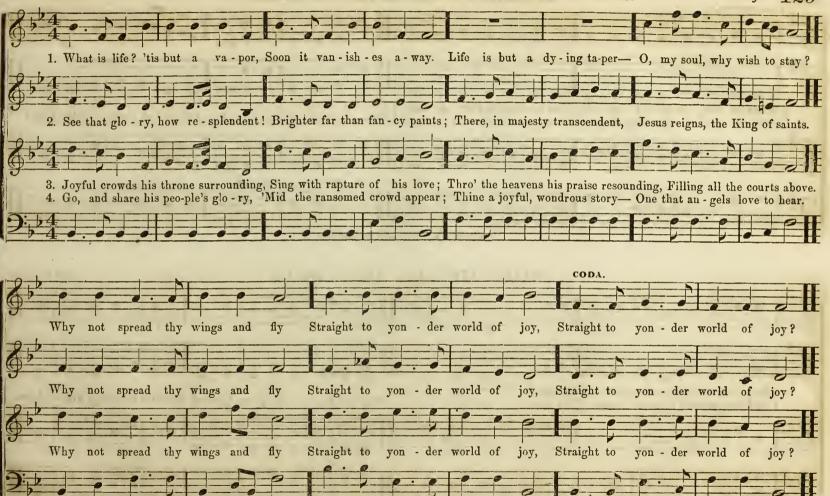
We speak of its service of love, Of the robes which the glorified wear; Of the church of the first-born above; But what must it be to be there!

Then let us, 'midst pleasure and woe, Still for heaven our spirits prepare, And shortly we also shall know, And feel what it is to be there!

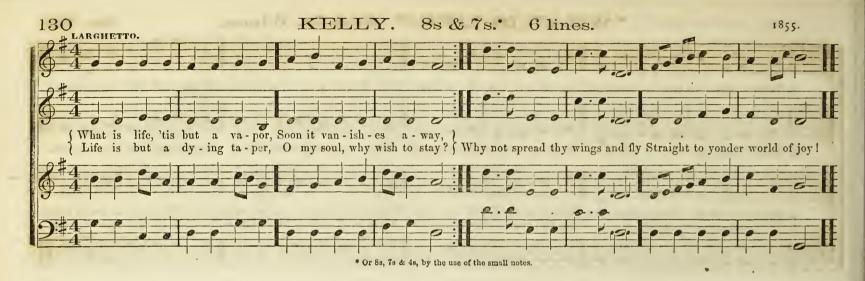








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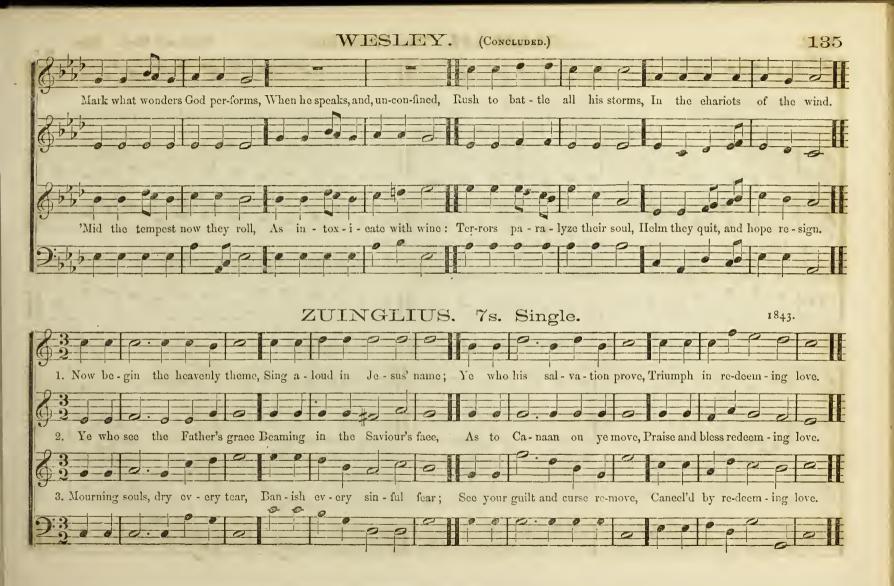




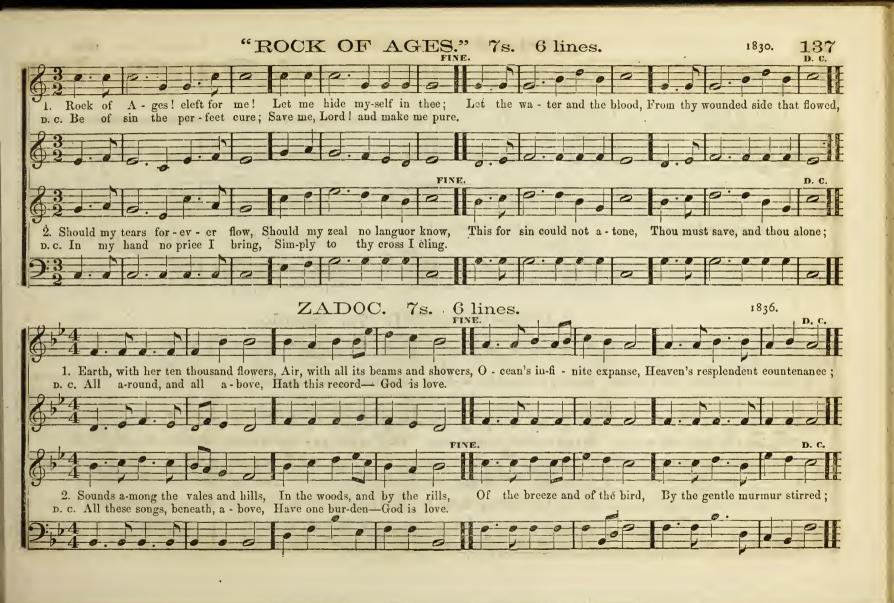
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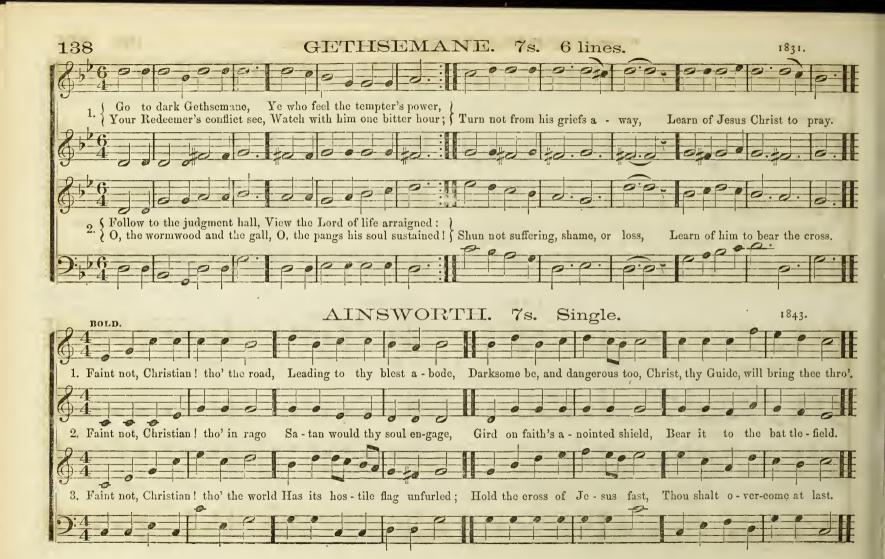


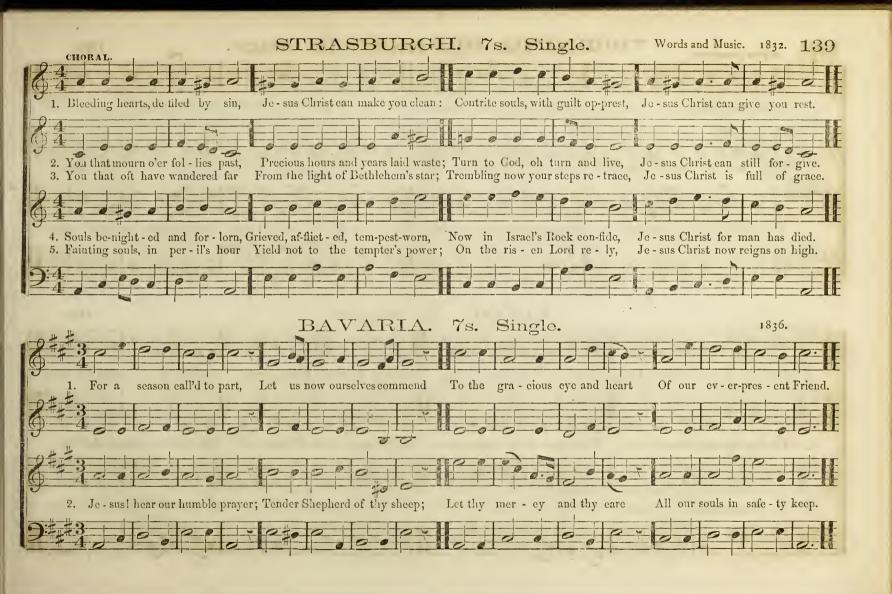












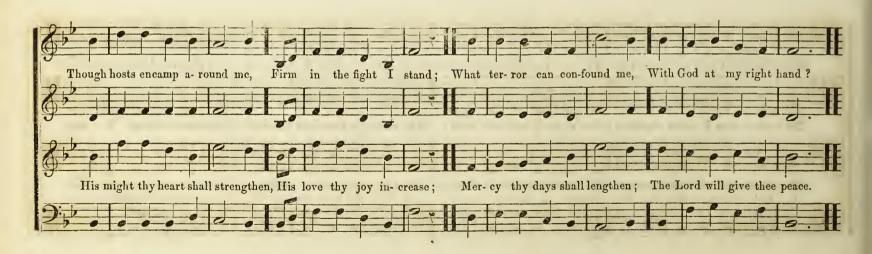




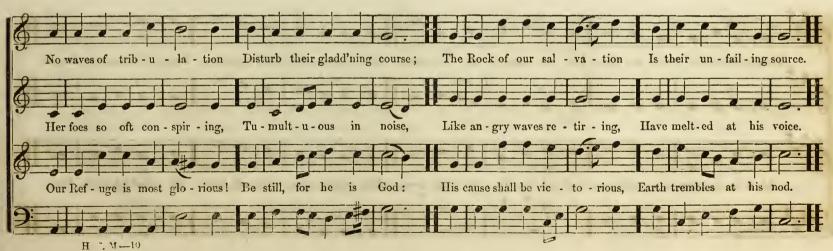


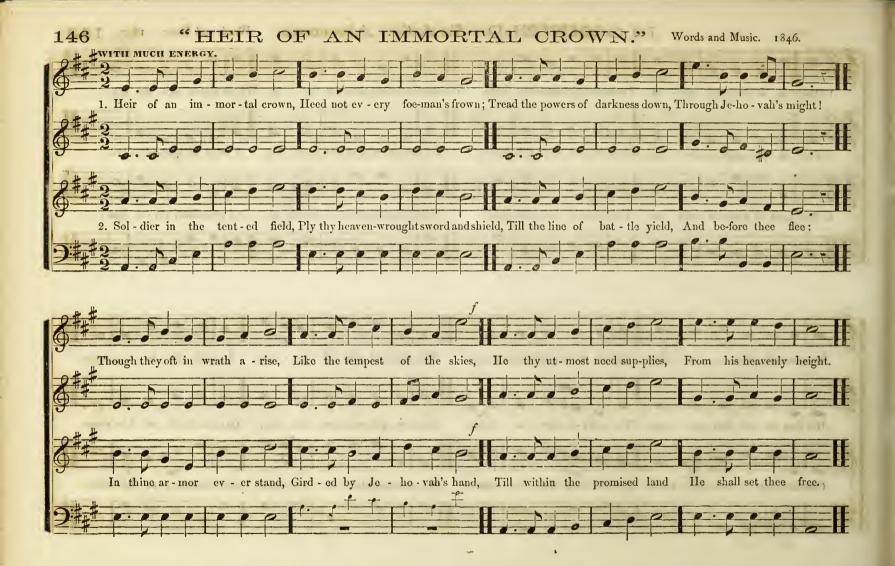


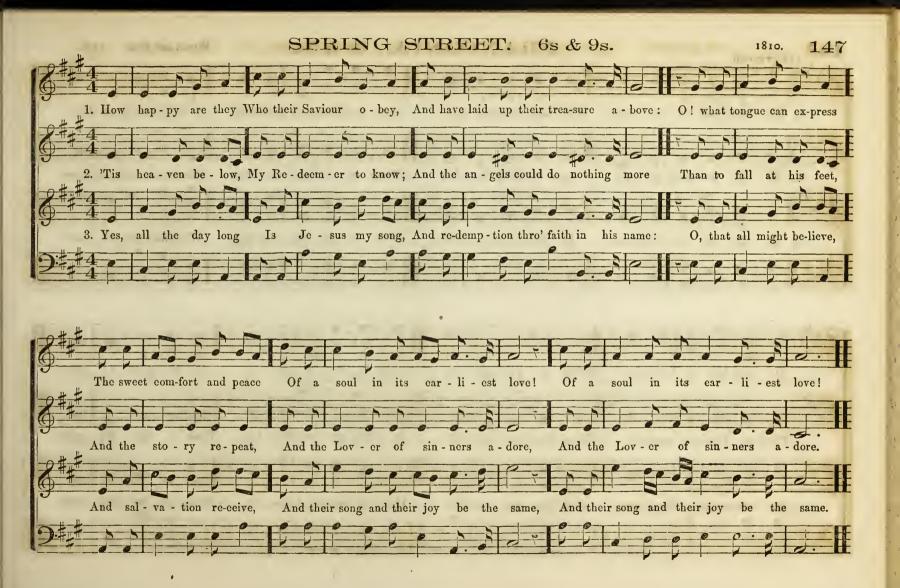






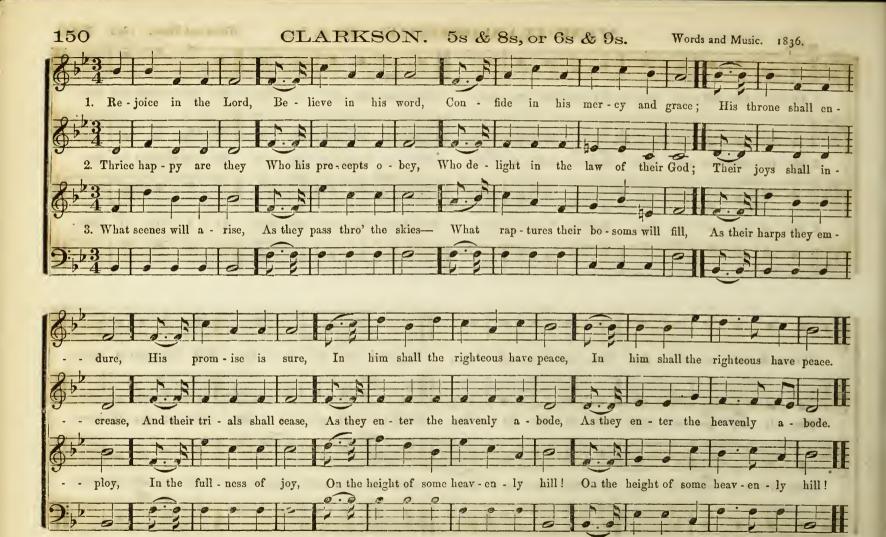




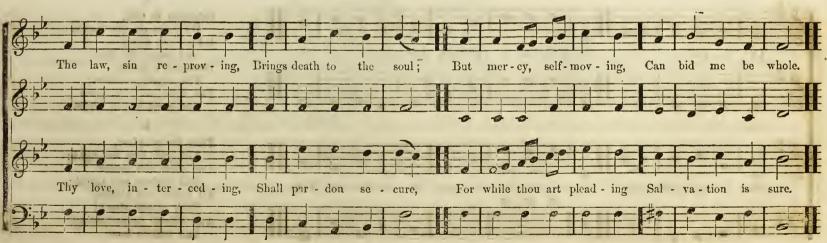




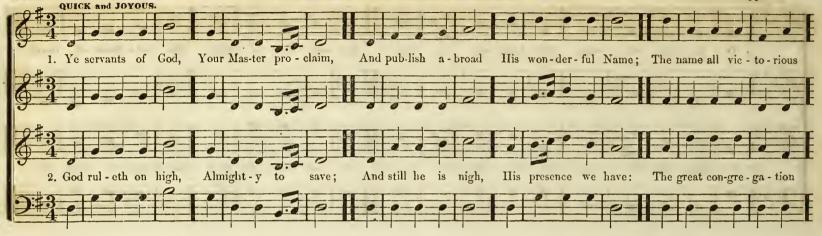


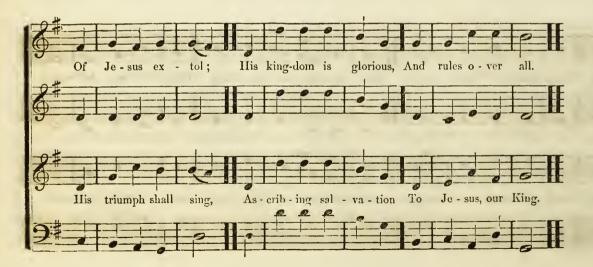










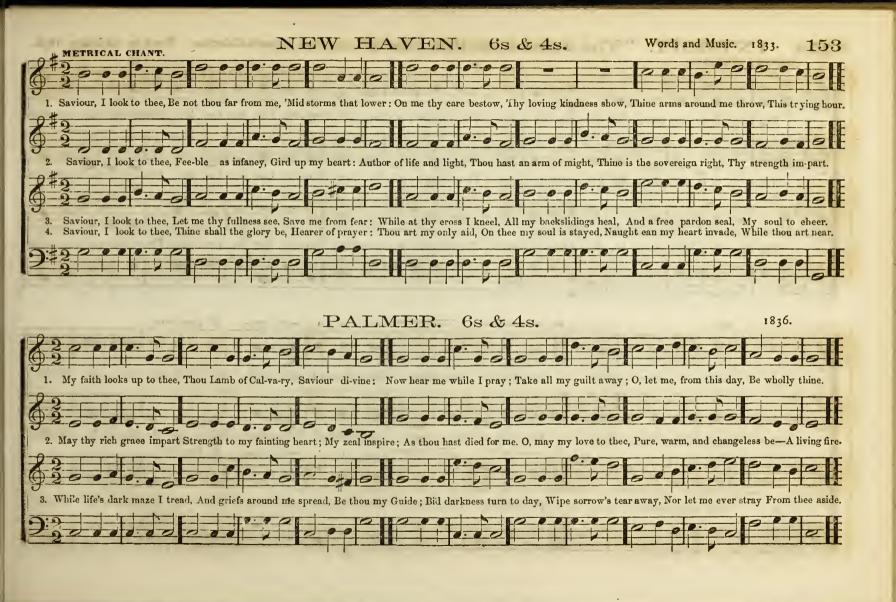


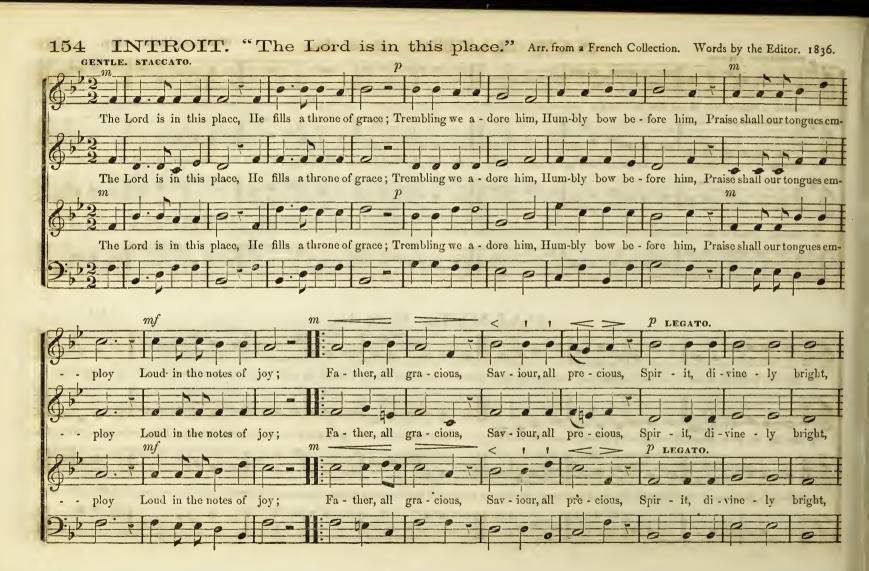
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Salvation to God,
Who sits on the throne:
Let all cry aloud,
And honor the Son;
Immanuel's praises
The angels proclaim;
Fall down on their faces
And worship the Lamb.

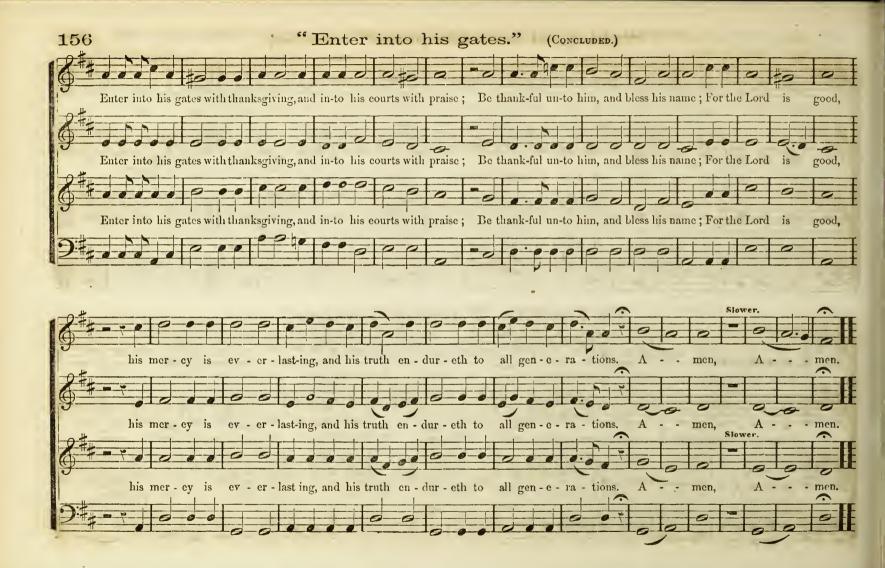
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Then let us adore,
And give him his right;
And glory and power,
And wisdom and might:
All honor and blessing
With angels above;
And thanks never ceasing,
And infinite love.



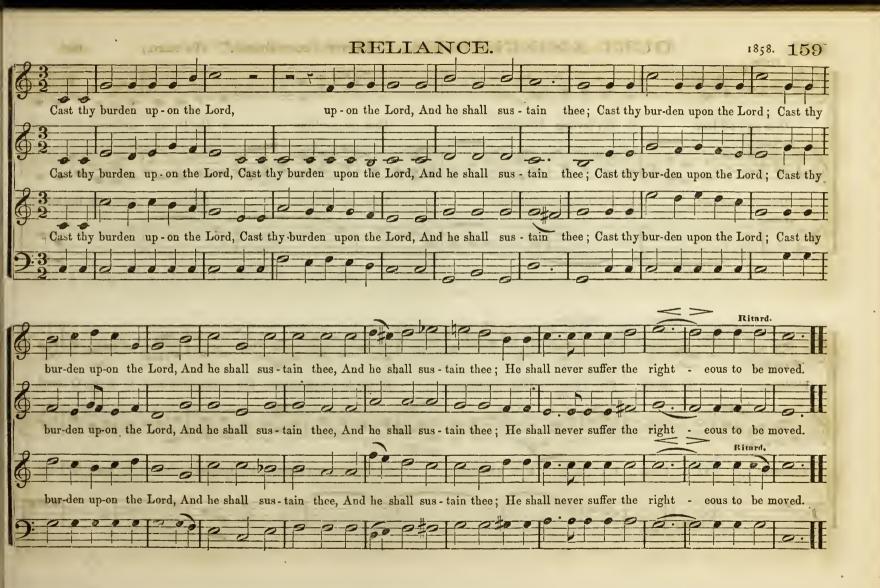


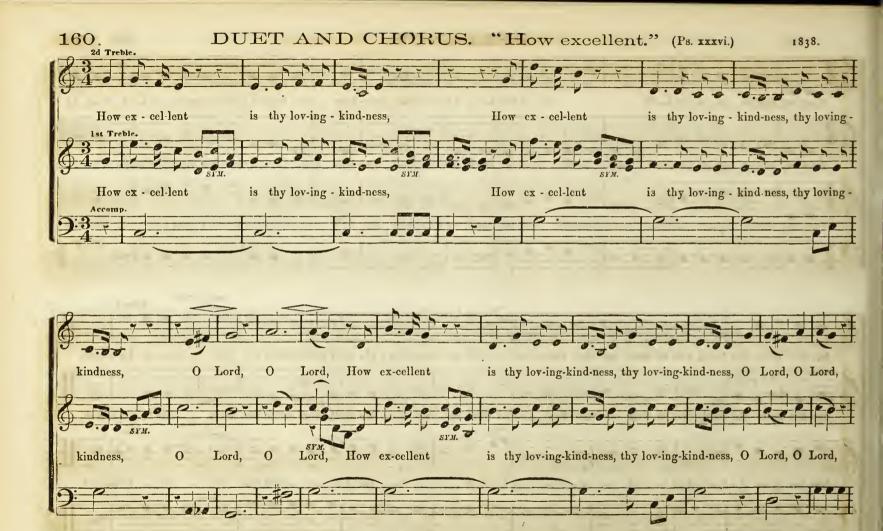


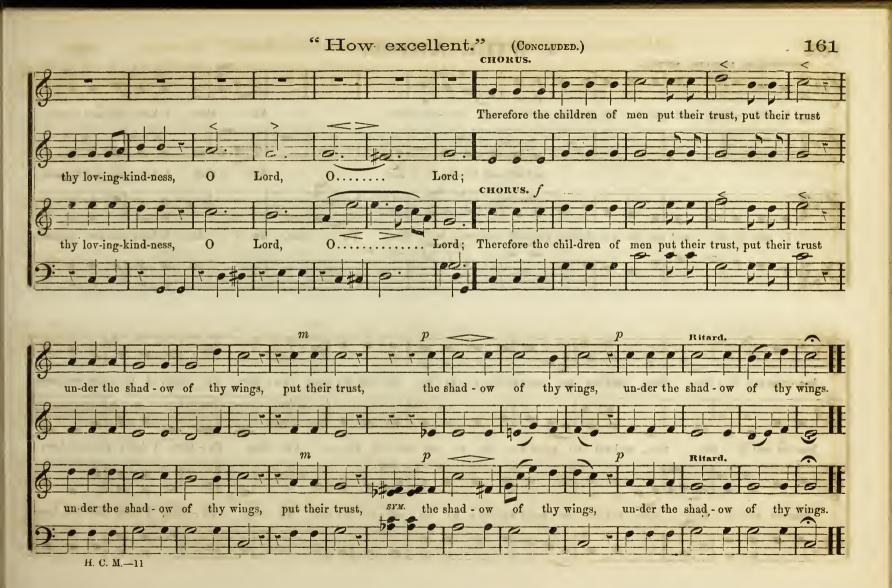


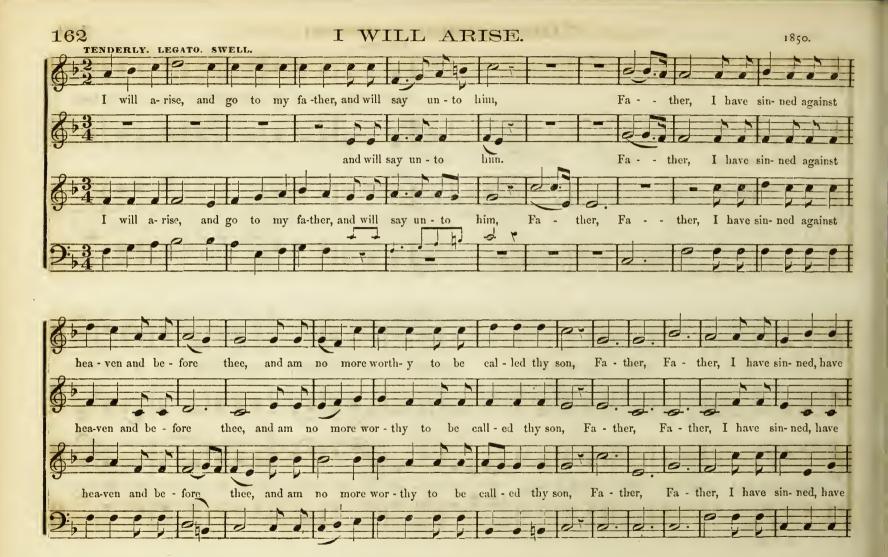


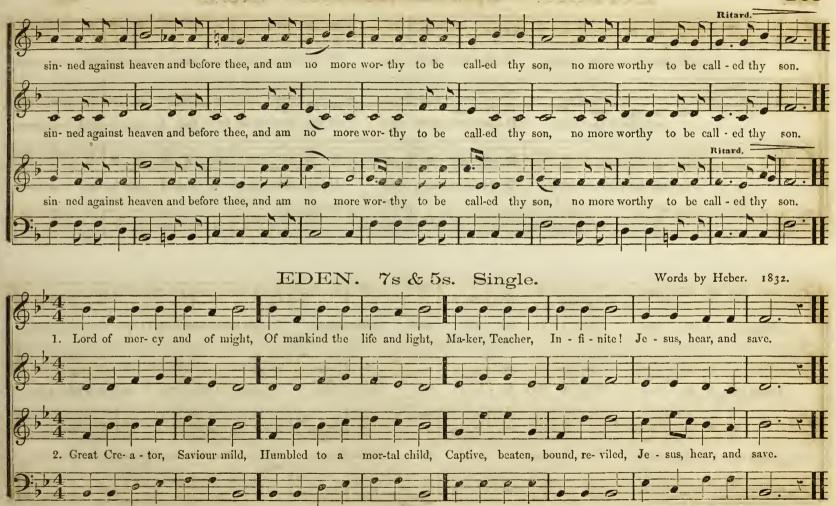


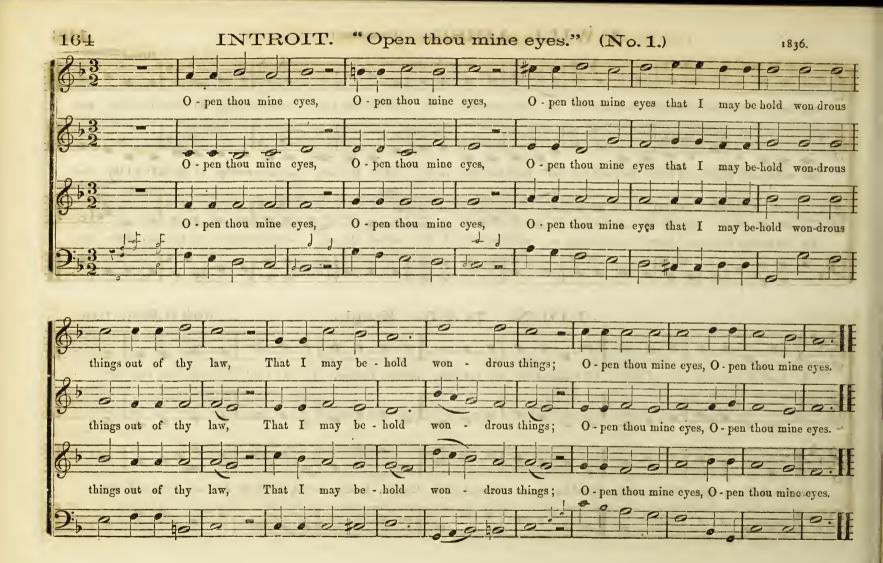






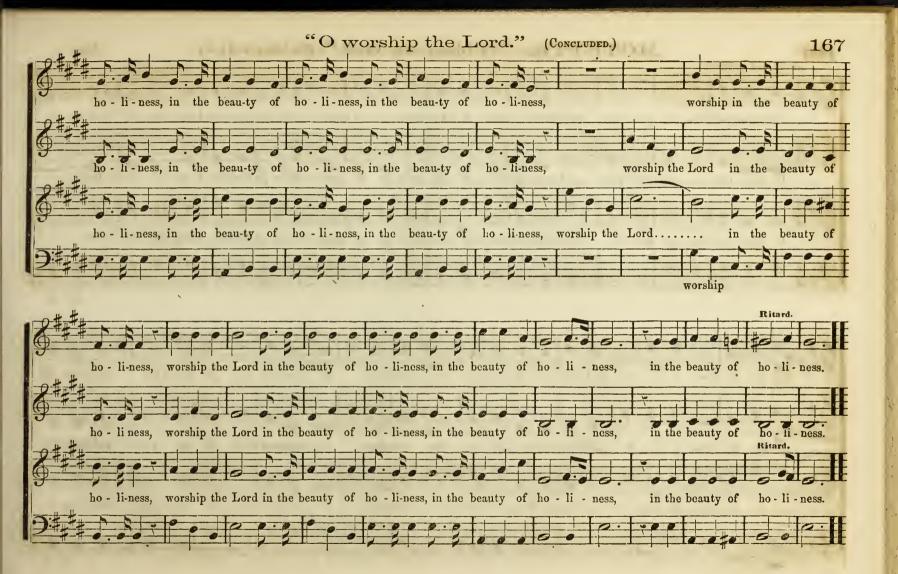




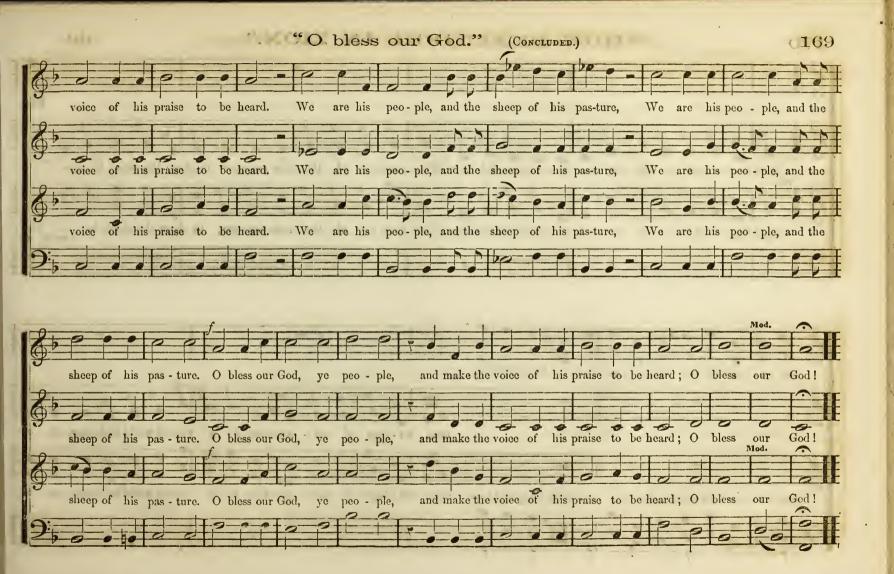


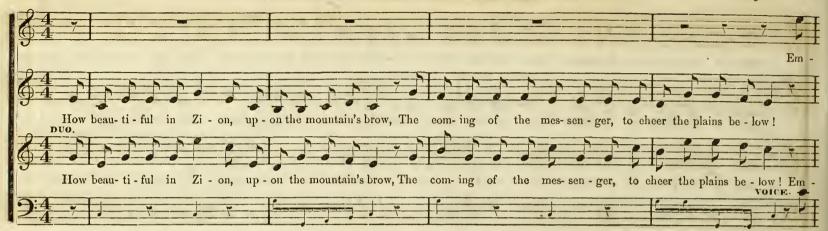




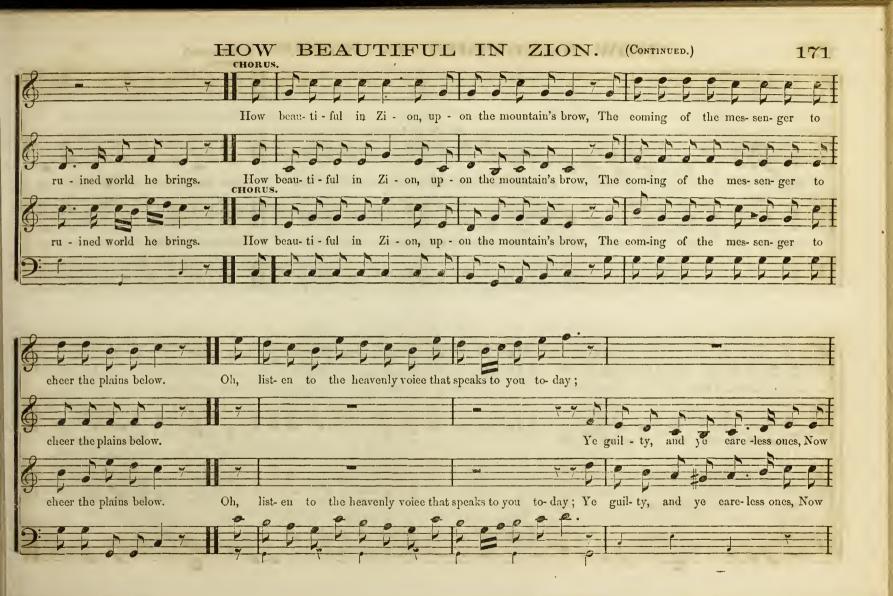


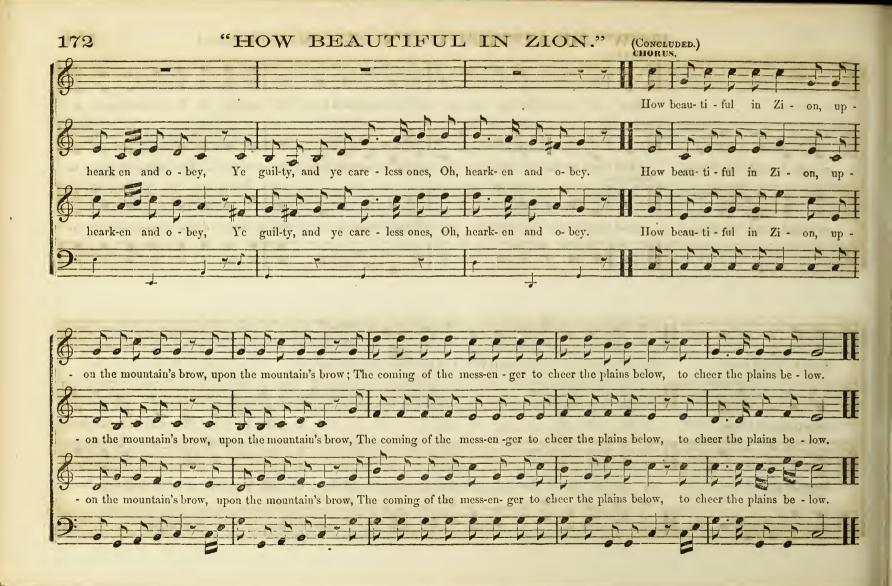


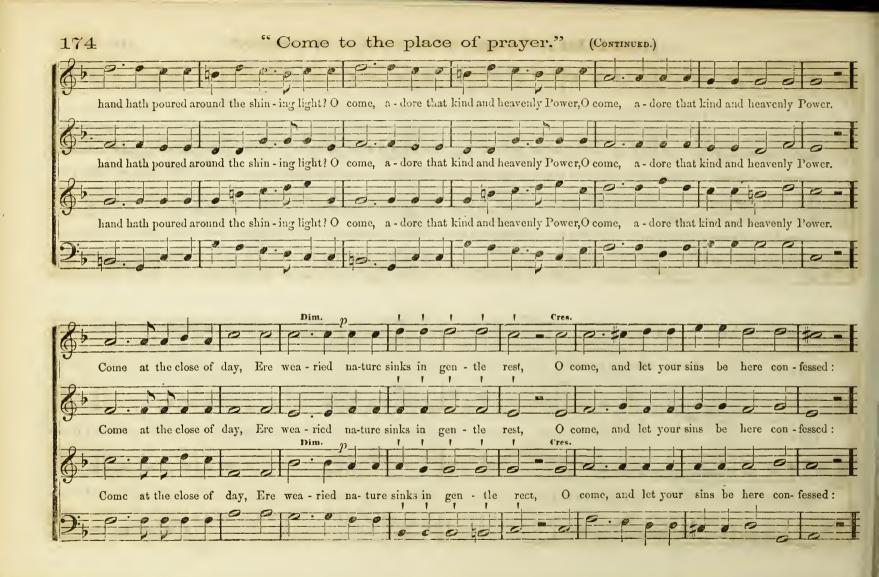


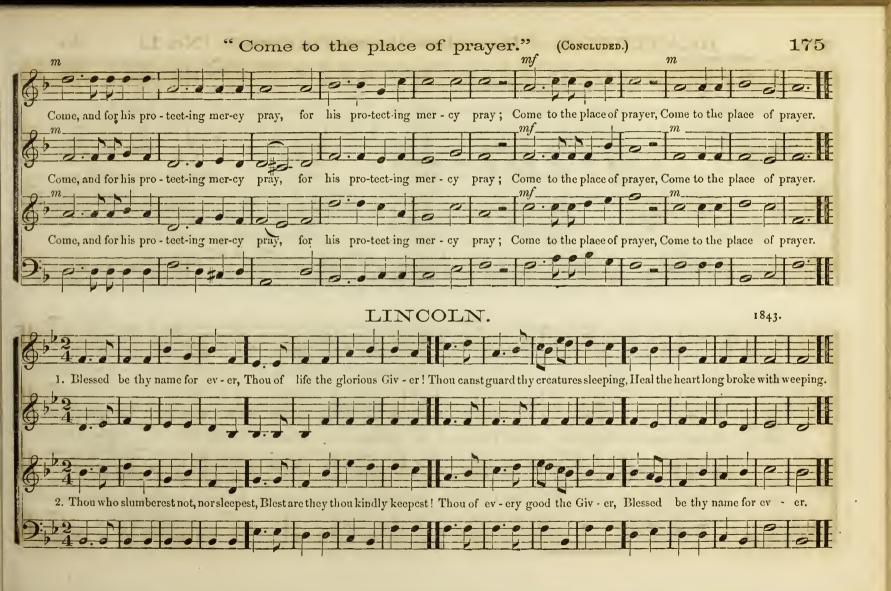


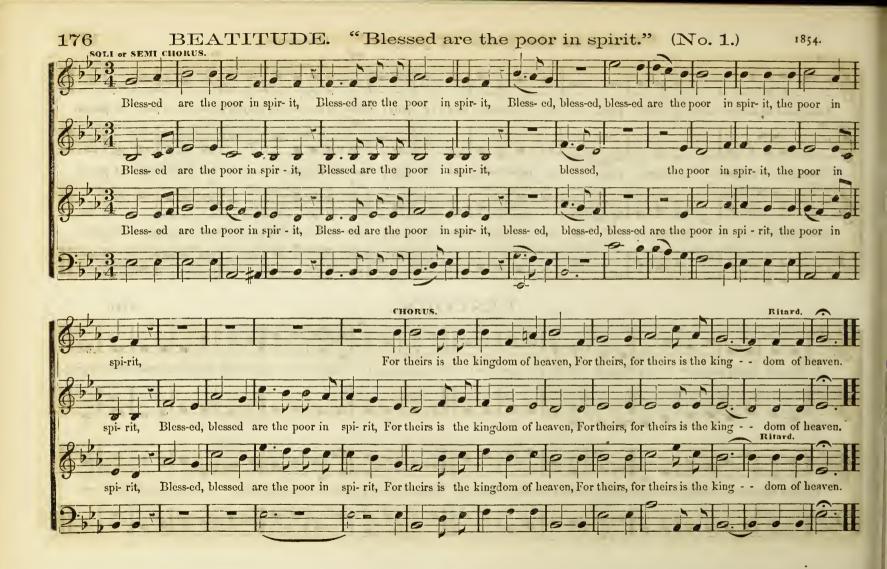






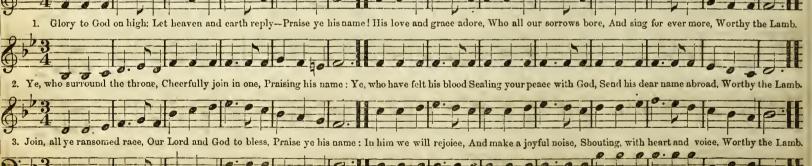


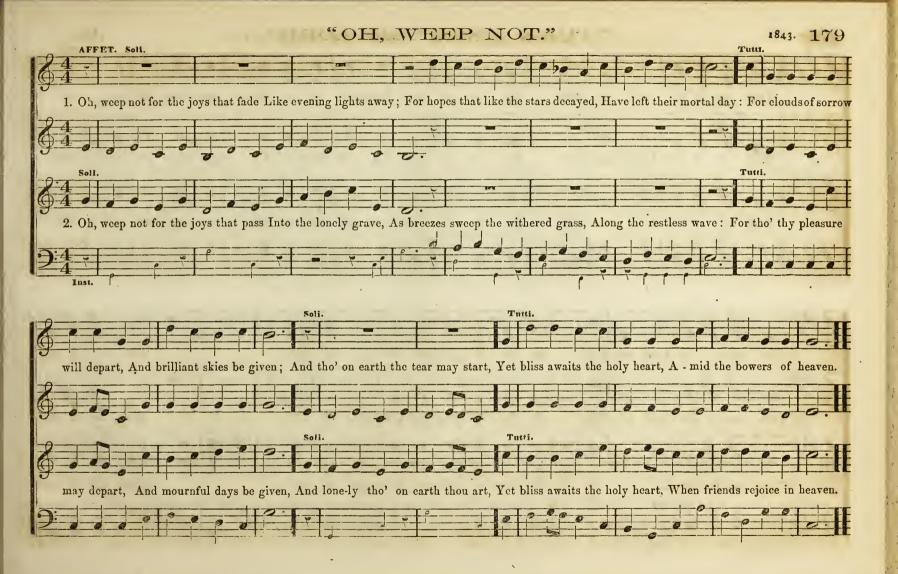


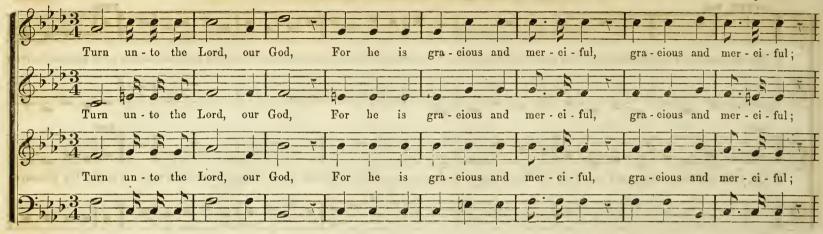


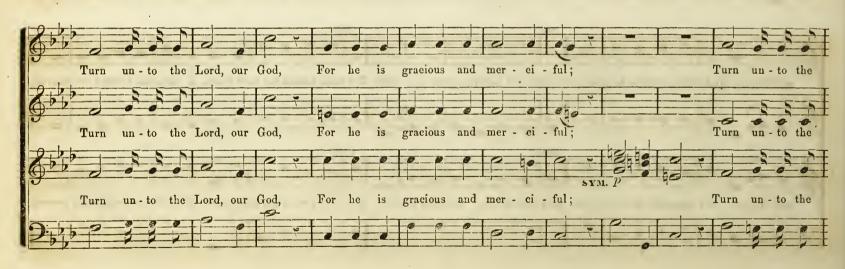






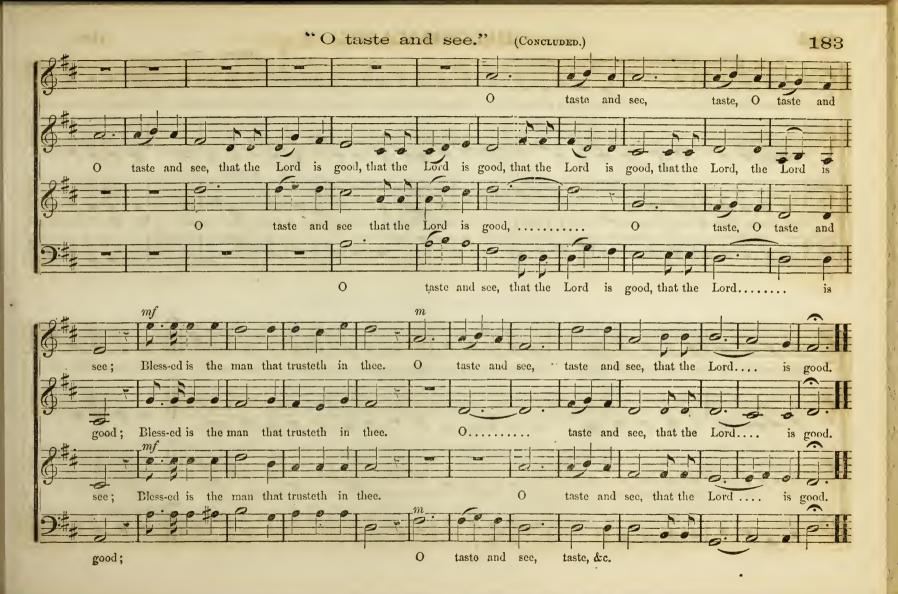


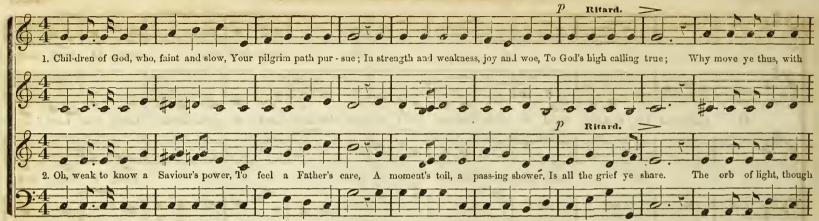










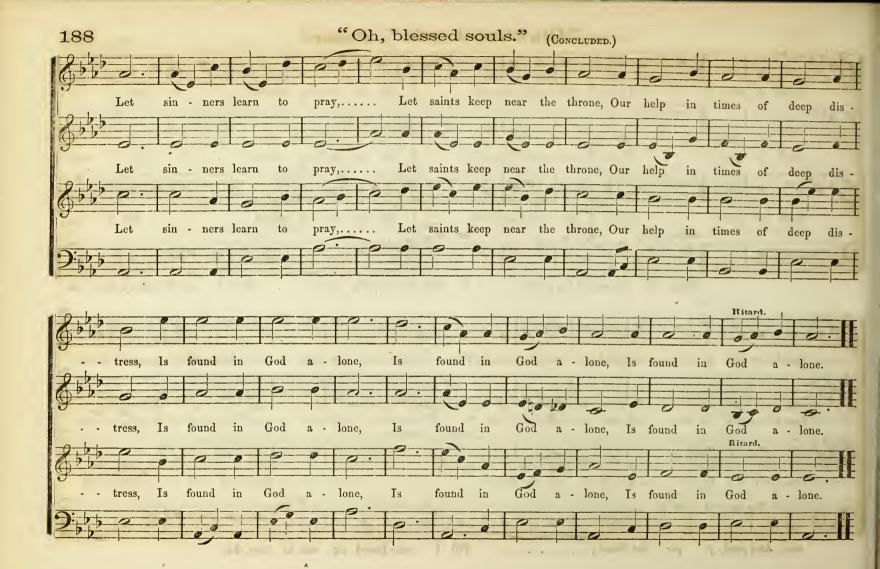


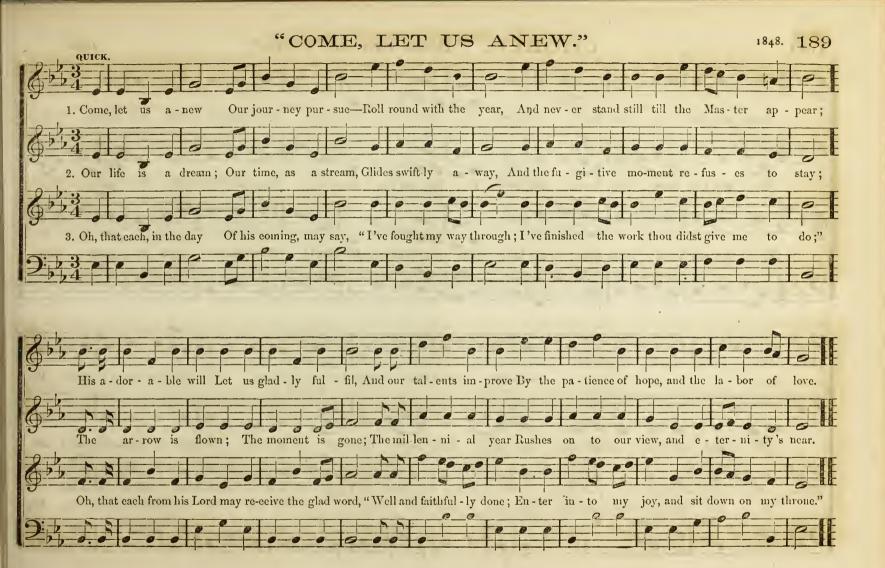






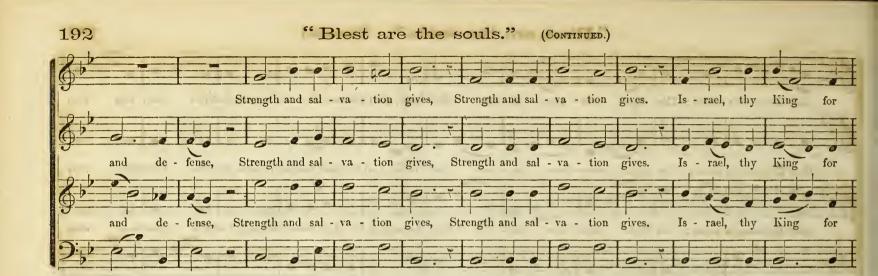








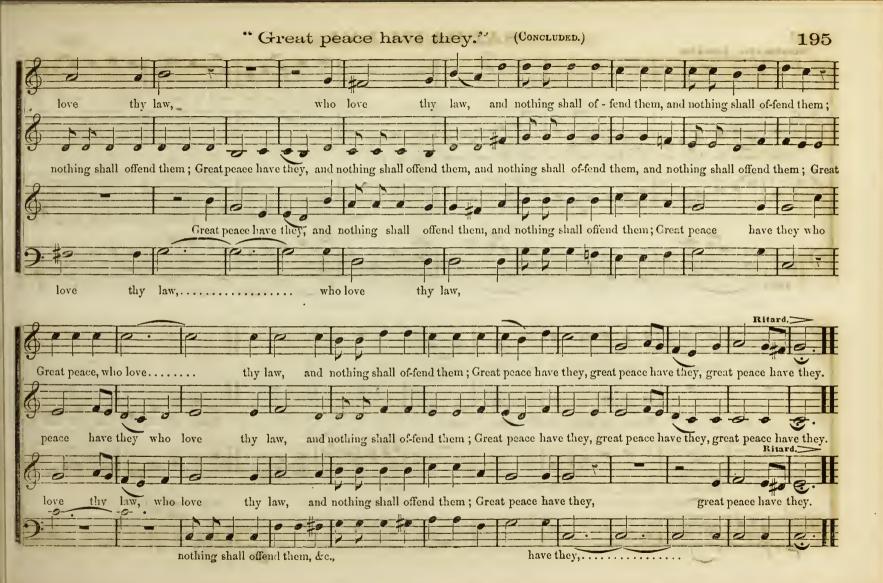










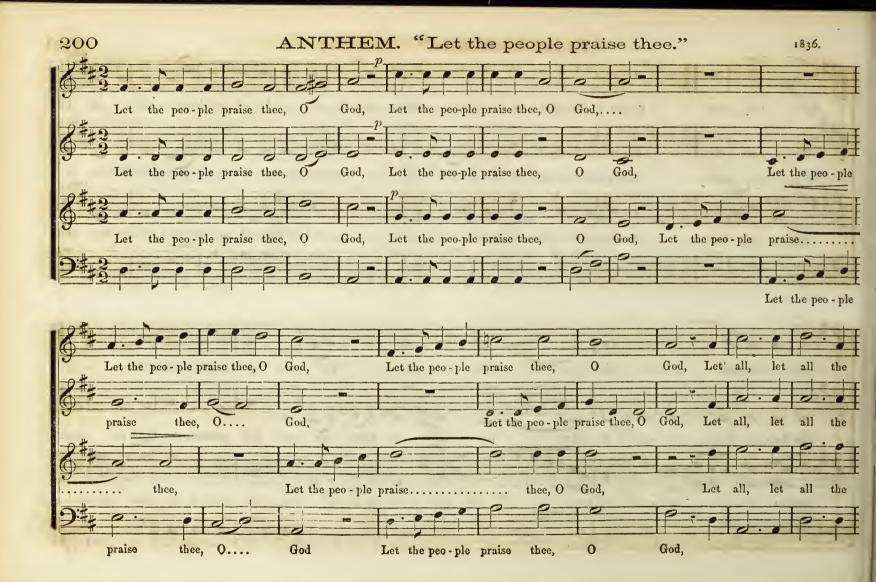


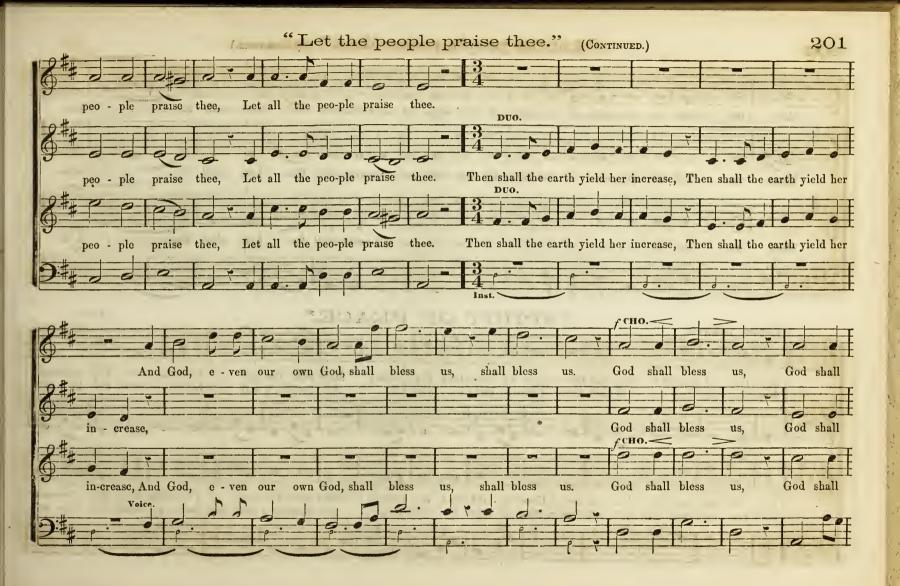


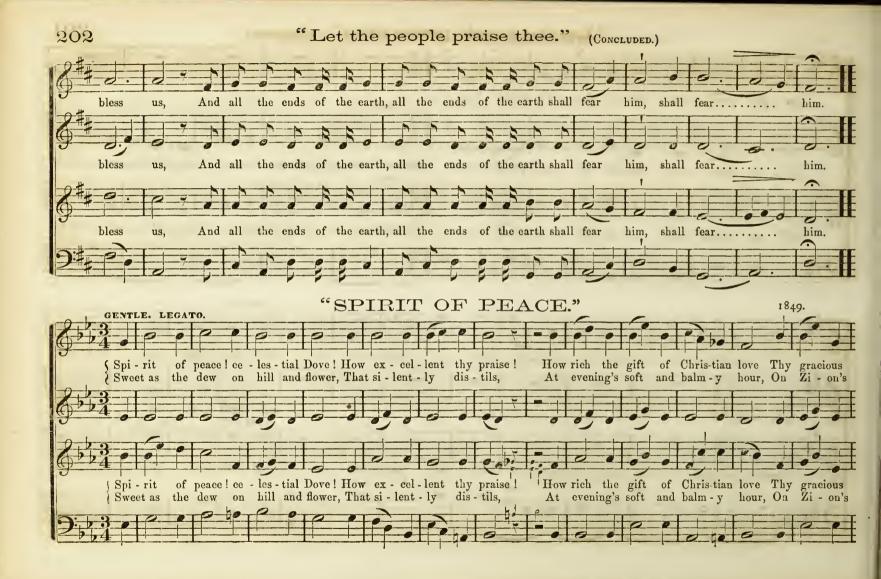


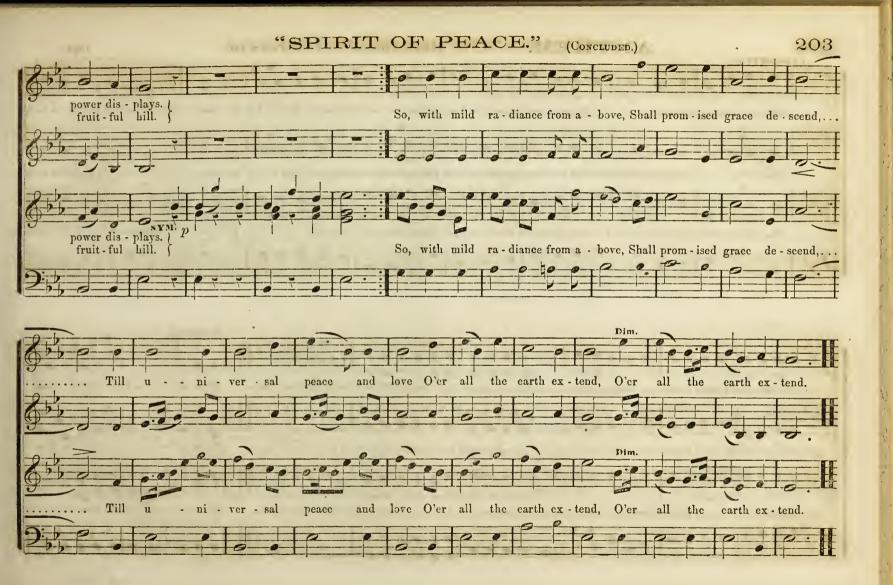






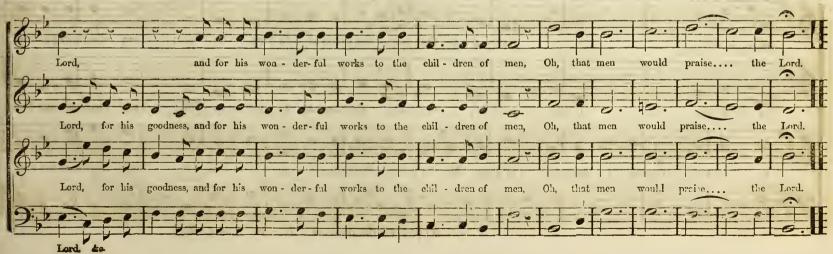














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O pray for the peace, the peace of Je - ru - sa-lem;

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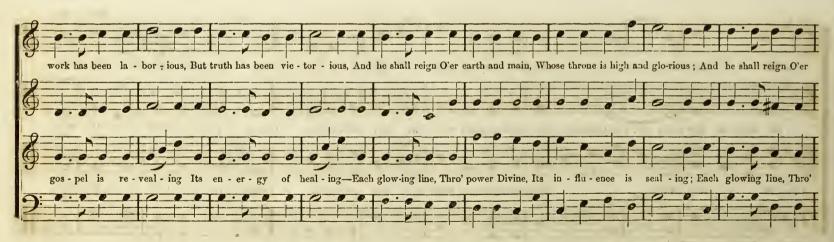
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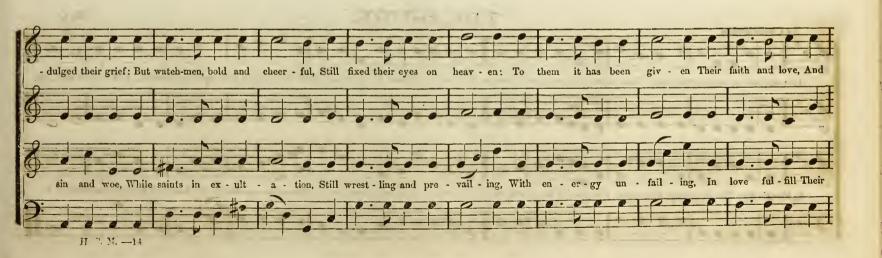






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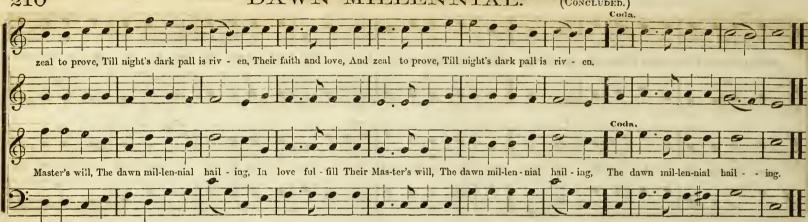






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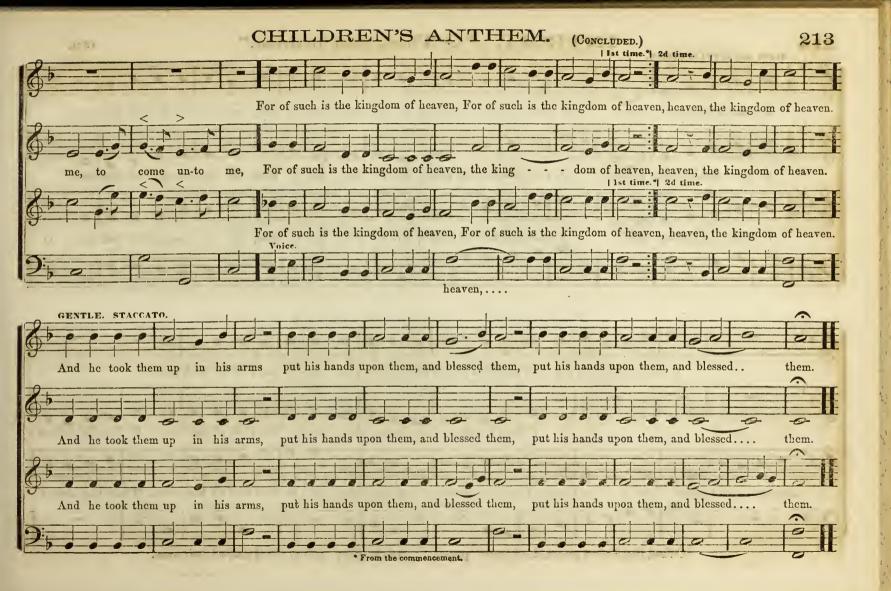
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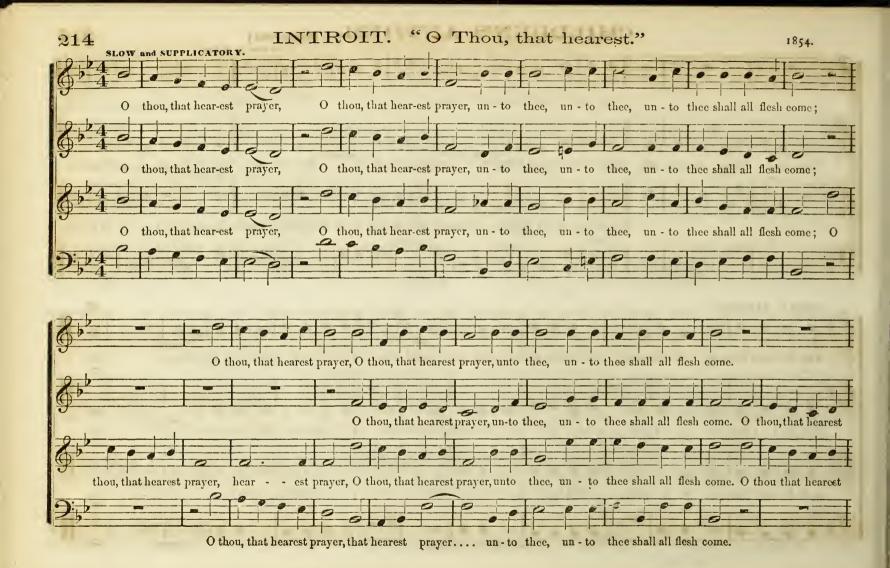


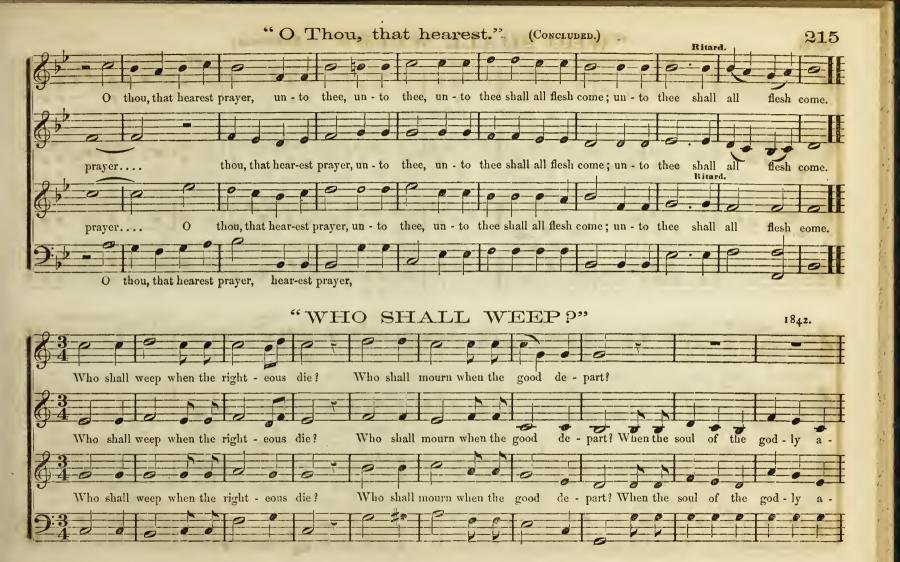




For of such is the kingdom of heaven, For of such is the kingdom of heaven.



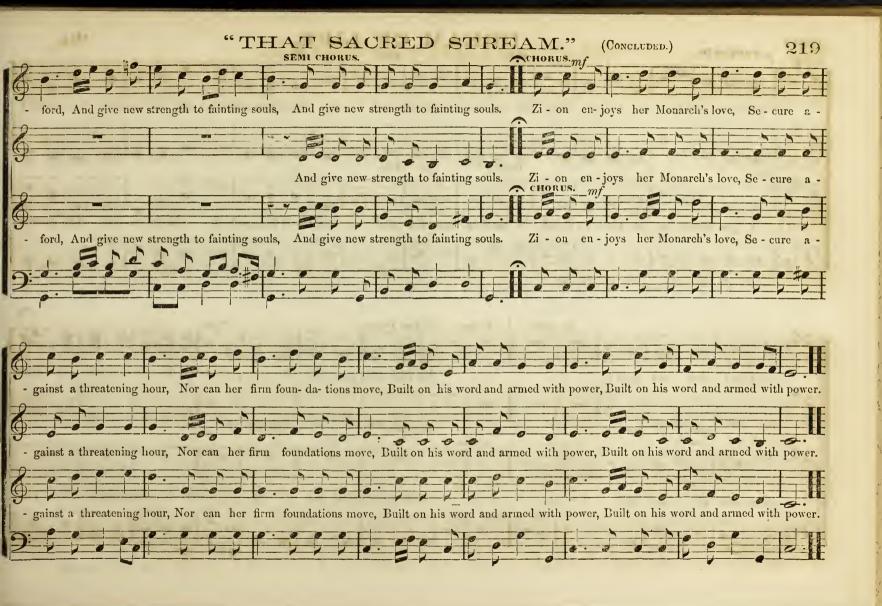


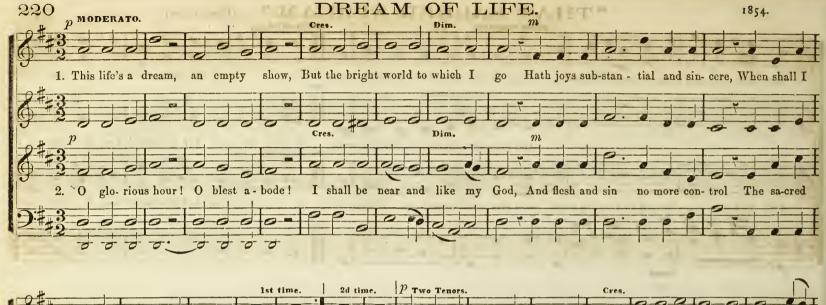




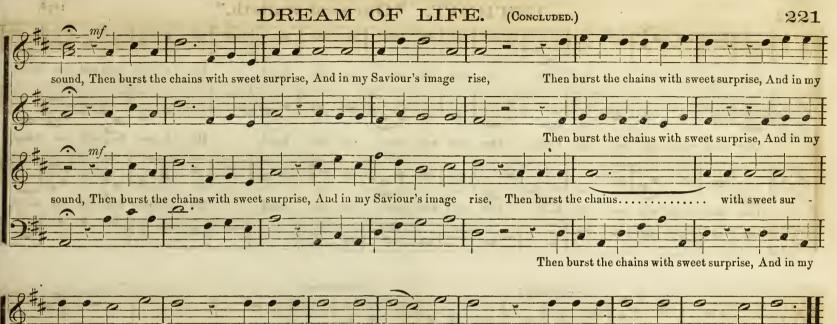


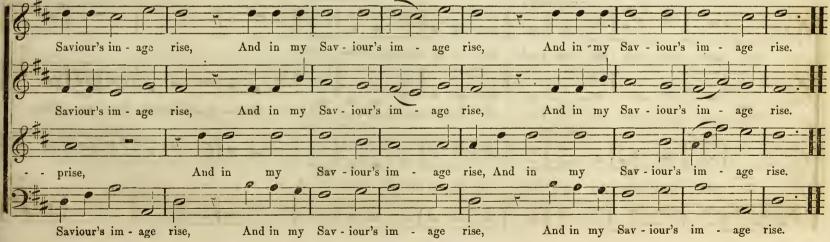




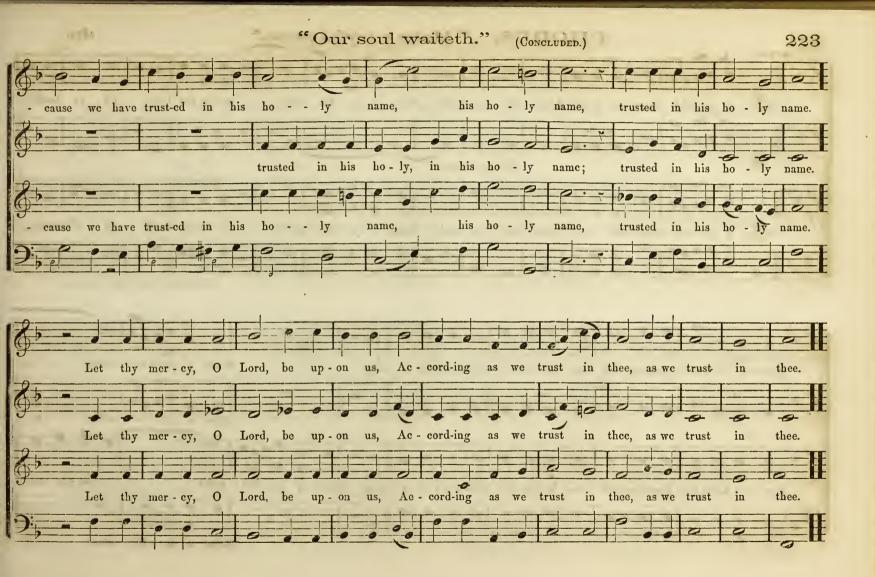




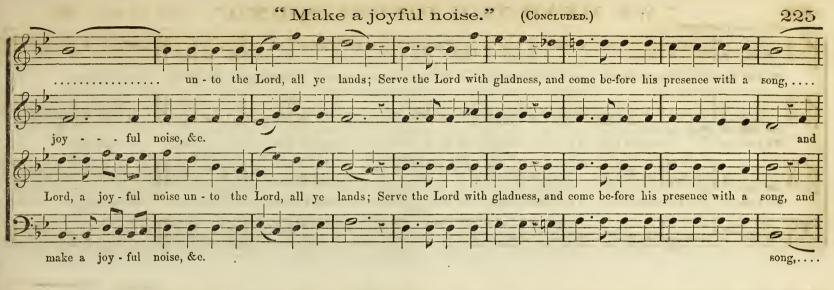


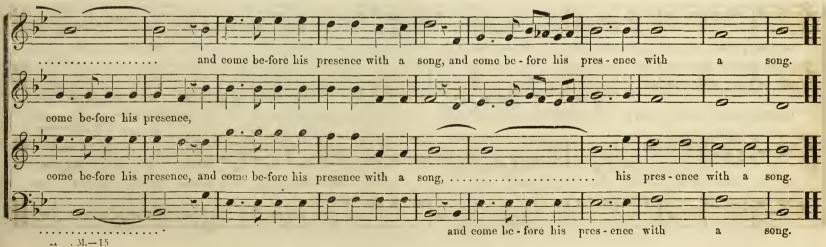




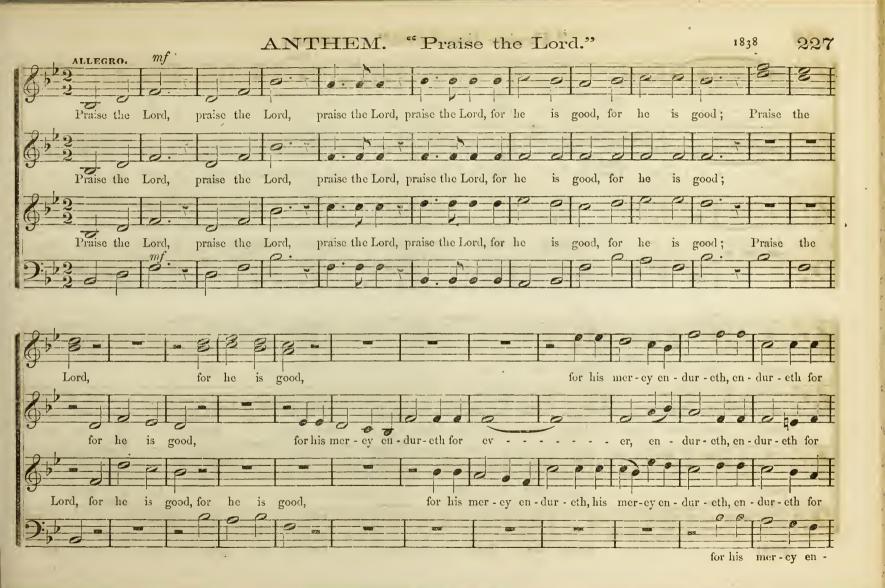


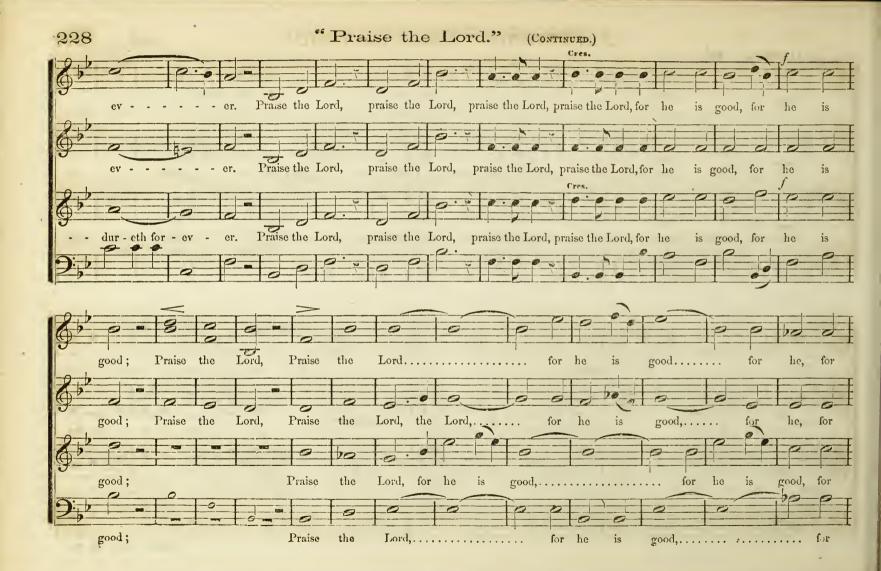










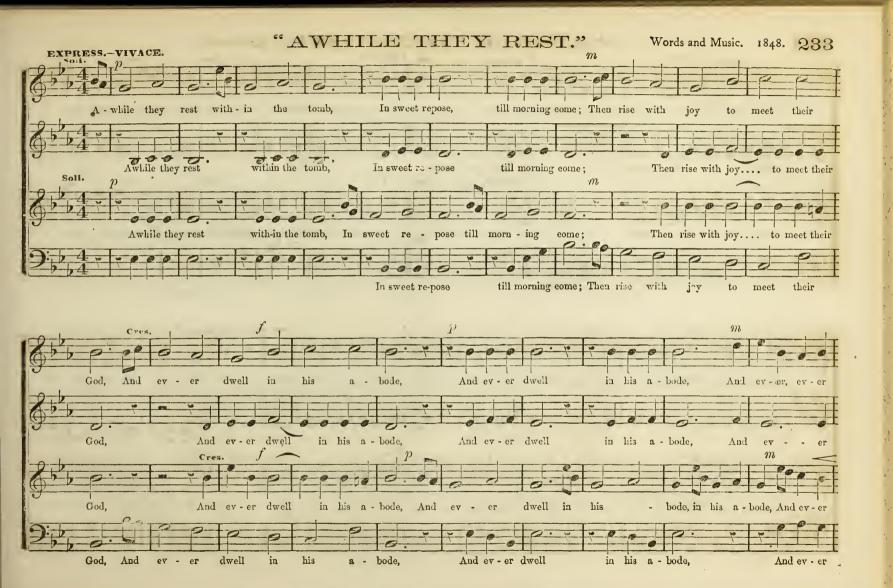








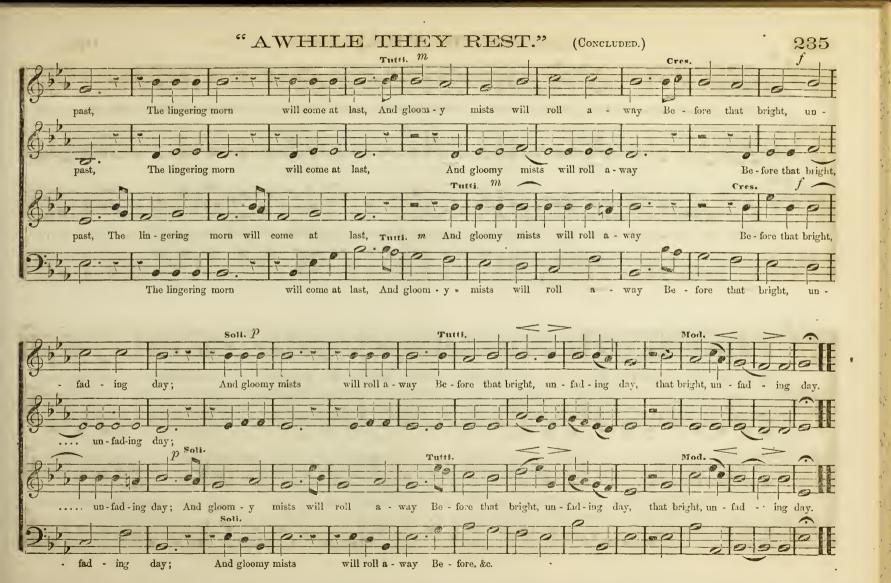


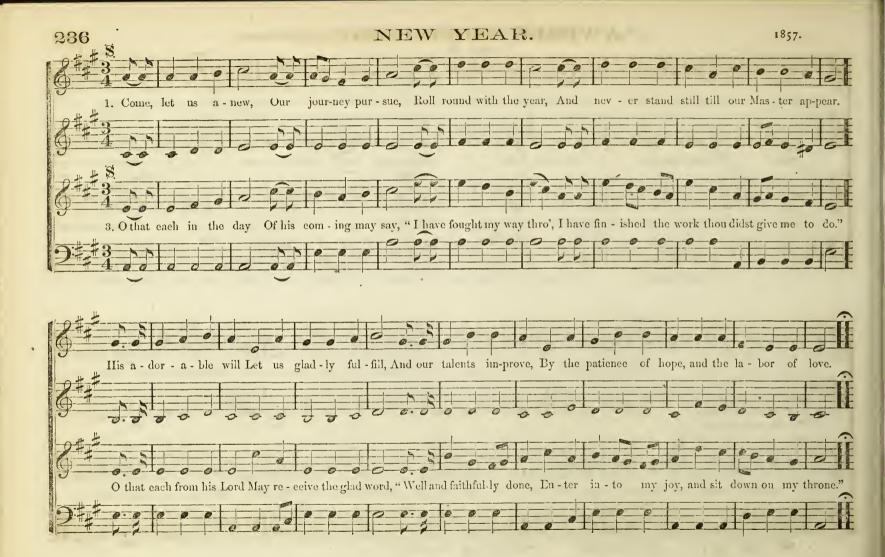


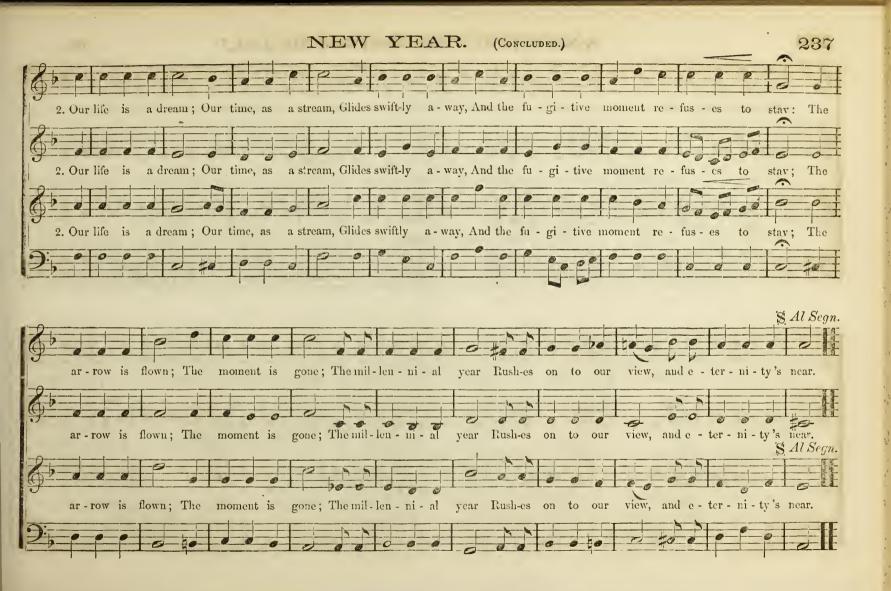


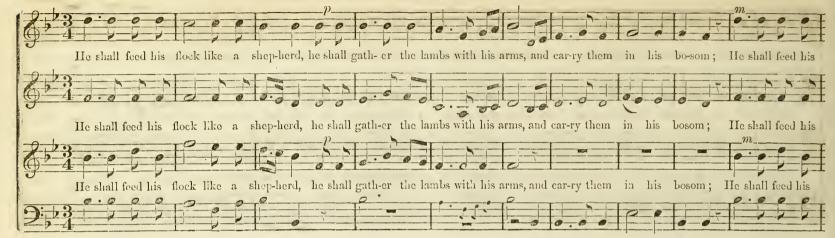


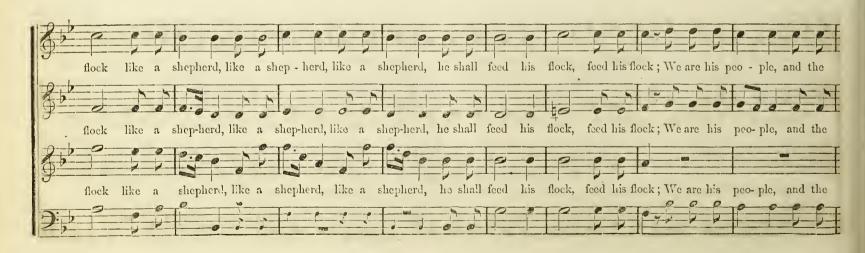
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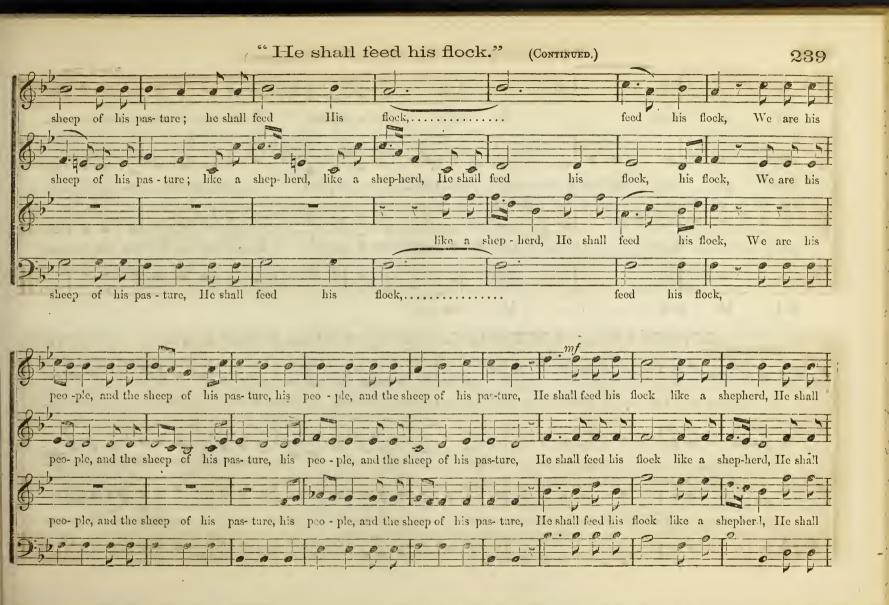


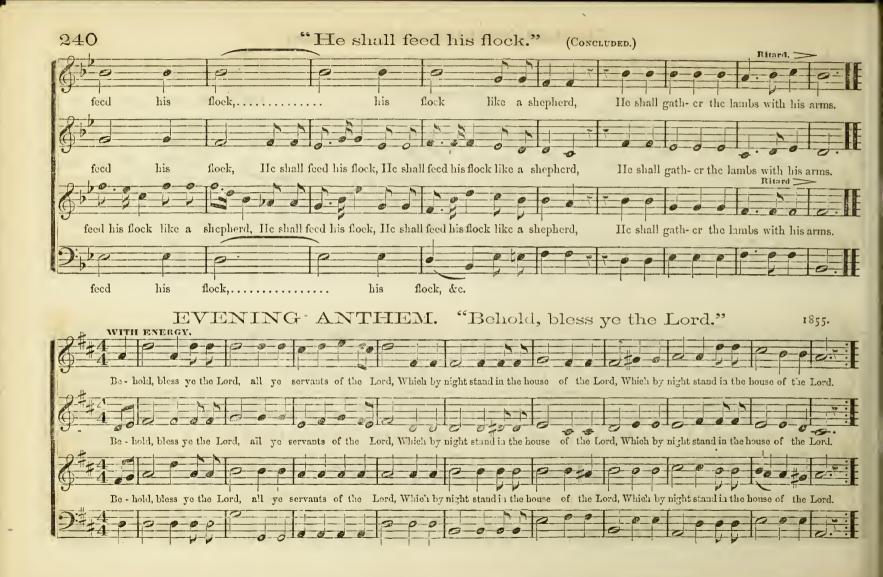






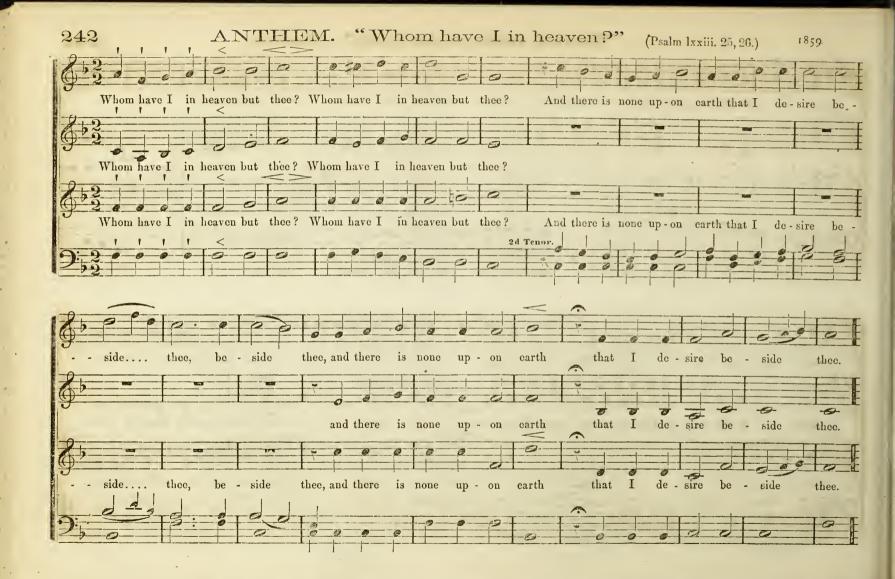


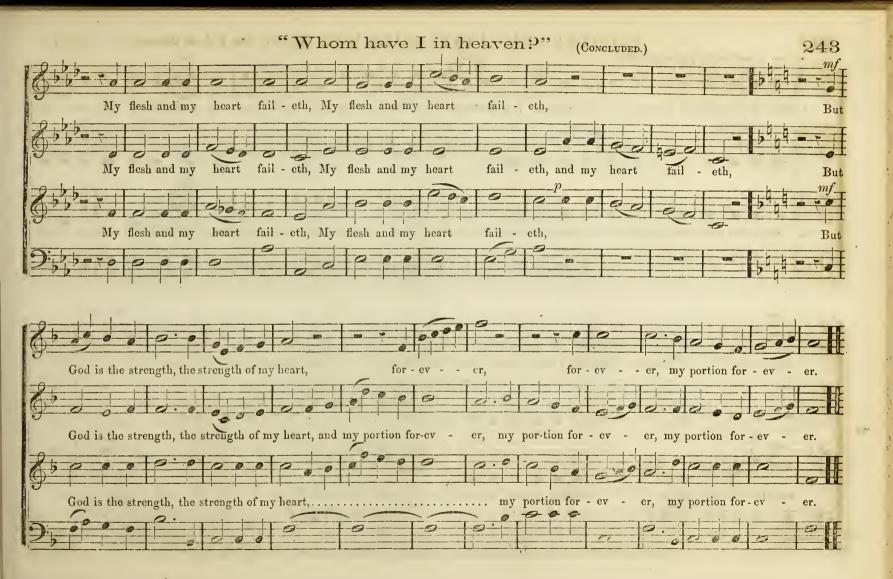


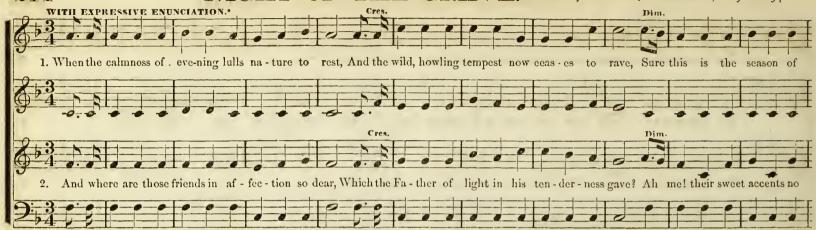


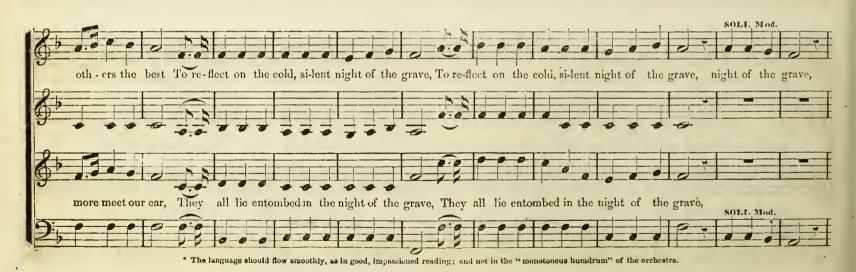


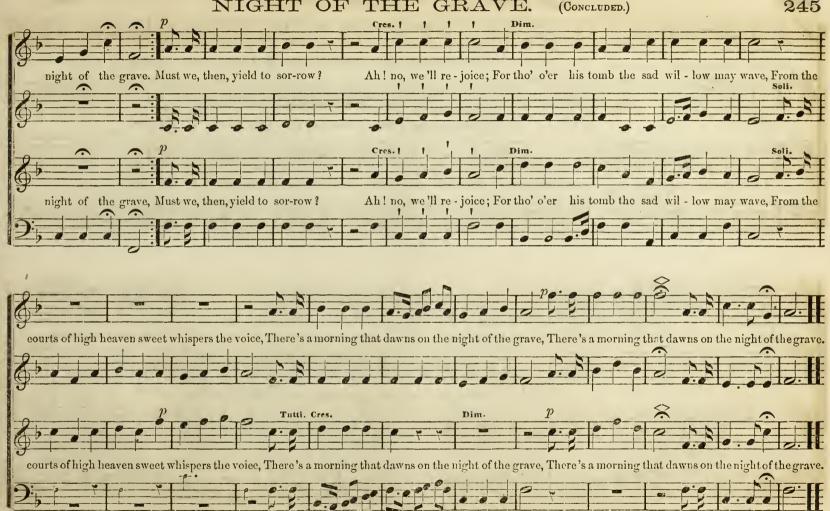




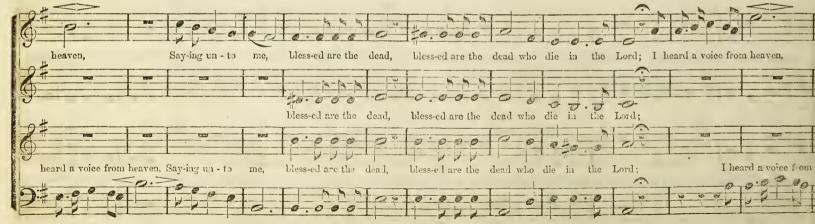


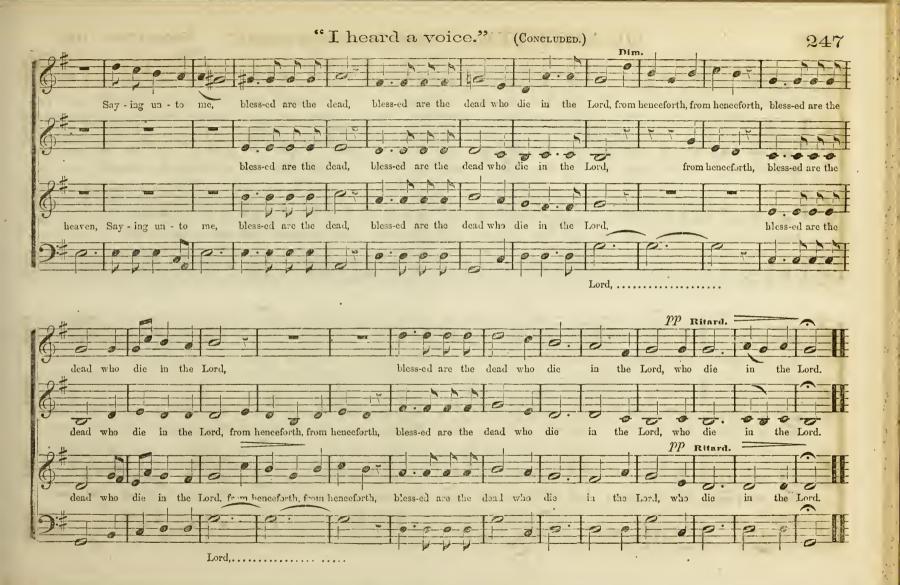




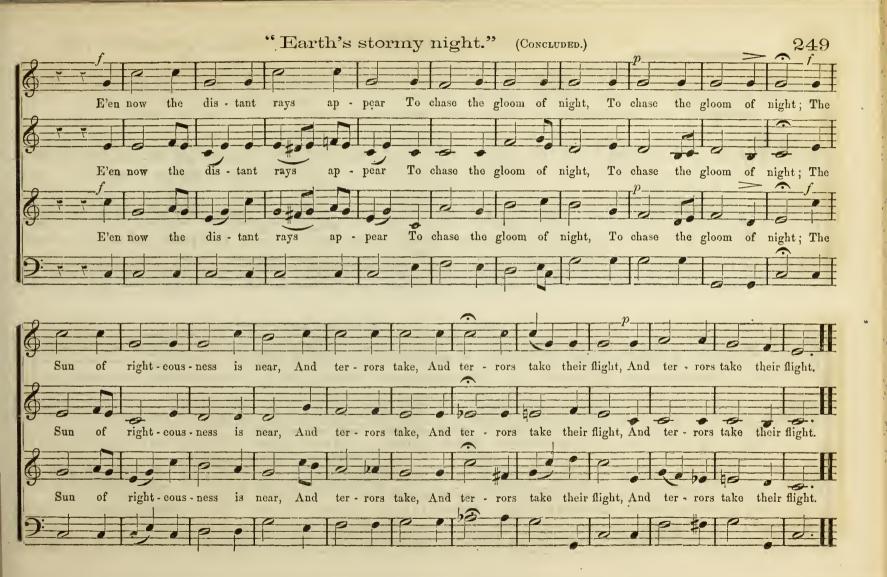




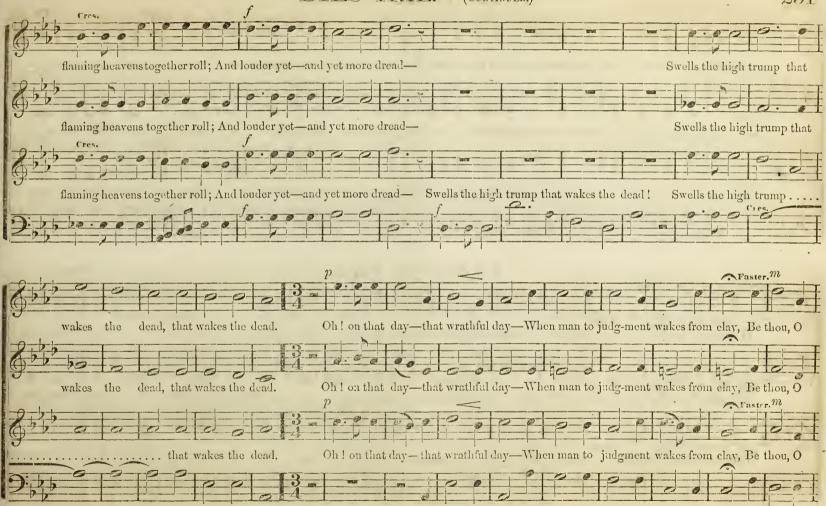




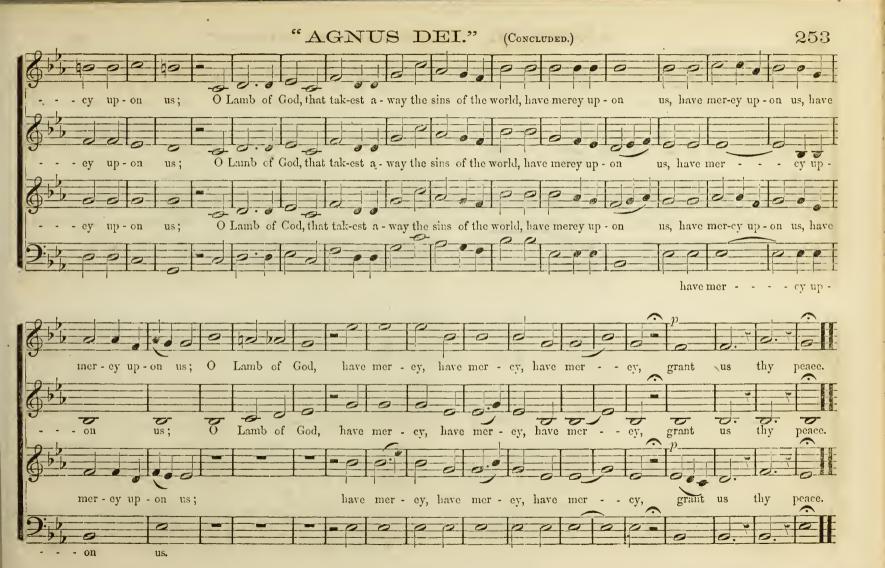






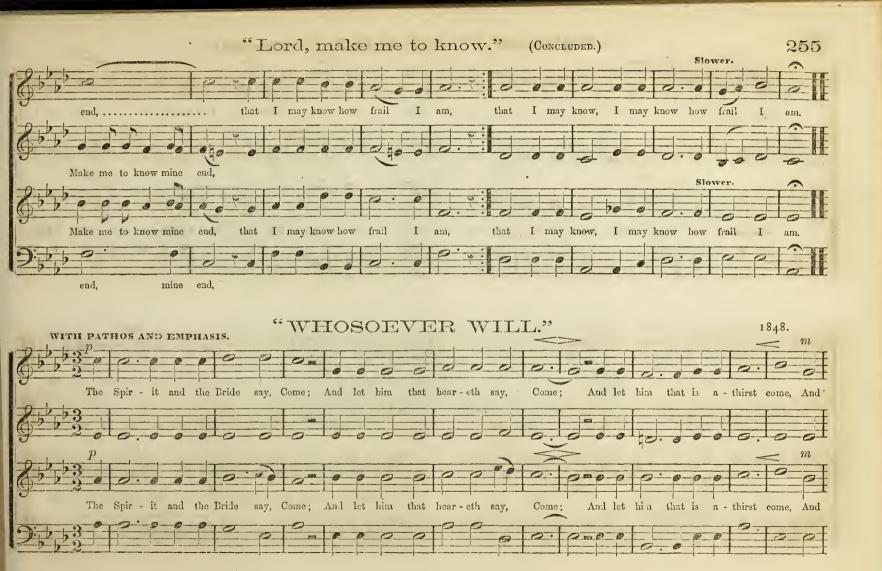


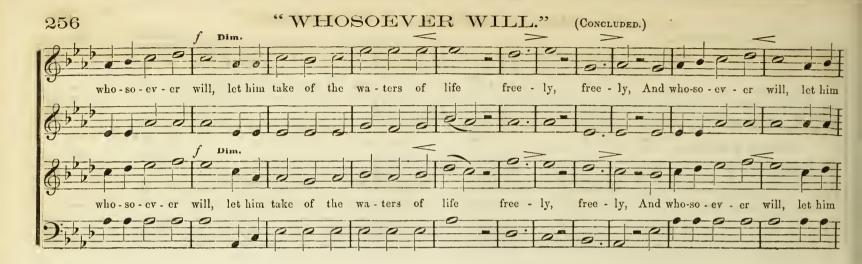




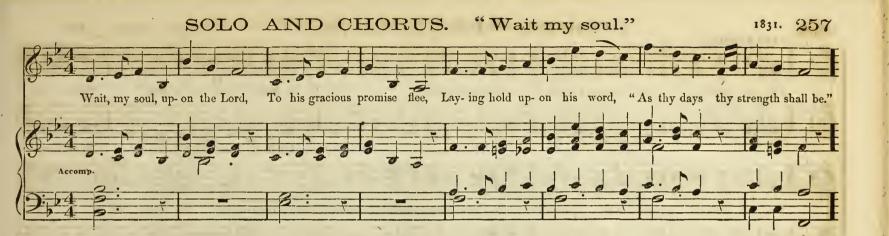


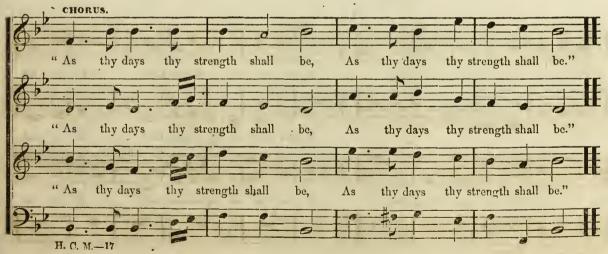








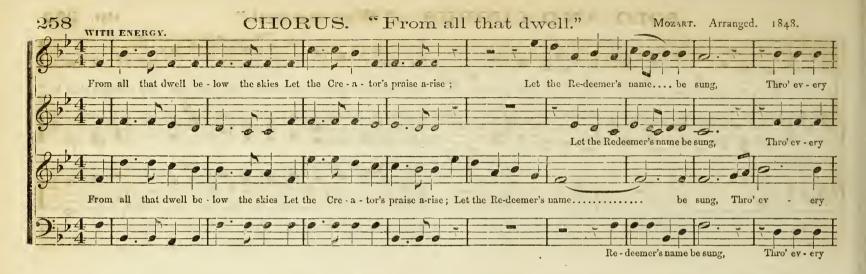




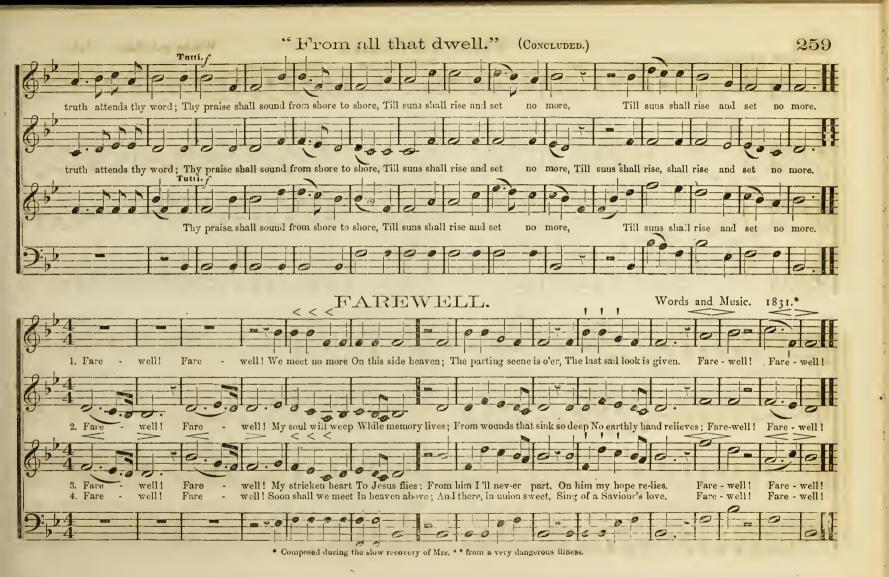
If the sorrows of thy case
Seem peculiar still to thee,
God has promised needful grace,—
"As thy days thy strength shall be."

Days of trial, days of grief,
In succession thou may'st see;
This is still thy sweet relief—
"As thy days thy strength shall be."

Rock of Ages, I'm secure,
With thy promise full and free,
Faithful, positive, and sure,—
"As thy days thy strength shall be."

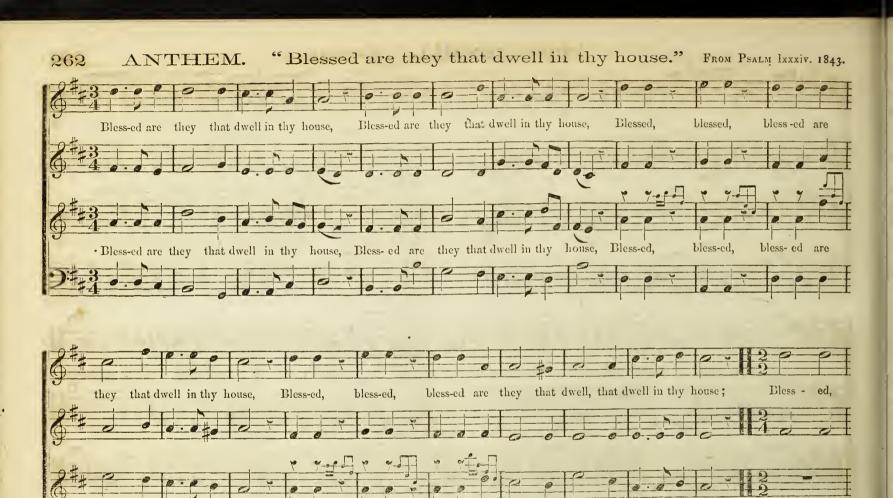






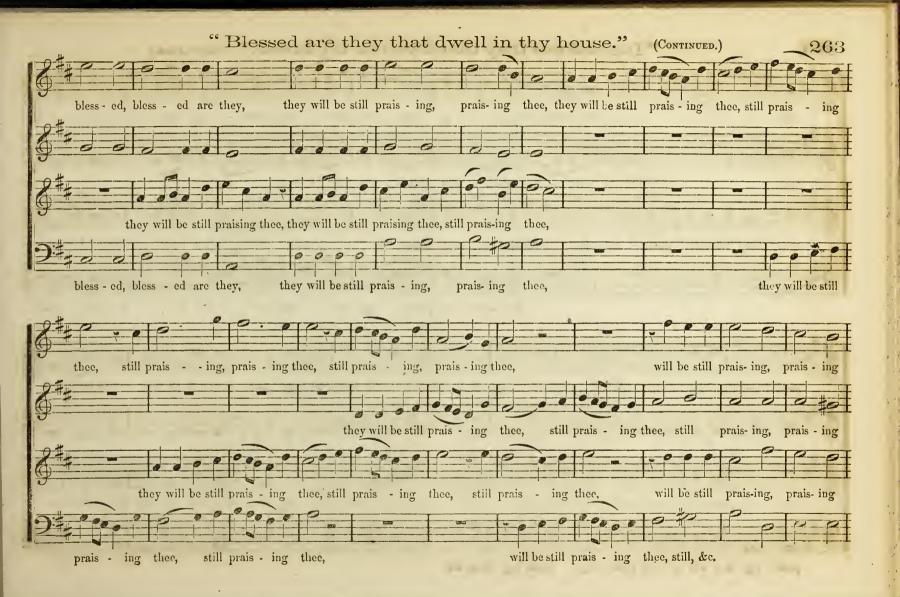


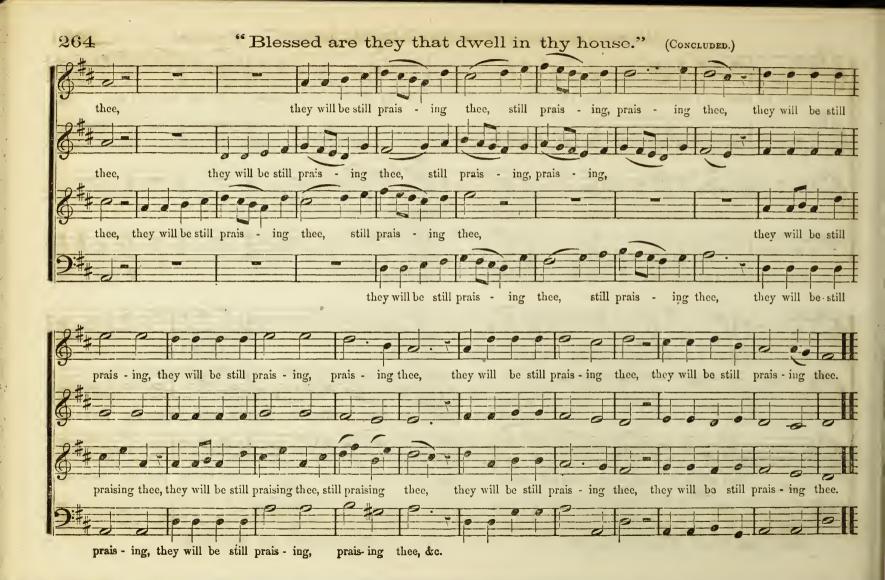




they that dwell in thy house, Blessed, bless-ed, bless-ed are they that dwell, that dwell in thy house;

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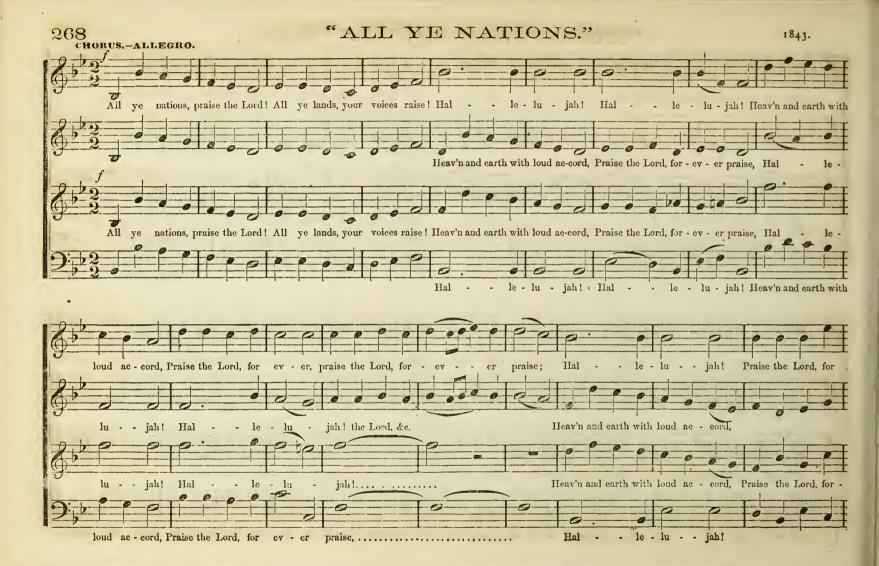


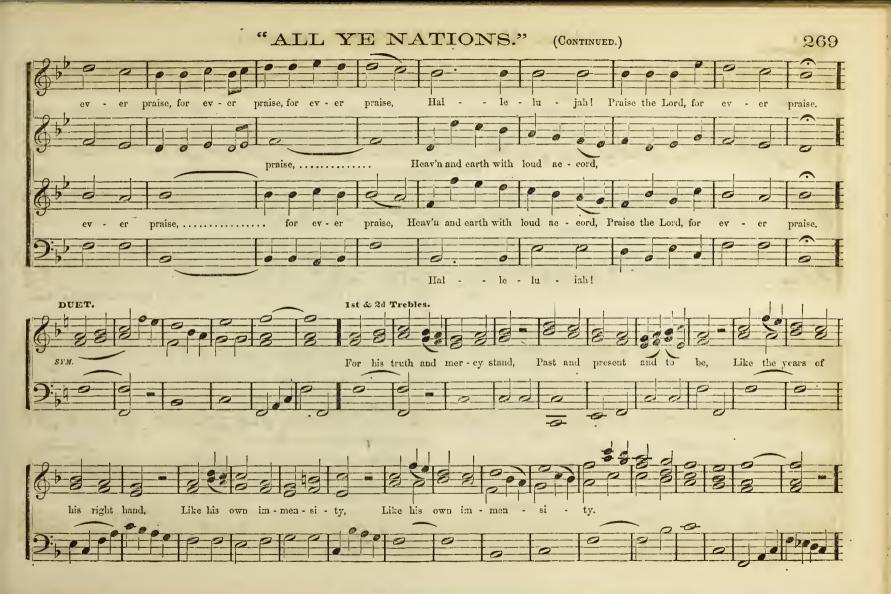


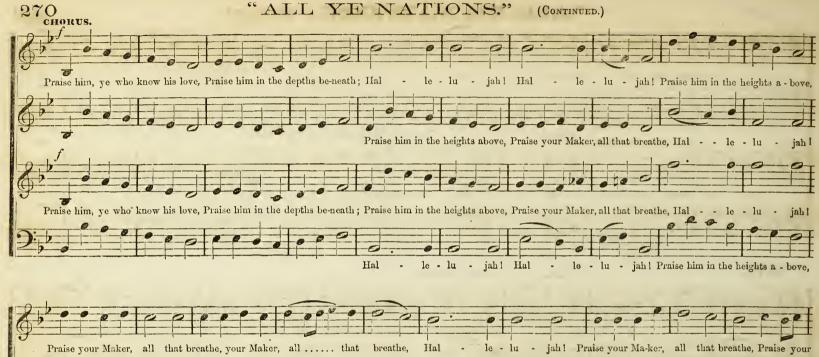




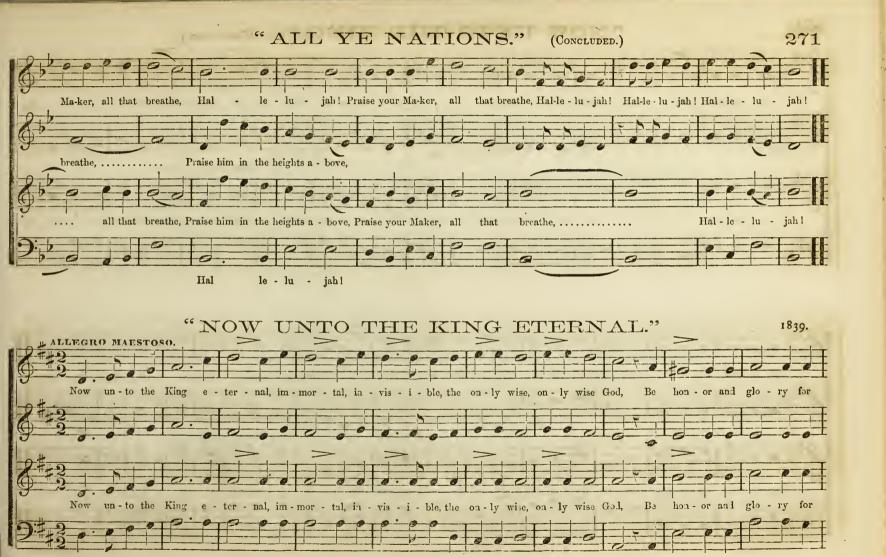




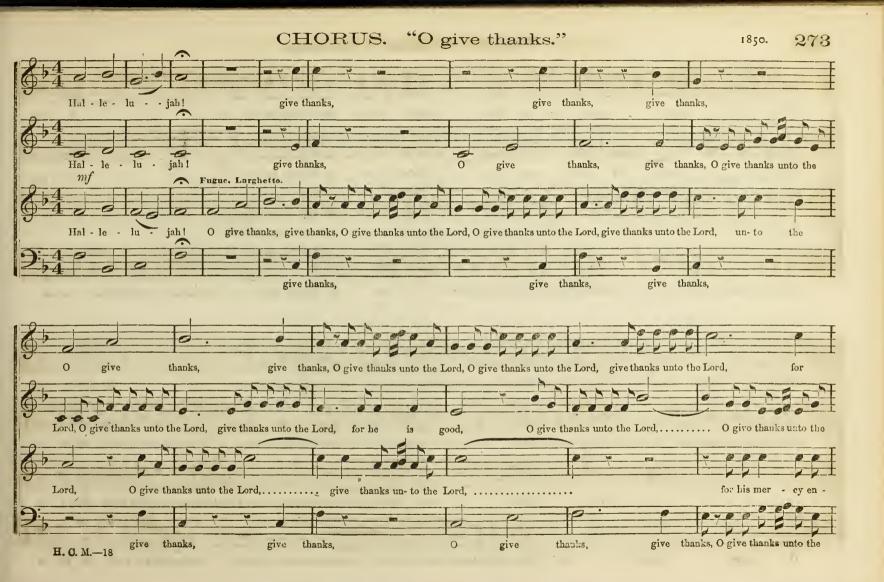






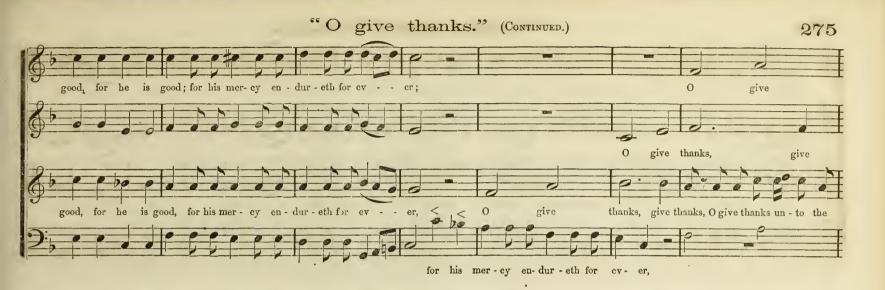




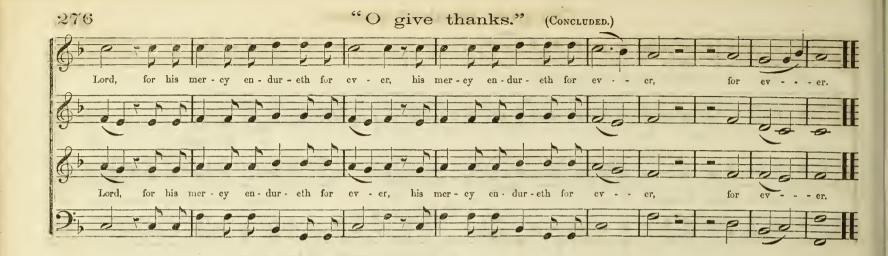


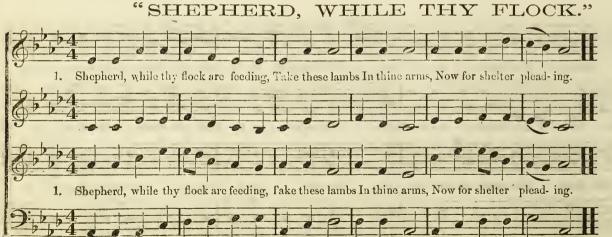












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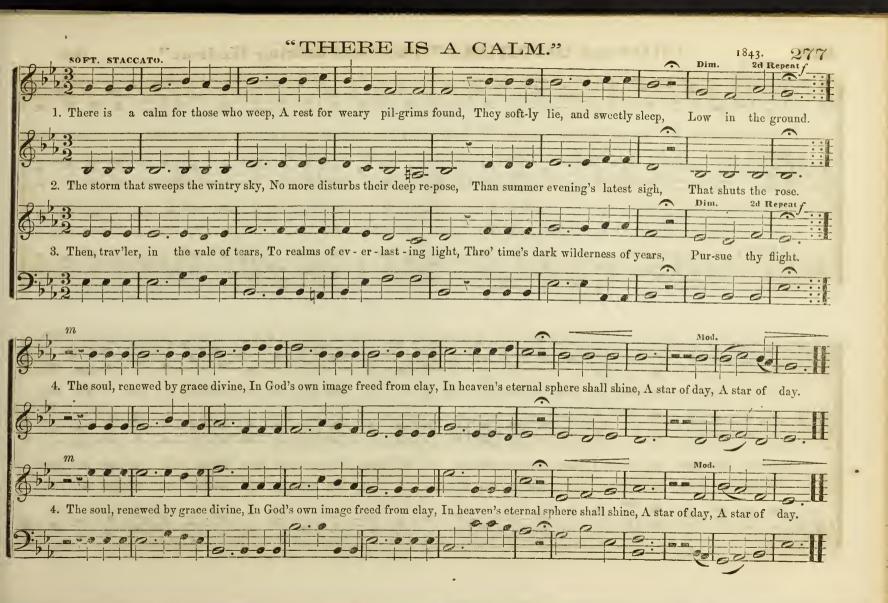
Shepherd, while thy flock are feeding,
Take these lambs
In thine arms,
Now for shelter pleading.

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While the storm of life is lowering,
Night and day
Beasts of prey
Are lurking and devouring.

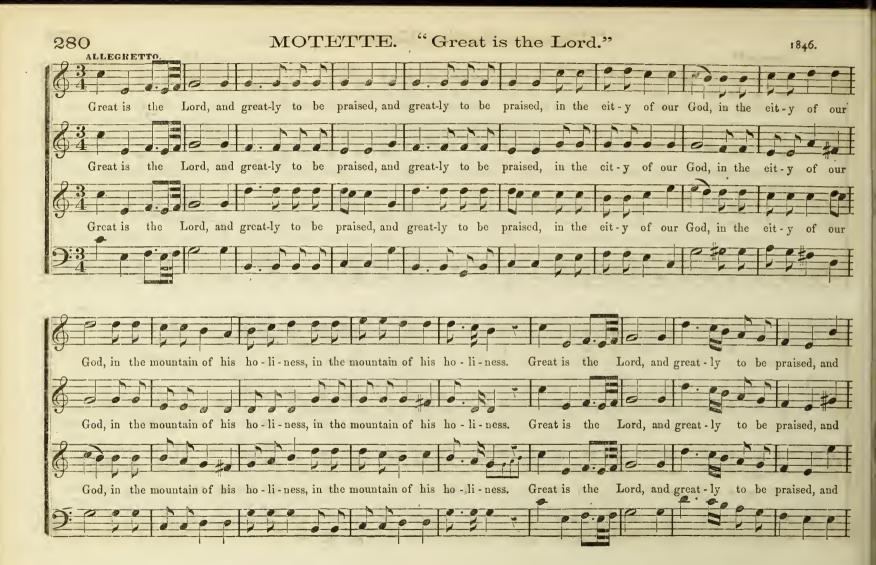
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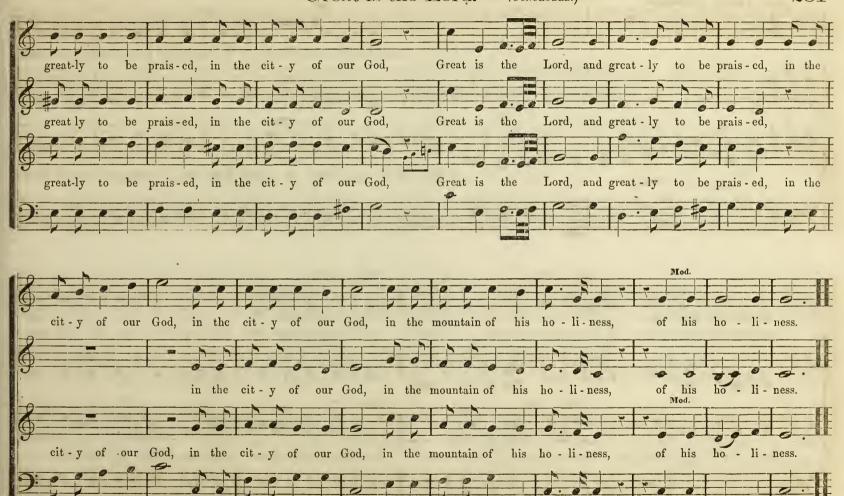
Shepherd, every grace combining,
Keep these lambs
In thine arms,
On thy breast reclining.

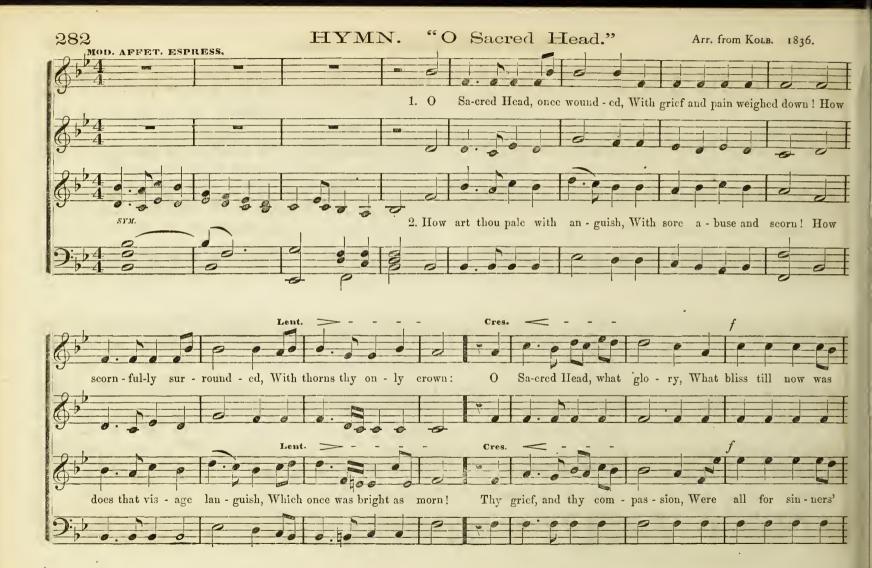


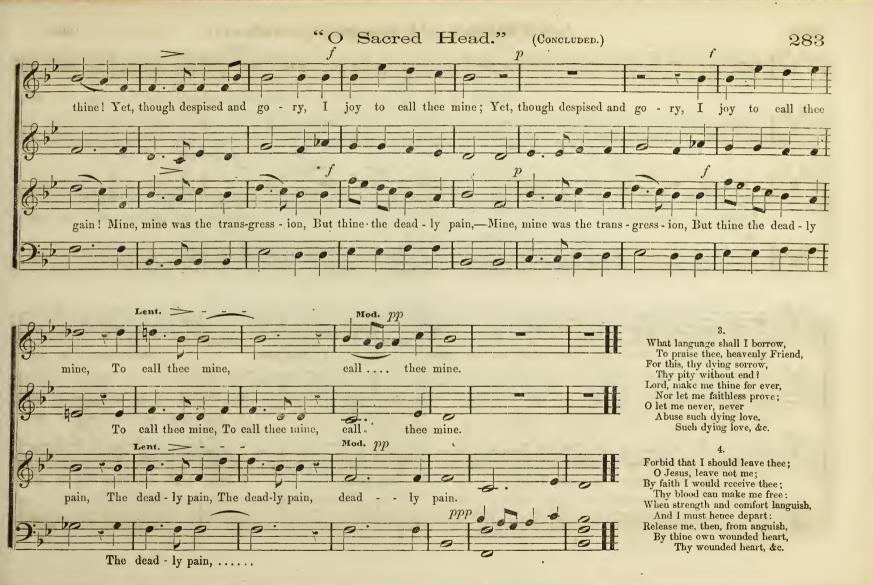




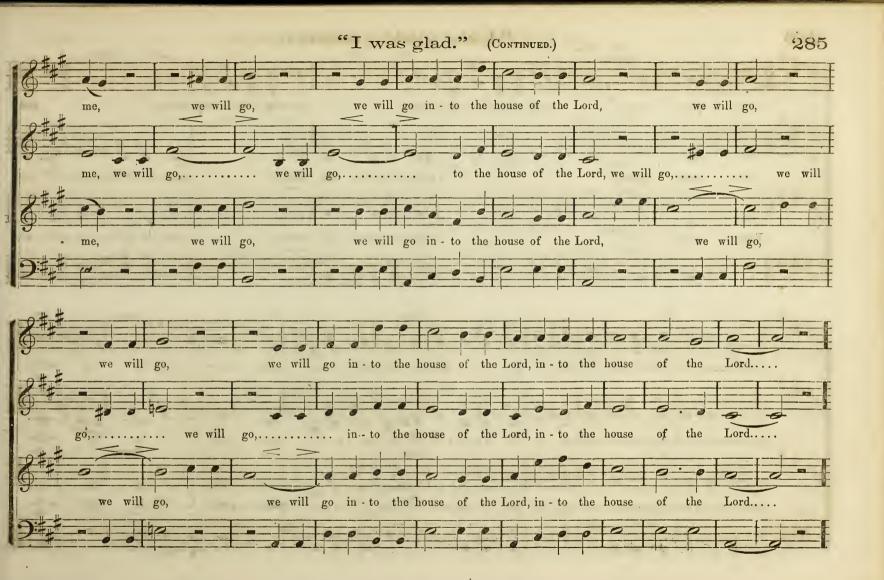




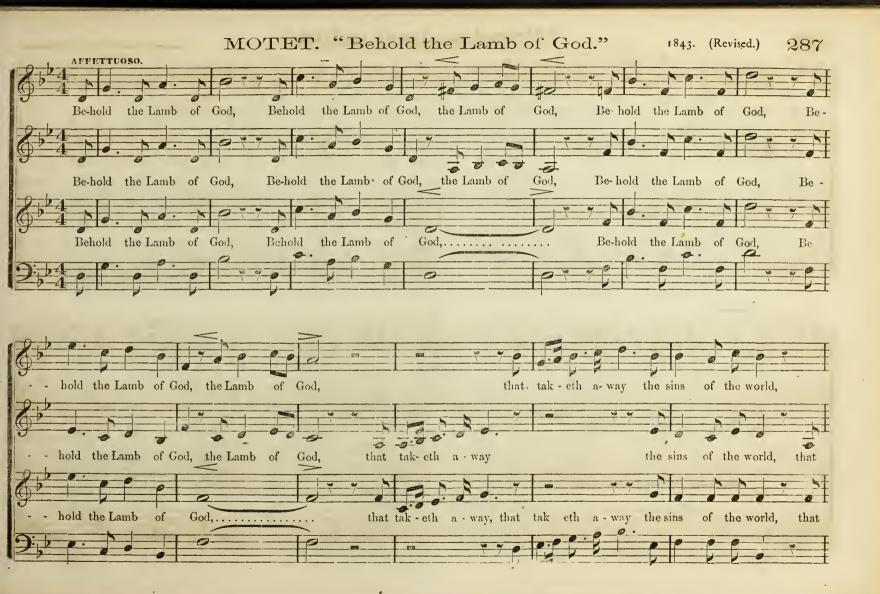










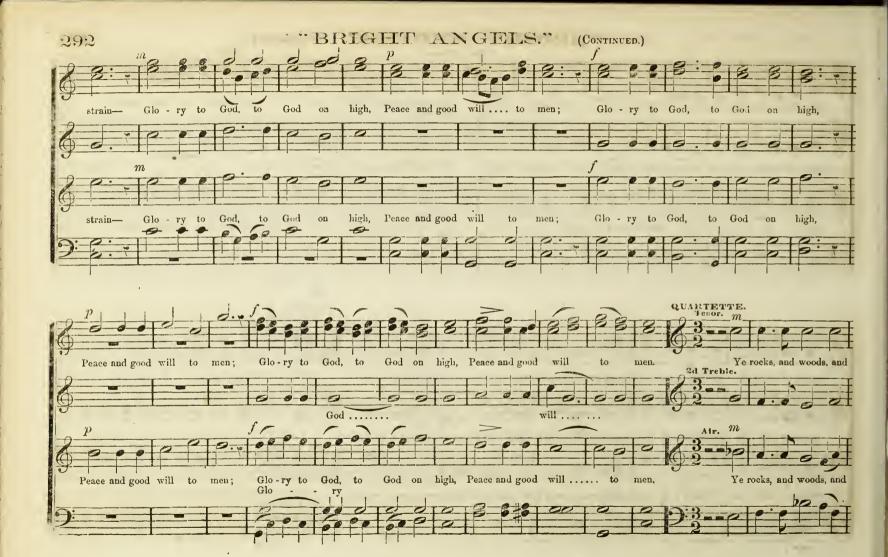








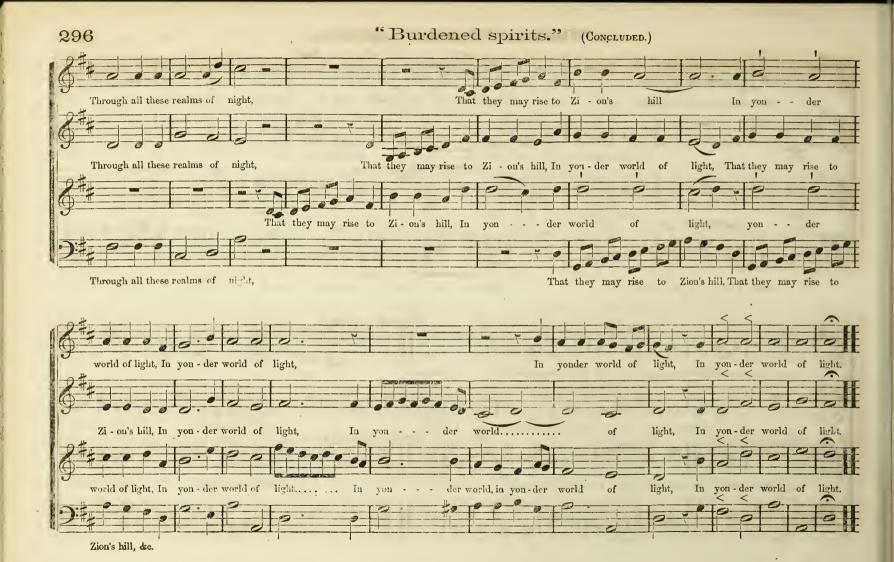


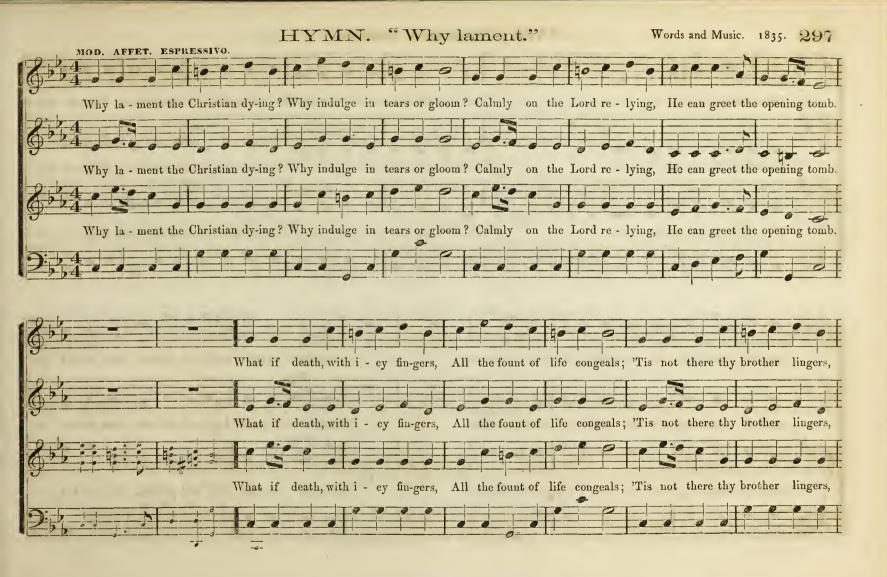






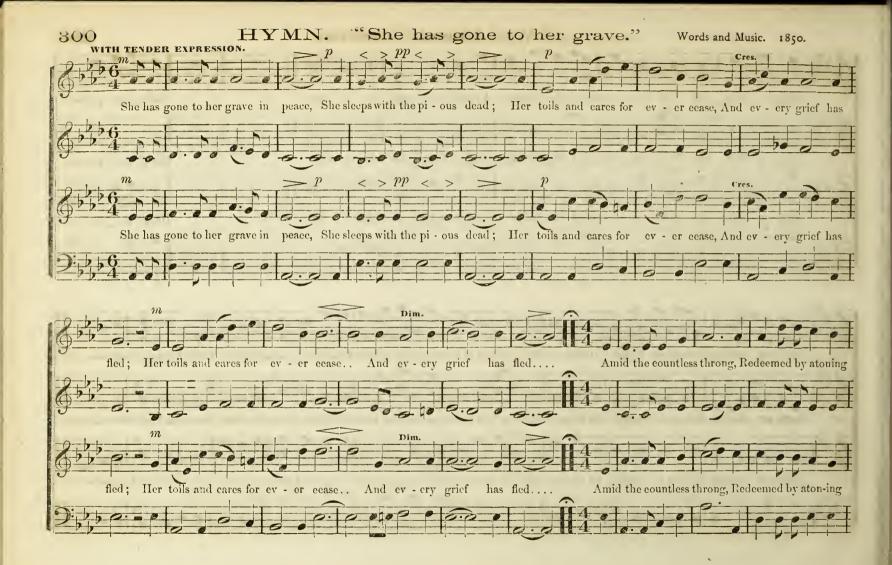














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