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PREFACE.

THE EDITOR of this work has been for some time past urged to prepare a book of music suitable for the opening and closing exercises of young ladies' schools—and knowing that in most of the Seminaries and Institutions throughout the country singing is introduced in devotional exercises if not as a study, and feeling the need of such a work in the Institutions and Schools in which he teaches, he has been induced to prepare this, which he hopes will not be considered an unimportant addition to the many valuable collections already prepared for the school and parlor.

The Solfeggios at the commencement will be found useful for the

study of expression preparatory to the application of words. The psalm and hymn tunes and chants are particularly designed for the chapel service, at opening and closing school; and the songs, duetts, and trios will be found appropriate for the same, or for any other occasion when singing is introduced, either as study or recreation. It is also hoped that this book may be found worthy of a place in the social circle, and afford pleasant and profitable employment for many hours.

The selection and arrangement of the words used in this work is principally by Rev. GORHAM D. ABBOTT.

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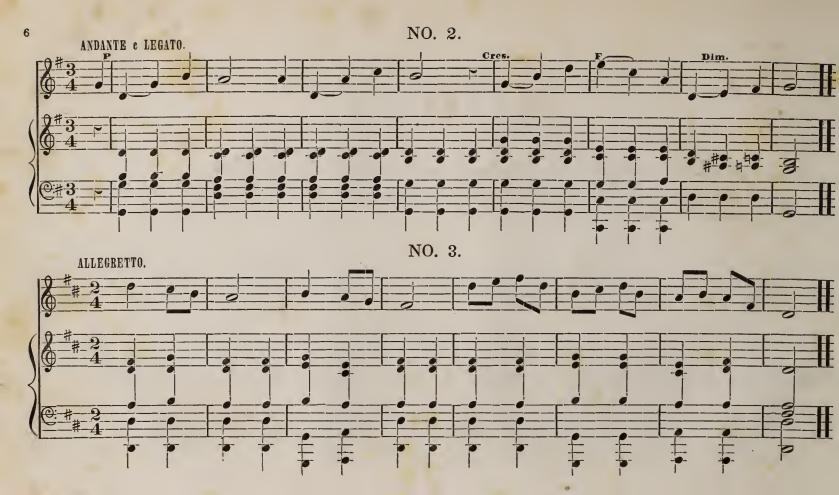
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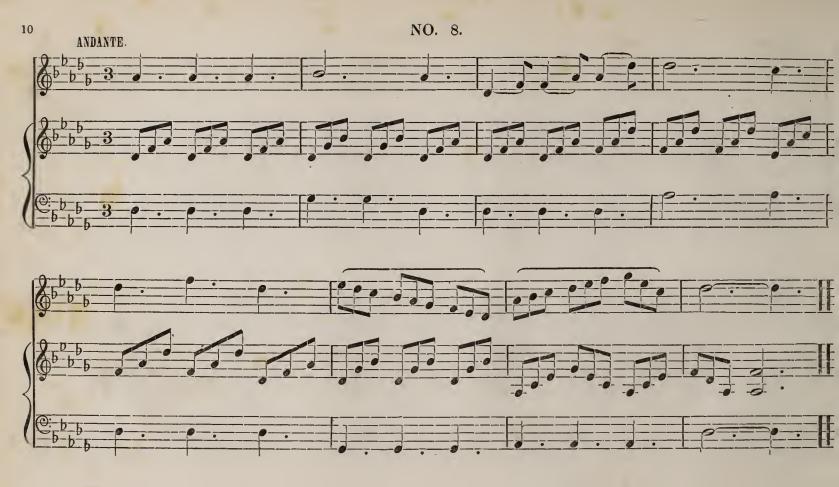




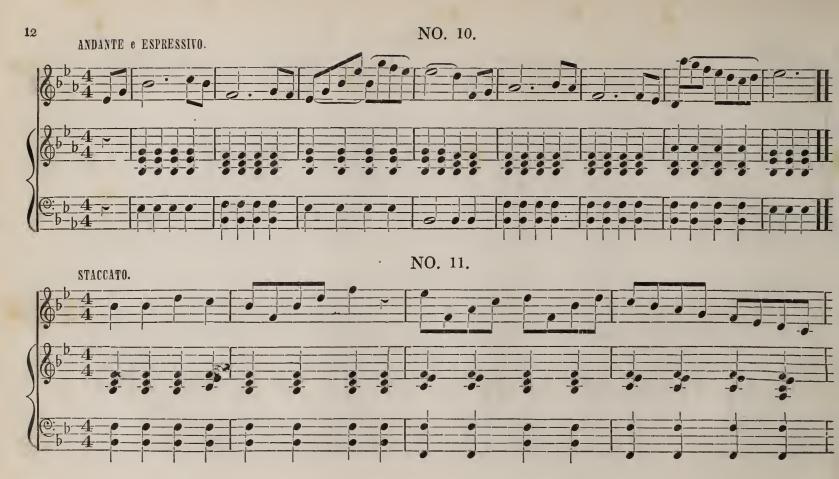


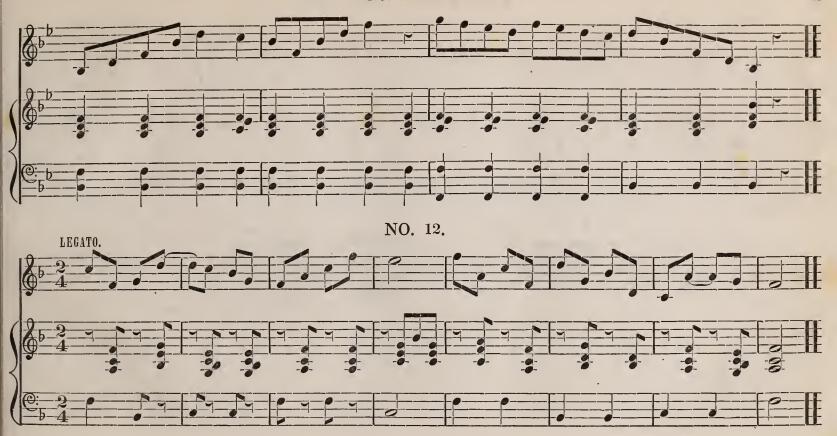












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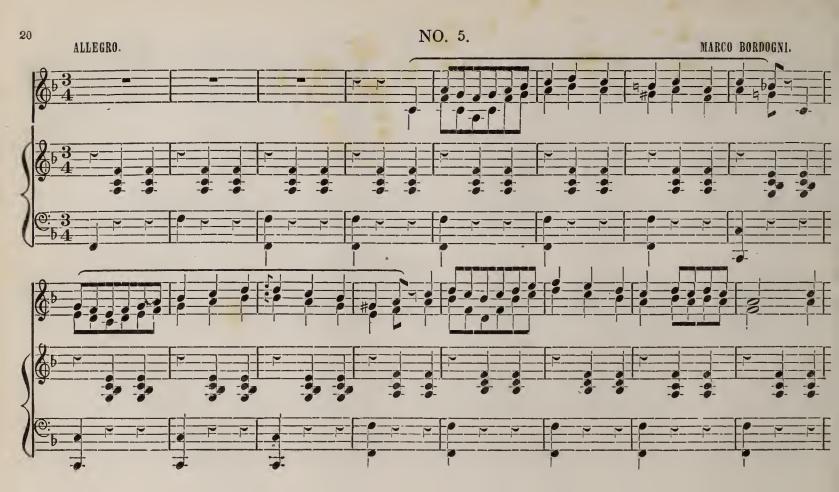






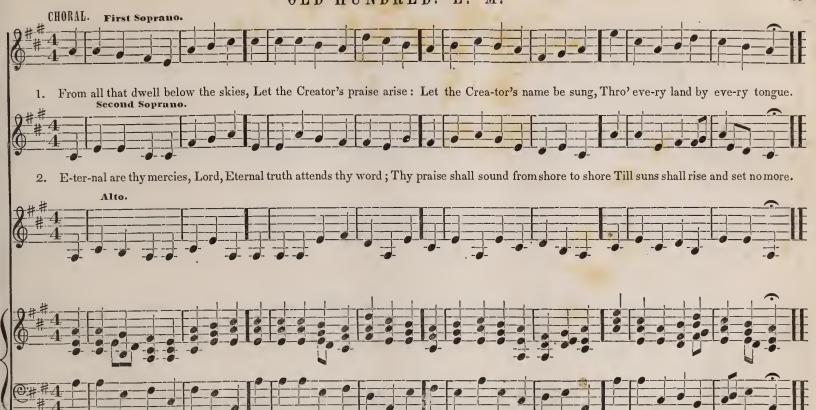


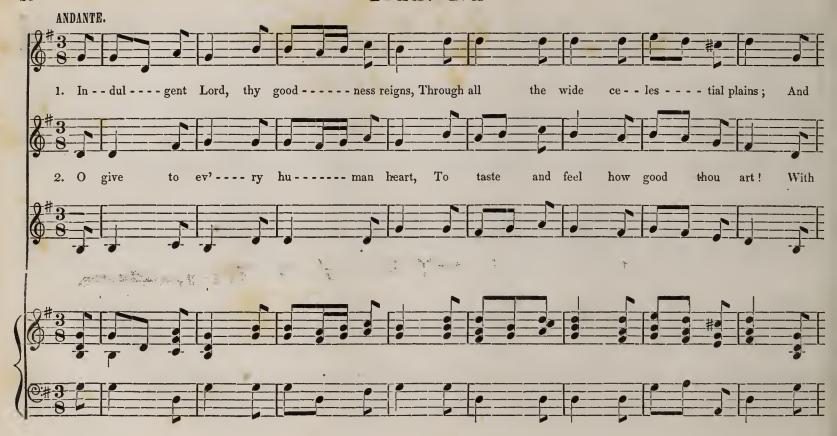






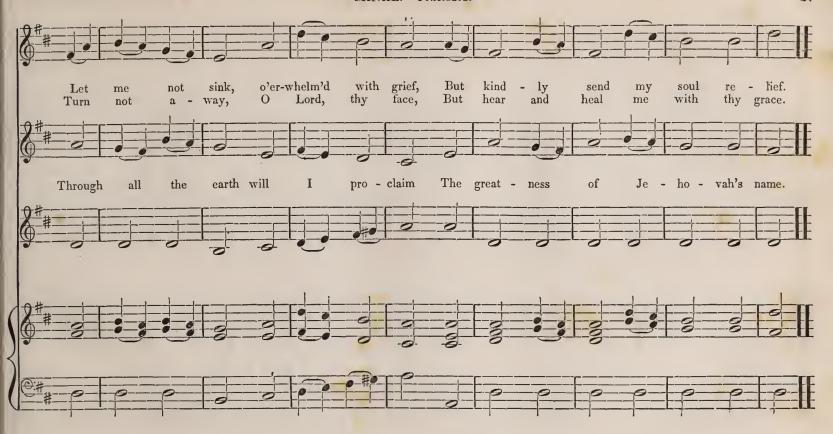


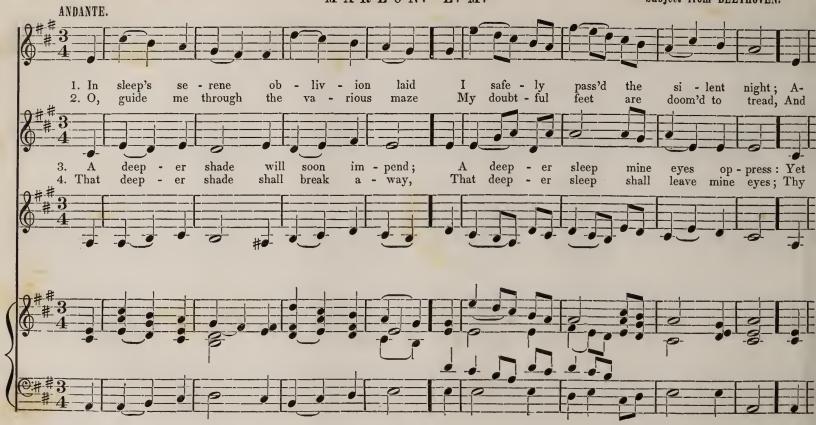










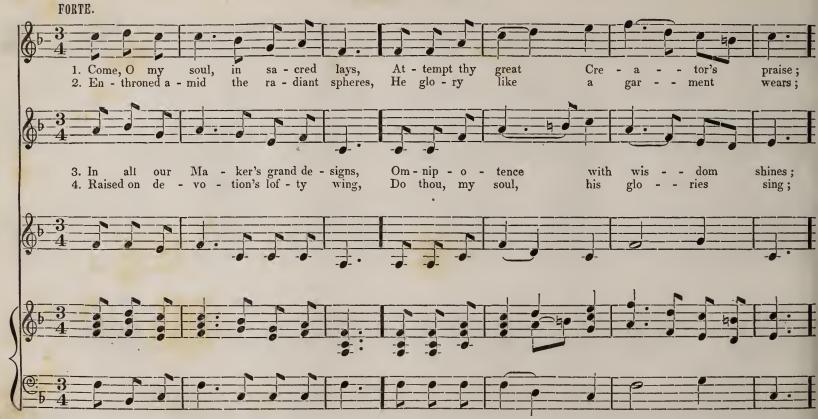


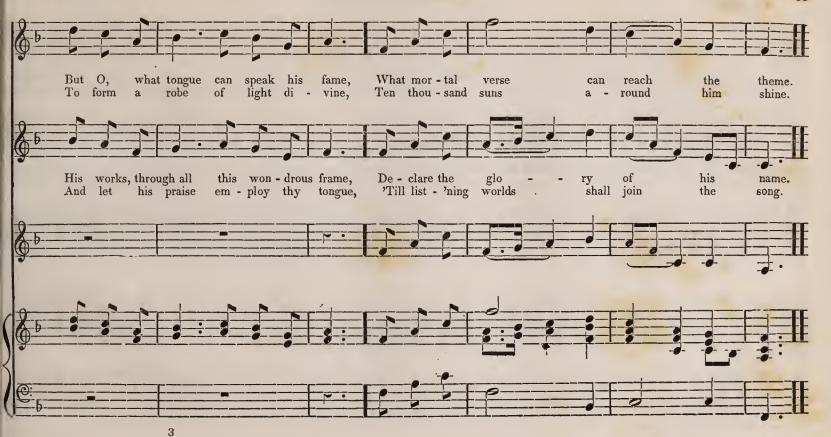


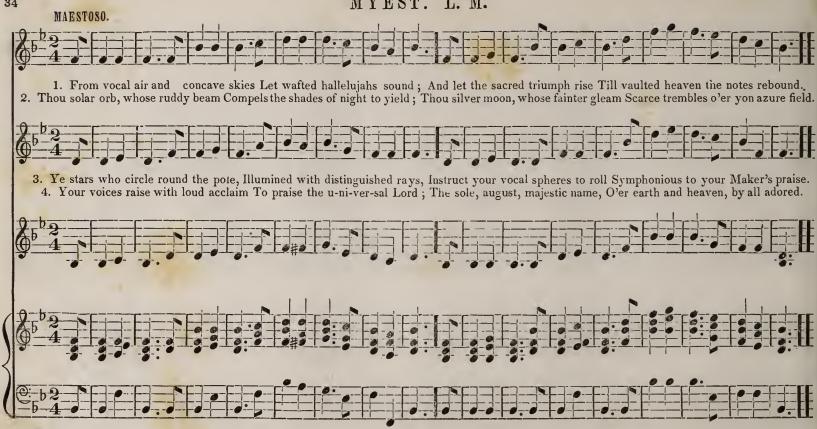
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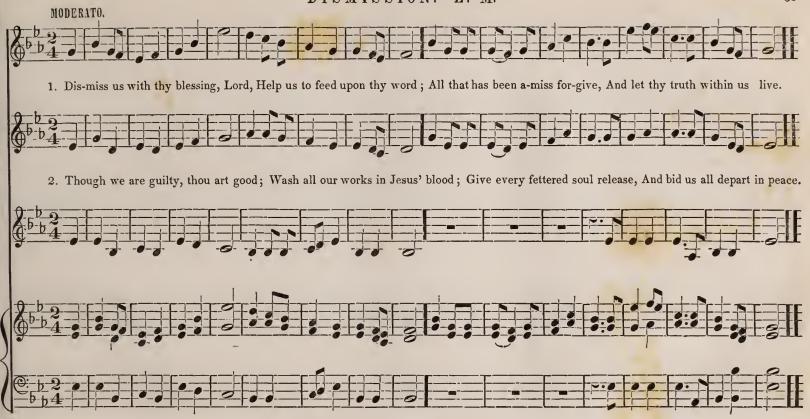




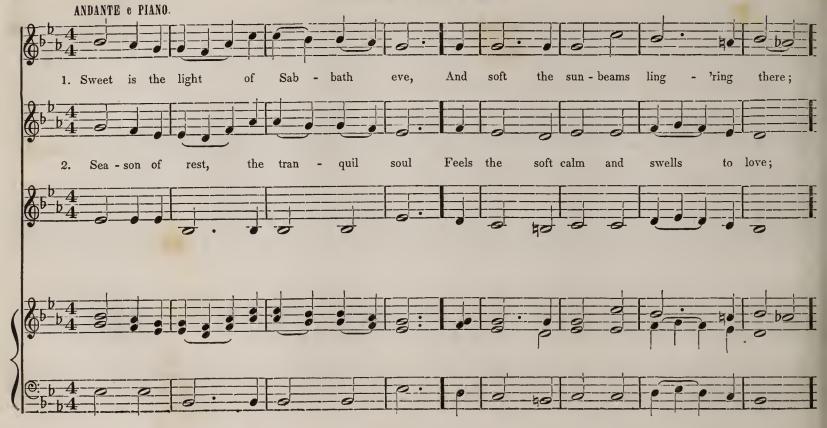


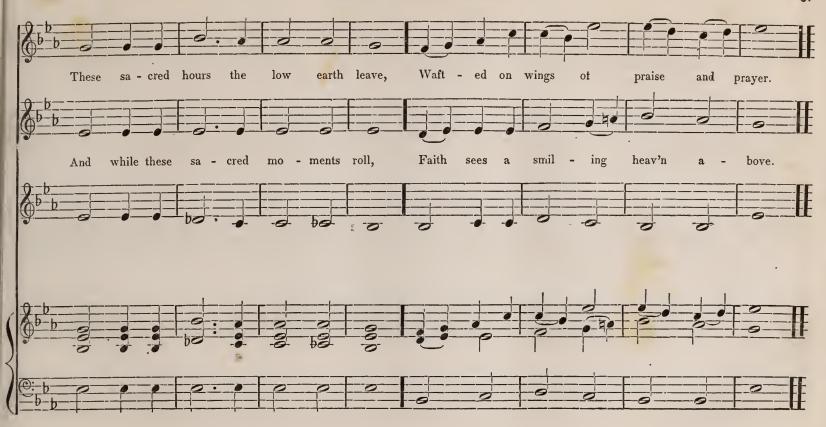


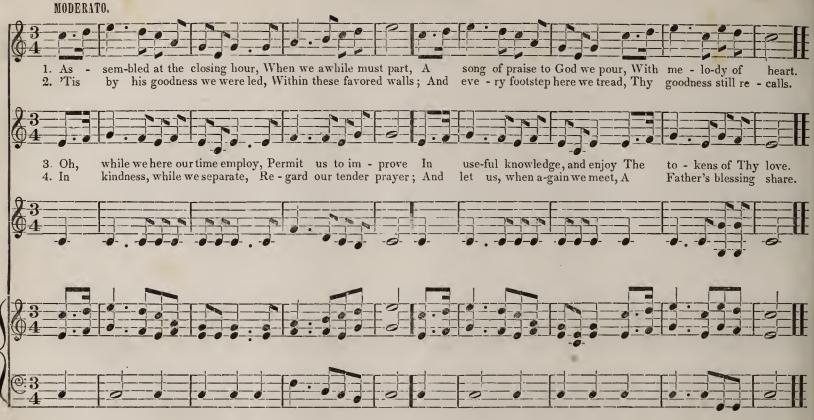




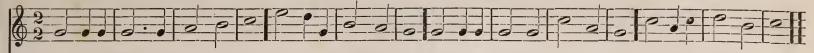
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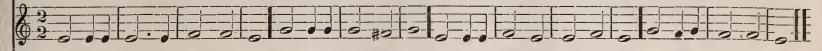




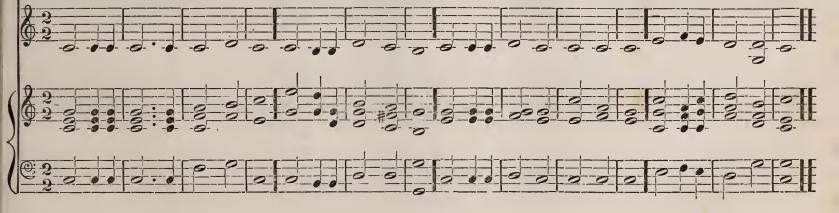


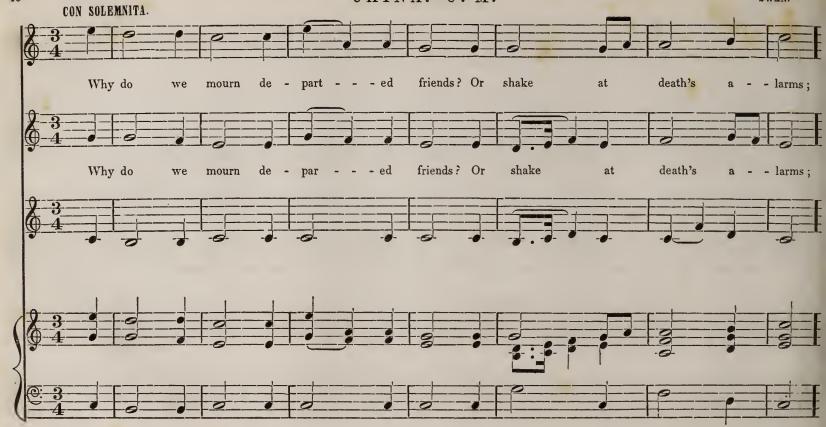


- 1. Hap-py the child whose ear ly years Receives instruc tion well, Who hates the sinner's path, and fears The road that leads to hell.
- 2. When we devote our youth to God, 'Tis pleasing in his eves; A flow'r when offer'd in the bud, Is no vain sac ri fice.

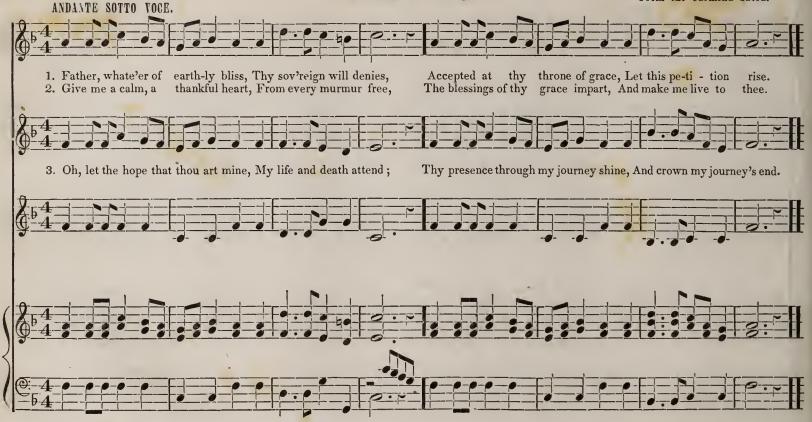


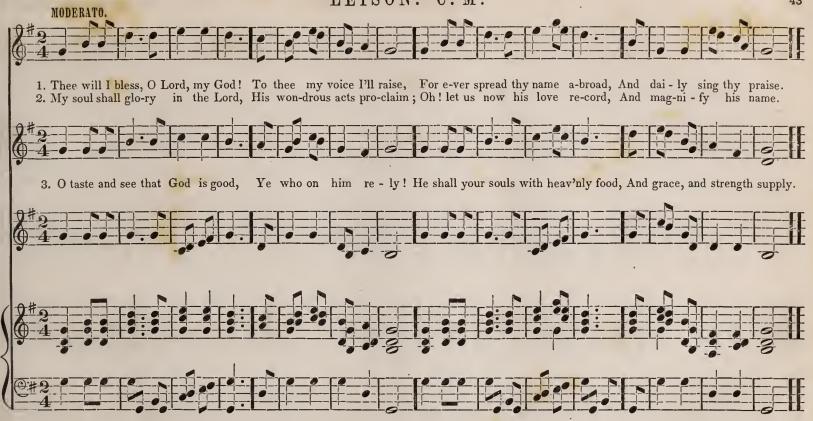
- 3. Twill save us from a thou-sand snares To mind re ligion young, Grace will preserve our following years, And make our vir tue strong.
- 4. Let the sweet work of prayer and praise Employ our youngest breath: Thus we're prepar'd for lon-ger days, Or fit for ear ly death.

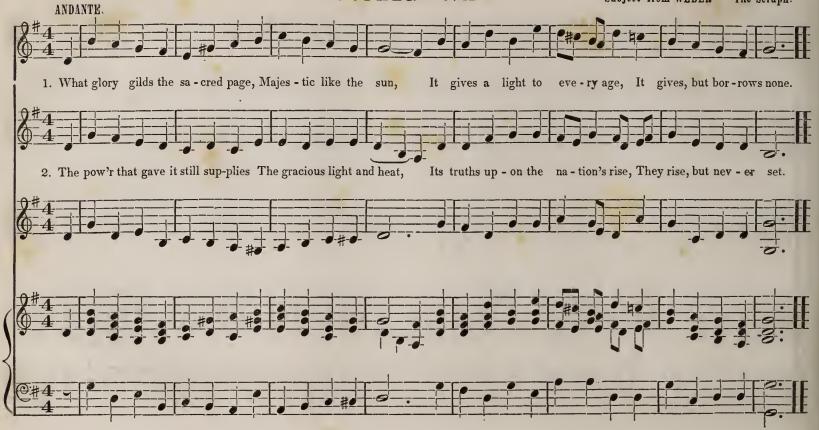


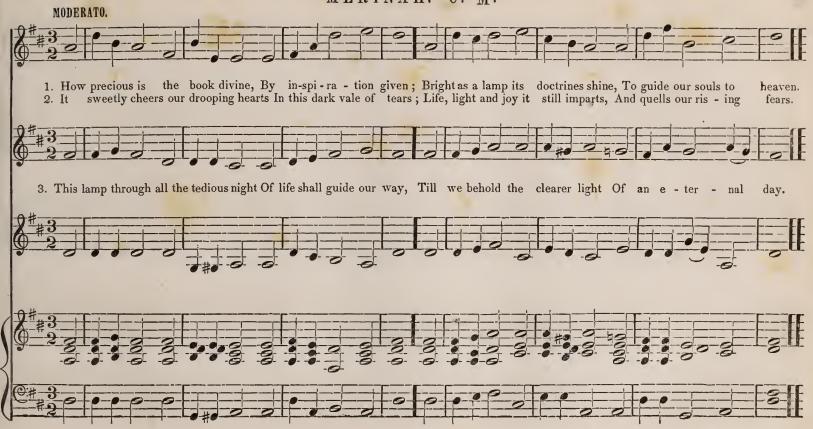


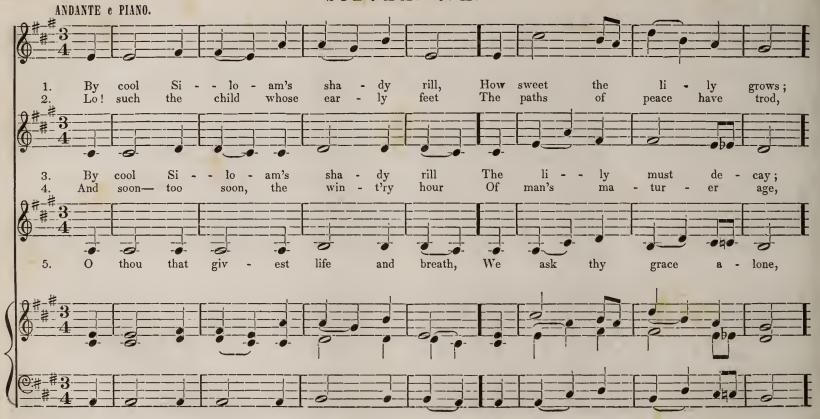




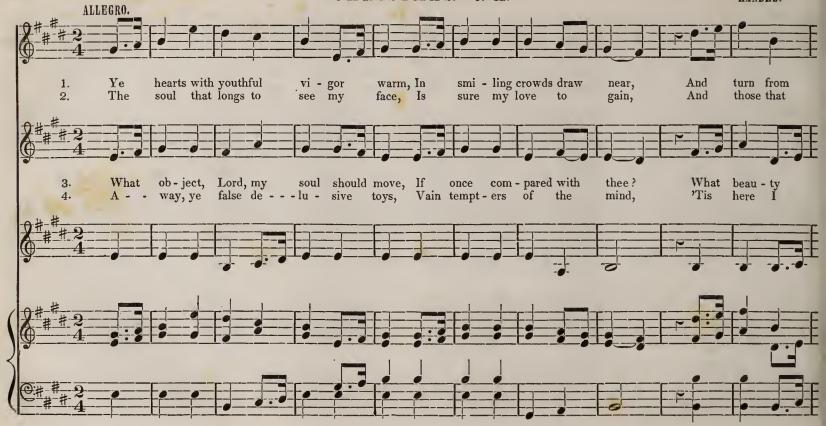




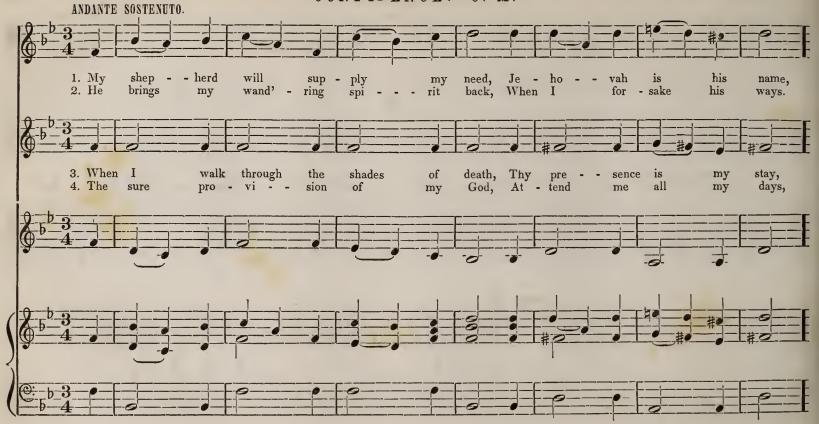






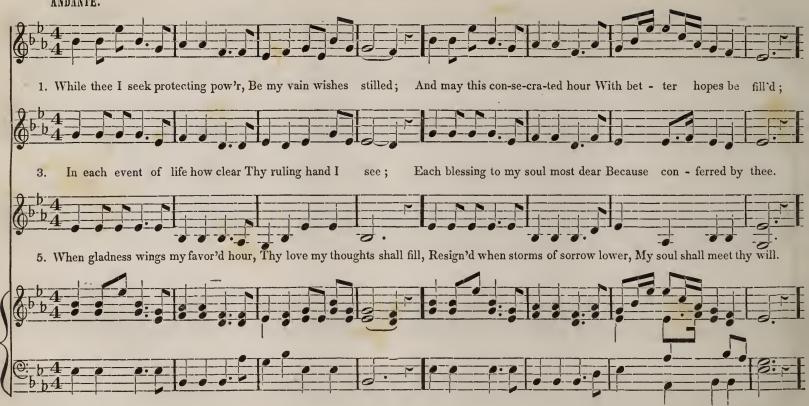


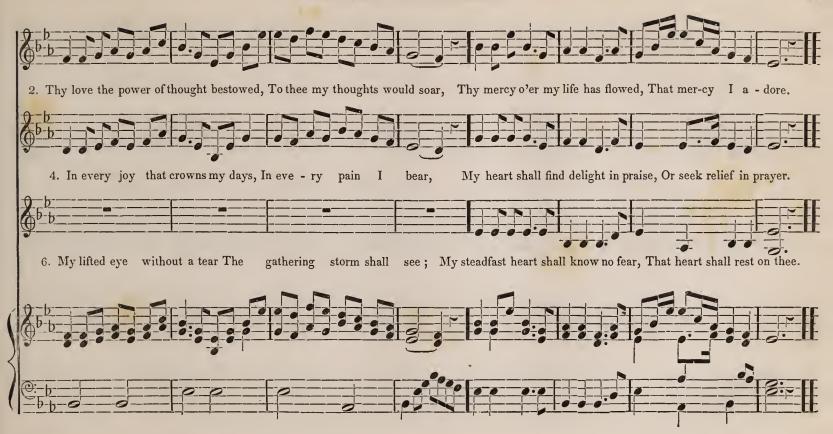


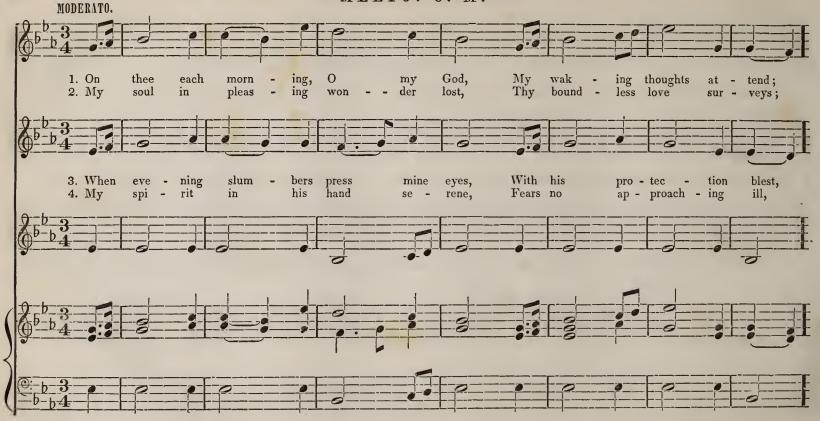


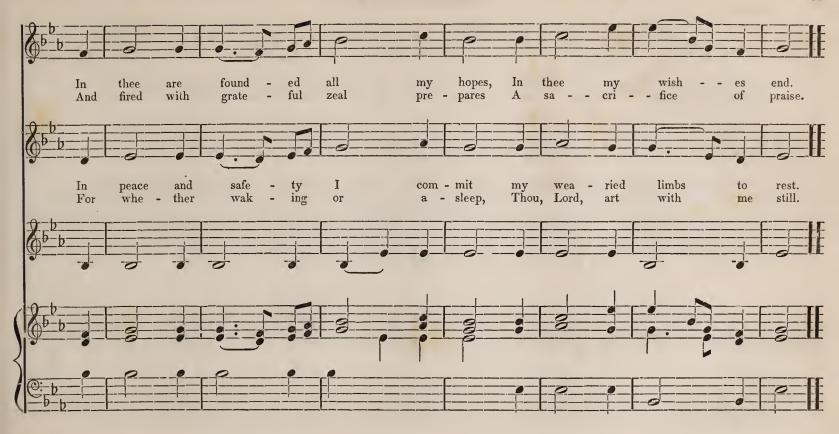


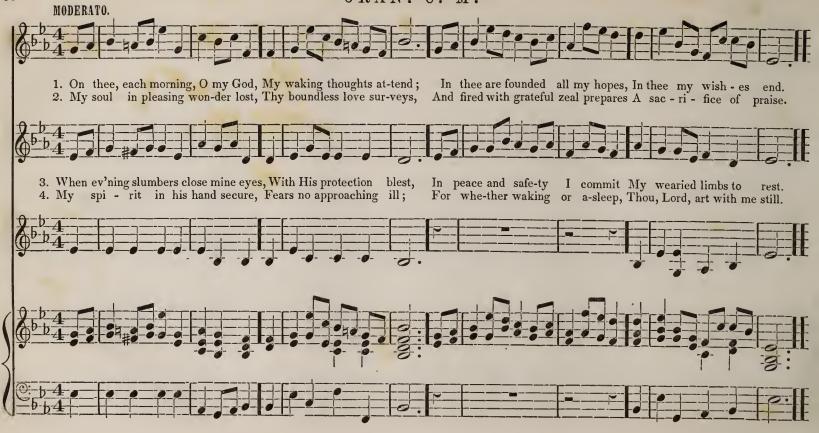
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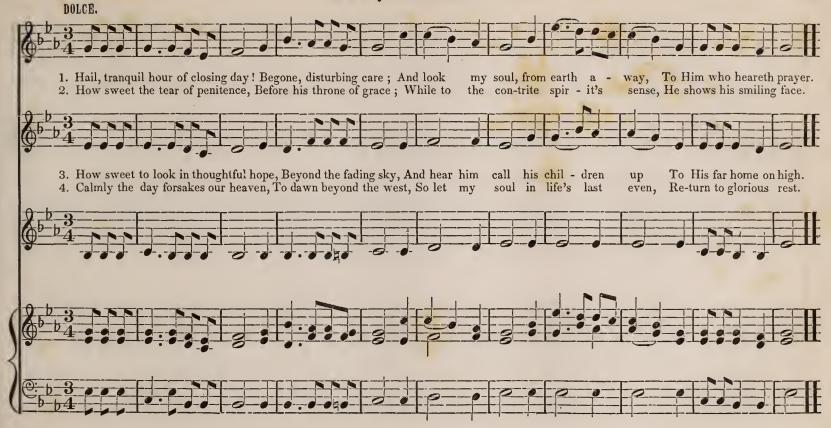


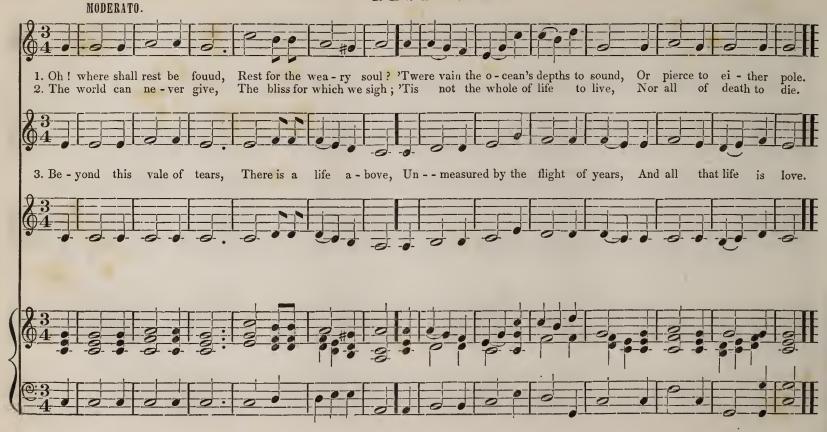


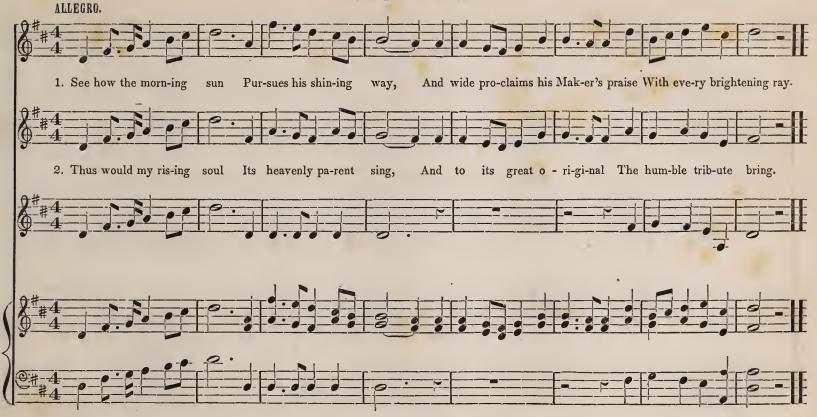


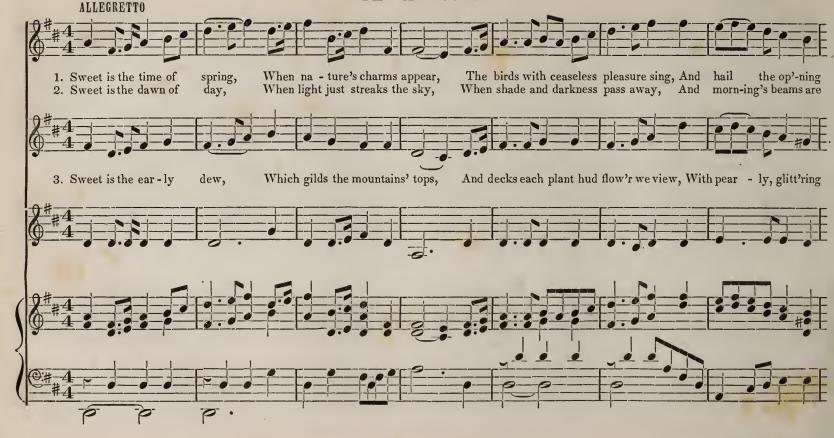


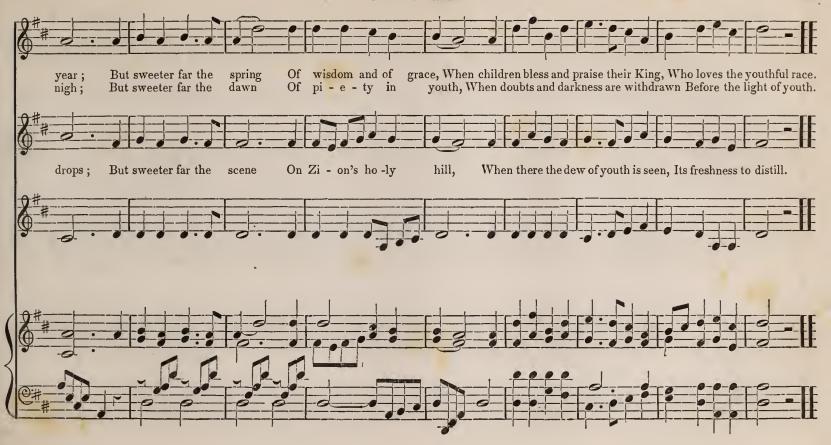




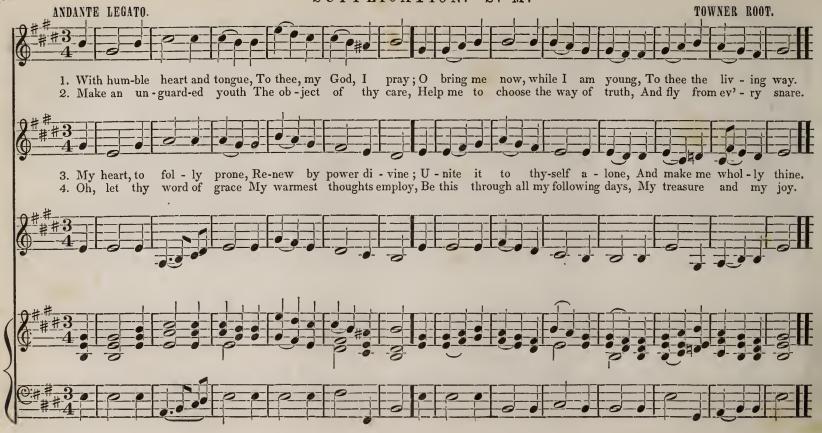


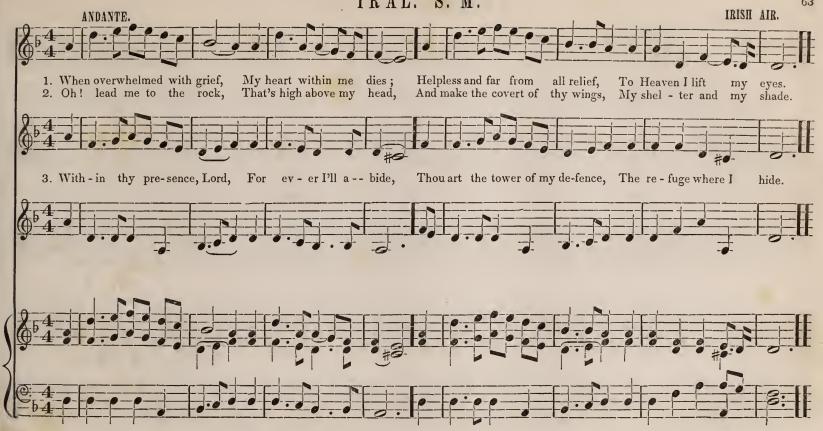




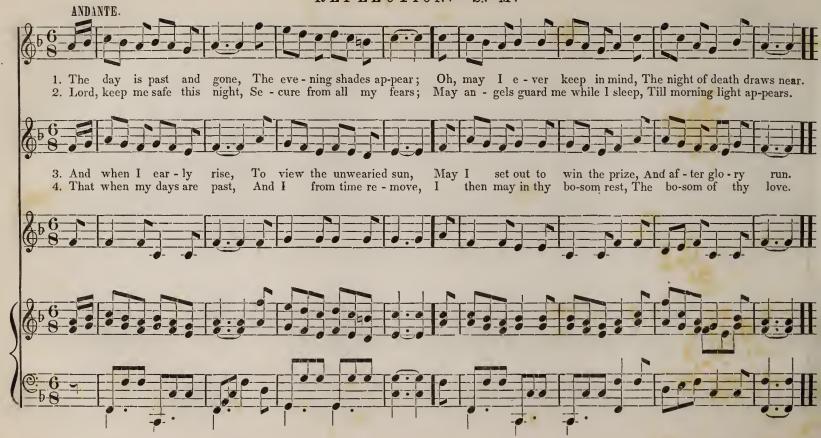


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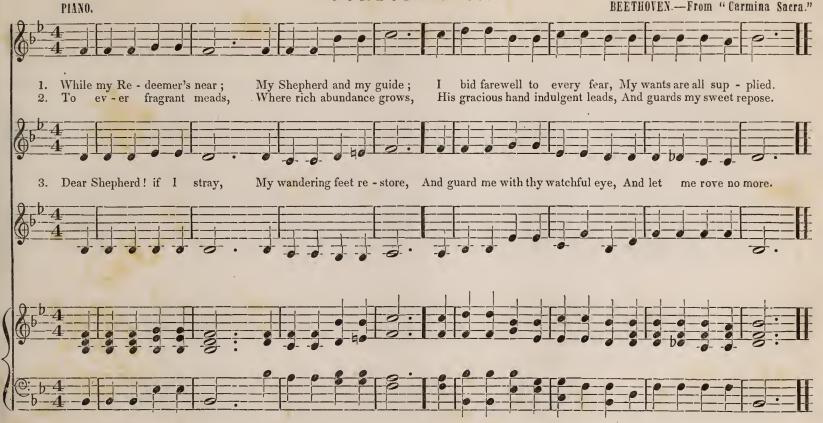




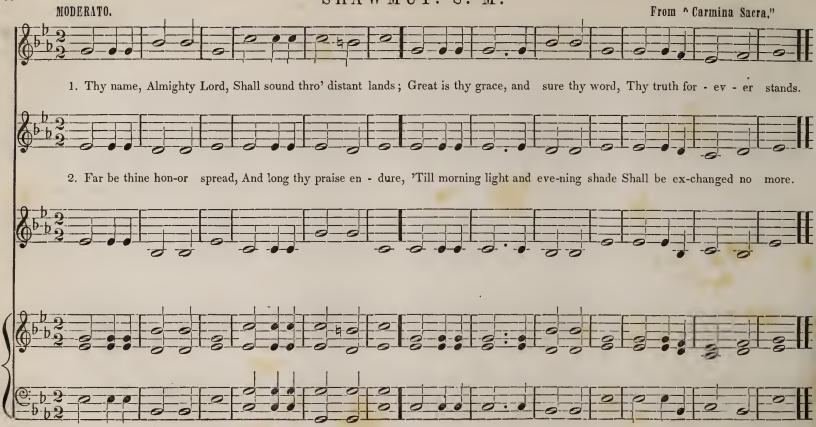
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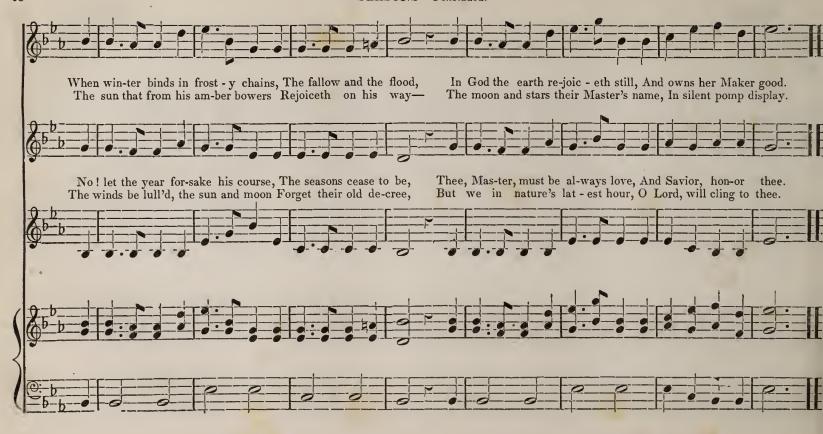


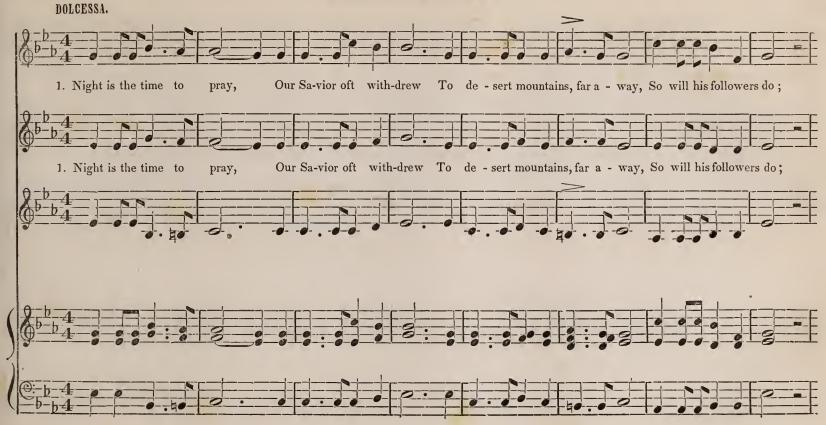
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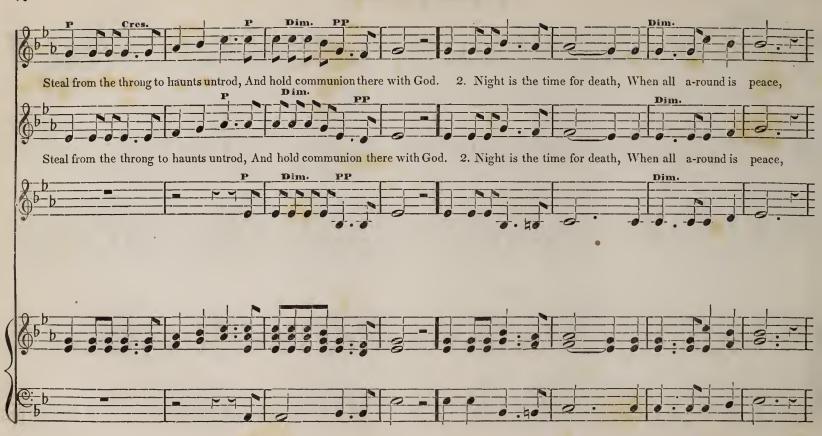


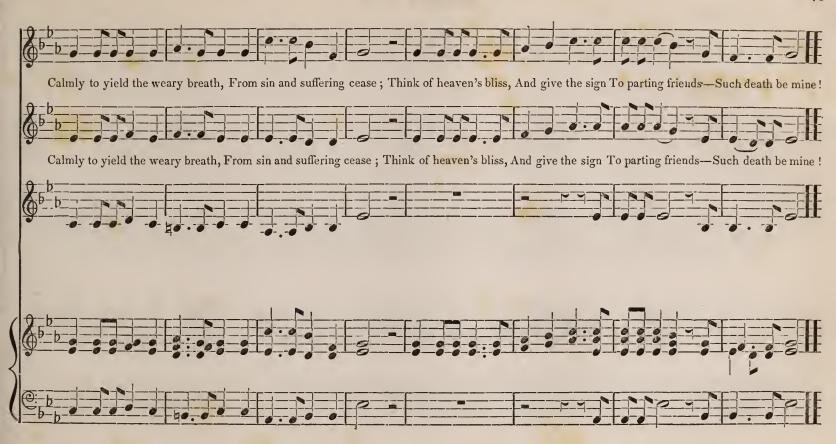
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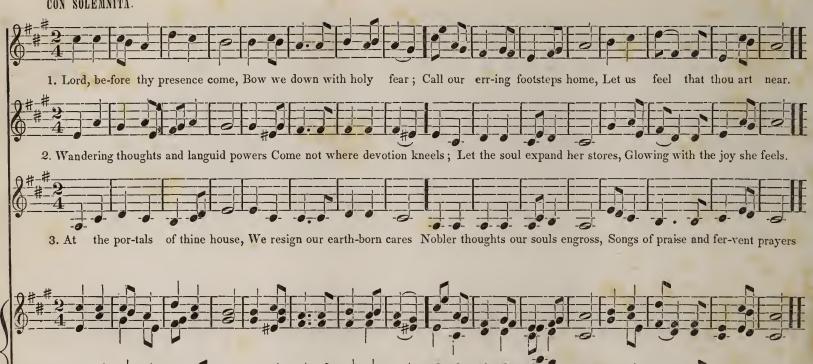




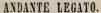


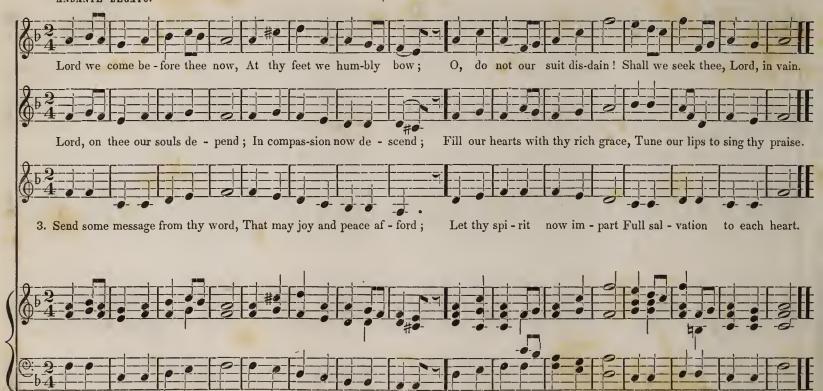


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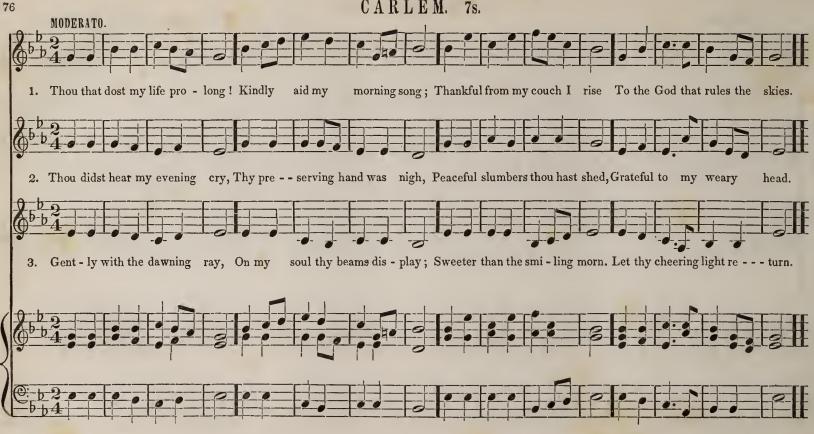




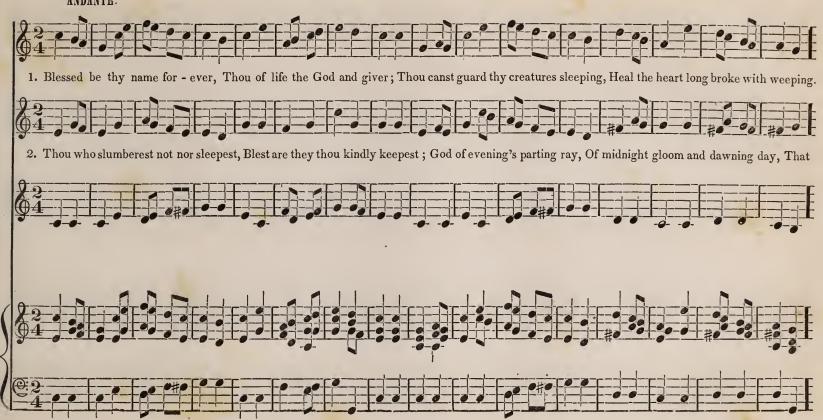


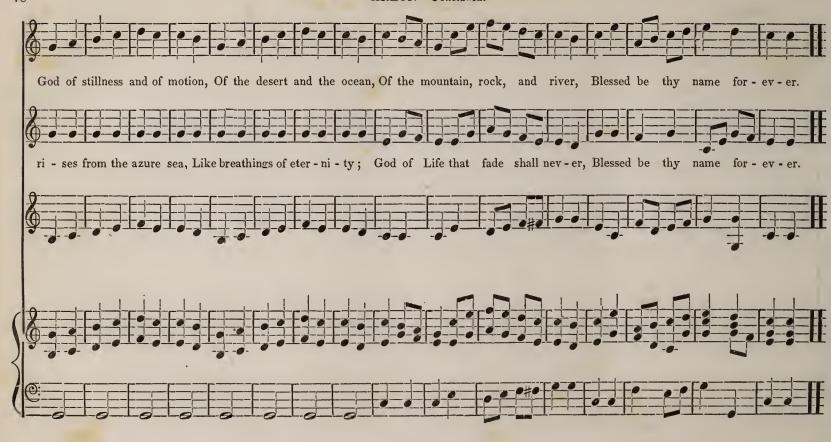


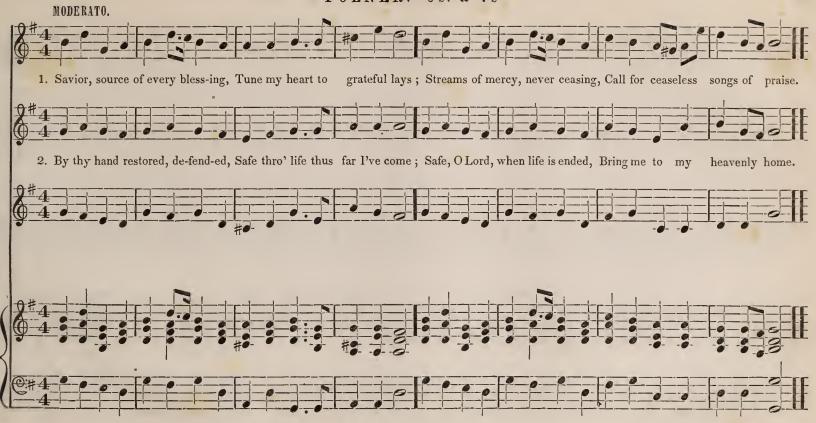




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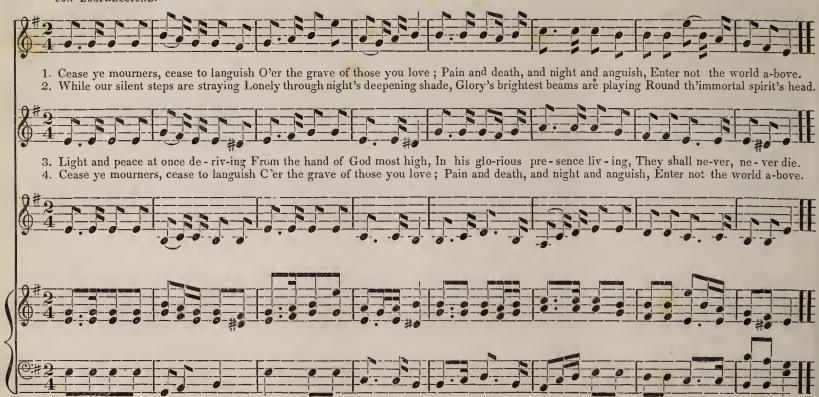


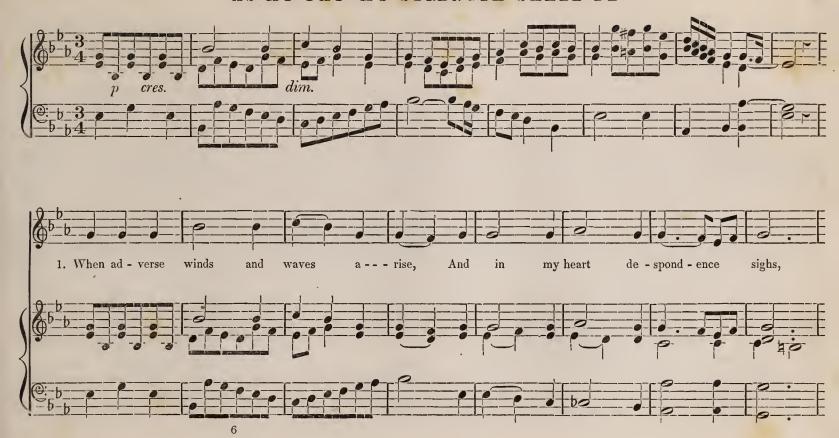


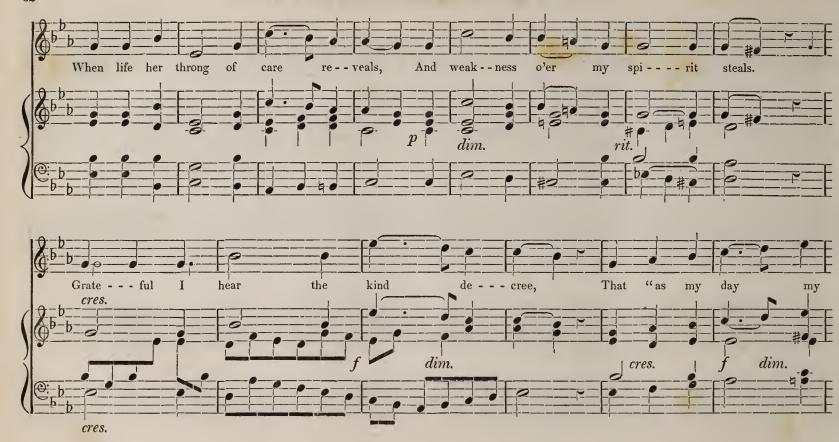


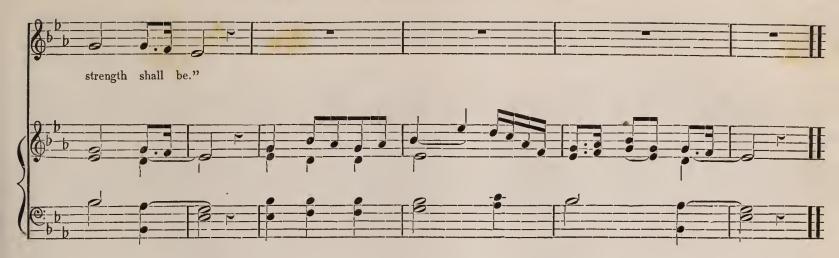
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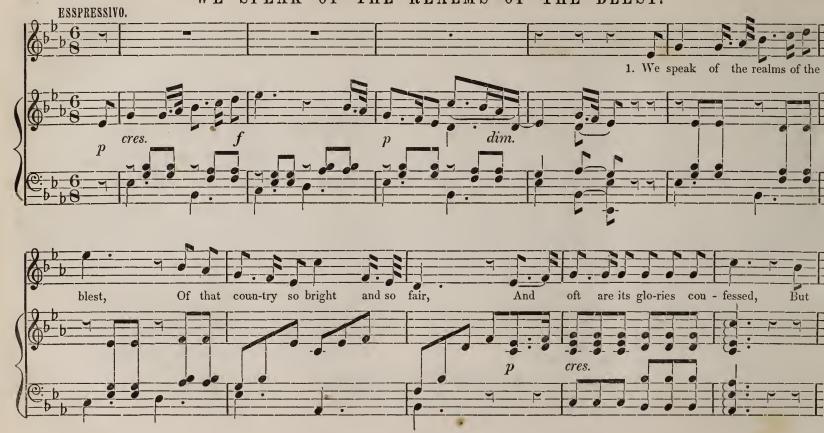
When with sad footstep, memory roves 'Mid smitten joys, and buried loves; When sleep my tearful pillow flies, And dewy morning drinks my sighs; Still to thy promise, Lord, I flee, That "as my day, my strength shall be."

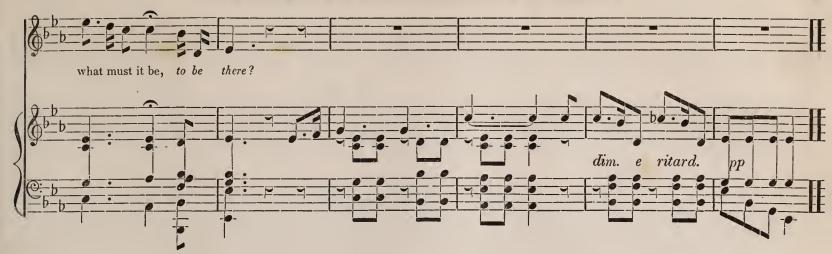
III.

One trial more must yet be past, One pang—the keenest, and the last; And when with brow convulsed and pale, My feeble, quivering heart-strings fail, * Redeemer, grant my soul to see, That "as her day, her strength shall be."

* Sing the small notes for this line.

WE SPEAK OF THE REALMS OF THE BLEST.





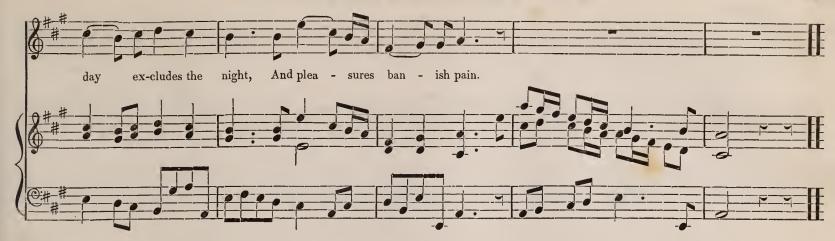
We speak of its pathways of gold,
Of its walls decked with jewels so rare,
Of its wonders and pleasures untold,
But what must it be, to be there?

III.

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?

Do thou, Lord, 'midst sorrow or wo, Still for heaven my spirit prepare, And shortly I also shall know And feel what it is, to be there?





There everlasting spring abides,
And never-fading flowers,
Death, like a narrow sea, divides
This heavenly land from ours.

Oh! could we make our doubts remove,
Those gloomy doubts that rise,
And see the Canaan that we love,
With unbeclouded eyes;

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.

TRUST IN HEAVEN.

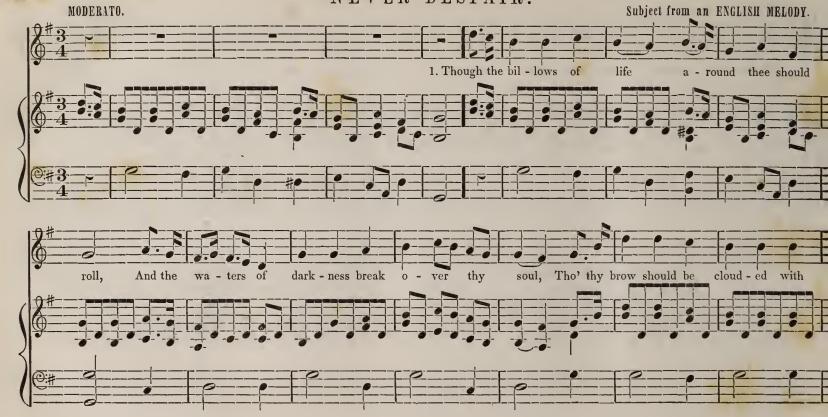


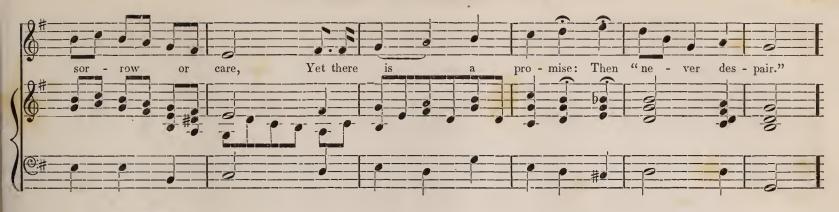


Trust in heaven! when there afar
Burneth many a glorious star;
Canst thou doubt, when thus their light
Gleams unshadowed through the night,
That protection may be given
To thy pillow? Trust in Heaven!

Trust in heaven! when one by one Sweet the waves of hope glide on, Leaving thee a wreck at last On the shore whence they have passed, Though thy heart be wrung and riven, Still for ever trust in Heaven!

NEVER DESPAIR.



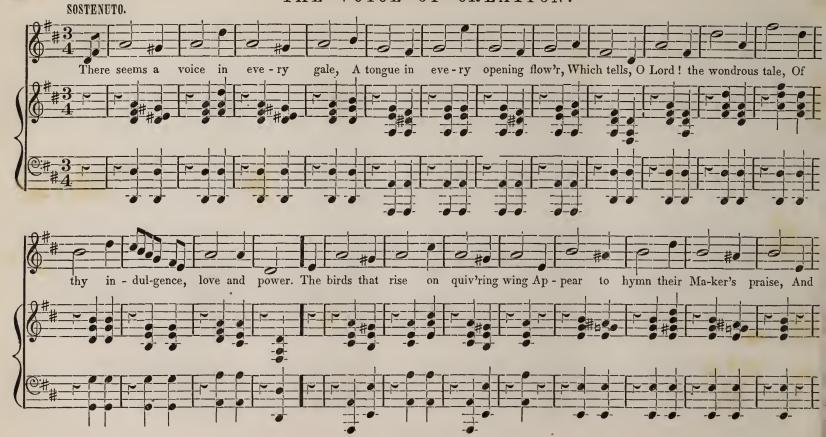


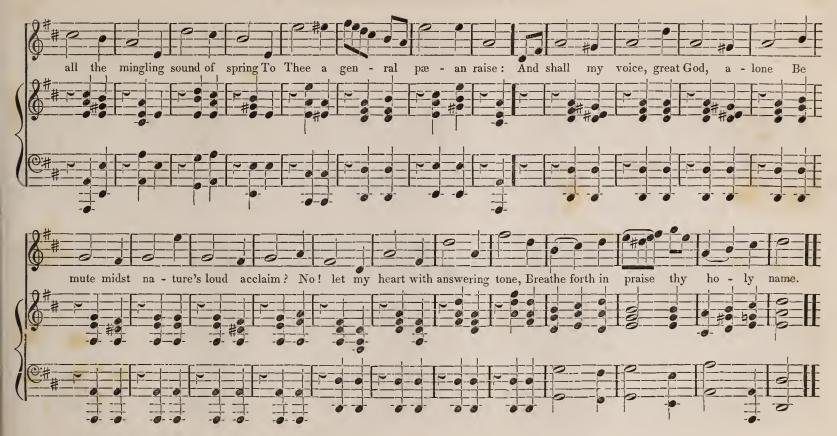


2. Though the wings of thy spirit be broken and crush'd, And the voice that is loved in eternity hush'd;
Though death blight the prospect of all that was fair—Yet there is a promise—then "never despair."

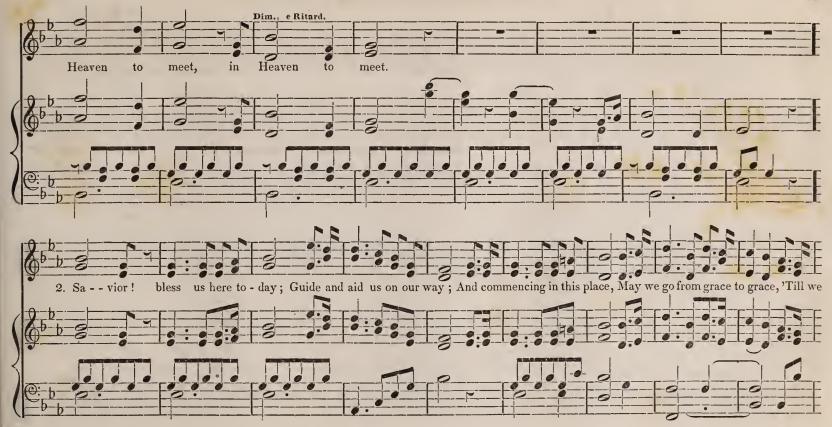
3. For that promise is life in bright Heaven above,
Where justice is throned with sweet mercy and love;
Where blessings immortal and glories divine
For the chosen of God everlastingly shine.

4. Then cling not to earth with its struggles and strife; Let it crush not thy spirit, though it darken thy life! But in thy dark moments of anguish and care, Remember the promise, and "never despair."



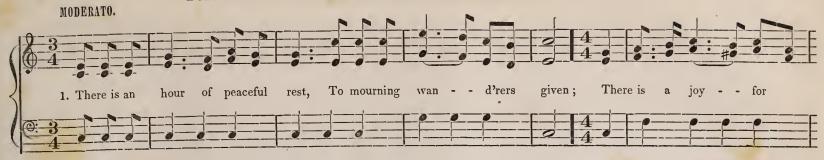


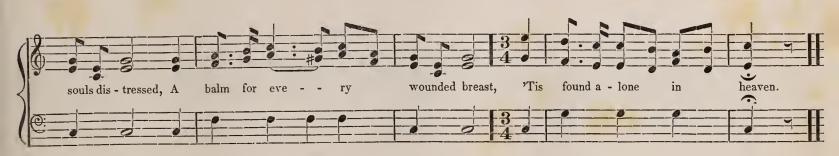






THERE IS AN HOUR OF PEACEFUL REST.





11.

There is a home for weary souls,
By sin and sorrow driven,
When tossed on life's tempestuous shoals,
Where storms arise and ocean rolls,
And all is drear but heaven

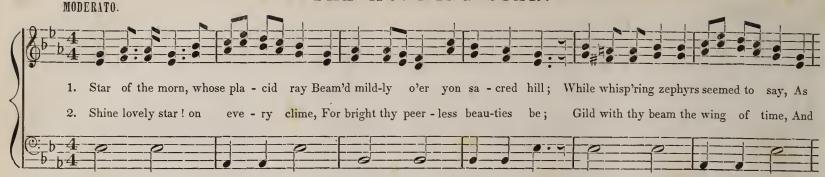
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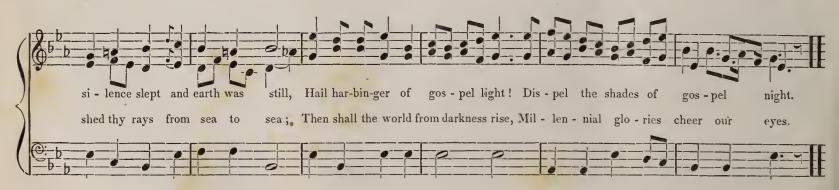
There faith lifts up her cheerful eye
To brighter prospects given,
And views the tempest passing by,
Sees evening shadows quickly fly,
And all serene in heaven.

IV.

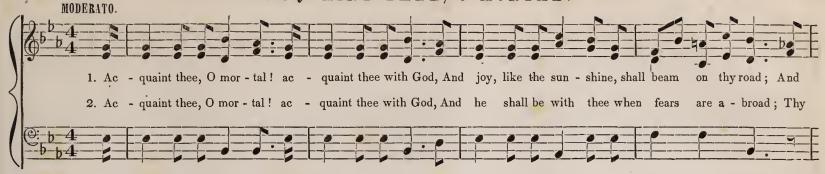
There fragrant flowers immortal bloom,
And joys supreme are given;
There rays divine disperse the gloom—
Beyond the dark and narrow tomb
Appears the dawn of heaven.

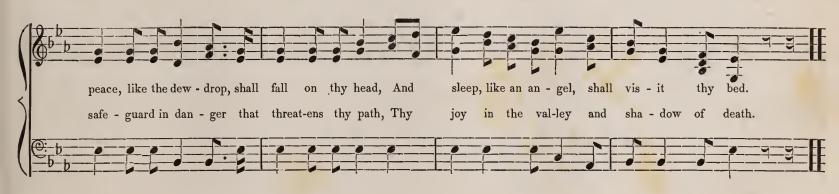
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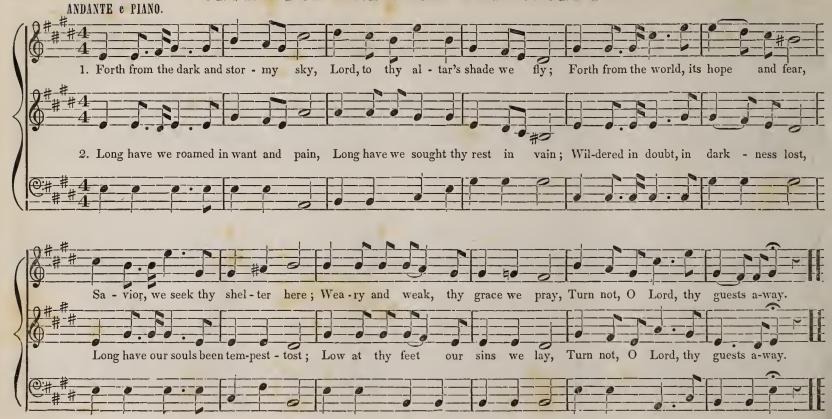


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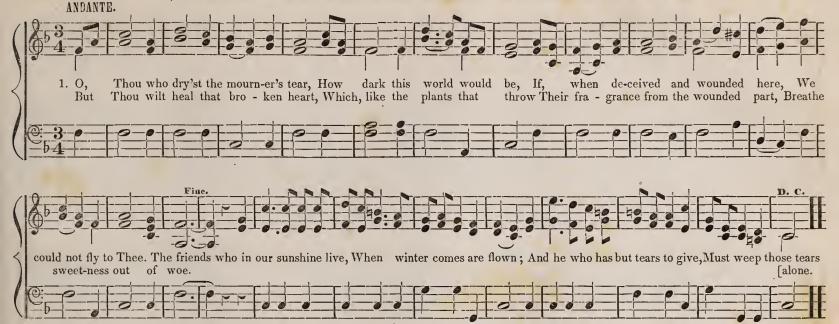




FORTH FROM THE DARK AND STORMY SKY.



O, THOU WHO DRYEST THE MOURNERS TEAR.



When joy no longer soothes or cheers,
 And even the hope that threw
 A moment's sparkle o'er our tears,
 Is dimm'd and vanished too!
 O, who would bear life's stormy doom,
 Did not thy wing of love

Come brightly wafting through the gloom
Our peace-branch from above!
Then sorrow touched by thee grows bright,
With more than rapture's ray,
As darkness shows us worlds of light
We never saw by day.



II.

When day with farewell beam delays
Among the opening clouds of even,
And we can almost think we gaze
Through golden vistas into heaven,
Those hues that mark the sun's decline,
So soft, so radiant, Lord, are thine.

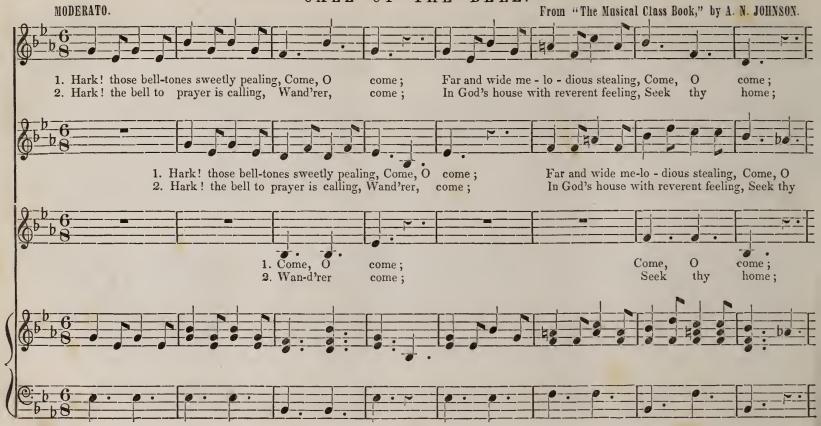
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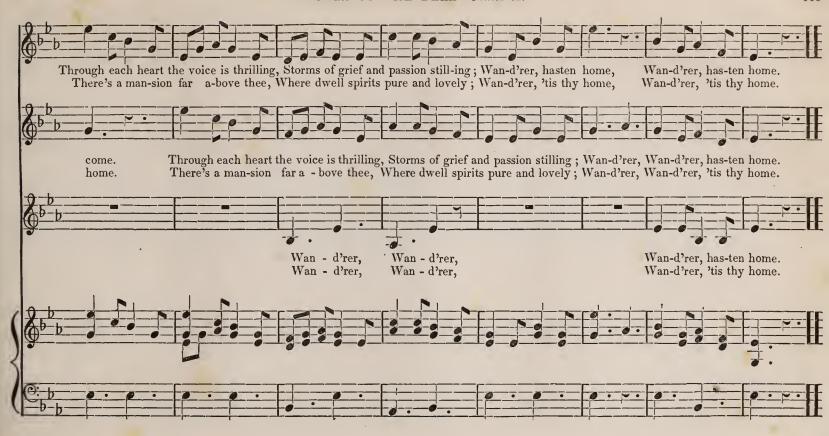
When night with wings of stormy gloom
O'ershadows all the earth and skies,
Like some dark beauteous bird, whose plume
Is sparkling with a thousand eyes;
That sacred gloom, those fires divine,
So grand, so countless, Lord, are thine.

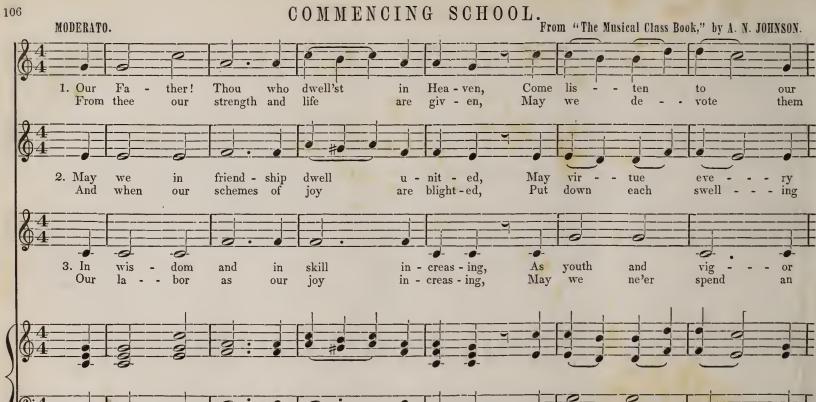
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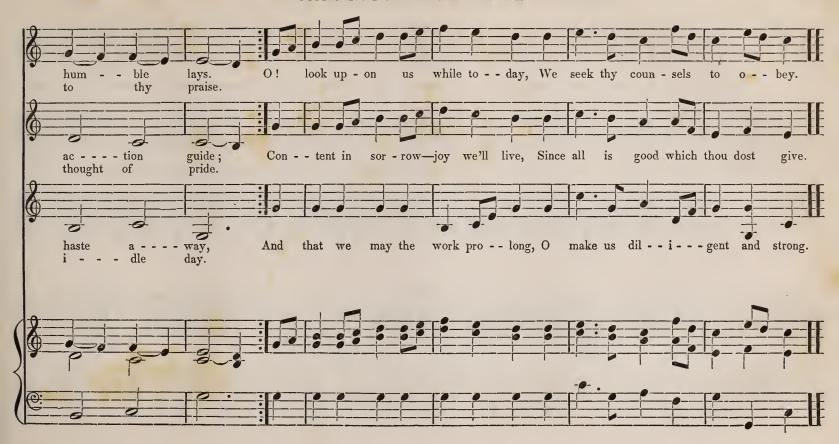
When youthful spring around us breathes,
Thy spirit warms her fragrant sigh,
And every flower the summer wreathes
Is born beneath that kindling eye;
Where'er we turn thy glories shine,
And all things fair and bright are thine.

CALL OF THE BELL.



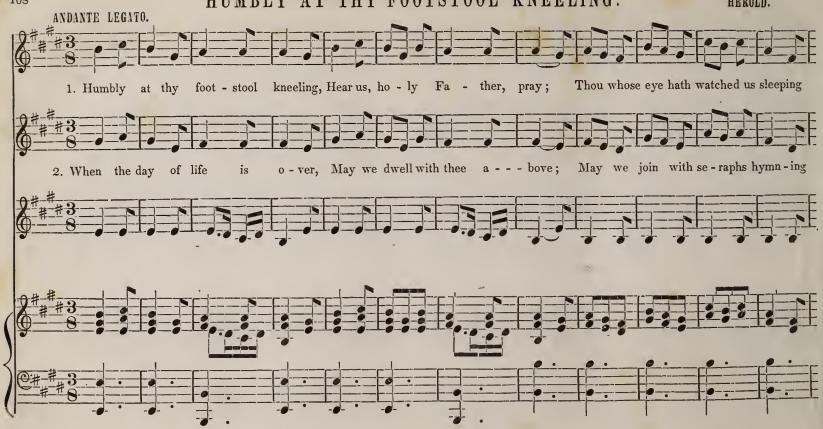


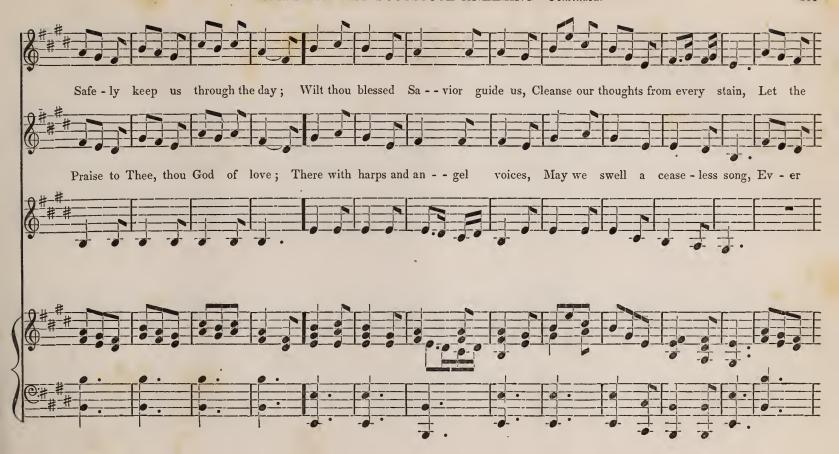


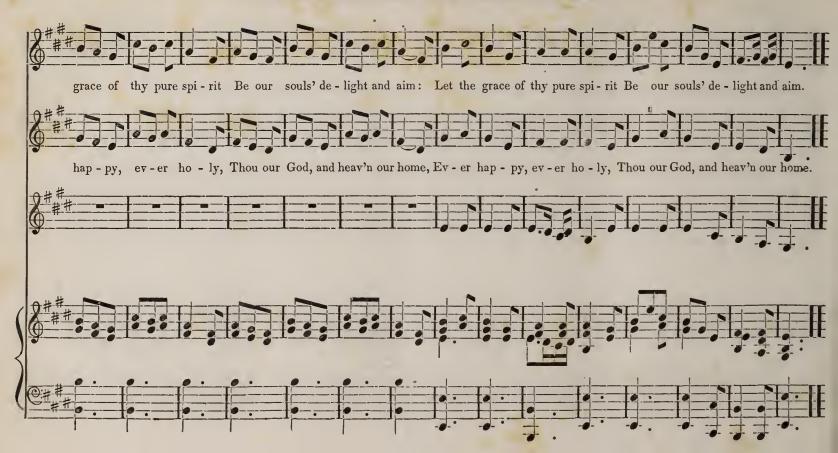


AT THY FOOTSTOOL KNEELING.

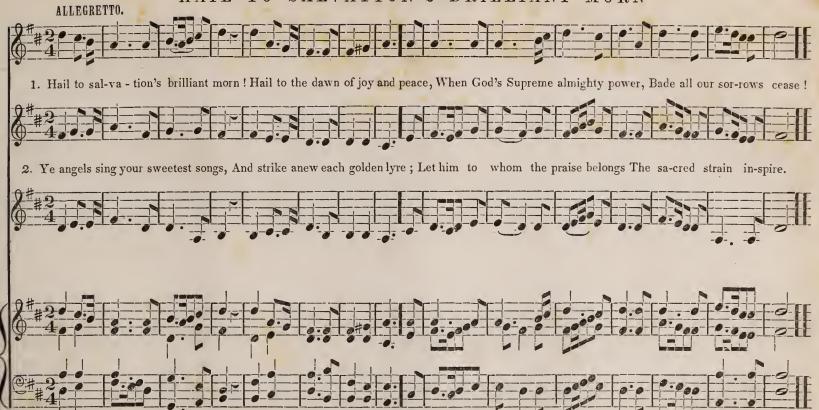
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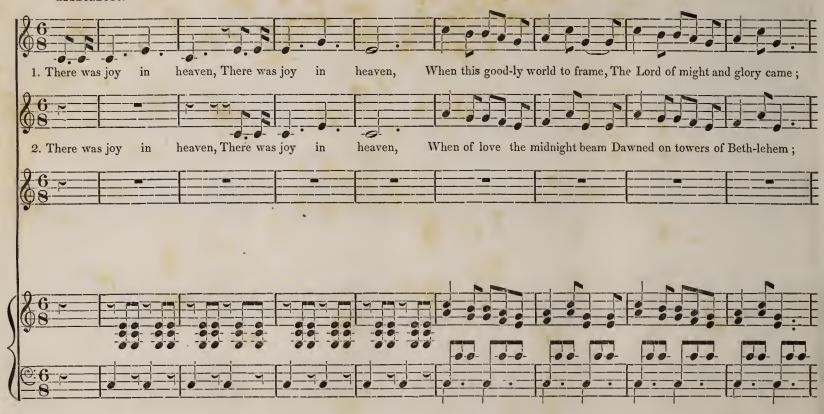


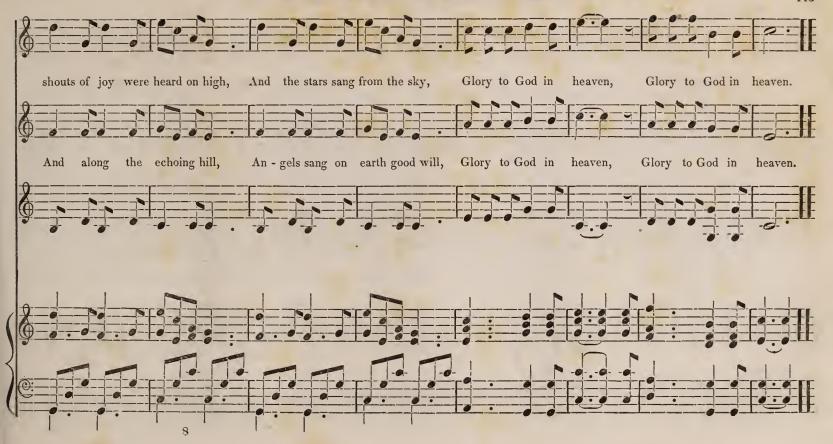


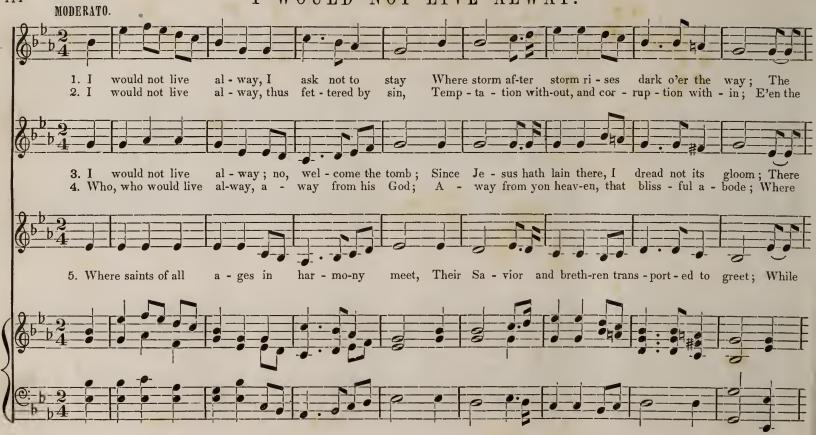
HAIL TO SALVATION'S BRILLIANT MORN!



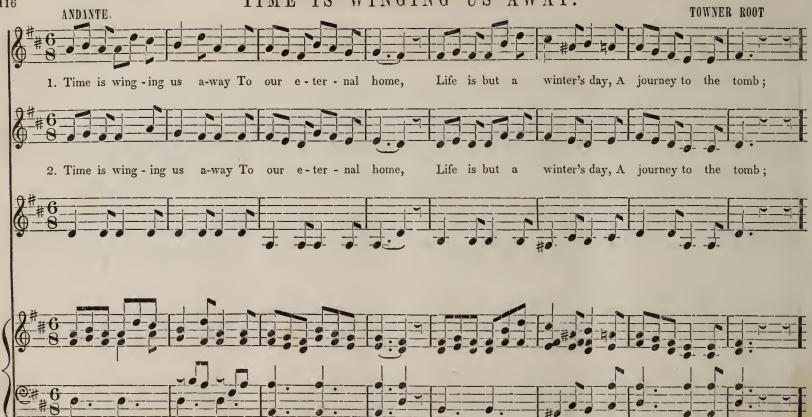
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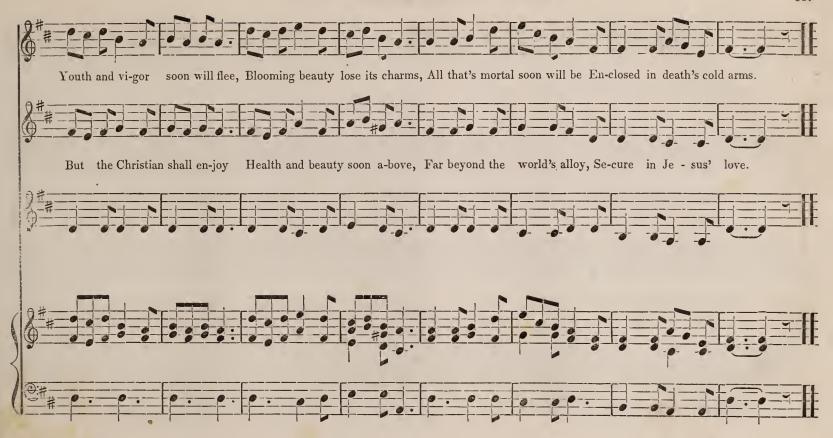




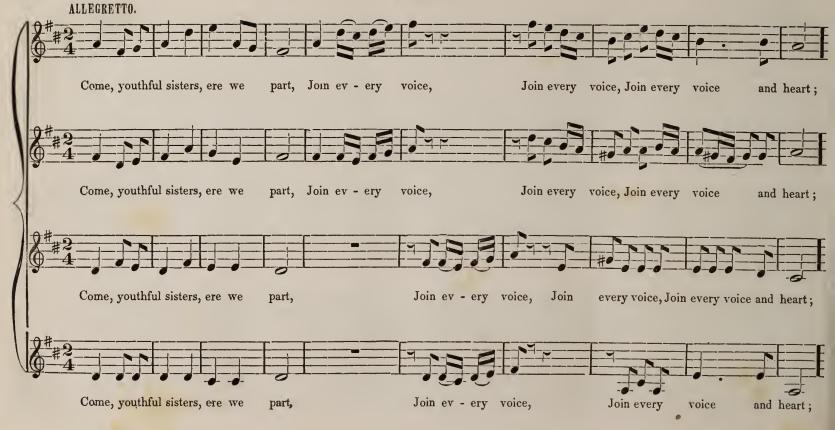


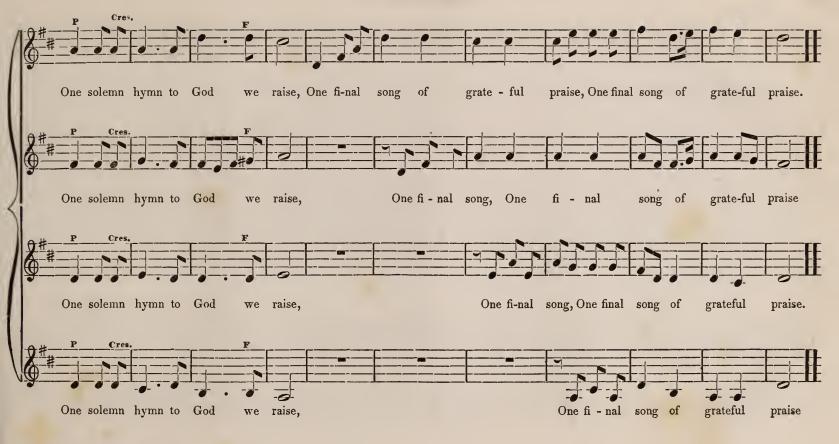




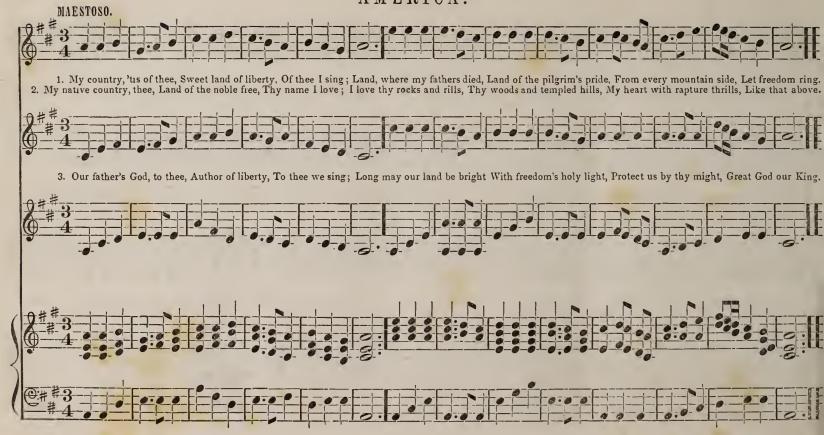


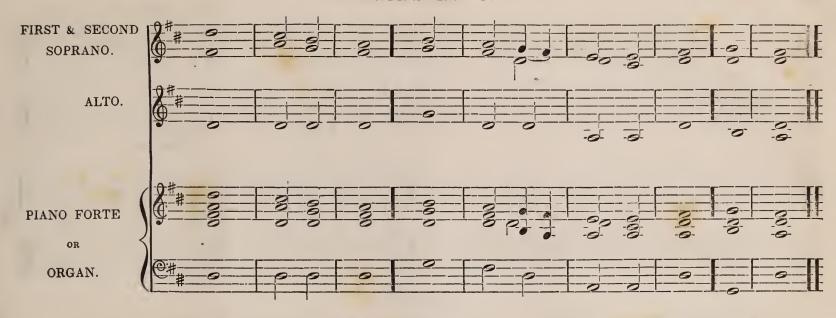
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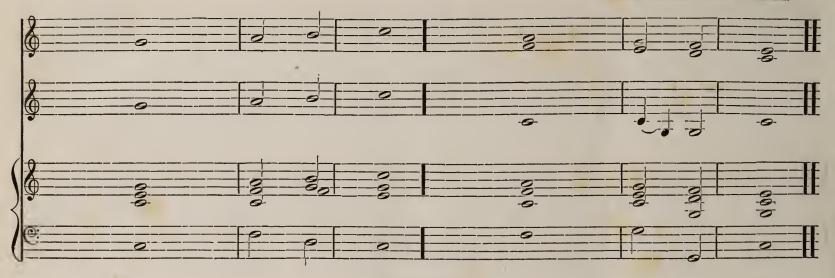




PSALM XCV.

O come, let us sing unto the Lord;
Let us make a joyful noise to the | Rock of . . our sal | vation.
For the Lord is a great God,
And a great | King a . . bove all | gods;
The sea is his, and he made it;
And his hands | formed the . . dry | land.

{ Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, } And make a joyful | noise . . unto | him with | psalms. } In his hand are all the deep places of the earth, } The strength of the | hills is | his — | also. } O come, let us worship and bow down, } Let us | kneel be . . fore the | Lord our | Maker.—A . . men.



PSALM CXXI.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,
From whence | cometh..my | help.
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved;
He that keepeth thee | will not | slumber.
The Lord is thy keeper;

The Lord is thy shade upon thy | right — | hand.
The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil;
He shall pre- | serve thy | soul.

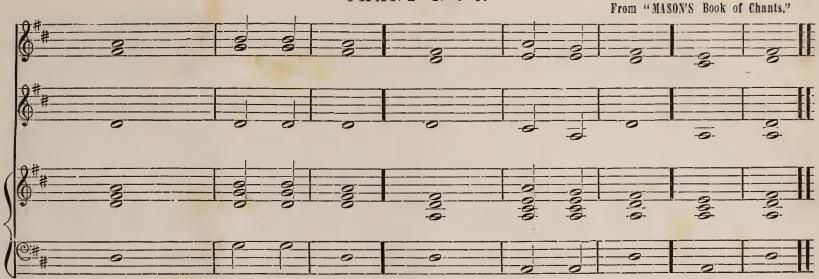
My help cometh from the Lord, Which made | heaven . . and earth. Behold, he that keepeth Israel,

Shall not | slumber .. nor sleep.

The sun shall not smite thee by day,

Nor the | moon by | night.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in, From this time forth, and even forevermore. | A — | men

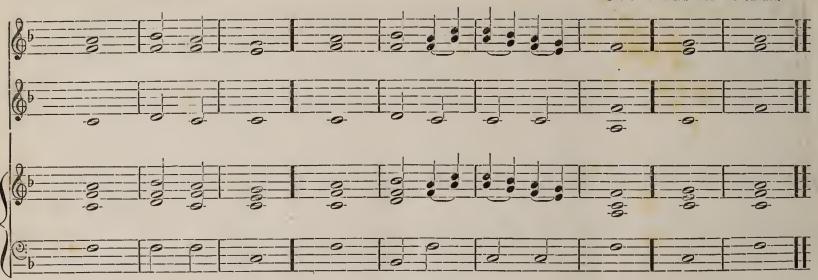


PSALM XXIII.

{ The Lord is my shepherd, I | shall not | want; He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, He leadeth me beside the still | wa -- | ters. He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me In the paths of righteousness for his | name's -- | sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

Yea, though I waik through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;
Thy rod and thy staff they | comfort | me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies,
Thou anointest my head with oil; my | cup. runneth | over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for | ev — | er.—A.. men.



The Lord is merciful and gracious,
Slow to anger, and a | bundant . in | mercy;
He hath not dealt with us after our sins,

Nor rewarded us according to | our in | iquities.

As fir as the east is from the west,

So far hath he removed our trans | gressions | from us.

For he knoweth our frame;

He remembereth that | we are | dust.

PSALM CIII., 8-14.

{ He will not always chide, }
{ Neither will he | keep his | anger..for | ever. }
{ For as the heaven is high above the earth, }
{ So great is his mercy toward | them that | fear — | him.

Like as a father pitieth his children,

So the Lord pitieth | them that | fear - | him.

He knoweth our frame,

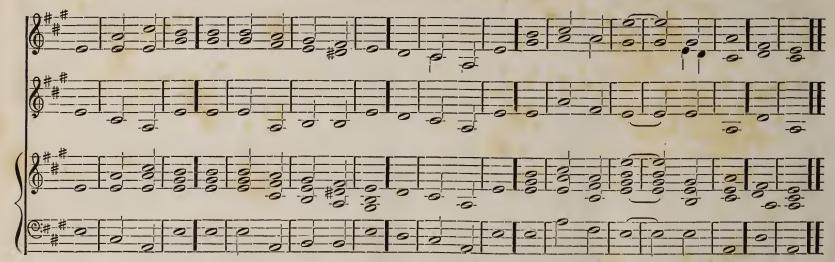
He remembereth that | we, that | we are | dust.—A | men.



- I know—I feel how mean, and how unworthy
 The lowly sacrifice I | pour be- | fore thee:
 What can I offer thee, O Thou most holy!
 But | sin and | folly.
- 3. Lord, in thy sight, who ev'ry bosom viewest,
 Cold in our warmest vows and | vain our | truest:
 Thoughts of a hurrying hour—our lips repeat them—
 Our | hearts for | get them.
- 4. We see thy hand—it leads us—it supports us:
 We hear thy voice, it counsels, ... and it | courts us;

And then we turn away! and still thy kindness For- | gives our | blindness!

- 5. Who can resist thy gentle call, appealing
 To ev'ry gen'rous thought and | grateful | feeling!
 Oh! who can hear the accents of thy mercy,
 And | never | love thee.
- 6. Kind Benefactor! plant within this bosom
 The | seeds of | holiness, | and let them blossom
 In fragrance and in beauty bright and vernal,
 And | spring e- | ternal.
- Then place them in those everlasting gardens,
 Where angels walk, and | seraphs .. are the | wardens;
 Where every flow'r brought safe through death's dark portal,
 Be- | comes im- | mortal. | A- | men. [Bewring.



When marshall'd on the nightly plain,
 The glittering host be- | stud the | sky,
 One star alone, of all the train,
 Can fix the | sinner's | wandering | eye.
 Hark! hark! to God the chorus breaks,
 From every host, from | ev'ry | gem;
 But one alone, the Savior speaks,—
 It is the | Star, the | Star of | Bethlehem!

Once on the raging seas I rode;
 The storm was loud, the | night was | dark,
 The ocean yawn'd and rudely blow'd
 The wind that | toss'd my | foundering | bark:

STAR OF BETHLEHEM.

Deep horror then my vitals froze,
Death-struck, I ceas'd the | tide to | stem;
When suddenly a star arose,—
It was the | Star, the | Star of | Bethlehem!

3. It was my guide, my light, my all:

It made my dark fore- | bodings | cease;

And through the storm, and danger's thrall,

It | led me.. to the | port of | peace.

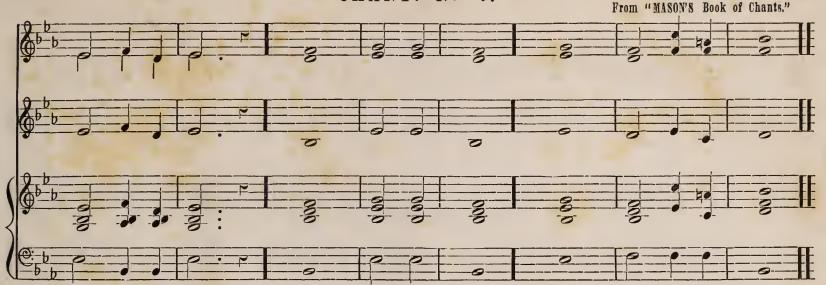
Now safely moor'd, my perils o'er,

I'll sing, | first.. in night's | diadem,

For ever and for evermore,

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The | Star! the | Star of | Bethlehem! | A- | men. [H.K. White.



"THY WILL BE DONE."

"Thy will be | done!" | In devious way
The hurrying stream of | life may | run; |
Yet still our grateful hearts shall say, |
"Thy will be | done."

"Thy will be | done!" | If o'er us shine A gladd'ning and a | prosp'rous | sun, '

This prayer will make it more divine— | "Thy will be | done."

"Thy will be done!" | Though shrouded o'er Our | path with | gloom | one comfort—one Is ours:—to breathe, while we adore, |
"Thy will be | done."

Bowring.

Close by repeating the first two measures, Thy will be done.

From "MASON'S Book of Chants."



Thou maker of my vital frame,
 Unveil thy face, pro- | nounce thy | name;
 Shine to my sight, and let the ear
 Which thou hast | form'd, thy | language | hear;
 Divide ye clouds, and let me see
 The Power that | gives me | leave to | be

2. Where is thy residence? Oh! why
Dost thou avoid my | searching | eye:
Mysterious being! Great Unknown

Say, do the | clouds con- | ceal thy | throne?
Or art thou all diffus'd abroad,
Through boundless | space, a | present | God?

3. Is there not some delightful art

To feel thy | presence . at my | heart?

To hear thy whispers, soft and kind,

In | holy | silence . of the | mind?—

Then rest my thoughts; no longer roam

In quest of | joy—for | heaven's at | home! | A- | men.

[Watts.

