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"Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God."

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TO
THE MOURNERS IN ZION

ARE

THESE VERSES HUMELY OFFERED,

WITH AN EARNEST PRAYER,

THAT NOTWITHSTANDING THEIR MANY IMPERFECTIONS,

GOD MAY BLESS THEM TO THE COMFORT

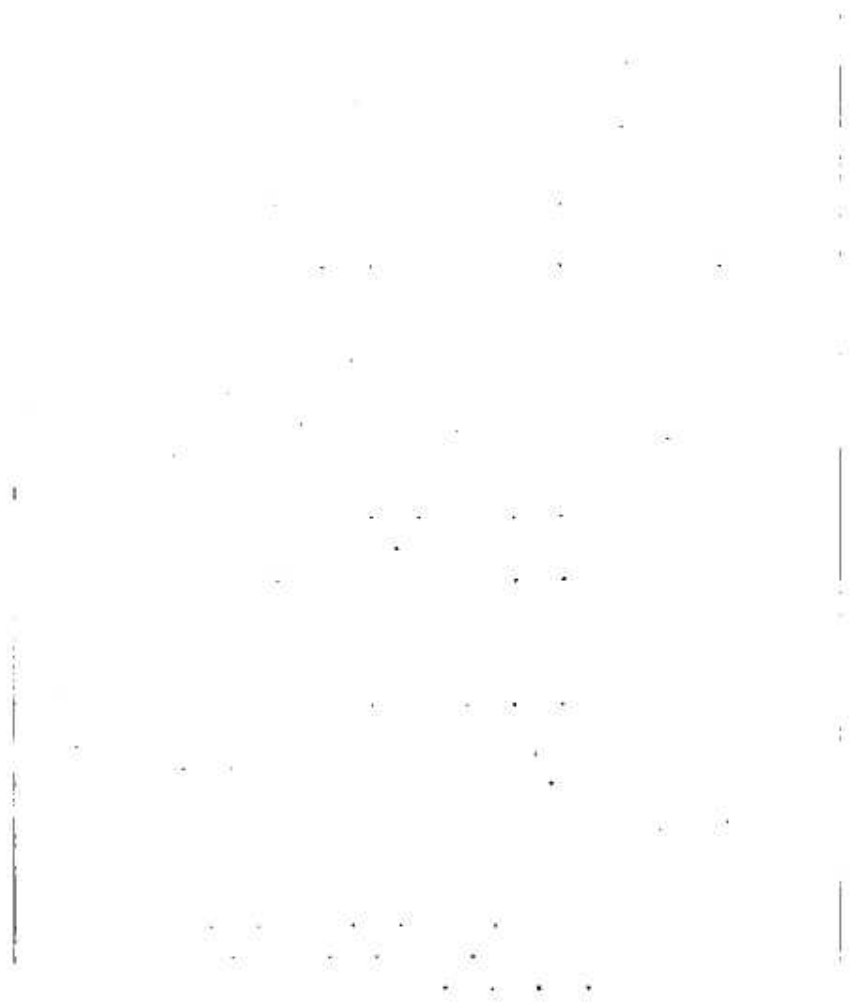
OF HIS CHASTENED OFFSPRING.

LENT, 1849.

G. H. S.

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THOUGHTS FOR THE AFFLICTED.

I.

Redemption.

“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”—*St. Matt. xi. 28.*

Ah, did He leave the realms of light,
His glorious throne for me ?
Yes sinner, Christ did once forsake
His Father's house for thee.

And was He clothed in mortal flesh,
In human form for me ?
Yes sinner, Christ did once become
A little babe for thee.

Or did He fast and, fainting, pray ;
Afflict His soul for me ?
Yes sinner, Christ did oft endure
A bitter pang for thee,

And was He scorned, and scourged, and mocked,
And buffeted for me?
Yes sinner, Christ did e'en submit
To cruel taunts for thee.

Say, did He groan, and bleed, and die,
Upon the cross for me?
Yes sinner, He, in boundless love,
Did shed His blood for thee.

And did He go to regions dark
To vanquish death for me?
Yes sinner, and from gloomy grave
Christ rose again for thee.

And is He gone to God's right hand
To intercede for me?
Yes sinner, with His Father now,
In heaven, He pleads for thee.

Then, there is hope of life and peace,
Of pardon, e'en for me?
Yes sinner, if thou go to Him,
From sin He'll rescue thee.

With Jesu I will refuge take,
To Him for help I'll flee :
Haste sinner, Jesus gladly hails,
And angels welcome thee !

Yes Saviour, I, a sinner, come
With contrite heart to Thee ;
Forgive, O graciously forgive,
And, smiling, look on me !

O send thy Holy Spirit, Lord,
With love to quicken me ;
That so, for evermore, I may
Devote my life to Thee.