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TO

HIS GRACE THE PRESIDENT

AND TO

THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

OF

The Society for the Propagation of the
Gospel in Foreign Parts,

THESE

SONGS OF THE CHURCH

ARE

RESPECTFULLY DEDICATED

BY

THEIR DEVOTED PRESBYTER AND MISSIONARY,

WILLIAM BULLOCK.

P R E F A C E .

THESE "Psalms and Hymns and Spiritual Songs" were written amidst the various scenes of Missionary life, and intended to promote the work of piety in which the Missionary is engaged; and they are dedicated to the Great Missionary Society which has been the Vanguard of the English Church, in all the colonies of the English Crown. It is not in the vain expectation that the volume will exalt the Society, or spread her renown, but, that the Author may express his own admiration of the true catholic spirit, with which, in the most difficult times, she has conducted her noble enterprise; and the grateful sense which he entertains of the care with which she provides both for the usefulness and the comfort of her Missionaries, one of whom he has been for thirty-two years.

During that time the Author has seen the work of the Society increase with amazing rapidity, and

although public sympathy and public liberality have not kept pace with her zeal, she has steadily pursued her course through good and evil report, extending the Episcopate to all the habitable parts of the empire, and girdling the whole earth with a belt of evangelical glory.

These Songs of the Church are written and arranged for private and domestic use, to aid our fellow-Christians who have settled in our new countries, and are deprived of the stated services of the sanctuary; and it is hoped that, by connecting the subject of the Hymn with these services, they may at once promote sound piety, and keep alive and cherish an affection for the Church.

To render them more generally useful, the Author has endeavored to preserve as much simplicity as possible. He hopes, however, that he has not adopted a phraseology unworthy of the subject, or which may, in any manner, offend the taste and judgment of the well-educated reader.

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA,
July, 1854.

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