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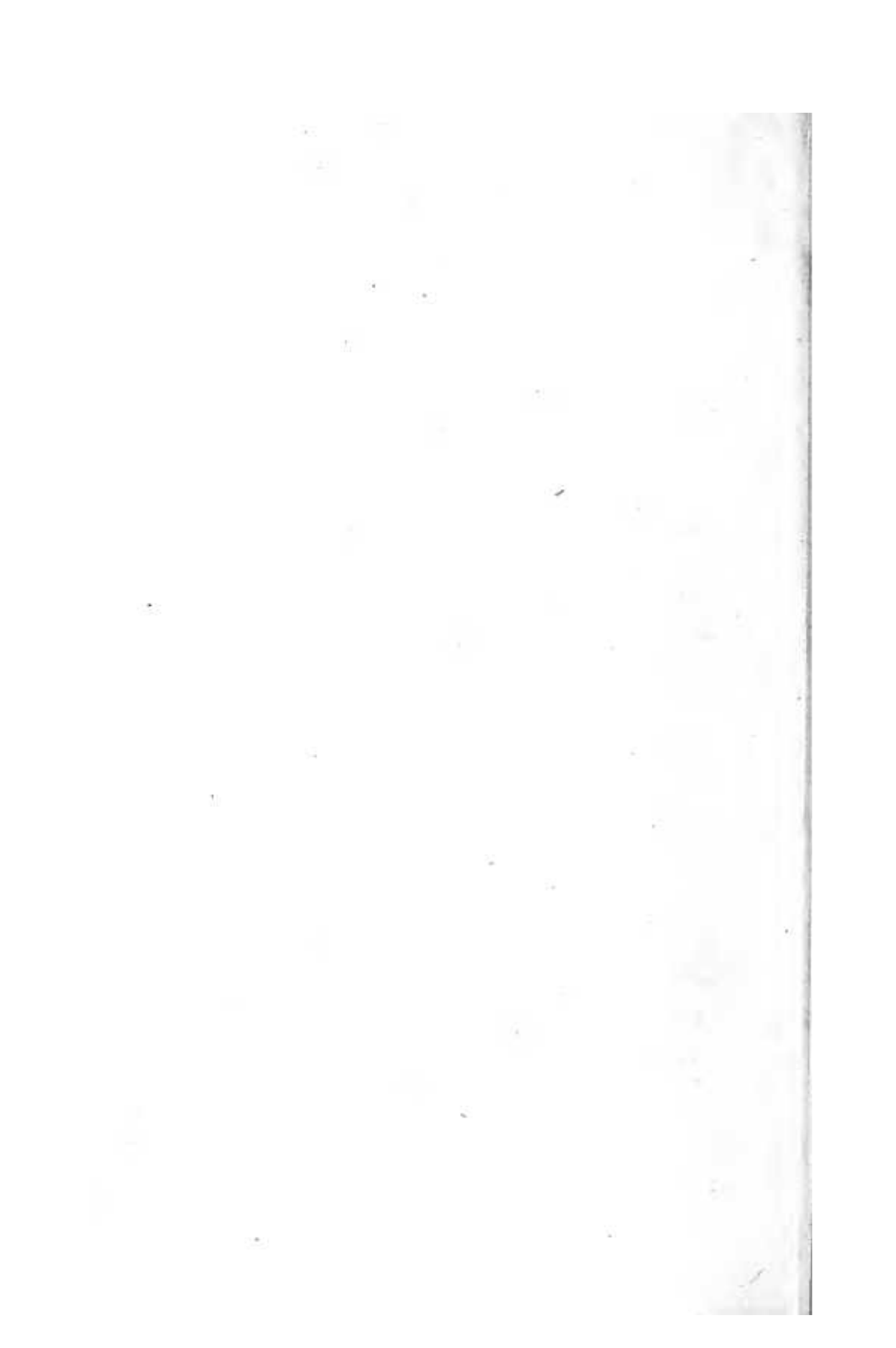
A NEW EDITION, CORRECTED AND ENLARGED.

Every one that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant; even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer.

Holy Scriptures.

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THE following pages contain all the poetical compositions of the author, that, in his present mood of mind, he considers worthy of being submitted to the notice of the reader. The most of them have been repeatedly before the public, and have already had their modicum of approbation. All of them, however, have been carefully revised, some of them, he flatters himself, considerably improved. Be this as it may, he has so far had his reward. The composing of them soothed the toils and softened the trials of his youth, the revising of them has contributed to lighten some weary hours of approaching old age darkened with clouds of irremediable sorrow. To the gentlemen, not numerous but highly respectable, by whose patronage he has been enabled to print this edition, especially for the manner in which that patronage has been bestowed, he returns his best thanks. Their kindness has been to his failing spirit like the tranquil beam of the purple evening, shining out upon the closing shadows of a dark and cloudy day.

GLASGOW, Dec., 1838.

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry should be supported by a valid receipt or invoice to ensure transparency and accountability.

In addition, it is crucial to review these records regularly to identify any discrepancies or errors. This process helps in maintaining the integrity of the financial data and allows for timely corrections.

The second section outlines the procedures for handling incoming payments. It details the steps from receiving a payment to recording it in the system, ensuring that all necessary documentation is filed and the accounts are updated accordingly.

Furthermore, the document provides guidelines for managing outgoing payments. It stresses the need for clear communication with vendors and the importance of verifying the accuracy of bills before making any disbursements.

Finally, the document concludes by highlighting the role of regular audits in ensuring the overall health of the organization's finances. It encourages a proactive approach to financial management to prevent potential issues before they arise.

By following these guidelines, the organization can ensure that its financial operations are conducted in a professional and compliant manner, leading to long-term success and stability.

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PREFACE

TO THE

FOURTH EDITION OF THE POOR MAN'S SABBATH.

THE Sabbath, whether we advert to its institution, its present effects, or its ultimate end, is calculated to excite admiration, gratitude, and love. Instituted by God, as commemorative, through all his wide dominions, of his having, in six days, created, out of nothing, this fair earth, with all its inhabitants, and these high heavens, with all their resplendent hosts, it was once—may we suppose—celebrated in unison by all his rational offspring, “When,” according to the lofty language of inspiration, “the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy.”

Of these sons of the morning, however, many, perhaps the brightest of them, fell from their high estate, and, “reserved in chains under darkness,” have had no more Sabbaths or Sabbath songs. Yet, “How unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!” God, in the manifestation of his mercy, hath, through this blessed institution, breathed balm into the wounds of a fallen world; and, constituting it a perpetual and irrefragable witness