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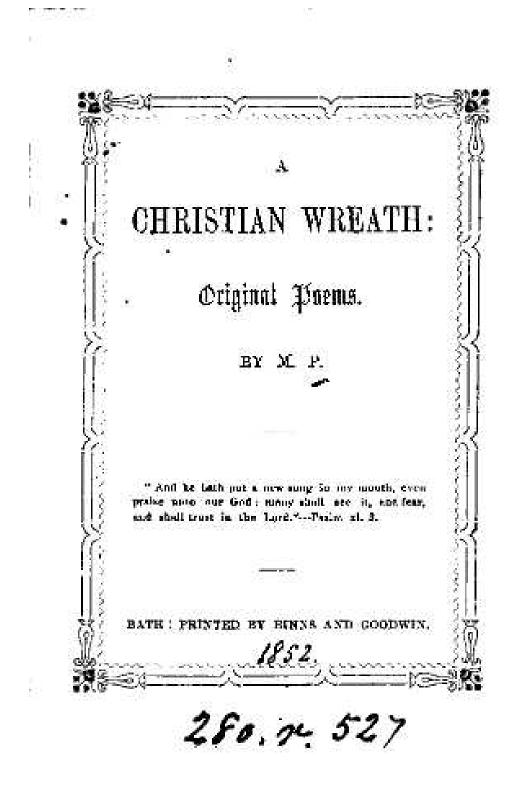
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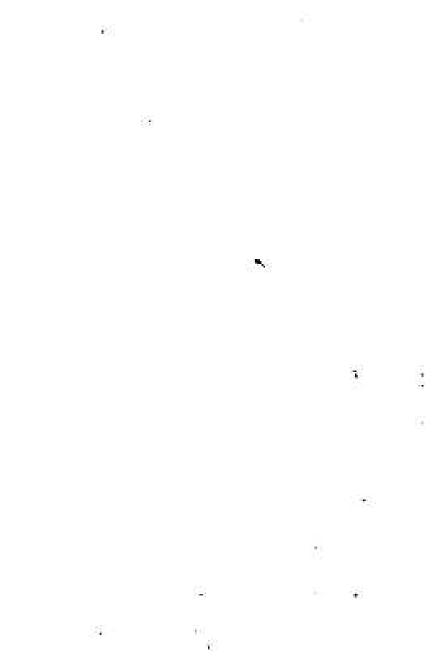
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PREATUE on my Wreath, blast Spirit, let the fire

Warm from Thy burning altar, now inspire
A feeble worm, Thine unction pour on me,
Tuning my heart's full melody to Thee.
Teach me to celebrate a Saviour's praise,
And sing His glories in these humble lays.
Jesus, I feel Thy love, I know Thy grace
Has cleansed my soul, and checked my sinful race.

I cannot doubt, blest Lord, that I am Thine, Humbly believing, I can call Thee mine.

THE INVOCATION.

Like a deep tide Thy beauteous glories roll, And fill with heavenly joy my reptured soul. Shrined in my inmost heart, Thy name shall

be

A bed of sweets, and holy fragrancy.

Lord, I shall meet Thee soon, these mortal eyes

Without a veil, shall see Thee in the skies! This carthly frame shall Thy full image bear, Know Thy deep love and all Thy glory share. The Father's grace chose a pure bride for theo. Ere worlds were made, or man was formed to

be;

And every member of Tby church shall shine A living star, with lustre all divine;

Shall dwoll with Thee in ages yet to come,

Bought by Thy blood to share Thy heavenly home.

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THE INFANT JESUS.

"For unto as a child is born, rate as a sea is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder; and His name shall be asled Wenderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, the everissting Father, the Prince of peace,"—Issish ix, δ ,

"And thou shalt call His name Jeans : for He shall save His people from their sina."--Matt. i. 21,

'Tis eve, and wearied Nature sinks to rest, The glorious sun sots in the golden west; A soft dew falls on every herb and flower, The warbling birds retire to tree and bower.

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