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# Psalmodist's Assistant:

CONTAINING

AN ORIGINAL COMPOSITION OF PSALM AND HYMN TUNES;

TOGETHER WITH

A Number of FAVOURITE PIECES from different Authors.

TO WHICH IS PREFIXED

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE GROUNDS OF MUSIC.

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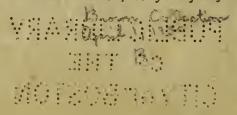
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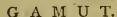
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## An Introduction to the Grounds of Music.





Above mi is twice fa, fol, la, and below mi is twice la, fol, fa, and then comes mi again, either way.

From mi to fa, and from la to fa, are but half tones.

The natural place for mi is in B.

If B be flat, mi is in E. If F be sharp, mi is in F.

If B and E be flat, mi is in A. If F and C be sharp, mi is in C. If B, E and A be flat, mi is in D. If F, C and G be sharp, mi is in G.

If B, E, and D be flat, mi is in D. If F, C, and D be flarp, mi is in D.

If F,C,G and D be flarp, mi is in D.

Semibreve Minim Crotchet. Quaver. Semiquaver. Demifemiquaver. Netcs.

The semibreve is now the longest note used in music.

The minim is but half the length of the femibreve. The crotchet is but half the length of the minim.

The quaver is but half the length of the minim.

The quaver is but half the length of the crotchet.

The semiquaver is but half the length of the quaver.

The demisemiquaver is but half the length of the semiquaver.

Thus, one semibreve contains two minims, or four crotchets, or eight quavers, or fixteen semiquavers, or thirty-two demisemiquavers.

Rests are notes of silence, which signify that you must be filent so

long time as it takes to found the notes they represent.

A stave is the five lines with their spaces, on which the notes are written.

Ledger \_\_\_\_ is added to the stave when notes ascend or descend line \_\_\_\_ a line above or below.

A flat b finks a note half a tone.

A sharp \* raises a note half a tone.

Flats or sharps fet at the beginning of a tune, have their influence on the same letters through the tune.

A natural \( \mathbf{r} \) restores a note to its primitive sound. Point of \_\_\_\_ adds one third to the length of the note. A hold on fignifies that the note or rest over which it is placed should be continued longer than usual. Mark of requires the note over which it is placed to be fung distinction emphatically. A flur or tie hews that the notes included in them are to be fung to one fyllable. Figure 3, reduces three notes to the time of two of the same kind. give the performer liberty to fing which he pleases. Repeats :s: \_\_ fhew what part of the tune is to be fung over again. Figures, 1, 2, fet over a tune, shew that the note under figure 1, is fung before the repeat, and the note under figure 2, is fung the fecond time, omitting the note under figure 1: but If the notes are tied together with a flur, they are both to be fung after repeating. A bar divides the time into equal parts, according to the measure note. Double bar or flews the end of a strain. A close The sa tune to be ended.

A brace how many parts are fung together.

#### COMMON TIME MOODS.

Adagio E has four beats in a bar, two down and two up; each beat performed in a second.

Largo has four beats in a bar, two down and two up; each beat a quarter quicker than feconds.

Allegro has two beats in a bar, one down and one up;

2 from 4 has two beats in a bar; performed one third quicker than Allegro.

### TRIPLE MOODS.

3 to 2 has three beats in a bar, two down and one up; each performed in a fecond.

3 from 4  $\frac{3}{4}$  has three beats in a bar, two down and one up; each performed one quarter quicker than seconds.

#### COMPOUND MOODS.

6 to 4 has two beats in a bar, one down and one up; each performed in a fecond.

6 from 8 has two beats in a bar, one down and one up; each performed one quarter quicker than seconds.

In Common Time moods, the accent is on the first and third parts of the bar; in Triple Time, the first part only; in Compound Time, the first and fourth parts of the bar.

Of the Keys.

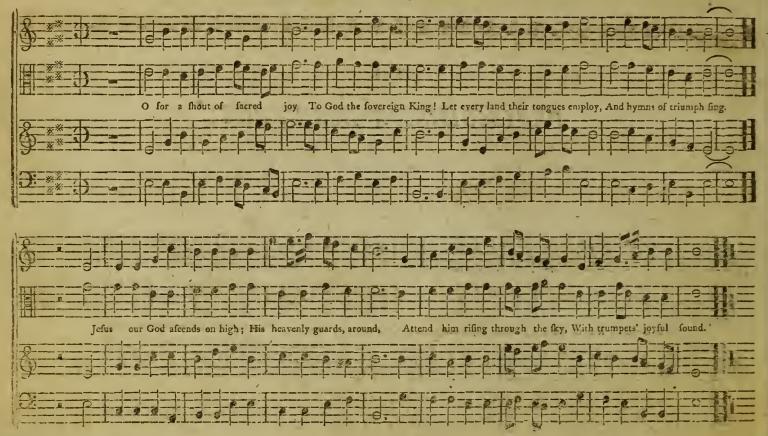
There are two keys in music, the sharp key and the flat key. If the third above the last note in the bass contains two whole tones, the tune is on a sharp key; but if only a tone and semi-tone, it is or a flat key.

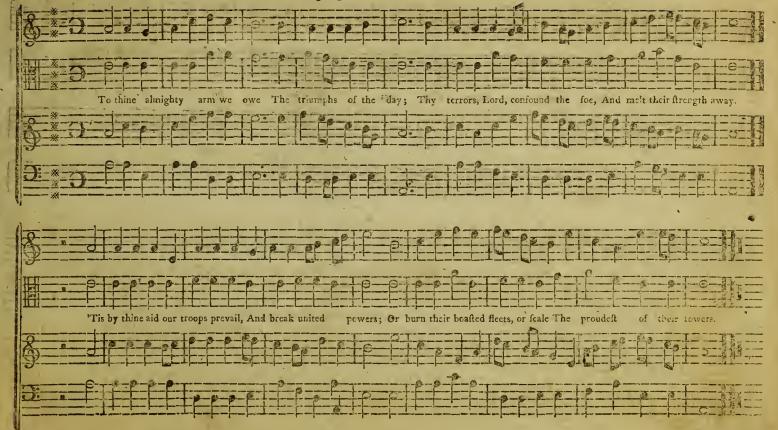


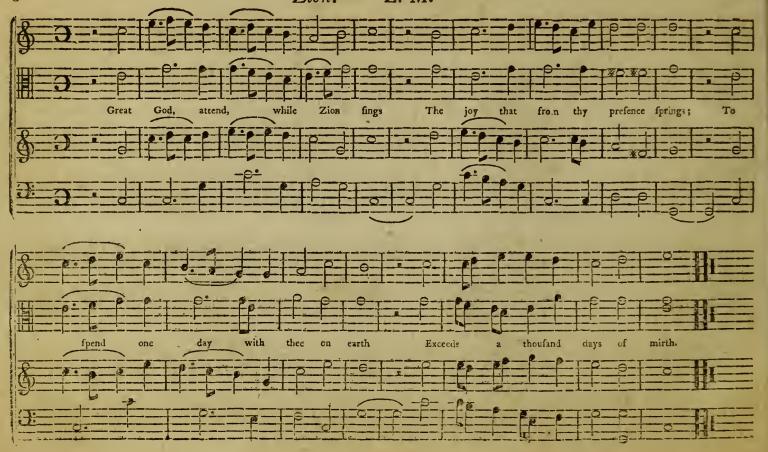
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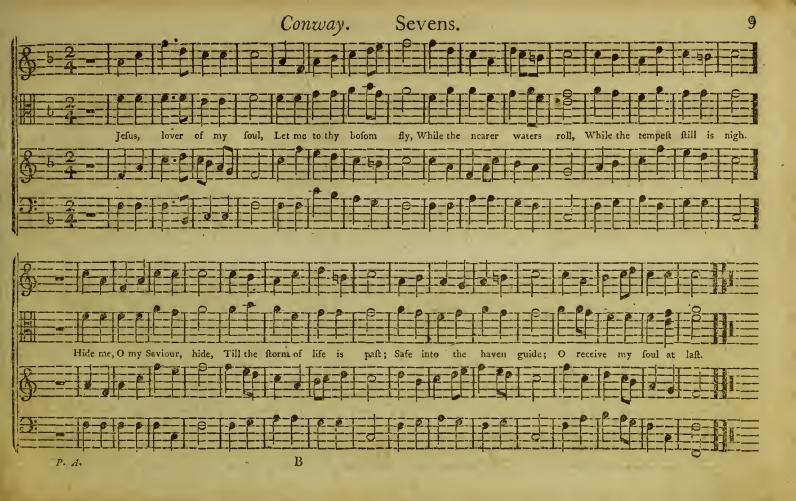
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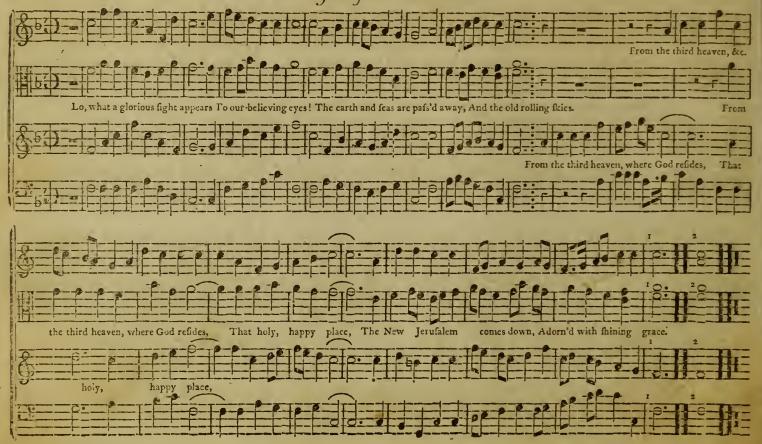


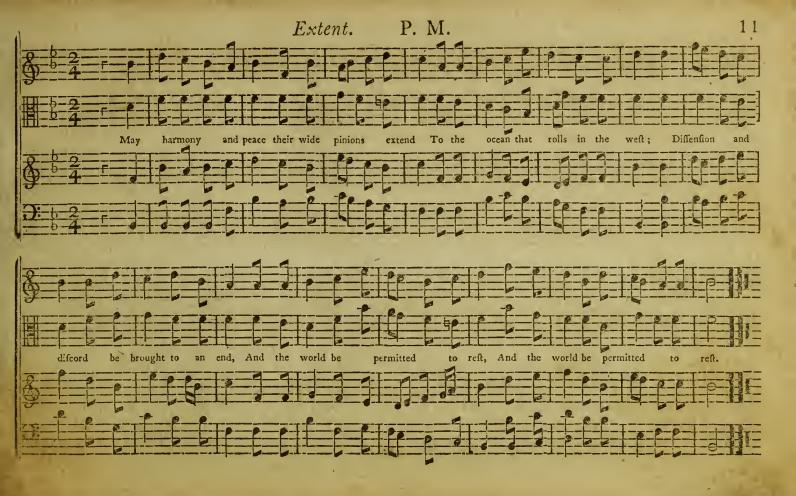


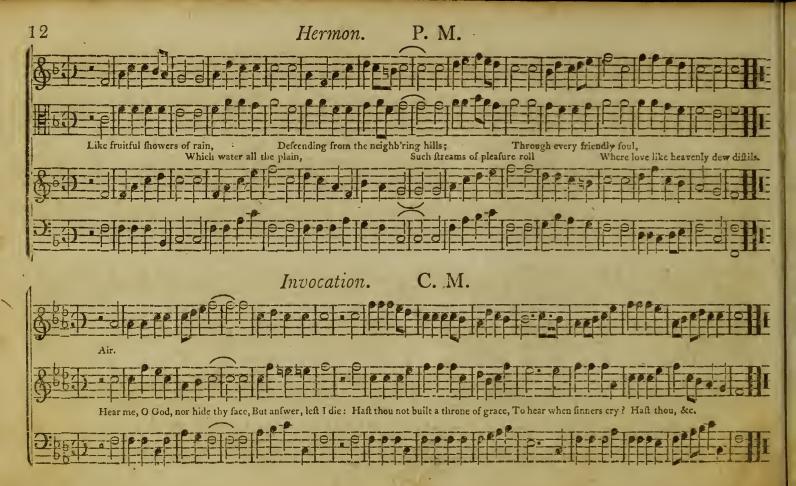






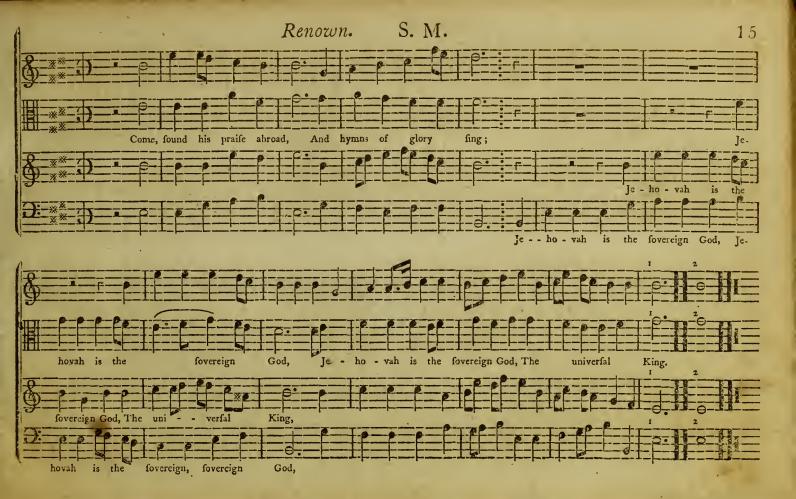




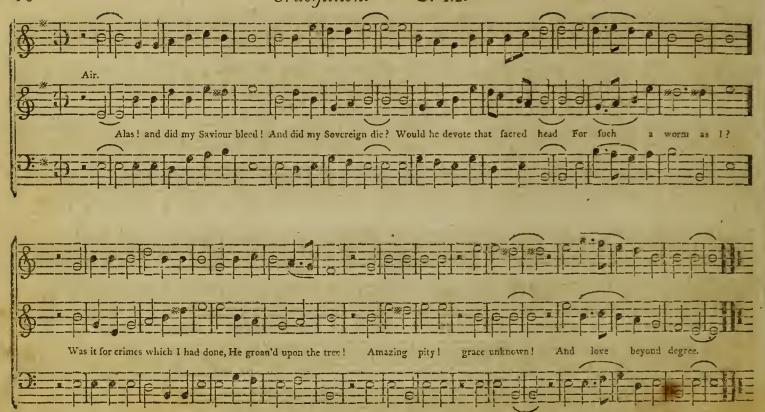


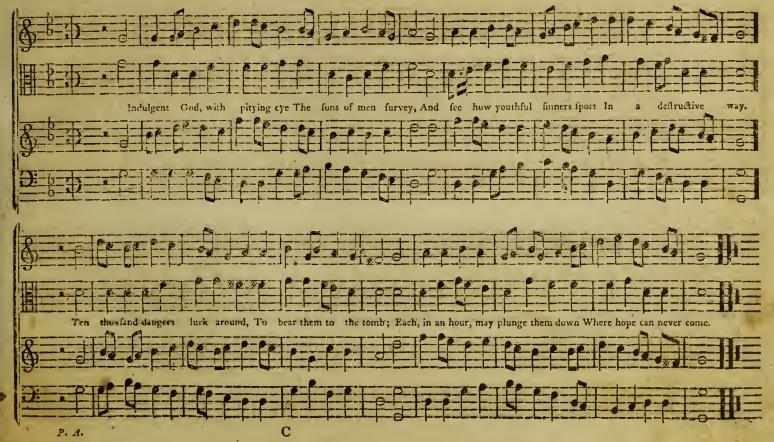


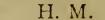


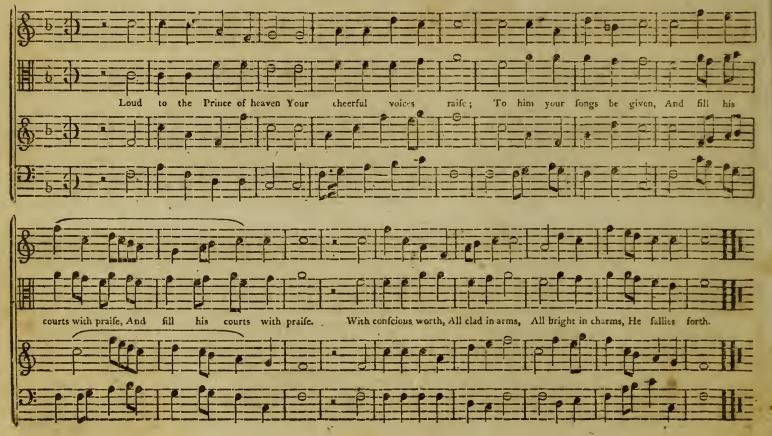


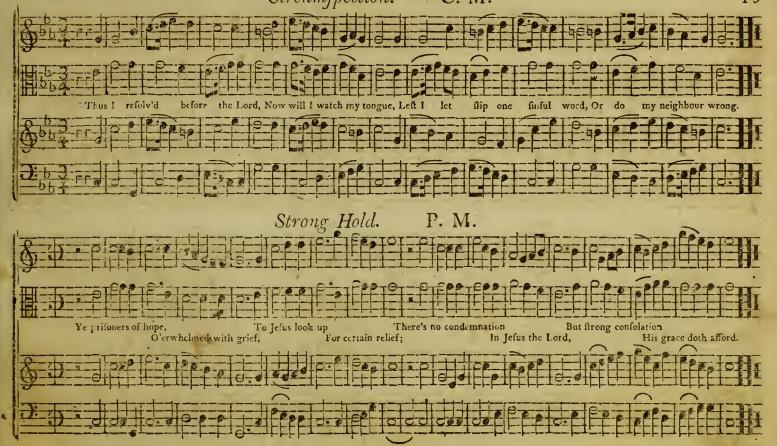
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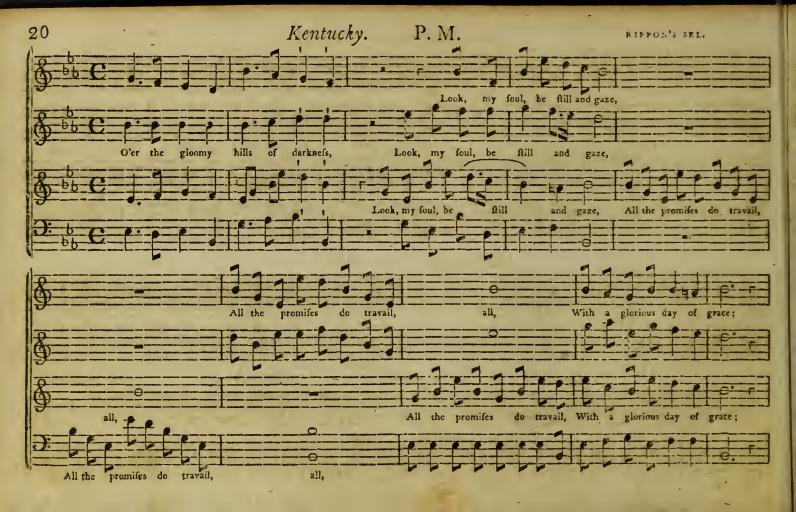




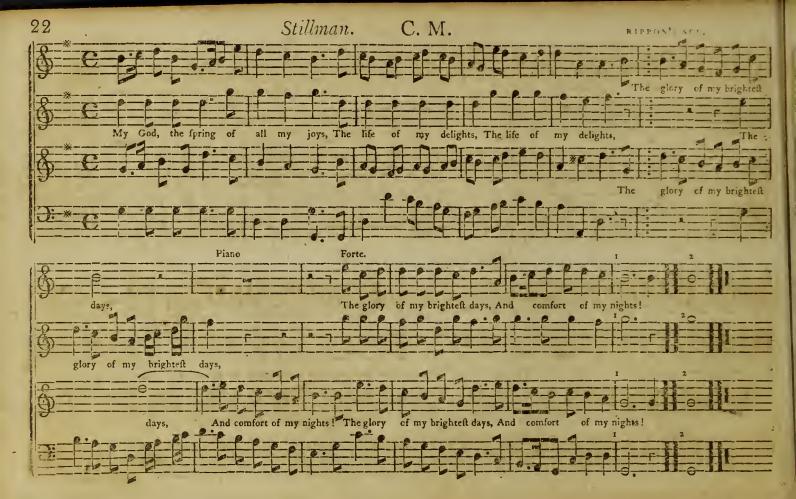






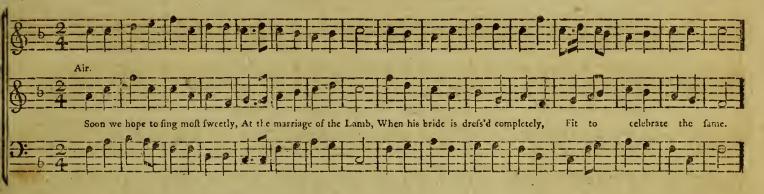






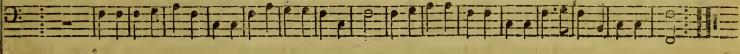








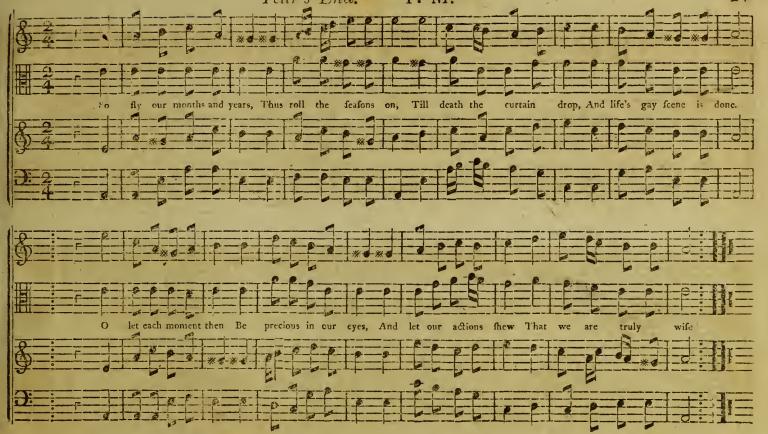
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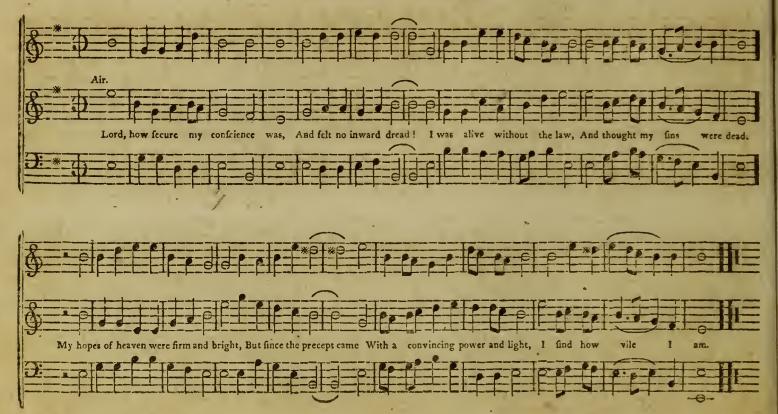


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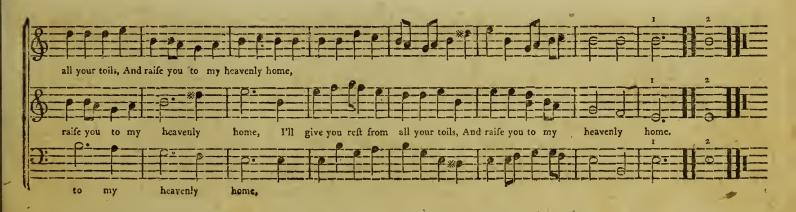


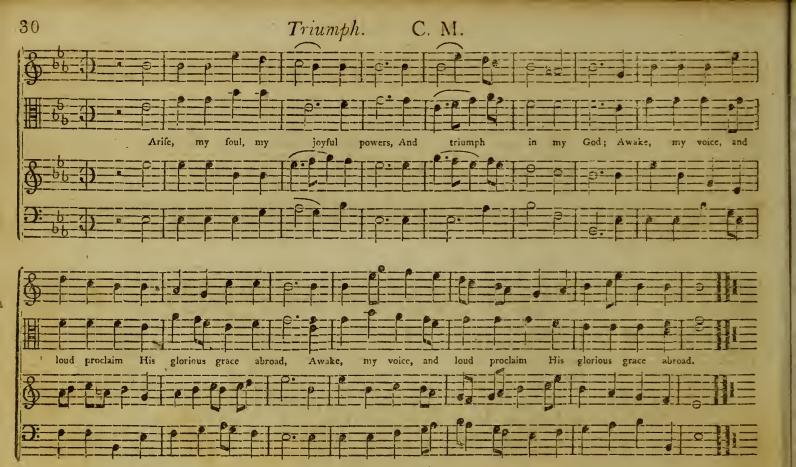
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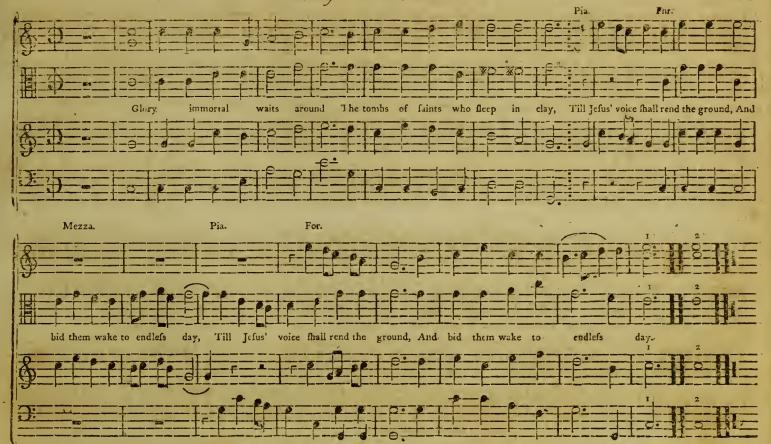


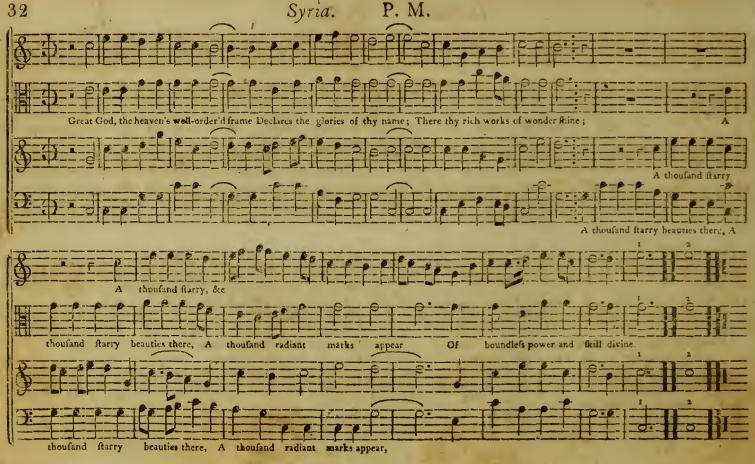


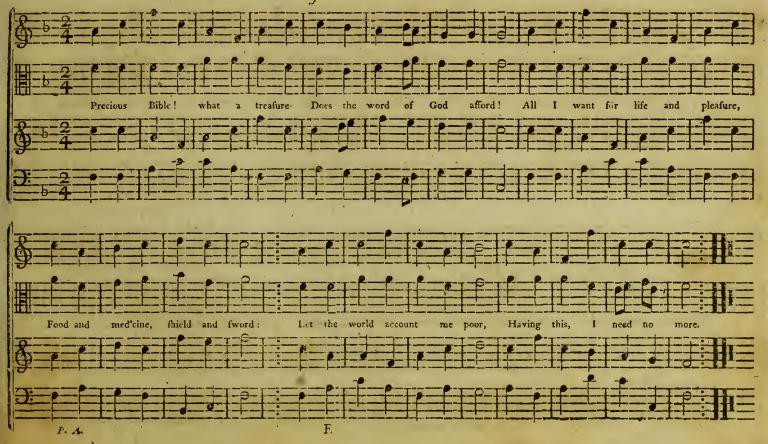


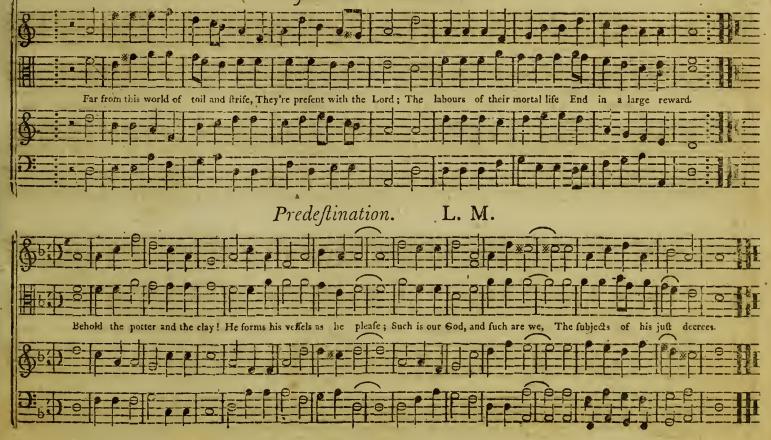


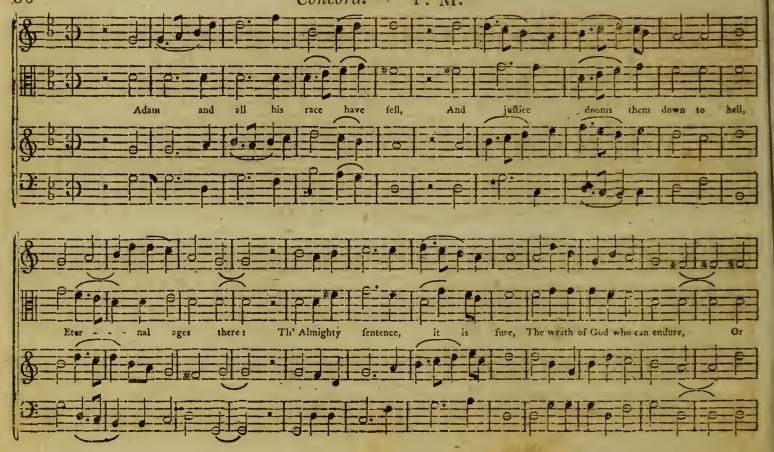




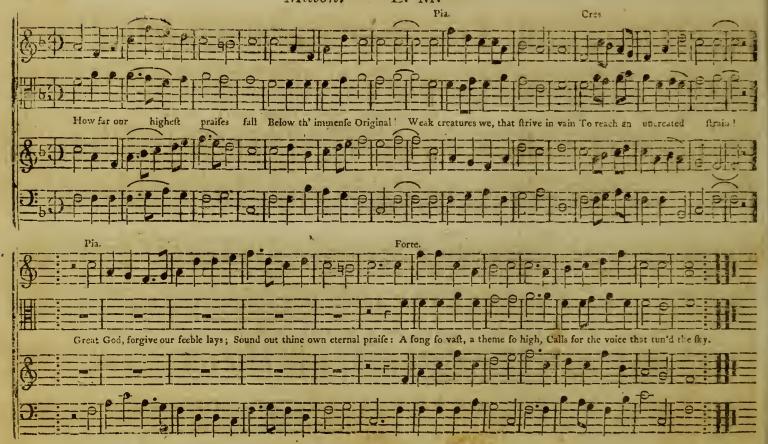




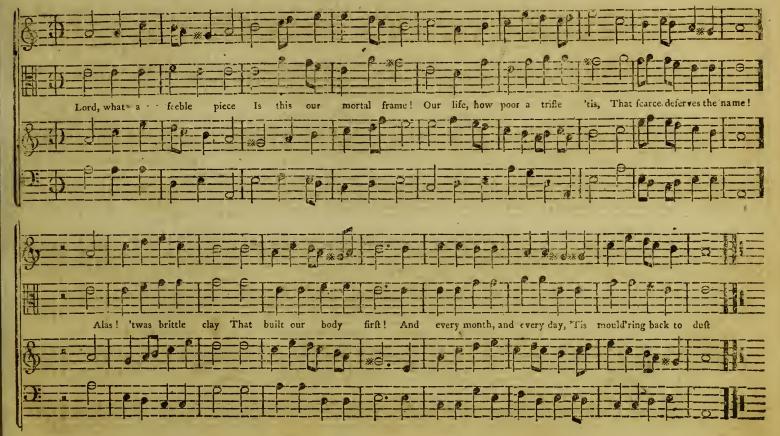


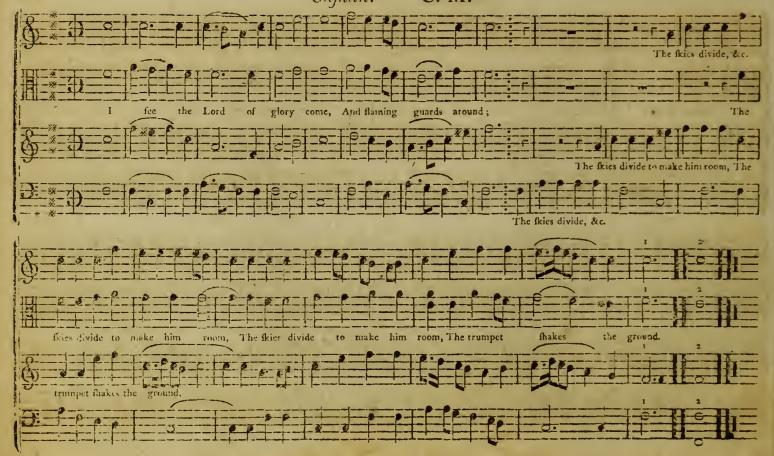


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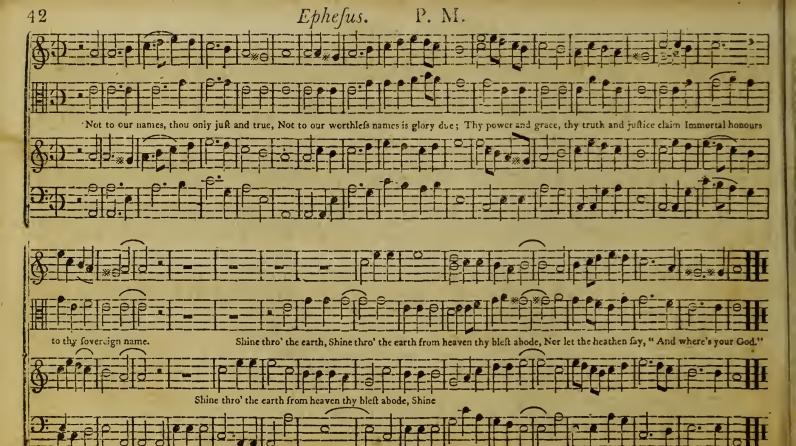




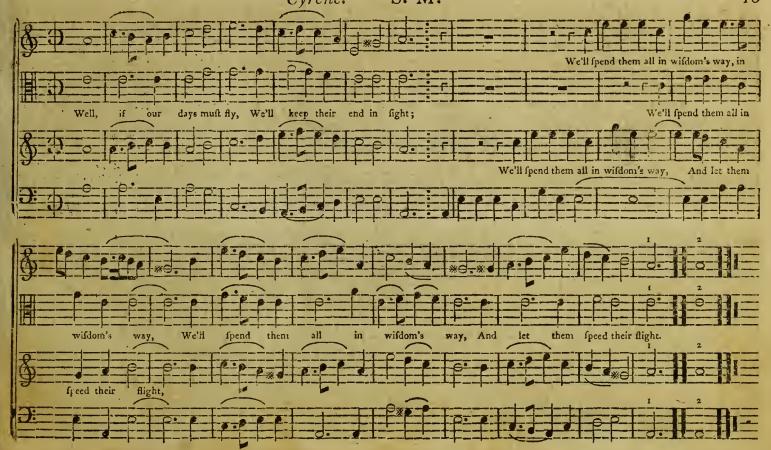




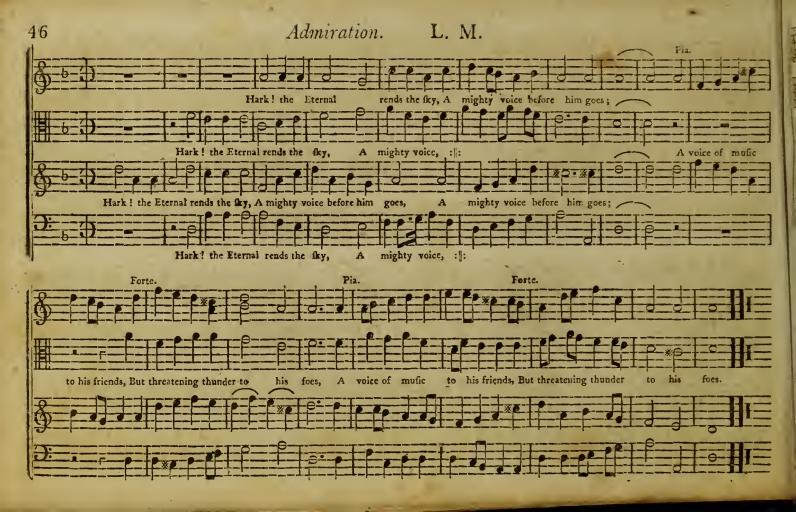


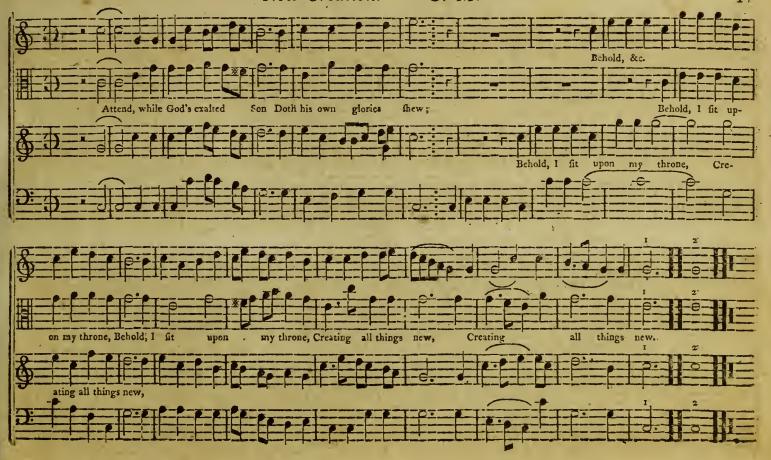


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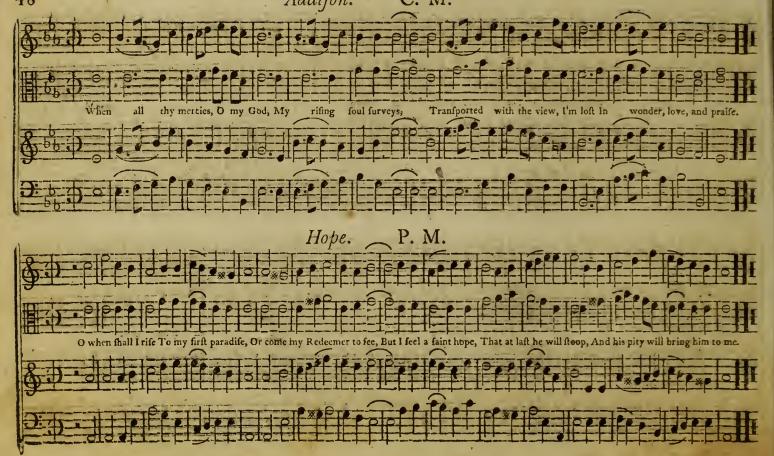




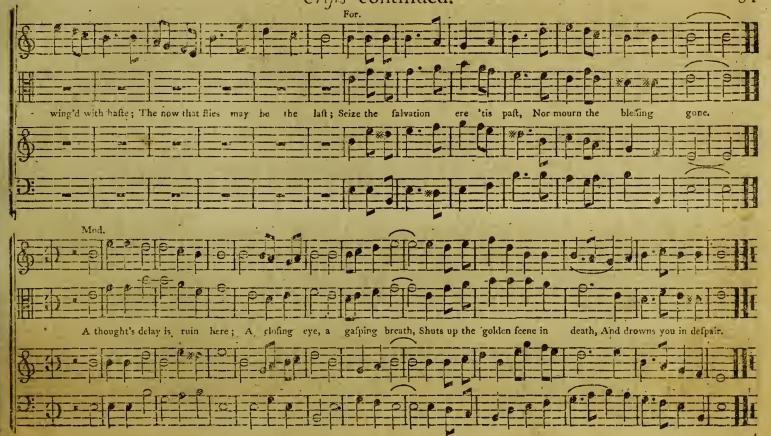


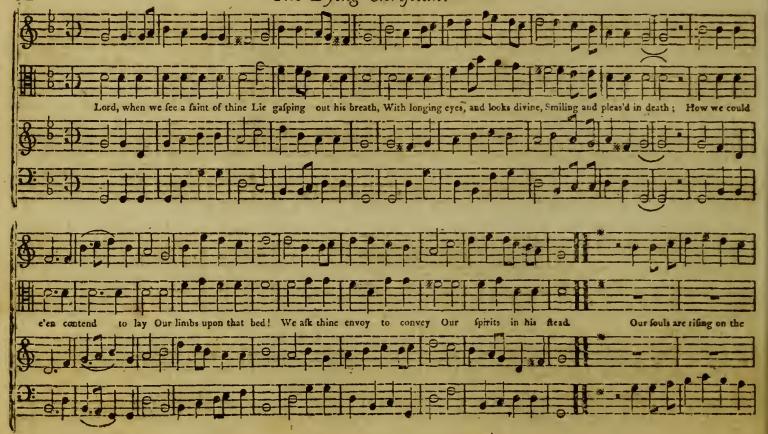


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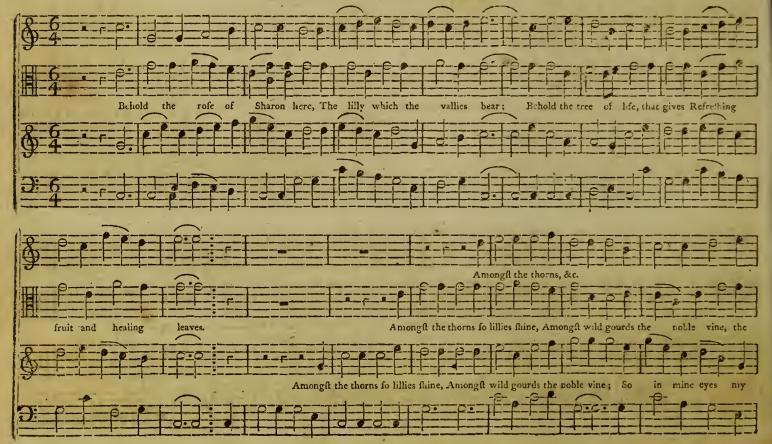


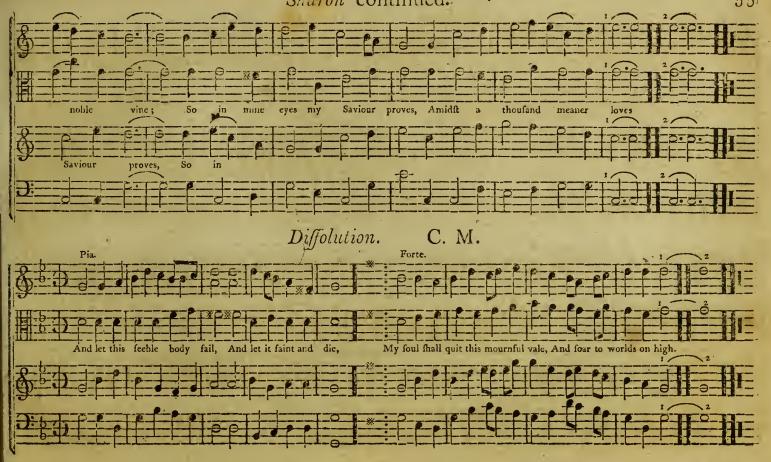






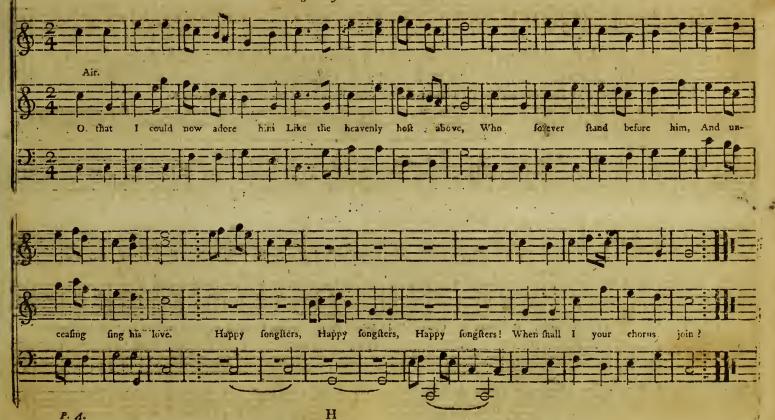


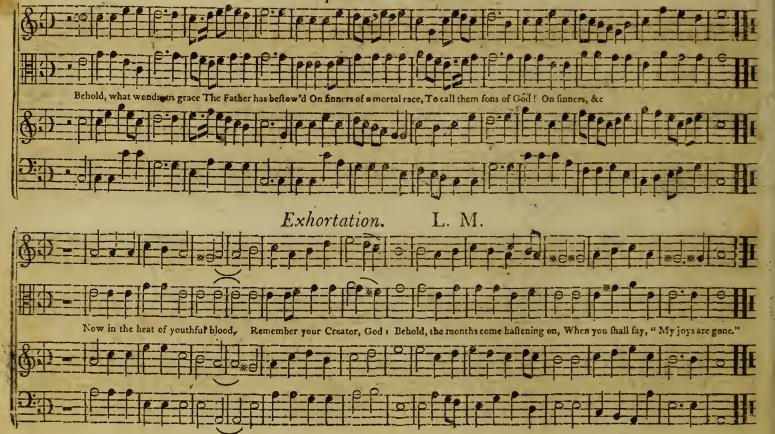




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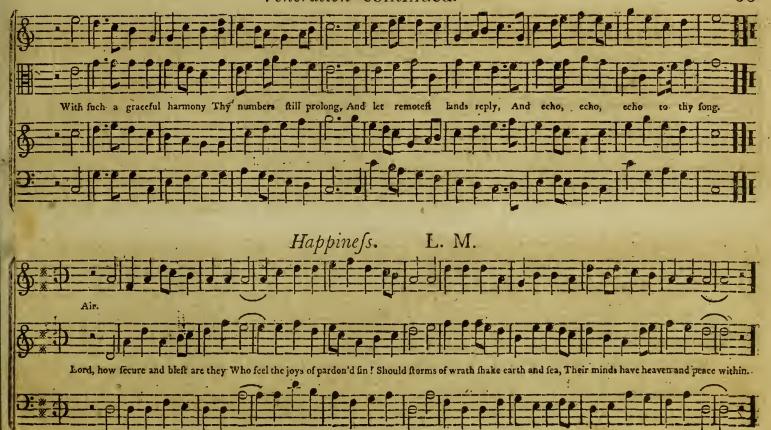




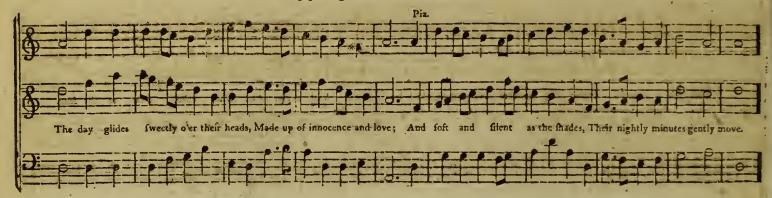




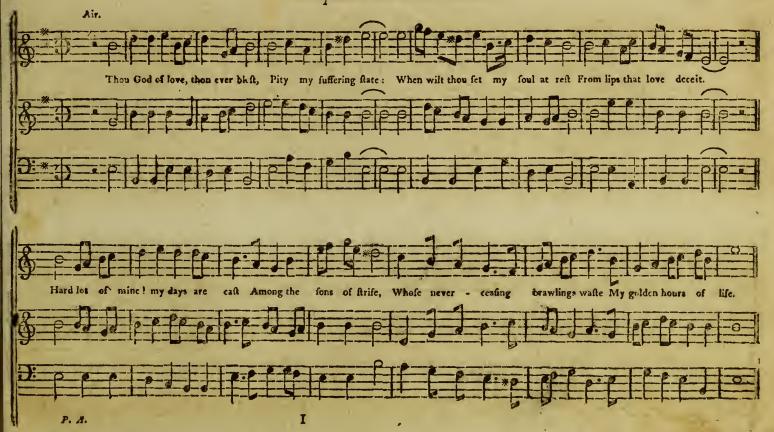


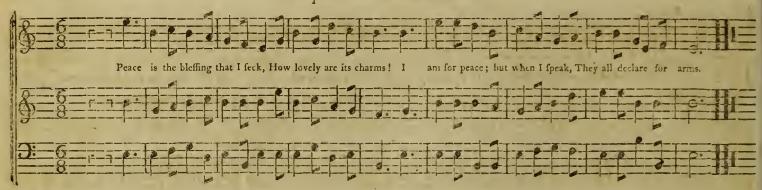


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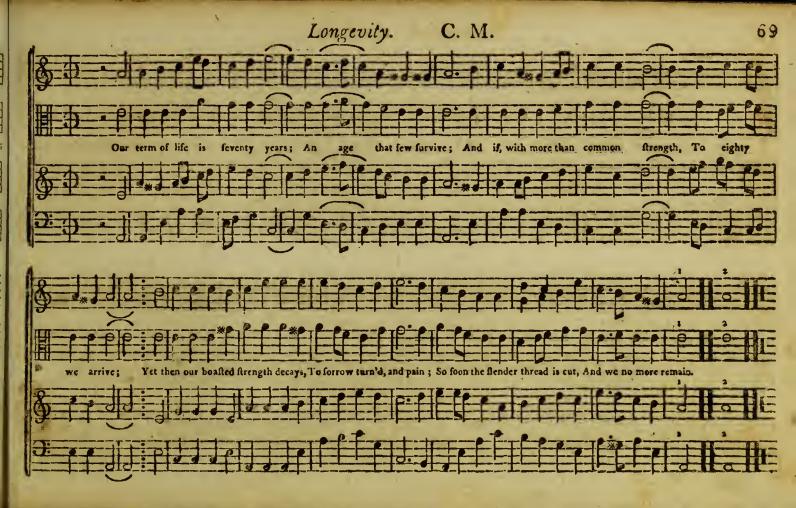


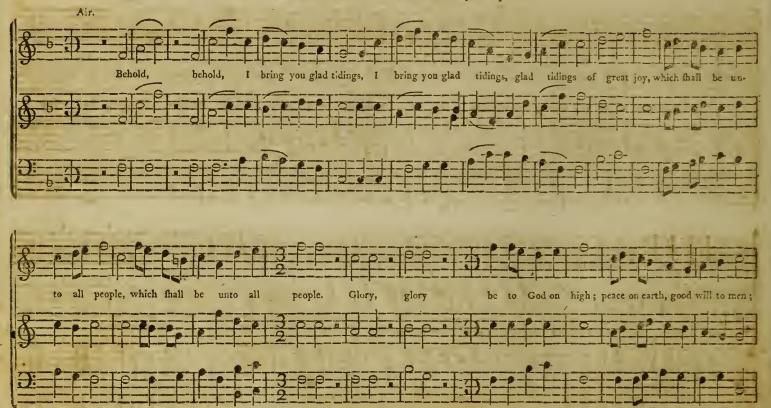








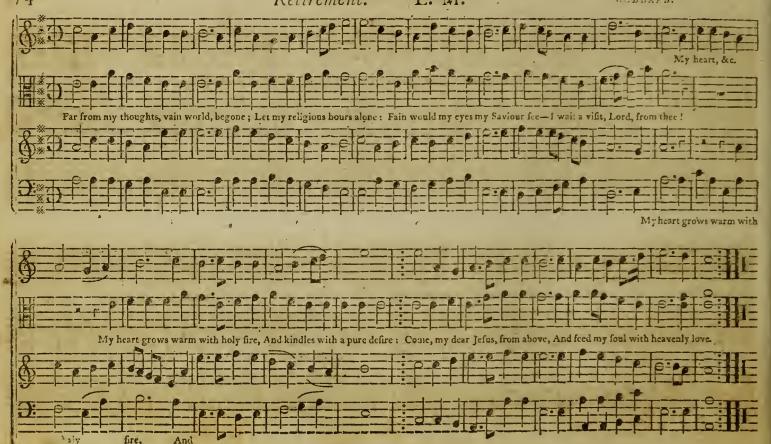


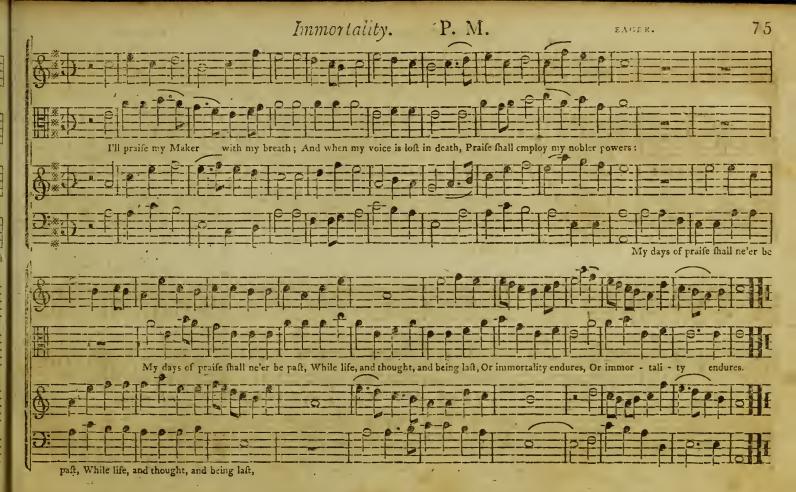








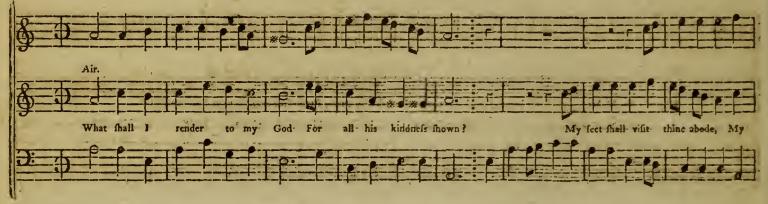




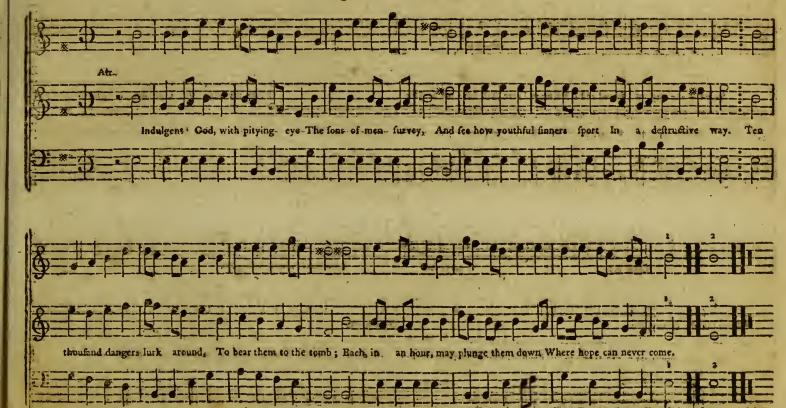


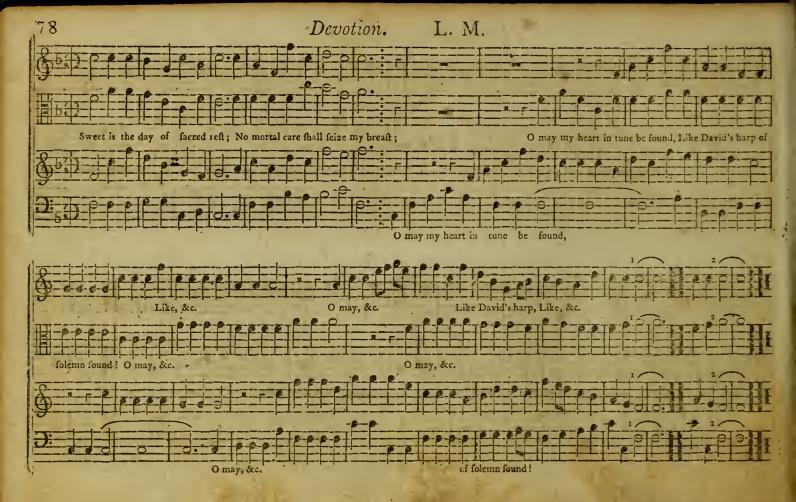


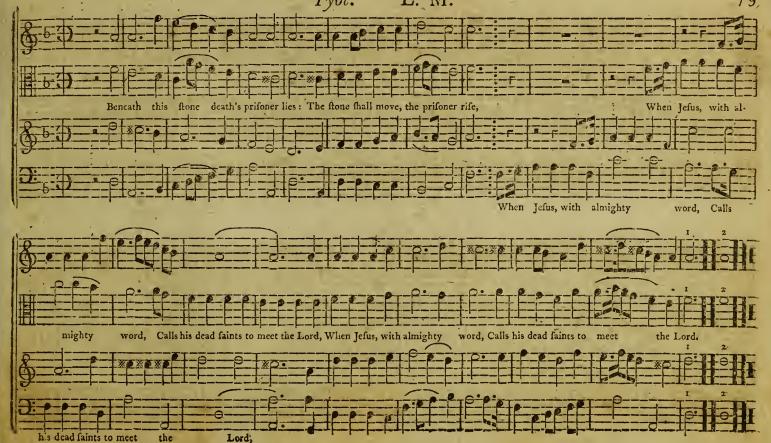
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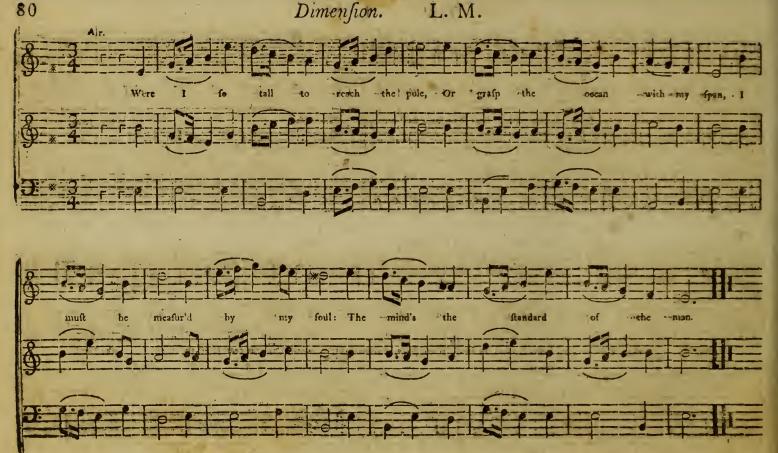




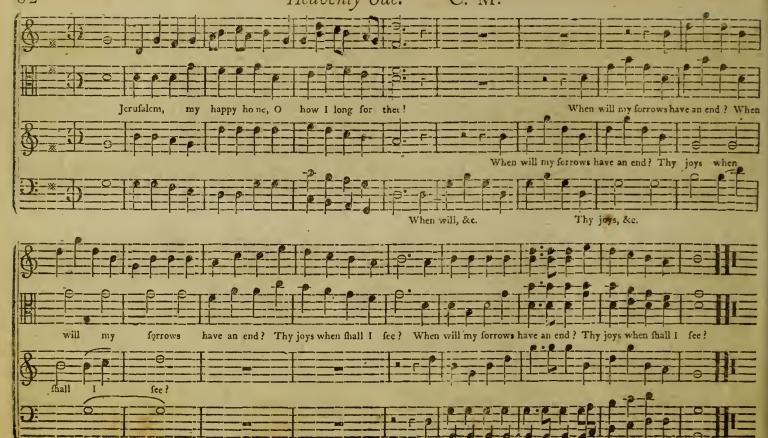




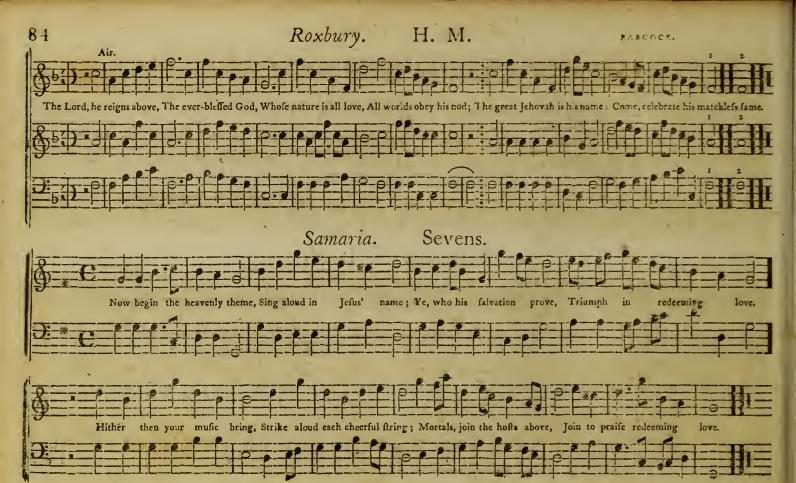


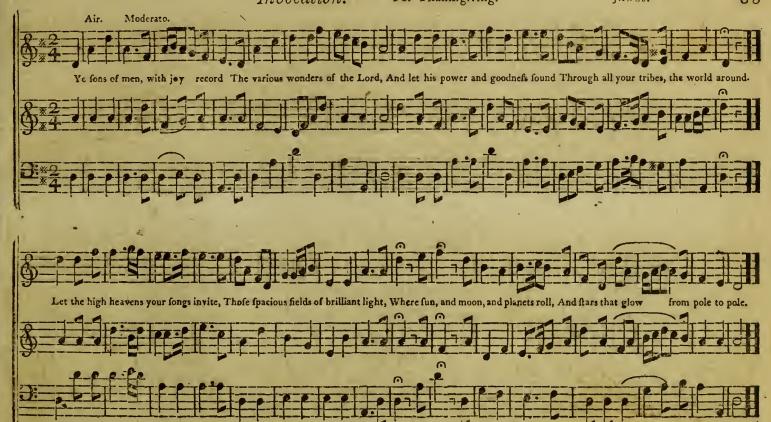




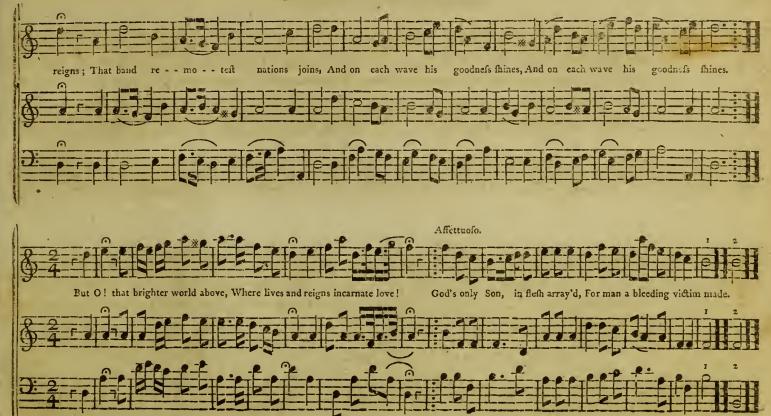




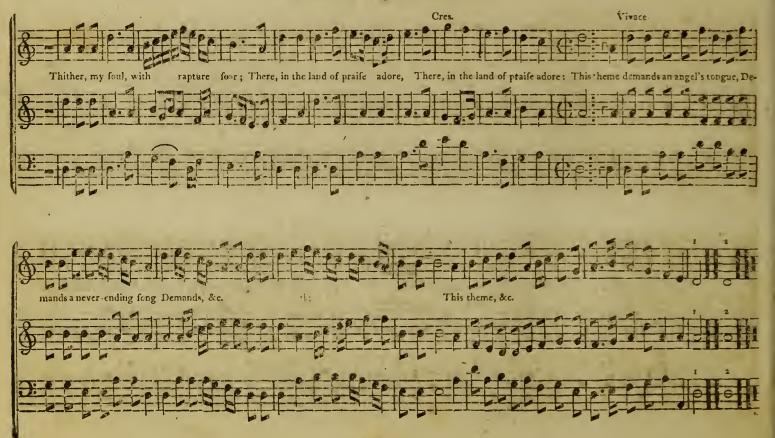


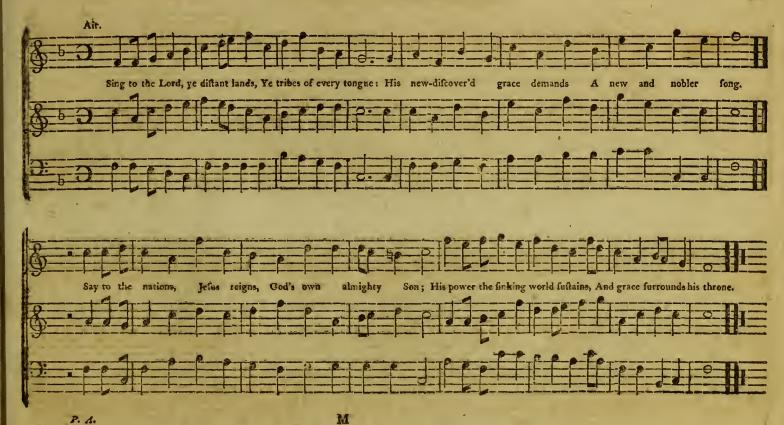


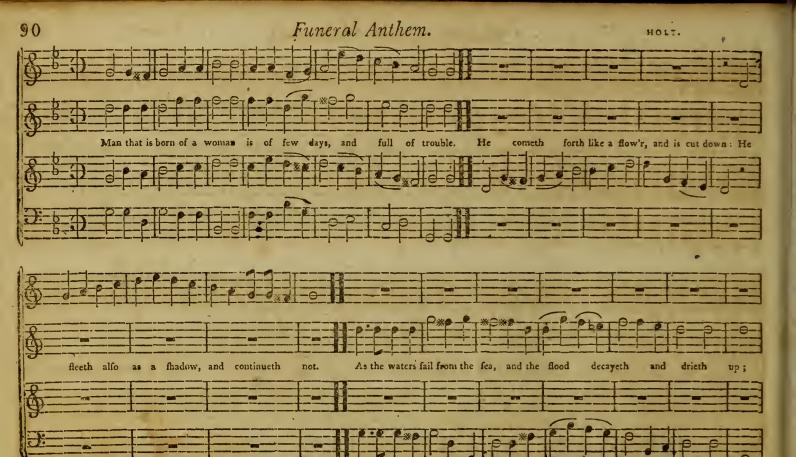


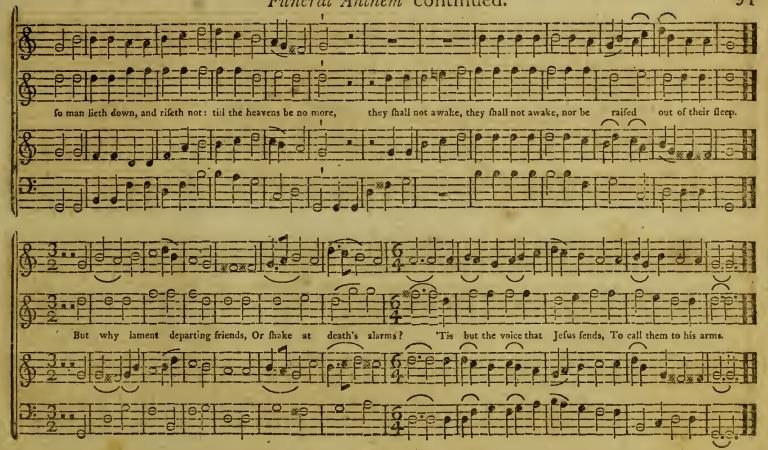


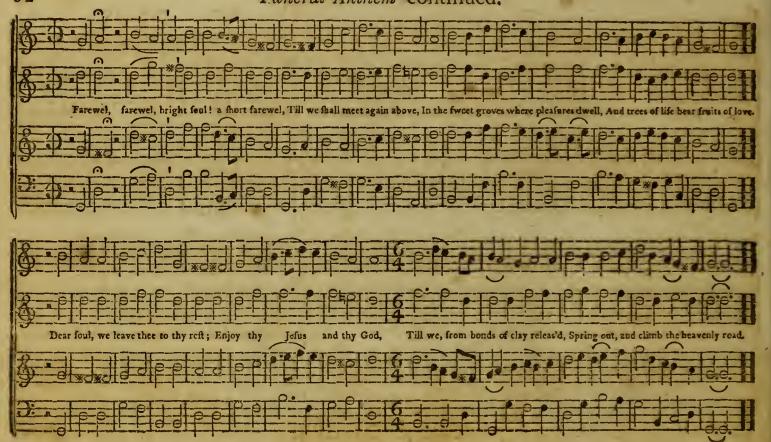
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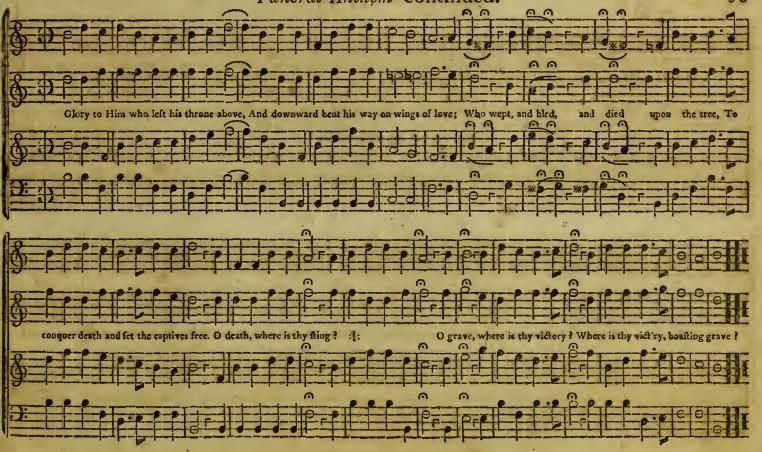












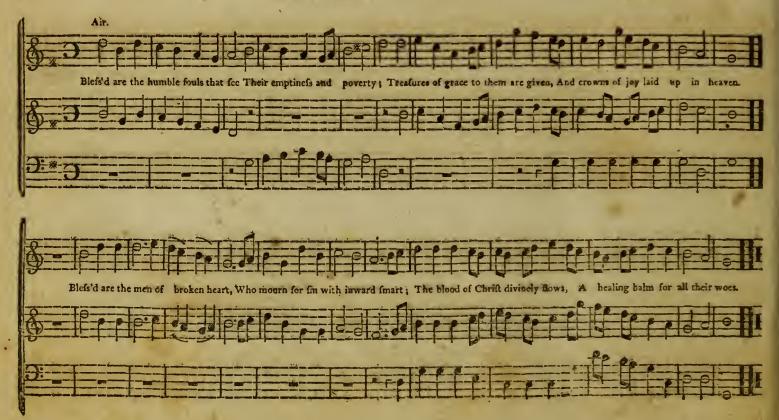


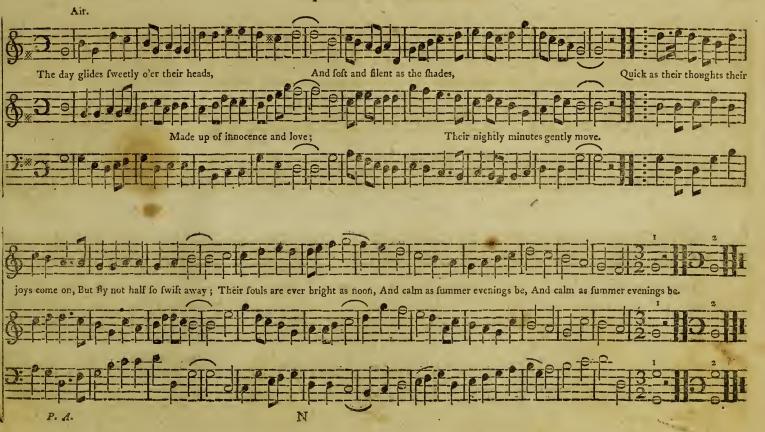


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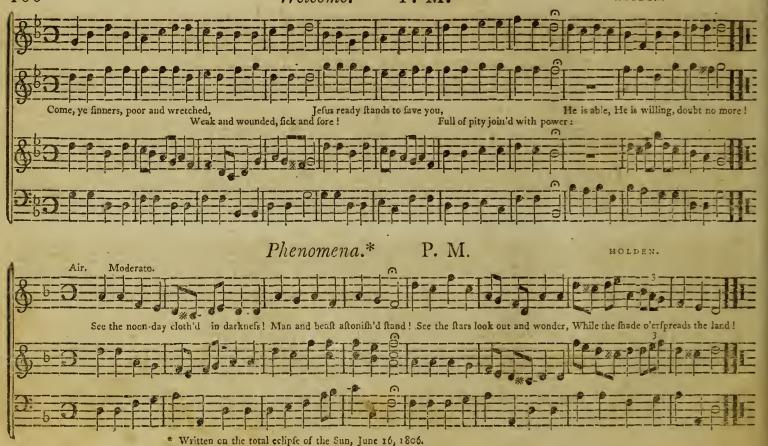


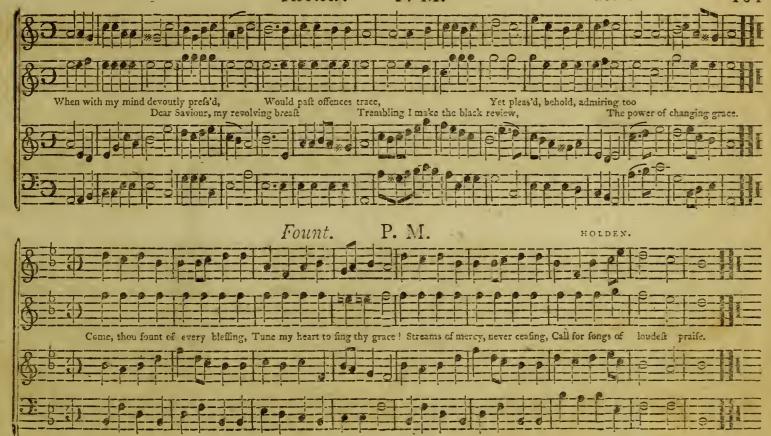


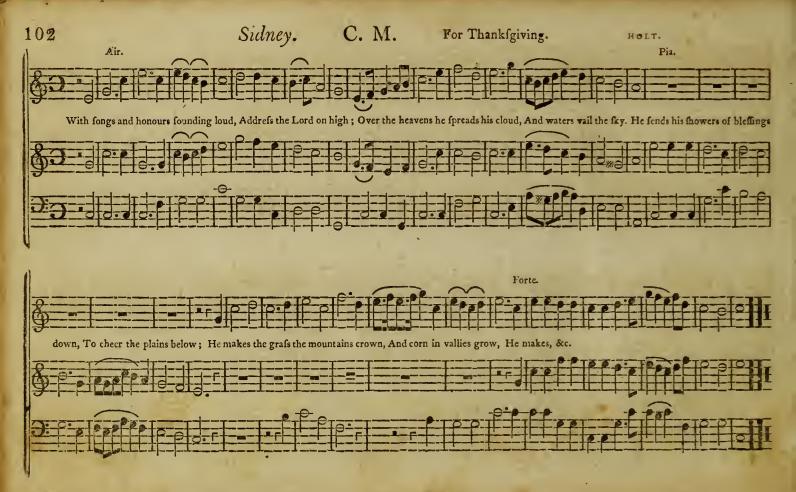




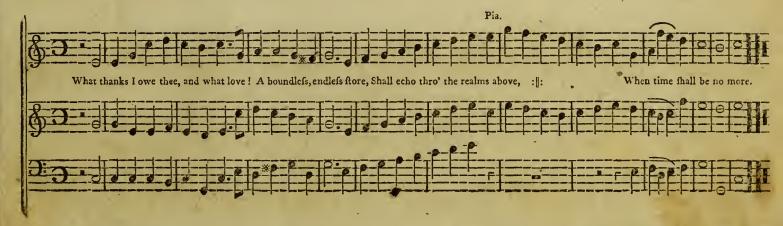


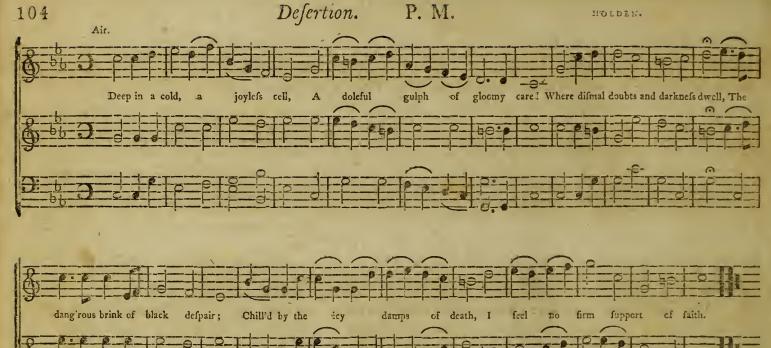






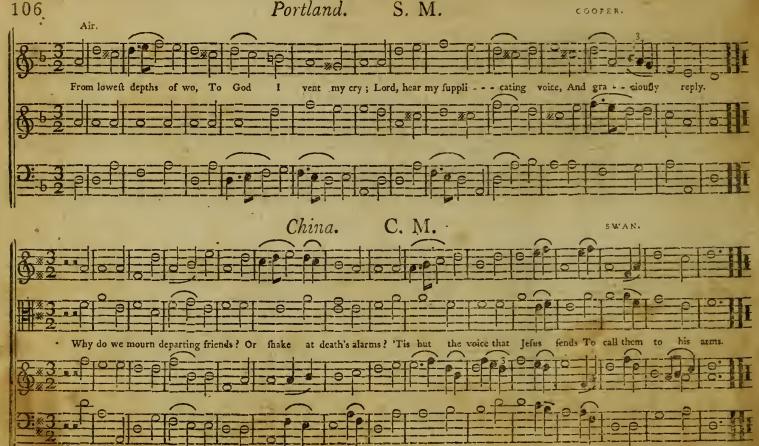


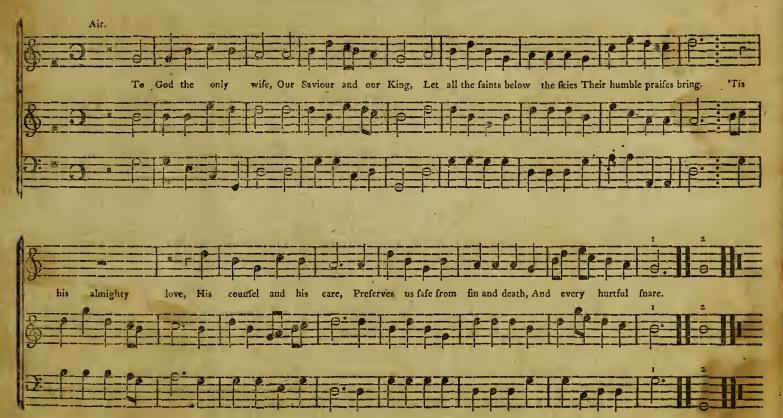












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<sup>.</sup>ERRATA.—Page 25, second bass staff, eighth bar, the crotchet on F, should be on C.—Page 63, second bass staff, fixth har, the minim on G, should be on A.—Page 79, second bass staff, fourth bar, the crotchet on G, should be on A.







