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## SPECIMENS OF VARIOUS METRES OF THE PSALMS.

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### PSALM XIX. (In Eleven).

REFLECTIONS ON GOD'S WORKS, HIS WORD, AND HIS GRACE.

TEAS, PORTUGUESE HYMN; OR HANOVER (*Cerver's Sabbath Tune Book*).

The heav'ns are declaring the glory of God,  
The firmament sheweth the work of his hand;  
The day and the night raise their voices aloud  
In praises, in every inhabited land.  
Like harpetings on high they are sounding his praise,  
To the ends of the earth, to the tent of the sun,  
Whence springs he, in gladness and strength to his race,  
In light-bearing, life-giving circuit to run.

The Lord's word, all perfect, the wandering converts;  
His witness, the truth, makes the simple grow wise;  
His counsels are upright, they gladden our hearts;  
His statutes are clear, and give light to our eyes.  
The Lord's holy worship shall ever endure;  
His judgments are righteous for guidance and doom;  
There are more to be valued than gold the most pure,  
And sweeter than honey that drops from the comb.

By these the Lord's servant is taught how to live;  
They yield the obedient an ample reward.  
Ah! who knows his faults? those I know not forgive,  
And keep me from sins of presumption, O Lord!

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Then upright and blest  
O hear me! my prayers  
May they find acceptance  
For thus set my strength

PSALM X

IN THE LORD'S (British Psalmist)

A good and holy  
My heart would  
My thoughts of  
My willing tongue  
Purer than snow, as  
Upon thy lips, thus

Strong One! give  
In weakness and  
Triumphant rule,  
For weakness, to  
Touch by thy hands  
Thy face beneath the

Evil is thy  
Thy rule is equity  
Then set the Right  
So evil be in them  
So God, thy God, O  
Thy assisting all of

I see thee, rebuked,  
From every palace  
Sweet perfume of  
And pleasant voice  
Armed, in state, like  
The queen, in gold, a

Look, daughter, be  
Reigns thy father  
Incline thine ear to  
Thy father's house  
So shall the King do  
Bow down to him as

Thy daughter thou  
With costly gifts  
Thy wealthy nobles  
Shall come to seek  
King's daughter, let  
And wrought with gold

In robes with gold  
She comes unto the  
With joyful bearing  
Her virgin follows  
In state they, while  
The palace of the King

Thy fathers now do  
Thy sons shall rule  
Through ages all  
O Christ! thou hast  
Thus shall always with  
For ever and for ever