## The Complete Poetry and Prose of William Blake

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AROepigraph; E1 The Voice of one crying in the Wilderness

ARO; Ell The Argument As the true method of knowledge is experiment AROargmuent; E1 the true faculty of knowing must be the faculty which AROargument; El experiences. This faculty I treat of.
aro; El| PRINCIPLE 1st That the Poetic Genius is the true Man. and that AROprin1; El the body or outward form of Man is derived from the Poetic

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AROprin5; E1|
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AROprin6; E1|
AROprin6; E1| Genius. Likewise that the forms of all things are derived from their Genius. which by the Ancients was call'd an Angel \& Spirit
\& Demon.
PRINCIPLE 2d As all men are alike in outward form, So (and with the same infinite variety) all are alike in the Poetic
Genius

PRINCIPLE 3d No man can think write or speak from his heart, but he must intend truth. Thus all sects of Philosophy are from the Poetic Genius adapted to the weaknesses of every individual
PRINCIPLE 4. As none by traveling over known lands can find out the unknown. So from already acquired knowledge Man could not acquire more. therefore an universal Poetic Genius exists
PRINCIPLE. 5. The Religions of all Nations are derived from each Nations different reception of the Poetic Genius which is every where call'd the Spirit of Prophecy.
PRINCIPLE 6 The Jewish \& Christian Testaments are An original derivation from the Poetic Genius. this is necessary from the confined nature of bodily sensation

ARO; E2 $\mid$ PRINCIPLE 7th As all men are alike (tho' infinitely various) So
AROprin7; E2|
AROprin7; E2| all Religions \& as all similars have one source The true Man is the source he being the Poetic Genius

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ED; E2| [a]
nNRa; E2 $\mid$ The Argument Man has no notion of moral fitness but from nNRaArg; E2 Education. Naturally he is only a natural organ subject to nNRaArg; E2| Sense.
nNRa; E2| I Man cannot naturally Percieve, but through his natural or NNRaI; E2| bodily organs
NNRa; E2 II Man by his reasoning power. can only compare \& judge of nNRal; E2| what he has already perciev'd.
nNRa; E2 III From a perception of only 3 senses or 3 elements none NNRaIII; E2| could deduce a fourth or fifth
NNRa; E2 IV None could have other than natural or organic thoughts if nNRaIV; E2| he had none but organic perceptions
NNRa; E2| V Mans desires are limited by his perceptions. none can desire nNRav; E2| what he has not perciev'd
nNRa; E2 VI The desires \& perceptions of man untaught by any thing but NNRaVI; E2| organs of sense, must be limited to objects of sense.

ED; E2|
[b]
nNRb; E2| I Mans perceptions are not bounded by organs of perception. he nNRbI; E2 percieves more than sense (tho' ever so acute) can discover. NNRb ; E | II Reason or the ratio of all we have already known. is not nNRbII; E2| the same that it shall be when we know more.
nNRb; E2| [III lacking]
nNRb; E2| IV The bounded is loathed by its possessor. The same dull nNRIV: E2 $\quad$ round even of a univer[s]e would soon become a mill with nNRbV: E2| complicated wheels.
NNRb; E2 $\mid$ V If the many become the same as the few, when possess'd, nNRbV; E2| More! More! is the cry of a mistaken soul, less than All cannot nNRbV: E2| satisfy Man.
NNRb; E2| VI If any could desire what he is incapable of possessing, nNRbVI; E2 $\mid$ despair must be his eternal lot.
nNRb; E3 $\mid$ VII The desire of Man being Infinite the possession is Infinite

NNRbVII; E3| NNRb; E3|
NNRbConc.; E3| NNRbConc.; E3| NNRbConc.; E3| NNRb; E3| NNRbApp.; E3|
\& himself Infinite
Conclusion, If it were not for the Poetic or Prophetic character. the Philosophic \& Experimental would soon be at the ratio of all things \& stand still, unable to do other than repeat the same dull round over again
Application. He who sees the Infinite in all things sees
God. He who sees the Ratio only sees himself only.
nNRb; E3 $\mid$ Therefore God becomes as we are, that we may be as he is

Title; E3|

Thelcolophon; E3

Thelmotto; E3|

Thelmotto1; E3|
Thelmotto2; E3|
Thelmotto3; E3|
Thelmotto4; E3|

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THEL'S Motto,

Does the Eagle know what is in the pit?
Or wilt thou go ask the Mole:
Can Wisdom be put in a silver rod?
Or Love in a golden bowl?

Title; E3|

Thelchap; E3|

Thel1.1; E3|
Thel1.2; E3|
Thel1.3; E3|
Thel1.4; E3|
Thel1.5; E3|

Thel1.6; E3|
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Thel1.15; E4|
Thel1.16; E4|
Thel1.17; E4|
Thel1.18; E4|
Thel1.19; E4|
Thel1.20; E4|
Thel1.21; E4|
Title,

THEL

The daughters of Mne Seraphim led round their sunny flocks. ${ }^{\text {t }}$ All but the youngest; she in paleness sought the secret air. To fade away like morning beauty from her mortal day: Down by the river of Adona her soft voice is heard: And thus her gentle lamentation falls like morning dew.

O life of this our spring! why fades the lotus of the water? Why fade these children of the spring? born but to smile \& fall. Ah! Thel is like a watry bow. and like a parting cloud. Like a reflection in a glass. like shadows in the water. Like dreams of infants. like a smile upon an infants face, Like the doves voice, like transient day, like music in the air; Ah! gentle may I lay me down, and gentle rest my head. And gentle sleep the sleep of death. and gentle hear the voice ${ }^{t 5}$ Of him that walketh in the garden in the evening time.

The Lilly of the valley breathing in the humble grass Answer'd the lovely maid and said; I am a watry weed, And I am very small, and love to dwell in lowly vales; So weak, the gilded butterfly scarce perches on my head.
Yet I am visited from heaven and he that smiles on all. Walks in the valley. and each morn over me spreads his hand Saying, rejoice thou humble grass, thou new-born lilly flower,

Thou gentle maid of silent valleys. and of modest brooks;
For thou shalt be clothed in light, and fed with morning manna:
Till summers heat melts thee beside the fountains and the springs To flourish in eternal vales: then why should Thel complain,

Why should the mistress of the vales of Har, utter a sigh.

She ceasd \& smild in tears, then sat down in her silver shrine.

Thel answerd. O thou little virgin of the peaceful valley. Giving to those that cannot crave, the voiceless, the o'ertired. ${ }^{t 6}$ Thy breath doth nourish the innocent lamb, he smells thy milky garments,

He crops thy flowers. while thou sittest smiling in his face, Wiping his mild and meekin mouth from all contagious taints.
Thy wine doth purify the golden honey, thy perfume, Which thou dost scatter on every little blade of grass that springs Revives the milked cow, \& tames the fire-breathing steed. But Thel is like a faint cloud kindled at the rising sun: I vanish from my pearly throne, and who shall find my place.

Queen of the vales the Lilly answerd, ask the tender cloud, And it shall tell thee why it glitters in the morning sky, And why it scatters its bright beauty thro' the humid air. Descend O little cloud \& hover before the eyes of Thel.

The Cloud descended, and the Lilly bowd her modest head: And went to mind her numerous charge among the verdant grass.

## II.

O little Cloud the virgin said, I charge thee tell to me, Why thou complainest not when in one hour thou fade away: Then we shall seek thee but not find; ah Thel is like to thee. I pass away. yet I complain, and no one hears my voice.

The Cloud then shew'd his golden head \& his bright form emerg'd, Hovering and glittering on the air before the face of Thel.

Thel3.10; E5|
Thel3.11; E5|
Thel3.12; E5|
Thel3.13; E5|
Thel3.14; E5|
Thel3.15; E5|
Thel3.16; E5|

Thel3.17; E5|
Thel3.18; E5|
Thel3.19; E5|
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Thel3.23; E5|

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The13.26; E5|
Thel3.27; E5|
Thel3.28; E5|
Thel3.29; E5|

Thel3.30; E5|

Thelchap; E5|

Thel4.1; E5|

Thel4.2; E5|
Thel4.3; E5|
Thel4.4; E5|
Thel4.5; E5| Thel4.6; E5|

O virgin know'st thou not. our steeds drink of the golden springs Where Luvah doth renew his horses: look'st thou on my youth,

And fearest thou because I vanish and am seen no more.
Nothing remains; O maid I tell thee, when I pass away,
It is to tenfold life, to love, to peace, and raptures holy:
Unseen descending, weigh my light wings upon balmy flowers;
And court the fair eyed dew. to take me to her shining tent;
The weeping virgin, trembling kneels before the risen sun,
Till we arise link'd in a golden band, and never part;
But walk united, bearing food to all our tender flowers

Dost thou O little Cloud? I fear that I am not like thee;
For I walk through the vales of Har. and smell the sweetest flowers;
But I feed not the little flowers: I hear the warbling birds, But I feed not the warbling birds. they fly and seek their food;
But Thel delights in these no more because I fade away, And all shall say, without a use this shining woman liv'd, Or did she only live. to be at death the food of worms.

The Cloud reclind upon his airy throne and answer'd thus.

Then if thou art the food of worms. O virgin of the skies, How great thy use. how great thy blessing; every thing that lives, Lives not alone, nor for itself: fear not and I will call The weak worm from its lowly bed, and thou shalt hear its voice. Come forth worm of the silent valley, to thy pensive queen.

The helpless worm arose, and sat upon the Lillys leaf, And the bright Cloud saild on, to find his partner in the vale.
III.

Then Thel astonish'd view'd the Worm upon its dewy bed.

Art thou a Worm? image of weakness. art thou but a Worm?
I see thee like an infant wrapped in the Lillys leaf:
Ah weep not little voice, thou can'st not speak. but thou can'st weep;
Is this a Worm? I see thee lay helpless \& naked: weeping, And none to answer, none to cherish thee with mothers smiles.

Thel4.7; E5|
The14.8; E5|
The14.9; E5|

Thel4.10; E5|
Thel4.11; E5|
Thel4.12; E5|

The15.1; E5|
Thel5.2; E5|

The15.3; E6|
Thel5.4; E6|
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Thelchap; E6|

Thel6.1; E6|
The16.2; E6|
The16.3; E6|
Thel6.4; E6|
The16.5; E6|

Thel6.6; E6|
The16.7; E6|
The16.8; E6|
Thel6.9; E6|

The Clod of Clay heard the Worms voice, \& raisd her pitying head; She bowd over the weeping infant, and her life exhal'd In milky fondness, then on Thel she fix'd her humble eyes.

O beauty of the vales of Har. we live not for ourselves, Thou seest me the meanest thing, and so I am indeed; My bosom of itself is cold. and of itself is dark,

But he that loves the lowly, pours his oil upon my head. And kisses me, and binds his nuptial bands around my breast.

And says; Thou mother of my children, I have loved thee. And I have given thee a crown that none can take away But how this is sweet maid, I know not, and I cannot know, I ponder, and I cannot ponder; yet I live and love.

The daughter of beauty wip'd her pitying tears with her white veil, And said. Alas! I knew not this, and therefore did I weep: That God would love a Worm I knew, and punish the evil foot That wilful, bruis'd its helpless form: but that he cherish'd it With milk and oil, I never knew; and therefore did I weep, And I complaind in the mild air, because I fade away, And lay me down in thy cold bed, and leave my shining lot. Queen of the vales, the matron Clay answerd; I heard thy sighs. And all thy moans flew o'er my roof. but I have call'd them down: Wilt thou O Queen enter my house. 'tis given thee to enter, And to return; fear nothing. enter with thy virgin feet.

## IV.

The eternal gates terrific porter lifted the northern bar: Thel enter'd in \& saw the secrets of the land unknown; She saw the couches of the dead, \& where the fibrous roots Of every heart on earth infixes deep its restless twists: A land of sorrows \& of tears where never smile was seen.

She wanderd in the land of clouds thro' valleys dark, listning Dolours \& lamentations: waiting oft beside a dewy grave She stood in silence. listning to the voices of the ground, Till to her own grave plot she came, \& there she sat down.

And heard this voice of sorrow breathed from the hollow pit.

Why cannot the Ear be closed to its own destruction?
Or the glistning Eye to the poison of a smile! Why are Eyelids stord with arrows ready drawn, Where a thousand fighting men in ambush lie?
Or an Eye of gifts \& graces, show'ring fruits \& coined gold! Why a Tongue impress'd with honey from every wind? Why an Ear, a whirlpool fierce to draw creations in? Why a Nostril wide inhaling terror trembling \& affright. Why a tender curb upon the youthful burning boy! Why a little curtain of flesh on the bed of our desire?

The Virgin started from her seat, \& with a shriek. Fled back unhinderd till she came into the vales of Har

The End

## Songs of Innocence and Experience

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London
The Human Abstract
Infant Sorrow
A Poison Tree
A Little Boy Lost
A Little Girl Lost
To Tirzah
The School Boy
The Voice of the Ancient Bard
A Divine Image

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| SI-Title; E7] | Introduction |

SI-Introduction1; E7|
SI-Introduction2; E7|
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SI-Introduction19; E7|
SI-Introduction20; E7|

Piping down the valleys wild
Piping songs of pleasant glee
On a cloud I saw a child.
And he laughing said to me.

Pipe a song about a Lamb;
So I piped with merry chear, Piper pipe that song again--
So I piped, he wept to hear.

Drop thy pipe thy happy pipe
Sing thy songs of happy chear,
So I sung the same again
While he wept with joy to hear

Piper sit thee down and write
In a book that all may read--
So he vanish'd from my sight.
And I pluck'd a hollow reed.

And I made a rural pen,
And I stain'd the water clear,
And I wrote my happy songs
Every child may joy to hear

SI-TheShepherd1; E7|
SI-TheShepherd2; E7|
SI-TheShepherd3; E7|
SI-TheShepherd4; E7|

SI-TheShepherd5; E7|
SI-TheShepherd6; E7|
SI-TheShepherd7; E7|
SI-TheShepherd8; E7|

How sweet is the Shepherds sweet lot, From the morn to the evening he strays: He shall follow his sheep all the day And his tongue shall be filled with praise.

For he hears the lambs innocent call, And he hears the ewes tender reply, He is watchful while they are in peace, For they know when their Shepherd is nigh.

| ED; E7 $\mid$ | SONGS 6 |
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| SI-Title; E8 | The Ecchoing Green |

SI-EcchoingGreen1; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen2; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen3; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen4; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen5; E8| SI-EcchoingGreen6; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen7; E8| SI-EcchoingGreen8; E8| SI-EcchoingGreen9; E8| SI-EcchoingGreen 10; E8|

SI-EcchoingGreen11; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen 12; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen 13; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen14; E8|

The Sun does arise, And make happy the skies. The merry bells ring To welcome the Spring. The sky-lark and thrush, The birds of the bush, Sing louder around, To the bells chearful sound. While our sports shall be seen On the Ecchoing Green.

Old John with white hair Does laugh away care, Sitting under the oak, Among the old folk,

## SI-EcchoingGreen 15; E8|

SI-EcchoingGreen16; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen17; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen 18; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen 19; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen20; E8|

SI-EcchoingGreen21; E8|
SI-EcchoingGreen22; E8|

They laugh at our play, And soon they all say. Such such were the joys. When we all girls \& boys, In our youth-time were seen, On the Ecchoing Green.

Till the little ones weary No more can be merry

The sun does descend, And our sports have an end: Round the laps of their mothers, Many sisters and brothers, Like birds in their nest, Are ready for rest; And sport no more seen, On the darkening Green.

| ED; E8 $\mid$ | SONGS 8 |
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| SI-Title; E8 $\mid$ | The Lamb |

si-TheLamb1; E8| Little Lamb who made thee
SI-TheLamb2; E8 $\mid$ Dost thou know who made thee
SI-TheLamb3; E8| Gave thee life \& bid thee feed.
si-TheLamb4; E8| By the stream \& o'er the mead;
SI-TheLamb5; E8| Gave thee clothing of delight,
SI-TheLamb6; E8| Softest clothing wooly bright;
SI-TheLamb7; E8| Gave thee such a tender voice, sI-TheLamb8; E8 $\quad$ Making all the vales rejoice!
sI-TheLamb9; E8| Little Lamb who made thee
si-TheLamb10; E8 $\quad$ Dost thou know who made thee

SI-TheLamb11; E9|
SI-TheLamb12; E9|
SI-TheLamb13; E9|
SI-TheLamb14; E9|
SI-TheLamb15; E9|
SI-TheLamb16; E9|
SI-TheLamb17; E9|
SI-TheLamb18; E9|
SI-TheLamb19; E9|
SI-TheLamb20; E9|

Little Lamb I'll tell thee, Little Lamb I'll tell thee! He is called by thy name, For he calls himself a Lamb:
He is meek \& he is mild, He became a little child: I a child \& thou a lamb, We are called by his name. Little Lamb God bless thee.
Little Lamb God bless thee.

ED; E9 ${ }^{\text {S }}$ SONGS 9
si-Title; E9 The Little Black Boy.

My mother bore me in the southern wild, And I am black, but O! my soul is white; White as an angel is the English child: But I am black as if bereav'd of light.

SI-LittleBlackBoy9; E9 SI-LittleBlackBoy10; E9| SI-LittleBlackBoy11; E9| SI-LittleBlackBoy12; E9|

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SI-LittleBlackBoy29; E9|

My mother taught me underneath a tree And sitting down before the heat of day, She took me on her lap and kissed me, And pointing to the east began to say.

Look on the rising sun: there God does live And gives his light, and gives his heat away. And flowers and trees and beasts and men recieve Comfort in morning joy in the noon day.

And we are put on earth a little space, That we may learn to bear the beams of love, And these black bodies and this sun-burnt face Is but a cloud, and like a shady grove.

SONGS 10
For when our souls have learn'd the heat to bear The cloud will vanish we shall hear his voice. Saying: come out from the grove my love \& care, And round my golden tent like lambs rejoice.

Thus did my mother say and kissed me, And thus I say to little English boy; When I from black and he from white cloud free, And round the tent of God like lambs we joy:

Ill shade him from the heat till he can bear, To lean in joy upon our fathers knee. And then I'll stand and stroke his silver hair, And be like him and he will then love me.
si-Title; E10| The Blossom.

| SI-TheBlossom1; E10\| | Merry Merry Sparrow |
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| SI-TheBlossom2; E10 | Under leaves so green |
| SI-TheBlossom3; E10 | A happy Blossom |
| SI-TheBlossom4; E10 | Sees you swift as arrow |
| SI-TheBlossom5; E10 | Seek your cradle narrow |
| SI-TheBlossom6; E10 | Near my Bosom. $t 9$ |

Pretty Pretty Robin
Under leaves so green
A happy Blossom
Hears you sobbing sobbing
Pretty Pretty Robin
Near my Bosom.

ED; E10| SONGS 12
SI-Title; E10| The Chimney Sweeper

SI-ChimneySweeper1; E10| SI-ChimneySweeper2; E10| SI-ChimneySweeper3; E10| SI-ChimneySweeper4; E10|

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SI-ChimneySweeper22; E10|
SI-ChimneySweeper23; E10|
SI-ChimneySweeper24; E10|

When my mother died I was very young, And my father sold me while yet my tongue, Could scarcely cry weep weep weep weep. tlo So your Chimneys I sweep \& in soot I sleep.

Theres little Tom Dacre, who cried when his head That curl'd like a lambs back, was shav'd, so I said. Hush Tom never mind it, for when your head's bare, You know that the soot cannot spoil your white hair.

And so he was quiet, \& that very night, As Tom was a sleeping he had such a sight, That thousands of sweepers Dick, Joe, Ned \& Jack Were all of them lockd up in coffins of black,

And by came an Angel who had a bright key, And he open'd the coffins \& set them all free. Then down a green plain leaping laughing they run And wash in a river and shine in the Sun.

Then naked \& white, all their bags left behind, They rise upon clouds, and sport in the wind. And the Angel told Tom if he'd be a good boy, He'd have God for his father \& never want joy.

And so Tom awoke and we rose in the dark And got with our bags \& our brushes to work. Tho' the morning was cold, Tom was happy \& warm, So if all do their duty, they need not fear harm.

SI-LittleBoyLost1; E11|
SI-LittleBoyLost2; E11|
SI-LittleBoyLost3; E11|
SI-LittleBoyLost4; E11|

SI-LittleBoyLost5; E11|
SI-LittleBoyLost6; E11|
SI-LittleBoyLost7; E11|
SI-LittleBoyLost8; E11|

Father, father, where are you going O do not walk so fast.
Speak father, speak to your little boy Or else I shall be lost,

The night was dark no father was there The child was wet with dew, The mire was deep, \& the child did weep And away the vapour flew.

ED; E11| SONGS 14
si-Title; E11 The Little Boy Found

SI-LittleBoyFound1; E11|
SI-LittleBoyFound2; E11|
SI-LittleBoyFound3; E11|
SI-LittleBoyFound4; E11|

SI-LittleBoyFound5; E11|
SI-LittleBoyFound6; E11|
SI-LittleBoyFound7; E11|
SI-LittleBoyFound8; E11|

The little boy lost in the lonely fen, Led by the wand'ring light, Began to cry, but God ever nigh, Appeard like his father in white.

He kissed the child \& by the hand led And to his mother brought, Who in sorrow pale, thro' the lonely dale Her little boy weeping sought.

ED; E11|
SI-Title; E11| SONGS 15

Laughing Song, ${ }^{t 12}$

SI-LaughingSong1; E11|
SI-LaughingSong2; E11|
SI-LaughingSong3; E11|
SI-LaughingSong4; E11|

SI-LaughingSong5; E11|
SI-LaughingSong6; E11|
SI-LaughingSong7; E11|
SI-LaughingSong8; E11|

When the green woods laugh, with the voice of joy ${ }^{t 13}$
And the dimpling stream runs laughing by, When the air does laugh with our merry wit, ${ }^{t 14}$ And the green hill laughs with the noise of it.

When the meadows laugh with lively green And the grasshopper laughs in the merry scene, When Mary and Susan and Emily, ${ }^{t 15}$
With their sweet round mouths sing На, На, Не.

When the painted birds laugh in the shade
Where our table with cherries and nuts is spread

Come live \& be merry and join with me, To sing the sweet chorus of $\mathrm{Ha}, \mathrm{Ha}, \mathrm{He}$.

ED; E11|
SI-Title; E11| A CRADLE SONG

SI-ACradleSong1; E11|
SI-ACradleSong2; E11|
SI-ACradleSong3; E11|
SI-ACradleSong4; E11|

SI-ACradleSong5; E12|
SI-ACradleSong6; E12|
SI-ACradleSong7; E12|
SI-ACradleSong8; E12|

SI-ACradleSong9; E12|
SI-ACradleSong 10; E12|
SI-ACradleSong 11; E12
SI-ACradleSong12; E12

SI-ACradleSong13; E12
SI-ACradleSong 14; E12
SI-ACradleSong 15; E12
SI-ACradleSong16; E12

SI-ACradleSong17; E12|
SI-ACradleSong 18; E12|
SI-ACradleSong 19; E12
SI-ACradleSong20; E12|

SI-ACradleSong21; E12|
SI-ACradleSong22; E12|
SI-ACradleSong23; E12|
SI-ACradleSong24; E12

Sweet dreams form a shade, O'er my lovely infants head. Sweet dreams of pleasant streams, By happy silent moony beams.

Sweet sleep with soft down, Weave thy brows an infant crown. Sweet sleep Angel mild, Hover o'er my happy child.

Sweet smiles in the night, Hover over my delight.
Sweet smiles Mothers smiles All the livelong night beguiles.

Sweet moans, dovelike sighs, Chase not slumber from thy eyes. Sweet moans, sweeter smiles, All the dovelike moans beguiles.

Sleep sleep happy child.
All creation slept and smil'd.
Sleep sleep, happy sleep,
While o'er thee thy mother weep.

Sweet babe in thy face, Holy image I can trace.
Sweet babe once like thee,
Thy maker lay and wept for me

## ED; E12| SONGS 17

SI-ACradleSong25; E12| Wept for me for thee for all,
SI-ACradleSong26; E12 $\quad$ When he was an infant small.
SI-ACradleSong27; E12|
SI-ACradleSong28; E12|

Thou his image ever see, Heavenly face that smiles on thee.

SI-ACradleSong29; E12|
SI-ACradleSong30; E12|
SI-ACradleSong31; E12|
SI-ACradleSong32; E12|

Smiles on thee on me on all,
Who became an infant small, Infant smiles are his own smiles. ${ }^{t 16}$
Heaven \& earth to peace beguiles. ${ }^{t / 7}$

| ED; E12\| | SONGS 18 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Sl-Title; E12\| | The Divine Image. ${ }^{t 18}$ |

SI-DivineImagel; E12 $\mid$ To Mercy Pity Peace and Love, SI-Divinelmage2; E12| All pray in their distress:
SI-DivineImage3; E12| And to these virtues of delight
SI-DivineImage4; E12|

SI-DivineImage5; E12|
SI-DivineImage6; E12|
SI-DivineImage7; E12|
SI-DivineImage8; E12|

SI-DivineImage9; E12|
SI-DivineImage 10; E12|
For Mercy has a human heart
Pity, a human face:

And Love, the human form divine, And Peace, the human dress.

SI-DivineImage 11; E13|
SI-DivineImage 12; E13|

SI-DivineImage 13; E13|
SI-DivineImage 14; E13|
SI-DivineImage 15; E13|
SI-DivineImage 16; E13|

SI-DivineImage 17; E13|
SI-DivineImage 18; E13|
SI-DivineImage 19; E13|
SI-DivineImage20; E13|

Return their thankfulness.

For Mercy Pity Peace and Love, Is God our father dear: And Mercy Pity Peace and Love, Is Man his child and care.

Then every man of every clime, That prays in his distress, Prays to the human form divine Love Mercy Pity Peace.

And all must love the human form, In heathen, turk or jew. Where Mercy, Love \& Pity dwell, There God is dwelling too

SI-HOLY_THURSDAY5; E13|
SI-HOLY_THURSDAY6; E13|
SI-HOLY_THURSDAY7; E13|
SI-HOLY_THURSDAY8; E13|

SI-HOLY_THURSDAY9; E13|
SI-HOLY_THURSDAY10; E13|
SI-HOLY_THURSDAY11; E13|
SI-HOLY_THURSDAY12; E13|

Grey headed beadles walkd before with wands as white as snow Till into the high dome of Pauls they like Thames waters flow

O what a multitude they seemd these flowers of London town Seated in companies they sit with radiance all their own The hum of multitudes was there but multitudes of lambs Thousands of little boys \& girls raising their innocent hands

Now like a mighty wind they raise to heaven the voice of song Or like harmonious thunderings the seats of heaven among Beneath them sit the aged men wise guardians of the poor Then cherish pity, lest you drive an angel from your door

ED; E13| SONGS 20
Sl-Title; E13| Night

SI-Night1; E13|
SI-Night2; E13|
SI-Night3; E13|
SI-Night4; E13|
SI-Night5; E13|
SI-Night6; E13|
SI-Night7; E13|
SI-Night8; E13|

SI-Night9; E13|
SI-Night10; E13|
SI-Night11; E13|
SI-Night12; E13|
SI-Night13; E13|
SI-Night14; E13|

SI-Night15; E14|
SI-Night16; E14|

SI-Night17; E14|
SI-Night18; E14|
SI-Night 19; E14
SI-Night20; E14|
SI-Night21; E14|
SI-Night22; E14|

The sun descending in the west.
The evening star does shine.
The birds are silent in their nest, And I must seek for mine, The moon like a flower, In heavens high bower; With silent delight, Sits and smiles on the night.

Farewell green fields and happy groves, Where flocks have took delight; Where lambs have nibbled, silent moves The feet of angels bright; Unseen they pour blessing, And joy without ceasing,

On each bud and blossom, And each sleeping bosom.

They look in every thoughtless nest, Where birds are coverd warm; They visit caves of every beast, To keep them all from harm; If they see any weeping, That should have been sleeping

They pour sleep on their head And sit down by their bed.

ED; E14| SONGS 21
si-Night25; E14| When wolves and tygers howl for prey
SI-Nigh26; E14 They pitying stand and weep;
SI-Nigh 127 ; E14 | Seeking to drive their thirst away,
SI-Night28; E14 And keep them from the sheep.
SI-Night29; E14 But if they rush dreadful;
si-Nigh $30 ;$ E14| The angels most heedful,
si-Night31; E14] Recieve each mild spirit,
si-Night32; E14 New worlds to inherit.

SI-Nigh133; E14 And there the lions ruddy eyes, SI-Night34; E14| Shall flow with tears of gold:
SI-Night35; E14 And pitying the tender cries,
sI-Nigh36; E14 And walking round the fold:
SI-Nigh137; E14 Saying: wrath by his meekness
SI-Night38; E14 And by his health, sickness,
sl-Night39; E14| Is driven away,
SI-Night40; E14 From our immortal day.
sl-Night41; E14| And now beside thee bleating lamb,
SI-Night42; E14| I can lie down and sleep;
SI-Night4; E14 Or think on him who bore thy name,
SI-Night44; E14| Graze after thee and weep. ${ }^{120}$
sI-Night5; E14| For wash'd in lifes river,
SI-Night46; E14 My bright mane for ever,
sl-Night47; E14| Shall shine like the gold,
SI-Night48; E14 As I guard o'er the fold. ${ }^{121}$

| ED; E14\| | SONGS 22 |
| :--- | :---: |
| SI-Title; E14\| | Spring |


| SI-Spring1; E14\| | Sound the Flute! |
| :--- | :--- |
| SI-Spring2; E14 | Now it's mute. |
| SI-Spring3; E14\| | Birds delight |
| SI-Spring4; E14\| | Day and Night. |
| SI-Spring5; E14\| | Nightingale |
| SI-Spring6; E14 | In the dale |


| SI-Spring8; E15\| | Merrily |
| :--- | :--- |
| SI-Spring9; E15\| | Merrily Merrily to welcome in the Year |


| SI-Spring10; E15\| | Little Boy |
| :--- | :--- |
| SI-Spring11; E15\| | Full of joy. |


| ED; E15\| $\quad$ SONGS 23 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| SI-Spring12; E15\| | Little Girl |
| SI-Spring13; E15\| | Sweet and small, |
| SI-Spring14; E15\| | Cock does crow |
| SI-Spring15; E15\| | So do you. |
| SI-Spring16; E15\| | Merry voice |
| SI-Spring17; E15 | Infant noise |
| SI-Spring18; E15\| | Merrily Merrily to welcome in the Year |


| SI-Spring19; E15\| | Little Lamb |
| :--- | :--- |
| SI-Spring20; E15\| | Here I am, |
| SI-Spring21;E15\| | Come and lick |
| SI-Spring22;E15\| | My white neck. |
| SI-Spring23; E15\| | Let me pull |
| SI-Spring24; E15\| | Your soft Wool. |
| SI-Spring25;E15\| | Let me kiss |
| SI-Spring26; E15\| | Your soft face. |
| SI-Spring27; E15\| | Merrily Merrily we welcome in the Year |


| ED; E15\| | SONGS 24 |
| :--- | :---: |
| SI-title; E15\| | Nurse's Song |

SI-Nurse'sSong 1; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong2; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong3; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong4; E15|

SI-Nurse'sSong5; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong6; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong7; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong8; E15|

SI-Nurse'sSong9; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong10; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong11; E15

When the voices of children are heard on the green
And laughing is heard on the hill, My heart is at rest within my breast
And every thing else is still

Then come home my children, the sun is gone down
And the dews of night arise
Come come leave off play, and let us away
Till the morning appears in the skies

No no let us play, for it is yet day
And we cannot go to sleep
Besides in the sky, the little birds fly

SI-Nurse'sSong 13; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong14; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong15; E15|
SI-Nurse'sSong16; E15|

And the hills are all coverd with sheep

Well well go \& play till the light fades away
And then go home to bed
The little ones leaped \& shouted \& laugh'd And all the hills ecchoed

| SI-InfantJoy1; E16\| | I have no name |
| :--- | :--- |
| SI-InfantJoy2; E16\| | I am but two days old.-- |
| SI-InfantJoy3; E16\| | What shall I call thee? |
| SI-InfantJoy4; E16\| | I happy am |
| SI-InfantJoy5; E16\| | Joy is my name,-- |
| SI-InfantJoy6; E16\| | Sweet joy befall thee! |
|  |  |
| SIIInfantJoy7; E16\| | Pretty joy! |
| SI-InfantJoy8; E16\| | Sweet joy but two days old, |
| SI-InfantJoy9; E16\| | Sweet joy I call thee; |
| SI-InfantJoy10; E16\| | Thou dost smile. |
| SI-InfantJoy11; E16\| | I sing the while |
| SI-InfantJoy12; E16\| | Sweet joy befall thee. |


| ED; E16\| | SONGS 26 |
| :--- | ---: |
| SI-Title; E16\| | A Dream |

SI-ADream1; E16| Once a dream did weave a shade,
SI-ADream2; E16| O'er my Angel-guarded bed,
sI-ADream3; E16| That an Emmet lost it's way sl-ADream4; E16| Where on grass methought I lay.

SI-ADream5; E16|
SI-ADream6; E16|
SI-ADream7; E16
SI-ADream8; E16|

SI-ADream9; E16|
SI-ADream10; E16|
SI-ADream11; E16|
SI-ADream12; E16|

Troubled wilderd and folorn
Dark benighted travel-worn, Over many a tangled spray
All heart-broke I heard her say.

O my children! do they cry Do they hear their father sigh. Now they look abroad to see, Now return and weep for me.

SI-ADream13; E16
SI-ADream14; E16|
SI-ADream15; E16|
SI-ADream16; E16|

SI-ADream17; E16|
SI-ADream18; E16|
SI-ADream19; E16|
SI-ADream20; E16|

Pitying I drop'd a tear:
But I saw a glow-worm near:
Who replied. What wailing wight
Calls the watchman of the night.

I am set to light the ground, While the beetle goes his round: Follow now the beetles hum, Little wanderer hie thee home.

SONGS 27
SI-Title; E17] On Anothers Sorrow

SI-OnAnothersSorrow1; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow2; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow3; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow4; E17|

SI-OnAnothersSorrow5; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow6; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow7; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow8; E17|

SI-OnAnothersSorrow9; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow 10; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow11; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow12; E17|

SI-OnAnothersSorrow13; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow14; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow15; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow16; E17|

SI-OnAnothersSorrow17; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow18; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow 19; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow20; E17|

Can I see anothers woe, And not be in sorrow too. Can I see anothers grief, And not seek for kind relief? ${ }^{223}$

Can I see a falling tear, And not feel my sorrows share, Can a father see his child, Weep, nor be with sorrow fill'd.

Can a mother sit and hear, An infant groan an infant fear-No no never can it be. Never never can it be.

And can he who smiles on all Hear the wren with sorrows small, Hear the small birds grief \& care Hear the woes that infants bear--

And not sit beside the nest Pouring pity in their breast, And not sit the cradle near Weeping tear on infants tear.

And not sit both night \& day, Wiping all our tears away.

SI-OnAnothersSorrow23; E17|

SI-OnAnothersSorrow25; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow26; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow27; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow28; E17|

SI-OnAnothersSorrow29; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow30; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow31; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow32; E17|

SI-OnAnothersSorrow33; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow34; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow35; E17|
SI-OnAnothersSorrow36; E17|

O ! no never can it be. Never never can it be.

He doth give his joy to all. He becomes an infant small. He becomes a man of woe He doth feel the sorrow too.

Think not, thou canst sigh a sigh, And thy maker is not by. Think not, thou canst weep a tear, And thy maker is not near.

O ! he gives to us his joy, That our grief he may destroy ${ }^{124}$ Till our grief is fled \& gone He doth sit by us and moan

| ED; E18\| | SONGS 30 |
| :--- | ---: |
| SE-Title; E18\| | Introduction. |

SE-Introduction2; E18| Who Present, Past, \& Future sees
SE-Introduction3; E18|
SE-Introduction4; E18|
SE-Introduction5; E18|

SE-Introduction6; E18|
SE-Introduction7; E18|
SE-Introduction8; E18|
SE-Introduction9; E18|
SE-Introduction10; E18|

Hear the voice of the Bard!
Whose ears have heard, The Holy Word, That walk'd among the ancient trees.

Calling the lapsed Soul
And weeping in the evening dew:
That might controll, The starry pole;
And fallen fallen light renew!

O Earth O Earth return!
Arise from out the dewy grass; Night is worn, And the morn
Rises from the slumberous mass,

Turn away no more:
Why wilt thou turn away
The starry floor
The watry shore
Is giv'n thee till the break of day.

| ED; E18\| | SONGS 31 |
| :--- | :--- |
| SE-Title; E18\| | EARTH'S Answer. |

SE-EARTH'S_Answer1; E18|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer2; E18|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer3; E18|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer4; E18|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer5; E18|

SE-EARTH'S_Answer6; E18|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer7; E18|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer8; E18|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer9; E18|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer10; E18|

SE-EARTH'S_Answer11; E18|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer12; E18|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer 13; E18|

SE-EARTH'S_Answer14; E19|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer 15; E19|

SE-EARTH'S_Answer16; E19|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer17; E19|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer18; E19|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer 19; E19|
SE-EARTH'S_Answer20; E19|

Earth rais'd up her head, From the darkness dread \& drear.
Her light fled: ${ }^{27}$
Stony dread!
And her locks cover'd with grey despair.

Prison'd on watry shore
Starry Jealousy does keep my den ${ }^{128}$
Cold and hoar
Weeping o'er
I hear the Father of the ancient men ${ }^{129}$

Selfish father of men ${ }^{130}$
Cruel jealous selfish fear
Can delight

Chain'd in night ${ }^{13 l}$
The virgins of youth and morning bear.

Does spring hide its joy ${ }^{132}$
When buds and blossoms grow?
Does the sower? ${ }^{133}$
Sow by night?
Or the plowman in darkness plow?

That does freeze my bones around ${ }^{134}$
Selfish! vain!
Eternal bane! ${ }^{135}$
That free Love with bondage bound.

| Ed; E19 | SONGS 32 |
| :--- | :--- |
| SE-Title; E19 | The CLOD \& the PEBBLE |

SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE1; E19|
SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE2; E19|
SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE3; E19|
SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE4; E19|

SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE5; E19|
SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE6; E19|
SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE7; E19|
SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE8; E19|

SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE9; E19|
SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE10; E19|
SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE11; E19|
SE-CLOD\&PEBBLE12; E19|

Love seeketh not Itself to please,
Nor for itself hath any care;
But for another gives its ease,
And builds a Heaven in Hells despair.

So sang a little Clod of Clay, ${ }^{137}$
Trodden with the cattles feet:
But a Pebble of the brook, Warbled out these metres meet.

Love seeketh only Self to please, To bind another to Its delight: Joys in anothers loss of ease, And builds a Hell in Heavens despite.

| ED; E19\| | SONGS 33 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| SE-Title; E19 | HOLY THURSDAY |  |

SE-HOLY_THURSDAY1; E19| SE-HOLY_THURSDAY2; E19| SE-HOLY_THURSDAY3; E19| SE-HOLY_THURSDAY4; E19|
SE-HOLY_THURSDAY5; E19|

SE-HOLY_THURSDAY6; E19| SE-HOLY_THURSDAY7; E19| SE-HOLY_THURSDAY8; E19|

Is this a holy thing to see, In a rich and fruitful land, Babes reduced to misery, Fed with cold and usurous hand?

Is that trembling cry a song?
Can it be a song of joy?
And so many children poor? ${ }^{139}$ It is a land of poverty! ${ }^{440}$

And their sun does never shine. And their fields are bleak \& bare. And their ways are fill'd with thorns. It is eternal winter there. ${ }^{141}$
ED; E20| SONGS 34

SI/SE-Title; E20| The Little Girl Lost ${ }^{t 43}$

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost1; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost2; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost3; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost4; E20|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost5; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost6; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost7; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost8; E20|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost9; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost10; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost11; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost12; E20|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost13; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost14; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost15; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost16; E20|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost17; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost18; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost19; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirILost20; E20|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost21; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost22; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost23; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost24; E20|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost25; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost26; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost27; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost28; E20|

## In futurity

I prophetic see, That the earth from sleep, (Grave the sentence deep)

Shall arise and seek
For her maker meek:
And the desart wild Become a garden mild.

In the southern clime, Where the summers prime,
Never fades away; Lovely Lyca lay.

Seven summers old Lovely Lyca told, She had wanderd long, Hearing wild birds song.

Sweet sleep come to me Underneath this tree; Do father, mother weep.--
Where can Lyca sleep.

Lost in desart wild
Is your little child.
How can Lyca sleep, If her mother weep.

If her heart does ake, Then let Lyca wake; If my mother sleep, Lyca shall not weep.

Frowning frowning night, O'er this desart bright,

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost33; E20|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost34; E20|

SE-HOLY_THURSDAY13; E20
SE-HOLY_THURSDAY14; E20|
SE-HOLY_THURSDAY15; E20|
SE-HOLY_THURSDAY16; E20|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost35; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost36; E21|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost37; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost38; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost39; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost40; E21|

ED; E21| SONGS 35
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost41; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost42; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost43; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost44; E21|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost45; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost46; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost47; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost48; E21|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost49; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost50; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost51; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlLost52; E21|

Let thy moon arise, While I close my eyes.

Sleeping Lyca lay;
While the beasts of prey,

For where-e'er the sun does shine, ${ }^{142}$ And where-e'er the rain does fall: Babe can never hunger there, Nor poverty the mind appall.

Come from caverns deep, View'd the maid asleep

The kingly lion stood And the virgin view'd, Then he gambold round O'er the hallowd ground;

Leopards, tygers play, Round her as she lay; While the lion old, Bow'd his mane of gold.

And her bosom lick, And upon her neck, From his eyes of flame, Ruby tears there came;

## The Little Girl Found

All the night in woe,
Lyca's parents go:
Over vallies deep,

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound5; E21| SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound6; E21| SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound7; E21| SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound8; E21|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound9; E21| SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound10; E21| SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound11; E21| SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound12; E21|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound13; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound14; E21|

ED; E21| SONGS 36
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound15; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound16; E21|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound17; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound18; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound19; E21|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound20; E21|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound21; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound22; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound23; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound24; E22|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound25; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound26; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound27; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound28; E22|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound29; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound30; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound31; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound32; E22|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound33; E22

While the desarts weep.

Tired and woe-begone, Hoarse with making moan: Arm in arm seven days, They trac'd the desart ways.

Seven nights they sleep, Among shadows deep:
And dream they see their child Starv'd in desart wild.

Pale thro' pathless ways The fancied image strays,

Famish'd, weeping, weak With hollow piteous shriek

Rising from unrest, The trembling woman prest, With feet of weary woe;
She could no further go.

In his arms he bore, Her arm'd with sorrow sore; Till before their way, A couching lion lay.

Turning back was vain, Soon his heavy mane, Bore them to the ground; Then he stalk'd around,

Smelling to his prey. But their fears allay, When he licks their hands; And silent by them stands.

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound37; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound38; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound39; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound40; E22|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound41; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound42; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound43; E22
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound44; E22|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound45; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound46; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound47; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound48; E22|

SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound49; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound50; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound51; E22|
SI/SE-TheLittleGirlFound52; E22|

Fill'd with deep surprise:
And wondering behold,
A spirit arm'd in gold.

On his head a crown
On his shouldes down,
Flow'd his golden hair.
Gone was all their care.

Follow me he said,
Weep not for the maid;
In my palace deep, Lyca lies asleep.

Then they followed, Where the vision led:
And saw their sleeping child, Among tygers wild.

| ED; E22\| | SONGS 37 |
| :--- | :--- |
| SE-Title; E22\| | THE Chimney Sweeper |

SE-THEChimneySweeper1; E22|
SE-THEChimneySweeper2; E22|
SE-THEChimneySweeper3; E22|
SE-THEChimneySweeper4; E22|

SE-THEChimneySweeper5; E22|
SE-THEChimneySweeper6; E22|

SE-THEChimneySweeper7; E23|
SE-THEChimneySweeper8; E23|

SE-THEChimneySweeper9; E23|
SE-THEChimneySweeper 10; E23|

A little black thing among the snow:
Crying weep, weep, in notes of woe! ${ }^{145}$ Where are thy father \& mother? say? They are both gone up to the church to pray. ${ }^{146}$

Because I was happy upon the heath, And smil'd among the winters snow: ${ }^{47}$

They clothed me in the clothes of death, And taught me to sing the notes of woe.

And because I am happy, \& dance \& sing, They think they have done me no injury:

And are gone to praise God \& his Priest \& King Who make up a heaven of our misery. ${ }^{148}$

| ED; E23\| | SONGS 38 |
| :--- | :--- |
| SE-Title; E23\| | NURSES Song |

SE-NURSESSong1; E23|
SE-NURSESSong2; E23|
SE-NURSESSong3; E23|
SE-NURSESSong4; E23|

SE-NURSESSong5; E23|
SE-NURSESSong6; E23|
SE-NURSESSong7; E23|
SE-NURSESSong8; E23|

When the voices of children, are heard on the green And whisprings are in the dale: The days of my youth rise fresh in my mind, ${ }^{150}$ My face turns green and pale.

Then come home my chidren, the sun is gone down And the dews of night arise Your spring \& your day, are wasted in play And your winter and night in disguise.

| Ed; E23\| | SONGS 39 |  |
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| SE-Title; E23\| | The SICK ROSE | t 51 |

SE-SICKROSE1; E23|
SE-SICKROSE2; E23|
SE-SICKROSE3; E23|
SE-SICKROSE4; E23|

SE-SICKROSE5; E23|
SE-SICKROSE6; E23|
SE-SICKROSE7; E23|
SE-SICKROSE8; E23|

O Rose thou art sick.
The invisible worm,
That flies in the night
In the howling storm:

Has found out thy bed ${ }^{t 52}$
Of crimson joy:
And his dark secret love ${ }{ }^{53}$
Does thy life destroy. ${ }^{554}$

| ED; E23\| | SONGS 40 |
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| SE-Title; E23\| |  |
| THE FLY. |  |


| SE-THEFLY1; E23\| | Little Fly |
| :--- | :--- |
| Se-thefly2; E23\| | Thy summers play, ${ }^{t 56}$ |
| Se-thefly3; E23\| | My thoughtless hand ${ }^{\text {t5 }}$ |
| Se-thefly4; E23\| | Has brush'd away. ${ }^{\text {t58 }}$ |


| SE-THEFLY5; E23\| | Am not I |
| :--- | :--- |
| SE-THEFLY6; E23 | A fly like thee? |
| SE-THEFLY7; E23 | Or art not thou |


| SE-THEFLY9; E23\| | For I dance |
| :--- | :--- |
| SE-THEFLY10; E23\| | And drink \& sing: |
| SE-THEFLY11; E23\| | Till some blind hand |
| SE-THEFLY12; E23 | Shall brush my wing. |

Se-thefly13; E24| If thought is life ${ }^{t 59}$
SE-THEFLY14; E24| And strength \& breath:

Se-thefly 15 ; E24 And the want 160
se-thefly16; E24| Of thought is death;

| SE-THEFLY17; E24\| | Then am I |
| :--- | :--- |
| SE-THEFLY18; E24 | A happy fly, |
| SE-THEFLY19; E24 | If I live, |
| SE-THEFLY20; E24 | Or if I die. |



SE-TheAngel5; E24| And I wept both night and day
SE-TheAngel6; E24| And he wip'd my tears away
SE-TheAngel7; E24 And I wept both day and night
SE-TheAngel8; E24 And hid from him my hearts delight

SE-TheAngel9; E24
SE-TheAngel10; E24
SE-TheAngel11; E24
SE-TheAngel12; E24

SE-TheAngel13; E24
SE-TheAngel14; E24|
SE-TheAngel15; E24
SE-TheAngel16; E24|

So he took his wings and fled:
Then the morn blush'd rosy red: I dried my tears \& armed my fears, With ten thousand shields and spears,

Soon my Angel came again;
I was arm'd, he came in vain:
For the time of youth was fled $\quad 162$
And grey hairs were on my head.

SE-TheTyger1; E24|
SE-TheTyger2; E24|
SE-TheTyger3; E24|
SE-TheTyger4; E24|

SE-TheTyger5; E24|
SE-TheTyger6; E24
SE-TheTyger7; E24|
SE-TheTyger8; E24|

SE-TheTyger9; E24|
SE-TheTyger10; E24|
SE-TheTyger11; E24|
SE-TheTyger 12; E24|

SE-TheTyger 13; E25|
SE-TheTyger 14; E25|
SE-TheTyger 15; E25|
SE-TheTyger16; E25|

SE-TheTyger 17; E25|
SE-TheTyger 18; E25|
SE-TheTyger 19; E25|
SE-TheTyger20; E25|

SE-TheTyger21; E25
SE-TheTyger22; E25
SE-TheTyger23; E25|
SE-TheTyger24; E25|

Tyger Tyger, burning bright, In the forests of the night;
What immortal hand or eye, ${ }^{164}$
Could frame thy fearful symmetry? 165

In what distant deeps or skies. ${ }^{166}$
Burnt the fire of thine eyes? ${ }^{67}$
On what wings dare he aspire? 168
What the hand, dare sieze the fire?

And what shoulder, \& what art, Could twist the sinews of thy heart? And when thy heart began to beat, What dread hand? \& what dread feet? ${ }^{169}$

What the hammer? what the chain, ${ }^{t 70}$
In what furnace was thy brain?
What the anvil? what dread grasp, Dare its deadly terrors clasp! ${ }^{\text {t71 }}$

When the stars threw down their spears ${ }^{772}$
And water'd heaven with their tears:
Did he smile his work to see?
Did he who made the Lamb make thee?

Tyger Tyger burning bright, In the forests of the night: ${ }^{t 73}$
What immortal hand or eye, ${ }^{774}$
Dare frame thy fearful symmetry? 775

| ED; E25\| | SONGS 43 |
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| SE-Title; E25\| | My Pretty ROSE TREE |

A flower was offerd to me; Such a flower as May never bore.
But I said I've a Pretty Rose-tree: And I passed the sweet flower o'er.

Then I went to my Pretty Rose-tree;
To tend her by day and by night. ${ }^{t 77}$

SE-AH!SUN-FLOWER1; E25|
SE-AH!SUN-FLOWER2; E25|
SE-AH!SUN-FLOWER3; E25|
SE-AH!SUN-FLOWER4; E25|

SE-AH!SUN-FLOWER5; E25|
SE-AH!SUN-FLOWER6; E25|
SE-AH!SUN-FLOWER7; E25|
SE-AH!SUN-FLOWER8; E25|

Ah Sun-flower! weary of time, Who countest the steps of the Sun: Seeking after that sweet golden clime Where the travellers journey is done.

Where the Youth pined away with desire, And the pale Virgin shrouded in snow:
Arise from their graves and aspire, Where my Sun-flower wishes to go.

SE-Title; E25| THE LILLY ${ }^{779}$
se-thelilly1; e25 $\quad$ The modest Rose puts forth a thorn: ${ }^{180}$
SE-Thellely2; E25| The humble Sheep, a threatning horn: ${ }^{181}$
se-thelllly3; E25| While the Lilly white, shall in Love delight,
se-thelilly4; e25| Nor a thorn nor a threat stain her beauty bright. ${ }^{182}$

ED; E26] SONGS 44
SE-Title; E26| The GARDEN of LOVE ${ }^{183}$

| SE-TheGardenofLove1; E26 | I went to the Garden of Love, |
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| SE-TheGardenofove2; E26 | And saw what I never had seen: |
| t84 |  |
| SE-TheGardenofove3; E26 | A Chapel was built in the midst, |
| SE-TheGardenoflove4; E26 | Where I used to play on the green. |

SE-TheGardenofLove5; E26|
SE-TheGardenofLove6; E26| SE-TheGardenofLove7; E26| SETheGardenofLove8; E26|

SE-TheGardenofLove9; E26|
SE-TheGardenofLove10; E26|
SE-TheGardenofLove11; E26|
SE-TheGardenofLove12; E26|

And the gates of this Chapel were shut, ${ }^{186}$
And Thou shalt not. writ over the door;
So I turn'd to the Garden of Love, ${ }^{187}$
That so many sweet flowers bore.

And I saw it was filled with graves, And tomb-stones where flowers should be:
And Priests in black gowns, were walking their rounds, And binding with briars, my joys \& desires.

ED; E26| SONGS 45
SE-Title; E26| The Little Vagabond ${ }^{t 88}$

SE-TheLittleVagabond1; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond2; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond3; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond4; E26|

Dear Mother, dear Mother, the Church is cold, ${ }^{189}$
But the Ale-house is healthy \& pleasant \& warm;
Besides I can tell where I am use'd well, t90
Such usage in heaven will never do well. ${ }^{191}$
Ed; E26] [45:4 Original reading: Such usage in heaven makes all go to hell. See textual note.]

SE-TheLittleVagabond5; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond6; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond7; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond8; E26|

SE-TheLittleVagabond9; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond10; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond11; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond12; E26|

SE-TheLittleVagabond13; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond14; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond15; E26|
SE-TheLittleVagabond16; E26|

But if at the Church they would give us some Ale.
And a pleasant fire, our souls to regale;
We'd sing and we'd pray, all the live-long day;
Nor ever once wish from the Church to stray,

Then the Parson might preach \& drink \& sing. And we'd be as happy as birds in the spring: And modest dame Lurch, who is always at Church, Would not have bandy children nor fasting nor birch.

And God like a father rejoicing to see, ${ }^{192}$
His children as pleasant and happy as he:
Would have no more quarrel with the Devil or the Barrel
But kiss him \& give him both drink and apparel. ${ }^{193}$

| Ed; E26\| | SONGS 46 |
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| SE-Title; E26\| | LONDON |

SE-LONDON1; E26|
SE-LONDON2; E26|
SE-LONDON3; E26|
SE-LONDON4; E26|

SE-LONDON5; E27|
SE-LONDON6; E27|
SE-LONDON7; E27|
SE-LONDON8; E27|

SE-LONDON9; E27|
SE-LONDON10; E27|
SE-LONDON11; E27|

I wander thro' each charter'd street, ${ }^{195}$
Near where the charter'd Thames does flow.
And mark in every face I meet ${ }^{t 96}$
Marks of weakness, marks of woe.

In every cry of every Man,
In every Infants cry of fear, ${ }^{197}$
In every voice: in every ban, ${ }^{198}$
The mind-forg'd manacles I hear $t 99$

How the Chimney-sweepers cry ${ }^{t 100}$
Every blackning Church appalls, t101
And the hapless Soldiers sigh

SE-LONDON13; E27|
SE-LONDON14; E27|
SE-LONDON15; E27|
SE-LONDON16; E27|

But most thro' midnight streets I hear tloz
How the youthful Harlots curse
Blasts the new-born Infants tear
And blights with plagues the Marriage hearse

| ED; E27] | SONGS 47 |
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| SE-Title; E27] | The Human Abstract. $\quad$ tl03 |

SE-TheHumanAbstract1; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract2; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract3; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract4; E27|

SE-TheHumanAbstract5; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract6; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract7; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract8; E27|

SE-TheHumanAbstract9; E27|
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SE-TheHumanAbstract18; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract19; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract20; E27|

SE-TheHumanAbstract21; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract2; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract23; E27|
SE-TheHumanAbstract24; E27|

Pity would be no more, ${ }^{t 104}$ If we did not make somebody Poor: t105 And Mercy no more could be, If all were as happy as we;

And mutual fear brings peace; Till the selfish loves increase. Then Cruelty knits a snare, And spreads his baits with care. ${ }^{t 106}$

He sits down with holy fears, And waters the ground with tears: Then Humility takes its root Underneath his foot.

Soon spreads the dismal shade Of Mystery over his head; And the Catterpiller and Fly, Feed on the Mystery.

And it bears the fruit of Deceit, Ruddy and sweet to eat; And the Raven his nest has made In its thickest shade.

The Gods of the earth and sea, Sought thro' Nature to find this Tree But their search was all in vain: There grows one in the Human Brain ${ }^{t 107}$

SE-INFANTSORROW1; E28| SE-INFANTSORROW2; E28|
SE-INFANTSORROW3; E28|
SE-INFANTSORROW4; E28|

SE-INFANTSORROW5; E28|
SE-INFANTSORROW6; E28|
SE-INFANTSORROW7; E28|
SE-INFANTSORROW8; E28|

My mother groand! my father wept. Into the dangerous world I leapt:
Helpless, naked, piping loud; Like a fiend hid in a cloud.

Struggling in my fathers hands:
Striving against my swadling bands:
Bound and weary I thought best
To sulk upon my mothers breast.

ED; E28| SONGS 49
SE-Title; E28| A POISON TREE. ${ }^{t 109}$

SE-APOISONTREE1; E28| I was angry with my friend;
SE-APOISONTREE2; E28 I told my wrath, my wrath did end.
SE-APOISONTREE3; E28| I was angry with my foe:
SE-APOISONTREE4; E28 I told it not, my wrath did grow.

SE-APOISONTREE5; E28
SE-APOISONTREE6; E28|
SE-APOISONTREE7; E28|
SE-APOISONTREE8; E28|

SE-APOISONTREE9; E28|
SE-APOISONTREE10; E28|
SE-APOISONTREE11; E28|
SE-APOISONTREE12; E28|

SE-APOISONTREE13; E28|
SE-APOISONTREE14; E28|
SE-APOISONTREE15; E28|
SE-APOISONTREE16; E28|

And I waterd it in fears, Night \& morning with my tears: And I sunned it with smiles, And with soft deceitful wiles.

And it grew both day and night.
Till it bore an apple bright. And my foe beheld it shine, And he knew that it was mine.

And into my garden stole, When the night had veild the pole; In the morning glad I see;
My foe outstretchd beneath the tree.

| ED; E28\| | SONGS 50 |
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| SE-Title; E28\| | A Little BOY Lost |

SE-ALittleBOYLost5; E28|
SE-ALittleBOYLost6; E28|
SE-ALittleBOYLost7; E28|
SE-ALittleBOYLost8; E28|

SE-ALittleBOYLost9; E28|
SE-ALittleBOYLost10; E28|
SE-ALittleBOYLost11; E28|
SE-ALittleBOYLost12; E28|

SE-ALittleBOYLost13; E29|
SE-ALittleBOYLost14; E29|
SE-ALittleBOYLost15; E29|
SE-ALittleBOYLost16; E29|

SE-ALittleBOYLost17; E29|
SE-ALittleBOYLost18; E29|
SE-ALittleBOYLost19; E29|
SE-ALittleBOYLost20; E29|

SE-ALittleBOYLost21; E29|
SE-ALittleBOYLost22; E29|
SE-ALittleBOYLost23; E29|
SE-ALittleBOYLost24; E29|

Nor venerates another so.
Nor is it possible to Thought
A greater than itself to know:

And Father, how can I love you, tlll
Or any of my brothers more? ${ }^{t 112}$
I love you like the little bird ${ }^{t 113}$
That picks up crumbs around the door.

The Priest sat by and heard the child.
In trembling zeal he siez'd his hair: tll4
He led him by his little coat: t115
And all admir'd the Priestly care. ${ }^{t 116}$

And standing on the altar high, ${ }^{t 117}$
Lo what a fiend is here! said he:
One who sets reason up for judge
Of our most holy Mystery.

The weeping child could not be heard.
The weeping parents wept in vain:
They strip'd him to his little shirt. ${ }^{t 118}$
And bound him in an iron chain.

And burn'd him in a holy place, ${ }^{t 119}$
Where many had been burn'd before:
The weeping parents wept in vain.
Are such things done on Albions shore. ${ }^{t 120}$

SE-Tite; E29 A Little GIRL Lost

SE-ALittleGIRLLost1; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost2; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost3; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost4; E29|

SE-ALittleGIRLLost5; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost6; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost7; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost8; E29|

Children of the future Age, Reading this indignant page;
Know that in a former time.
Love! sweet Love! was thought a crime.

In the Age of Gold,
Free from winters cold:
Youth and maiden bright,
To the holy light,

SE-ALittleGIRLLost10; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost11; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost12; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost13; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost14; E29|

SE-ALittleGIRLLost15; E29|
SE-ALittleGRLLost16; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost17; E29|
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SE-ALittleGIRLLost26; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost27; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost28; E29|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost29; E29|

SE-ALittleGIRLLost30; E30|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost31; E30|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost32; E30|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost33; E30|
SE-ALittleGIRLLost34; E30|

Naked in the sunny beams delight.

Once a youthful pair
Fill'd with softest care:
Met in garden bright,
Where the holy light,
Had just removd the curtains of the night.

There in rising day,
On the grass they play:
Parents were afar:
Strangers came not near:
And the maiden soon forgot her fear.

## Tired with kisses sweet

They agree to meet,
When the silent sleep
Waves o'er heavens deep;
And the weary tired wanderers weep.

To her father white
Came the maiden bright:
But his loving look, Like the holy book, All her tender limbs with terror shook.

Ona! pale and weak!
To thy father speak:
O the trembling fear!
O the dismal care!
That shakes the blossoms of my hoary hair

| ED; E30\| | SONGS 52 |  |
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| SE-Title; E30 | To Tirzah | t121 |

SE-ToTirzah1; E30|
SE-ToTirzah2; E30|
SE-ToTirzah3; E30|
SE-ToTirzah4; E30|

Whate'er is Born of Mortal Birth, Must be consumed with the Earth
To rise from Generation free;
Then what have I to do with thee?

SE-ToTirzah6; E30|
SE-ToTirzah7; E30|
SE-ToTirzah8; E30|

SE-ToTirzah9; E30|
SE-ToTirzah10; E30|
SE-ToTirzah11; E30|
SE-ToTirzah12; E30|

SE-ToTirzah13; E30|
SE-ToTirzah14; E30|
SE-ToTirzah15; E30|
SE-ToTirzah16; E30|

SE-ToTirzah; E30|

Blow'd in the morn: in evening died But Mercy changd Death into Sleep; The Sexes rose to work \& weep.

Thou Mother of my Mortal part. With cruelty didst mould my Heart. And with false self-decieving tears, Didst bind my Nostrils Eyes \& Ears.

Didst close my Tongue in senseless clay
And me to Mortal Life betray:
The Death of Jesus set me free, Then what have I to do with thee?
[text on illustration: It is Raised a Spiritual Body]

ED; E31] SONGS 53
SI/SE-Title; E31| The School Boy ${ }^{\text {t122 }}$

SI/SE-TheSchoolBoy1; E31| SI/SE-TheSchoolBoy2; E31| SI/SE-TheSchoolBoy3; E31| SI/SE-TheSchoolBoy4; E31| SI/SE-TheSchoolBoy5; E31|

I love to rise in a summer morn,
When the birds sing on every tree;
The distant huntsman winds his horn, And the sky-lark sings with me.
O ! what sweet company.

But to go to school in a summer morn, O ! it drives all joy away; Under a cruel eye outworn, The little ones spend the day, In sighing and dismay.

Ah! then at times I drooping sit, And spend many an anxious hour. Nor in my book can I take delight, Nor sit in learnings bower, Worn thro' with the dreary shower.

How can the bird that is born for joy, Sit in a cage and sing. How can a child when fears annoy, But droop his tender wing,

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And forget his youthful spring.

O! father \& mother, if buds are nip'd, And blossoms blown away, And if the tender plants are strip'd Of their joy in the springing day, By sorrow and cares dismay,

How shall the summer arise in joy.
Or the summer fruits appear,
Or how shall we gather what griefs destroy
Or bless the mellowing year,
When the blasts of winter appear.

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SI/SE-Voice...AncientBard11; E32|

Youth of delight come hither:
And see the opening morn, Image of truth new born.
Doubt is fled \& clouds of reason.
Dark disputes \& artful teazing.
Folly is an endless maze,
Tangled roots perplex her ways,

How many have fallen there!
They stumble all night over bones of the dead;
And feel they know not what but care;
And wish to lead others when they should be led.

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Cruelty has a Human Heart
And Jealousy a Human Face
Terror, the Human Form Divine
And Secrecy, the Human Dress

The Human Dress, is forged Iron The Human Form, a fiery Forge.
The Human Face, a Furnace seal'd
The Human Heart, its hungry Gorge.

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Rintrah roars \& shakes his fires in the burdend air; Hungry clouds swag on the deep

Once meek, and in a perilous path, The just man kept his course along The vale of death.
Roses are planted where thorns grow.
And on the barren heath
Sing the honey bees.

Then the perilous path was planted:
And a river, and a spring
On every cliff and tomb;
And on the bleached bones
Red clay brought forth.

Till the villain left the paths of ease, To walk in perilous paths, and drive The just man into barren climes.

Now the sneaking serpent walks
In mild humility.
And the just man rages in the wilds
Where lions roam.

Rintrah roars \& shakes his fires in the burdend air; Hungry clouds swag on the deep.
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мннз; ез4| As a new heaven is begun, and it is now thirty-three years tl44 мннз; Ез4 since its advent: the Eternal Hell revives. And lo! Swedenborg is мннз; Е34 the Angel sitting at the tomb; his writings are the linen clothes MHH3; E34| folded up. Now is the dominion of Edom, \& the return of Adam into

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Paradise; see Isaiah XXXIV \& XXXV Chap:
Without Contraries is no progression. Attraction and
Repulsion, Reason and Energy, Love and Hate, are necessary to Human existence.
From these contraries spring what the religious call Good \&
Evil. Good is the passive that obeys Reason[.] Evil is the active springing from Energy. Good is Heaven. Evil is Hell.

## Marriage of Heaven and Hell PLATE 4

The voice of the Devil

All Bibles or sacred codes. have been the causes of the following Errors.

1. That Man has two real existing principles Viz: a Body \& a Soul.
2 That Energy. calld Evil. is alone from the Body. \& that
Reason. calld Good. is alone from the Soul.
2. That God will torment Man in Eternity for following his

## Energies.

But the following Contraries to these are True 1 Man has no Body distinct from his Soul for that calld Body is a portion of Soul discernd by the five Senses. the chief inlets of Soul in this age
2. Energy is the only life and is from the Body and Reason is the bound or outward circumference of Energy.
3 Energy is Eternal Delight

## Marriage of Heaven and Hell PLATE 5

Those who restrain desire, do so because theirs is weak enough to be restrained; and the restrainer or reason usurps its place \& governs the unwilling.
And being restraind it by degrees becomes passive till it is only the shadow of desire.
The history of this is written in Paradise Lost. \& the Governor or Reason is call'd Messiah.
And the original Archangel or possessor of the command of the heavenly host, is calld the Devil or Satan and his children are call'd Sin \& Death
But in the Book of Job Miltons Messiah is call'd Satan.
For this history has been adopted by both parties
It indeed appear'd to Reason as if Desire was cast out. but the

Devils account is, that the Messi[Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 6]ah fell. \& formed a

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of what he stole from the Abyss
This is shewn in the Gospel, where he prays to the Father to send the comforter or Desire that Reason may have Ideas to build on, the Jehovah of the Bible being no other than he, who dwells in flaming fire. ${ }^{t 145}$
Know that after Christs death, he became Jehovah.
But in Milton; the Father is Destiny, the Son, a Ratio of the five senses. \& the Holy-ghost, Vacuum!
Note. The reason Milton wrote in fetters when he wrote of Angels \& God, and at liberty when of Devils \& Hell, is because he was a true Poet and of the Devils party without knowing it

## A Memorable Fancy.

As I was walking among the fires of hell, delighted with the enjoyments of Genius; which to Angels look like torment and insanity. I collected some of their Proverbs: thinking that as the sayings used in a nation, mark its character, so the Proverbs of Hell, shew the nature of Infernal wisdom better than any description of buildings or garments.
When I came home; on the abyss of the five senses, where a flat sided steep frowns over the present world. I saw a mighty Devil folded in black clouds, hovering on the sides of the rock, with cor[Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 7]roding fires he wrote the following sentence
percieved by the minds of men, \& read by them on earth. ${ }^{t 146}$

How do you know but ev'ry Bird that cuts the airy way, Is an immense world of delight, clos'd by your senses five?

Proverbs of Hell. ${ }^{t 147}$

In seed time learn, in harvest teach, in winter enjoy.

Drive your cart and your plow over the bones of the dead.
The road of excess leads to the palace of wisdom.

Prudence is a rich ugly old maid courted by Incapacity. He who desires but acts not, breeds pestilence.

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The cut worm forgives the plow.

Dip him in the river who loves water.

A fool sees not the same tree that a wise man sees.
He whose face gives no light, shall never become a star.

Eternity is in love with the productions of time.
The busy bee has no time for sorrow.
The hours of folly are measur'd by the clock, but of wisdom: no clock can measure.

All wholsom food is caught without a net or a trap.
Bring out number weight \& measure in a year of dearth.

No bird soars too high. if he soars with his own wings.

A dead body. revenges not injuries.

The most sublime act is to set another before you.

If the fool would persist in his folly he would become wise
Folly is the cloke of knavery.

Shame is Prides cloke.

## Marriage of Heaven and Hell PLATE 8

Prisons are built with stones of Law, Brothels with bricks of Religion.
The pride of the peacock is the glory of God.
The lust of the goat is the bounty of God.
The wrath of the lion is the wisdom of God.
The nakedness of woman is the work of God.

Excess of sorrow laughs. Excess of joy weeps.

The roaring of lions, the howling of wolves, the raging of the stormy sea, and the destructive sword. are portions of eternity too great for the eye of man.

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The fox condemns the trap, not himself. Joys impregnate. Sorrows bring forth.

Let man wear the fell of the lion. woman the fleece of the sheep.

The bird a nest, the spider a web, man friendship.

The selfish smiling fool. \& the sullen frowning fool. shall be both thought wise. that they may be a rod.

What is now proved was once, only imagin'd.
The rat, the mouse, the fox, the rabbet; watch the roots, the lion, the tyger, the horse, the elephant, watch the fruits.

The cistern contains: the fountain overflows
One thought. fills immensity. Always be ready to speak your mind, and a base man will avoid you.

Every thing possible to be believ'd is an image of truth.

The eagle never lost so much time, as when he submitted to learn of the crow.

## Marriage of Heaven and Hell PLATE 9

The fox provides for himself. but God provides for the lion.
Think in the morning, Act in the noon, Eat in the evening, Sleep in the night. He who has sufferd you to impose on him knows you.
As the plow follows words, so God rewards prayers.

The tygers of wrath are wiser than the horses of instruction

Expect poison from the standing water.

You never know what is enough unless you know what is more than enough.

Listen to the fools reproach! it is a kingly title!

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The eyes of fire, the nostrils of air, the mouth of water, the beard of earth.

The weak in courage is strong in cunning.
The apple tree never asks the beech how he shall grow, nor the lion. the horse; how he shall take his prey.
The thankful reciever bears a plentiful harvest.

If others had not been foolish. we should be so.
The soul of sweet delight. can never be defil'd,

When thou seest an Eagle, thou seest a portion of Genius. lift up thy head! As the catterpiller chooses the fairest leaves to lay her eggs on, so the priest lays his curse on the fairest joys.

To create a little flower is the labour of ages.

Damn. braces: Bless relaxes.

The best wine is the oldest. the best water the newest.
Prayers plow not! Praises reap not! Joys laugh not! Sorrows weep not!

## Marriage of Heaven and Hell PLATE 10

The head Sublime, the heart Pathos, the genitals Beauty, the hands \& feet Proportion.

As the air to a bird or the sea to a fish, so is contempt to the contemptible. The crow wish'd every thing was black, the owl, that every thing was white.

Exuberance is Beauty.

If the lion was advised by the fox. he would be cunning.

Improvement makes strait roads, but the crooked roads without Improvement, are roads of Genius. ${ }^{t 148}$

Sooner murder an infant in its cradle than nurse unacted desires

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Truth can never be told so as to be understood, and not be believ'd.

Enough! or Too much

Marriage of Heaven and Hell PLATE 11

The ancient Poets animated all sensible objects with Gods or Geniuses calling them by the names and adorning them with the properties of woods, rivers, mountains, lakes, cities, nations, and whatever their enlarged \& numerous senses could percieve. And particularly they studied the genius of each city \& country. placing it under its mental deity. Till a system was formed, which some took advantage of \& enslav'd the vulgar by attempting to realize or abstract the mental deities from their objects: thus began Priesthood. Choosing forms of worship from poetic tales.
And at length they pronounced that the Gods had orderd such things.
Thus men forgot that All deities reside in the human breast. Marriage of Heaven and Hell PLATE 12

A Memorable Fancy.

The Prophets Isaiah and Ezekiel dined with me, and I asked them how they dared so roundly to assert. that God spake to them; and whether they did not think at the time, that they would be misunderstood, \& so be the cause of imposition.
Isaiah answer'd. I saw no God. nor heard any, in a finite organical perception; but my senses discover'd the infinite in every thing, and as I was then perswaded. \& remain confirm'd; that the voice of honest indignation is the voice of God, I cared not for consequences but wrote.
Then I asked: does a firm perswasion that a thing is so, make it so? He replied. All poets believe that it does, \& in ages of imagination
this firm perswasion removed mountains; but many are not capable of a firm perswasion of any thing.
Then Ezekiel said. The philosophy of the east taught the first principles of human perception some nations held one principle for the origin \& some another, we of Israel taught

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that the Poetic Genius (as you now call it) was the first principle and all the others merely derivative, which was the cause of our despising the Priests \& Philosophers of other countries, and propheying that all Gods
[Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 13] would at last be proved. to originate in ours \& to be the tributaries of the Poetic Genius, it was this. that our great poet King David desired so fervently \& invokes so patheticly, saying by this he conquers enemies \& governs kingdoms; and we so loved our God. that we cursed in his name all the deities of surrounding nations, and asserted that they had rebelled; from these opinions the vulgar came to think that all nations would at last be subject to the jews.
This said he, like all firm perswasions, is come to pass, for all nations believe the jews code and worship the jews god, and what greater subjection can be
I heard this with some wonder, \& must confess my own conviction. After dinner I ask'd Isaiah to favour the world with his lost works, he said none of equal value was lost. Ezekiel said the same of his.
I also asked Isaiah what made him go naked and barefoot three years? he answerd, the same that made our friend Diogenes the Grecian. I then asked Ezekiel. why he eat dung, \& lay so long on his right \& left side? he answerd. the desire of raising other men into a perception of the infinite this the North American tribes practise. \& is he honest who resists his genius or conscience. only for the sake of present ease or gratification?

## Marriage of Heaven and Hell PLATE 14

The ancient tradition that the world will be consumed in fire at the end of six thousand years is true. as I have heard from Hell. For the cherub with his flaming sword is hereby commanded to leave his guard at the tree of life, and when he does, the whole ${ }^{t 149}$ creation will be consumed, and appear infinite. and holy whereas it now appears finite \& corrupt.
This will come to pass by a improvement of sensual enjoyment. But first the notion that man has a body distinct from his soul, is to be expunged; this I shall do, by printing in the infernal method, by corrosives, which in Hell are salutary and medicinal, melting apparent surfaces away, and displaying the infinite which was hid.
If the doors of perception were cleansed every thing would appear to man as it is: infinite.
For man has closed himself up, till he sees all things thro' narrow chinks of his cavern.

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I was in a Printing house in Hell \& saw the method in which knowledge is transmitted from generation to generation. In the first chamber was a Dragon-Man, clearing away the rubbish from a caves mouth; within, a number of Dragons were hollowing the cave,
In the second chamber was a Viper folding round the rock \& the cave, and others adorning it with gold silver and precious stones. In the third chamber was an Eagle with wings and feathers of air, he caused the inside of the cave to be infinite, around were numbers of Eagle like men, who built palaces in the immense cliffs. In the fourth chamber were Lions of flaming fire raging around \& melting the metals into living fluids. In the fifth chamber were Unnam'd forms, which cast the metals into the expanse.
There they were reciev'd by Men who occupied the sixth chamber, and took the forms of books \& were arranged in libraries.

## Marriage of Heaven and Hell PLATE 16

The Giants who formed this world into its sensual existence and now seem to live in it in chains; are in truth. the causes of its life \& the sources of all activity, but the chains are, the cunning of weak and tame minds. which have power to resist energy. according to the proverb, the weak in courage is strong in cunning.
Thus one portion of being, is the Prolific. the other, the Devouring: to the devourer it seems as if the producer was in his chains, but it is not so, he only takes portions of existence and fancies that the whole.
But the Prolific would cease to be Prolific unless the
Devourer as a sea recieved the excess of his delights.
Some will say, Is not God alone the Prolific? I answer, God only Acts \& Is, in existing beings or Men.
These two classes of men are always upon earth, \& they should be enemies; whoever tries
[Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 17] to reconcile them seeks to destroy existence.
Religion is an endeavour to reconcile the two.
Note. Jesus Christ did not wish to unite but to seperate them, as in the Parable of sheep and goats! \& he says I came not to send Peace but a Sword.
Messiah or Satan or Tempter was formerly thought to be one of the Antediluvians who are our Energies.

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An Angel came to me and said. O pitiable foolish young man! O horrible! O dreadful state! consider the hot burning dungeon thou art preparing for thyself to all eternity, to which thou art going in such career.
I said. perhaps you will be willing to shew me my eternal lot \& we will contemplate together upon it and see whether your lot or mine is most desirable
So he took me thro' a stable \& thro' a church \& down into the church vault at the end of which was a mill: thro' the mill we went, and came to a cave. down the winding cavern we groped our tedious way till a void boundless as a nether sky appeard beneath us \& we held by the roots of trees and hung over this immensity; but I said, if you please we will commit ourselves to this void and see whether providence is here also, if you will not I will? but he answerd. do not presume O young-man but as we here remain behold thy lot which will soon appear when the darkness passes away
So I remaind with him sitting in the twisted [Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 18] root of an oak. he was suspended in a fungus which hung with the head downward into the deep:
By degrees we beheld the infinite Abyss, fiery as the smoke of a burning city; beneath us at an immense distance was the sun, black but shining[;] round it were fiery tracks on which revolv'd vast spiders, crawling after their prey; which flew or rather swum in the infinite deep, in the most terrific shapes of animals sprung from corruption. \& the air was full of them, \& seemd composed of them; these are Devils. and are called Powers of the air, I now asked my companion which was my eternal lot? he said, between the black \& white spiders
But now, from between the black \& white spiders a cloud and fire burst and rolled thro the deep blackning all beneath, so that the nether deep grew black as a sea \& rolled with a terrible noise: beneath us was nothing now to be seen but a black tempest, till looking east between the clouds \& the waves, we saw a cataract of blood mixed with fire and not many stones throw from us appeard and sunk again the scaly fold of a monstrous serpent. at last to the east, distant about three degrees appeard a fiery crest above the waves slowly it reared like a ridge of golden rocks till we discoverd two globes of crimson fire. from which the sea fled away in clouds of smoke, and now we saw, it was the head of Leviathan. his forehead was divided into streaks of green \& purple like those on a tygers forehead: soon we saw his mouth \&

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red gills hang just above the raging foam tinging the black deep with beams of bood, advancing toward [Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 19] us with all
fury of a spiritual existence.
My friend the Angel climb'd up from his station into the mill; I remain'd alone, \& then this appearance was no more, but I found
myself sitting on a pleasant bank beside a river by moon light hearing a harper who sung to the harp. \& his theme was, The man who never alters his opinion is like standing water, \& breeds reptiles of the mind.
But I arose, and sought for the mill, \& there I found my Angel, who surprised asked me, how I escaped?
I answerd. All that we saw was owing to your metaphysics: for when you ran away, I found myself on a bank by moonlight hearing a harper, But now we have seen my eternal lot, shall I shew you yours? he laughd at my proposal: but I by force suddenly caught him in my arms, \& flew westerly thro' the night, till we were elevated above the earths shadow: then I flung myself with him directly into the body of the sun, here I clothed myself in white, \& taking in my hand Swedenborgs volumes sunk from the glorious clime, and passed all the planets till we came to saturn, here I staid to rest \& then leap'd into the void, between saturn \& the fixed stars.
Here said I! is your lot, in this space, if space it may be calld, Soon we saw the stable and the church, \& I took him to the altar and open'd the Bible, and lo! it was a deep pit, into which I descended driving the Angel before me, soon we saw seven houses of brick, one we enterd; in it were a
[Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 20] number of monkeys, baboons, \& all of that species chaind by the middle, grinning and snatching at one another, but witheld by the shortness of their chains: however I saw that they sometimes grew numerous, and then the weak were caught by the strong and with a grinning aspect, first coupled with \& then devourd, by plucking off first one limb and then another till the body was left a helpless trunk. this after grinning \& kissing it with seeming fondness they devourd too; and here \& there I saw one savourily picking the flesh off of his own tail; as the stench terribly annoyd us both we went into the mill, \& I in my hand brought the skeleton of a body, which in the mill was Aristotles Analytics. So the Angel said: thy phantasy has imposed upon me \& thou oughtest to be ashamed.
I answerd: we impose on one another, \& it is but lost time to converse with you whose works are only Analytics.

Opposition is true Friendship. t150

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I have always found that Angels have the vanity to speak of themselves as the only wise; this they do with a confident insolence sprouting from systematic reasoning:
Thus Swedenborg boasts that what he writes is new; tho' it is only the Contents or Index of already publish'd books A man carried a monkey about for a shew, \& because he was a little wiser than the monkey, grew vain, and conciev'd himself as much
wiser than seven men. It is so with Swedenborg; he shews the folly of churches \& exposes hypocrites, till he imagines that all are religious. \& himself the single
[Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 22] one on earth that ever broke a net.
Now hear a plain fact: Swedenborg has not written one new truth: Now hear another: he has written all the old falshoods. And now hear the reason. He conversed with Angels who are all religious, \& conversed not with Devils who all hate religion, for he was incapable thro' his conceited notions.
Thus Swedenborgs writings are a recapitulation of all superficial opinions, and an analysis of the more sublime, but no further. Have now another plain fact: Any man of mechanical talents may from the writings of Paracelsus or Jacob Behmen, produce ten thousand volumes of equal value with Swedenborg's. and from those of Dante or Shakespear, an infinite number. But when he has done this, let him not say that he knows better than his master, for he only holds a candle in sunshine.

## A Memorable Fancy

Once I saw a Devil in a flame of fire. who arose before an Angel that sat on a cloud. and the Devil utterd these words. The worship of God is. Honouring his gifts in other men each according to his genius. and loving the [Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 23]greatest men best, those who envy or calumniate great men hate God, for there is no other God.
The Angel hearing this became almost blue but mastering himself he grew yellow, \& at last white pink \& smiling, and then replied, Thou Idolater, is not God One? \& is not he visible in Jesus Christ? and has not Jesus Christ given his sanction to the law of

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ten commandments and are not all other men fools, sinners, \& nothings?
The Devil answer'd; bray a fool in a morter with wheat. yet shall not his folly be beaten out of him: if Jesus Christ is the greatest man, you ought to love him in the greatest degree; now hear how he has given his sanction to the law of ten commandments: did he not mock at the sabbath, and so mock the sabbaths God? murder those who were murderd because of him? turn away the law from the woman taken in adultery? steal the labor of others to support him? bear false witness when he omitted making a defence before Pilate? covet when he pray'd for his disciples, and when he bid them shake off the dust of their feet against such as refused to lodge them? I tell you, no virtue can exist without breaking these ten commandments: Jesus was all virtue, and acted from im[Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 24]pulse: not from rules. When he had so spoken: I beheld the Angel who stretched out his arms embracing the flame of fire \& he was consumed and arose as Elijah.

Note. This Angel, who is now become a Devil, is my particular friend: we often read the Bible together in its infernal or diabolical sense which the world shall have if they behave well
I have also: The Bible of Hell: which the world shall have whether they will or no.

One Law for the Lion \& Ox is Oppression

Marriage of Heaven and Hell PLATE 25
A Song of Liberty

1. The Eternal Female groand! it was heard over all the Earth:
2. Albions coast is sick silent; the American meadows faint!

3 Shadows of Prophecy shiver along by the lakes and the rivers and mutter across the ocean! France rend down thy dungeon;
4. Golden Spain burst the barriers of old Rome;
5. Cast thy keys O Rome into the deep down falling, even to eternity down falling,
6. And weep! ${ }^{t 15 l}$
7. In her trembling hands she took the new, born terror howling;
8. On those infinite mountains of light now barr'd out by the atlantic sea, the new born fire stood before the starry king!
9. Flag'd with grey brow'd snows and thunderous visages the jealous wings wav'd over the deep.

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10. The speary hand burned aloft, unbuckled was the shield, forth went the hand of jealousy among the flaming hair, and
[Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 26] hurl'd the new born wonder thro' the starry night. 11. The fire, the fire, is falling!
12. Look up! look up! O citizen of London. enlarge thy countenance; O Jew, leave counting gold! return to thy oil and wine; O African! black African! (go. winged thought widen his forehead.)
13. The fiery limbs, the flaming hair,shot like the sinking sun into the western sea.
14. Wak'd from his eternal sleep, the hoary, element roaring fled away:
15. Down rushd beating his wings in vain the jealous king: his grey brow'd councellors, thunderous warriors, curl'd veterans, among helms, and shields, and chariots horses, elephants: banners, castles, slings and rocks, 16. Falling, rushing, ruining! buried in the ruins, on Urthona's dens.
17. All night beneath the ruins, then their sullen flames faded emerge round the gloomy king,
18. With thunder and fire: leading his starry hosts thro' the waste wilderness [Marriage of Heaven and Hell PL 27] he promulgates his ten commands, glancing his beamy eyelids over the deep in dark dismay,
19. Where the son of fire in his eastern cloud, while the morning plumes her golden breast, 20. Spurning the clouds written with curses, stamps the stony law to dust, loosing the eternal horses from the dens of night, crying

Empire is no more! and now the lion \& wolf shall cease.

## Chorus

Let the Priests of the Raven of dawn, no longer in deadly black, with hoarse note curse the sons of joy. Nor his accepted brethren whom, tyrant, he calls free; lay the bound or build the roof. Nor pale religious letchery call that virginity, that wishes but acts not!
For every thing that lives is Holy

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The Eye sees more than the Heart knows.

I loved Theotormon
And I was not ashamed
I trembled in my virgin fears
And I hid in Leutha's vale!

I plucked Leutha's flower, And I rose up from the vale; But the terrible thunders tore My virgin mantle in twain.

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Then Oothoon pluck'd the flower saying, I pluck thee from thy bed

The Golden nymph replied; pluck thou my flower Oothoon the mild Another flower shall spring, because the soul of sweet delight Can never pass away. she ceas'd \& closd her golden shrine.

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Sweet flower. and put thee here to glow between my breasts And thus I turn my face to where my whole soul seeks.

Over the waves she went in wing'd exulting swift delight; And over Theotormons reign, took her impetuous course.

Bromion rent her with his thunders. on his stormy bed Lay the faint maid, and soon her woes appalld his thunders hoarse

Bromion spoke. behold this harlot here on Bromions bed, And let the jealous dolphins sport around the lovely maid; Thy soft American plains are mine, and mine thy north \& south: Stampt with my signet are the swarthy children of the sun: They are obedient, they resist not, they obey the scourge: Their daughters worship terrors and obey the violent:

Now thou maist marry Bromions harlot, and protect the child Of Bromions rage, that Oothoon shall put forth in nine moons time

Then storms rent Theotormons limbs; he rolld his waves around. And folded his black jealous waters round the adulterate pair Bound back to back in Bromions caves terror \& meekness dwell

At entrance Theotormon sits wearing the threshold hard With secret tears; beneath him sound like waves on a desart shore The voice of slaves beneath the sun, and children bought with money. That shiver in religious caves beneath the burning fires Of lust, that belch incessant from the summits of the earth

Oothoon weeps not: she cannot weep! her tears are locked up; But she can howl incessant writhing her soft snowy limbs. And calling Theotormons Eagles to prey upon her flesh.

I call with holy voice! kings of the sounding air, Rend away this defiled bosom that I may reflect. The image of Theotormon on my pure transparent breast.

The Eagles at her call descend \& rend their bleeding prey; Theotormon severely smiles. her soul reflects the smile;
As the clear spring mudded with feet of beasts grows pure \& smiles.

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Why does my Theotormon sit weeping upon the threshold;
And Oothoon hovers by his side, perswading him in vain:
I cry arise O Theotormon for the village dog
Barks at the breaking day. the nightingale has done lamenting.
The lark does rustle in the ripe corn, and the Eagle returns
From nightly prey, and lifts his golden beak to the pure east;
Shaking the dust from his immortal pinions to awake
The sun that sleeps too long. Arise my Theotormon I am pure.
Because the night is gone that clos'd me in its deadly black.
They told me that the night \& day were all that I could see;
They told me that I had five senses to inclose me up.
And they inclos'd my infinite brain into a narrow circle, And sunk my heart into the Abyss, a red round globe hot burning Till all from life I was obliterated and erased. Instead of morn arises a bright shddow, like an eye In the eastern cloud: instead of night a sickly charnel house; That Theotormon hears me not! to him the night and morn Are both alike: a night of sighs, a morning of fresh tears;

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And none but Bromion can hear my lamentations.

With what sense is it that the chicken shuns the ravenous hawk?
With what sense does the tame pigeon measure out the expanse? Eyes and ears and sense of touch? yet are their habitations.
And their pursuits, as different as their forms and as their joys:
Ask the wild ass why he refuses burdens: and the meek camel
Why he loves man: is it because of eye ear mouth or skin Or breathing nostrils? No. for these the wolf and tyger have. Ask the blind worm the secrets of the grave, and why her spires Love to curl round the bones of death; and ask the rav'nous snake Where she gets poison: \& the wing'd eagle why he loves the sun And then tell me the thoughts of man, that have been hid of old.

Silent I hover all the night, and all day could be silent. If Theotormon once would turn his loved eyes upon me; How can I be defild when I reflect thy image pure?

The Daughters of Albion hear her woes. \& eccho back her sighs.

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With what sense does the bee form cells? have not the mouse \& frog

Sweetest the fruit that the worm feeds on. \& the soul prey'd on by woe

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The new wash'd lamb ting'd with the village smoke \& the bright swan By the red earth of our immortal river: I bathe my wings. And I am white and pure to hover round Theotormons breast.

Then Theotormon broke his silence. and he answered.

Tell me what is the night or day to one o'erflowd with woe?
Tell me what is a thought? \& of what substance is it made?
Tell me what is a joy? \& in what gardens do joys grow?
And in what rivers swim the sorrows? and upon what mountains

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Wave shadows of discontent? and in what houses dwell the wretched Drunken with woe forgotten. and shut up from cold despair.

Tell me where dwell the thoughts forgotten till thou call them forth Tell me where dwell the joys of old! \& where the ancient loves? And when will they renew again \& the night of oblivion past? ${ }^{t 153}$ That I might traverse times \& spaces far remote and bring Comforts into a present sorrow and a night of pain Where goest thou O thought? to what remote land is thy flight? If thou returnest to the present moment of affliction Wilt thou bring comforts on thy wings. and dews and honey and balm; Or poison from the desart wilds, from the eyes of the envier.

Then Bromion said: and shook the cavern with his lamentation

Thou knowest that the ancient trees seen by thine eyes have fruit;
But knowest thou that trees and fruits flourish upon the earth To gratify senses unknown? trees beasts and birds unknown: Unknown, not unpercievd, spread in the infinite microscope, In places yet unvisited by the voyager. and in worlds Over another kind of seas, and in atmospheres unknown:
Ah ! are there other wars, beside the wars of sword and fire!
And are there other sorrows, beside the sorrows of poverty!
And are there other joys, beside the joys of riches and ease?
And is there not one law for both the lion and the ox?
And is there not eternal fire, and eternal chains?
To bind the phantoms of existence from eternal life?

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Then Oothoon waited silent all the day. and all the night,

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But when the morn arose, her lamentation renewd, The Daughters of Albion hear her woes, \& eccho back her sighs.

O Urizen! Creator of men! mistaken Demon of heaven:
Thy joys are tears! thy labour vain, to form men to thine image. How can one joy absorb another? are not different joys Holy, eternal, infinite! and each joy is a Love.

Does not the great mouth laugh at a gift? \& the narrow eyelids mock At the labour that is above payment, and wilt thou take the ape For thy councellor? or the dog, for a schoolmaster to thy children? Does he who contemns poverty, and he who turns with abhorrence From usury: feel the same passion or are they moved alike? How can the giver of gifts experience the delights of the merchant? How the industrious citizen the pains of the husbandman. How different far the fat fed hireling with hollow drum; Who buys whole corn fields into wastes, and sings upon the heath:

How different their eye and ear! how different the world to them! With what sense does the parson claim the labour of the farmer? What are his nets \& gins \& traps. \& how does he surround him With cold floods of abstraction, and with forests of solitude, To build him castles and high spires. where kings \& priests may dwell.
Till she who burns with youth. and knows no fixed lot; is bound In spells of law to one she loaths: and must she drag the chain Of life, in weary lust! must chilling murderous thoughts. obscure The clear heaven of her eternal spring? to bear the wintry rage Of a harsh terror driv'n to madness, bound to hold a rod Over her shrinking shoulders all the day; \& all the night To turn the wheel of false desire: and longings that wake her womb To the abhorred birth of cherubs in the human form That live a pestilence \& die a meteor \& are no more. Till the child dwell with one he hates. and do the deed he loaths And the impure scourge force his seed into its unripe birth E'er yet his eyelids can behold the arrows of the day.

Does the whale worship at thy footsteps as the hungry dog? Or does he scent the mountain prey, because his nostrils wide Draw in the ocean? does his eye discern the flying cloud As the ravens eye? or does he measure the expanse like the vulture? Does the still spider view the cliffs where eagles hide their young?

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Or does the fly rejoice. because the harvest is brought in? Does not the eagle scorn the earth \& despise the treasures beneath? But the mole knoweth what is there, \& the worm shall tell it thee. Does not the worm erect a pillar in the mouldering church yard?

And a palace of eternity in the jaws of the hungry grave Over his porch these words are written. Take thy bliss O Man! And sweet shall be thy taste \& sweet thy infant joys renew!

Infancy, fearless, lustful, happy! nestling for delight
In laps of pleasure; Innocence! honest, open, seeking
The vigorous joys of morning light; open to virgin bliss.
Who taught thee modesty, subtil modesty! child of night \& sleep
When thou awakest, wilt thou dissemble all thy secret joys
Or wert thou not awake when all this mystery was disclos'd!
Then com'st thou forth a modest virgin knowing to dissemble
With nets found under thy night pillow, to catch virgin joy, And brand it with the name of whore; \& sell it in the night, In silence. ev'n without a whisper, and in seeming sleep: Religious dreams and holy vespers, light thy smoky fires: Once were thy fires lighted by the eyes of honest morn And does my Theotormon seek this hypocrite modesty! This knowing, artful, secret, fearful, cautious, trembling hypocrite.

Then is Oothoon a whore indeed! and all the virgin joys Of life are harlots: and Theotormon is a sick mans dream And Oothoon is the crafty slave of selfish holiness.

But Oothoon is not so, a virgin fill'd with virgin fancies Open to joy and to delight where ever beauty appears If in the morning sun I find it: there my eyes are fix'd

In happy copulation; if in evening mild. wearied with work; Sit on a bank and draw the pleasures of this free born joy.

The moment of desire! the moment of desire! The virgin That pines for man; shall awaken her womb to enormous joys In the secret shadows of her chamber; the youth shut up from The lustful joy. shall forget to generate. \& create an amorous image In the shadows of his curtains and in the folds of his silent pillow. Are not these the places of religion? the rewards of continence? The self enjoyings of self denial? Why dost thou seek religion?

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Is it because acts are not lovely, that thou seekest solitude, Where the horrible darkness is impressed with reflections of desire.

Father of jealousy. be thou accursed from the earth!
Why hast thou taught my Theotormon this accursed thing?
Till beauty fades from off my shoulders darken'd and cast out, A solitary shadow wailing on the margin of non-entity.

I cry, Love! Love! Love! happy happy Love! free as the mountain wind!
Can that be Love, that drinks another as a sponge drinks water?
That clouds with jealousy his nights, with weepings all the day:
To spin a web of age around him. grey and hoary! dark!
Till his eyes sicken at the fruit that hangs before his sight.
Such is self-love that envies all! a creeping skeleton
With lamplike eyes watching around the frozen marriage bed.

But silken nets and traps of adamant will Oothoon spread,
And catch for thee girls of mild silver, or of furious gold;
I'll lie beside thee on a bank \& view their wanton play
In lovely copulation bliss on bliss with Theotormon:
Red as the rosy morning, lustful as the firstborn beam, Oothoon shall view his dear delight, nor e'er with jealous cloud Come in the heaven of generous love; nor selfish blightings bring.
Does the sun walk in glorious raiment. on the secret floor

Where the cold miser spreads his gold? or does the bright cloud drop On his stone threshold? does his eye behold the beam that brings Expansion to the eye of pity? or will he bind himself Beside the ox to thy hard furrow? does not that mild beam blot

The bat, the owl, the glowing tyger, and the king of night.
The sea fowl takes the wintry blast. for a cov'ring to her limbs:
And the wild snake, the pestilence to adorn him with gems \& gold. And trees. \& birds. \& beasts. \& men. behold their eternal joy.
Arise you little glancing wings, and sing your infant joy!
Arise and drink your bliss, for every thing that lives is holy!

Thus every morning wails Oothoon. but Theotormon sits Upon the margind ocean conversing with shadows dire.

The Daughters of Albion hear her woes, \& eccho back her sighs.

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The shadowy daughter of Urthona stood before red Orc. When fourteen suns had faintly journey'd o'er his dark abode; His food she brought in iron baskets, his drink in cups of iron; Crown'd with a helmet \& dark hair the nameless female stood; A quiver with its burning stores, a bow like that of night, When pestilence is shot from heaven; no other arms she need: Invulnerable tho' naked, save where clouds roll round her loins, Their awful folds in the dark air; silent she stood as night; For never from her iron tongue could voice or sound arise; But dumb till that dread day when Orc assay'd his fierce embrace.

Dark virgin; said the hairy youth, thy father stern abhorr'd; Rivets my tenfold chains while still on high my spirit soars; Sometimes an eagle screaming in the sky, sometimes a lion, Stalking upon the mountains, \& sometimes a whale I lash The raging fathomless abyss, anon a serpent folding

Around the pillars of Urthona, and round thy dark limbs, On the Canadian wilds I fold, feeble my spirit folds. For chaind beneath I rend these caverns; when thou bringest food I howl my joy! and my red eyes seek to behold thy face In vain! these clouds roll to \& fro, \& hide thee from my sight.

Silent as despairing love, and strong as jealousy, The hairy shoulders rend the links, free are the wrists of fire; Round the terrific loins he siez'd the panting struggling womb; It joy'd: she put aside her clouds \& smiled her first-born smile; As when a black cloud shews its light'nings to the silent deep.

Soon as she saw the terrible boy then burst the virgin cry.

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I know thee, I have found thee, \& I will not let thee go;
Thou art the image of God who dwells in darkness of Africa;
And thou art fall'n to give me life in regions of dark death.
On my American plains I feel the struggling afflictions
Endur'd by roots that writhe their arms into the nether deep:
I see a serpent in Canada, who courts me to his love;
In Mexico an Eagle, and a Lion in Peru;
I see a Whale in the South-sea, drinking my soul away.
O what limb rending pains I feel. thy fire \& my frost
Mingle in howling pains, in furrows by thy lightnings rent;
This is eternal death; and this the torment long foretold.
[The stern Bard ceas'd, asham'd of his own song; enrag'd he swung] t156
[His harp aloft sounding, then dash'd its shining frame against]
[A ruin'd pillar in glittring fragments; silent he turn'd away,]
[And wander'd down the vales of Kent in sick \& drear lamentings. ]

## A PROPHECY

The Guardian Prince of Albion burns in his nightly tent, Sullen fires across the Atlantic glow to America's shore: Piercing the souls of warlike men, who rise in silent night, Washington, Franklin, Paine \& Warren, Gates, Hancock \& Green; ${ }^{t 157}$ Meet on the coast glowing with blood from Albions fiery Prince.

Washington spoke; Friends of America look over the Atlantic sea; A bended bow is lifted in heaven, \& a heavy iron chain t158 Descends link by link from Albions cliffs across the sea to bind Brothers \& sons of America, till our faces pale and yellow; Heads deprest, voices weak, eyes downcast, hands work-bruis'd, ${ }^{t 159}$ Feet bleeding on the sultry sands, and the furrows of the whip ${ }^{t 160}$ Descend to generations that in future times forget.----

The strong voice ceas'd; for a terrible blast swept over the heaving sea; The eastern cloud rent; on his cliffs stood Albions wrathful Prince ${ }^{\text {t16l }}$ A dragon form clashing his scales at midnight he arose, And flam'd red meteors round the land of Albion beneath[.] t162 His voice, his locks, his awful shoulders, and his glowing eyes,

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Solemn heave the Atlantic waves between the gloomy nations, Swelling, belching from its deeps red clouds \& raging Fires! Albion is sick. America faints! enrag'd the Zenith grew.
As human blood shooting its veins all round the orbed heaven Red rose the clouds from the Atlantic in vast wheels of blood And in the red clouds rose a Wonder o'er the Atlantic sea; Intense! naked! a Human fire fierce glowing, as the wedge Of iron heated in the furnace; his terrible limbs were fire With myriads of cloudy terrors banners dark \& towers Surrounded; heat but not light went thro' the murky atmosphere

The King of England looking westward trembles at the vision

Albions Angel stood beside the Stone of night, and saw The terror like a comet, or more like the planet red That once inclos'd the terrible wandering comets in its sphere. Then Mars thou wast our center, \& the planets three flew round Thy crimson disk; so e'er the Sun was rent from thy red sphere; The Spectre glowd his horrid length staining the temple long With beams of blood; \& thus a voice came forth, and shook the temple

The morning comes, the night decays, the watchmen leave their stations; The grave is burst, the spices shed, the linen wrapped up; The bones of death, the cov'ring clay, the sinews shrunk \& dry'd. Reviving shake, inspiring move, breathing! awakening!
Spring like redeemed captives when their bonds \& bars are burst;

Let the slave grinding at the mill, run out into the field:
Let him look up into the heavens \& laugh in the bright air; Let the inchained soul shut up in darkness and in sighing, Whose face has never seen a smile in thirty weary years; Rise and look out, his chains are loose, his dungeon doors are open. And let his wife and children return from the opressors scourge; They look behind at every step \& believe it is a dream. Singing. The Sun has left his blackness, \& has found a fresher morning And the fair Moon rejoices in the clear \& cloudless night; For Empire is no more, and now the Lion \& Wolf shall cease.

In thunders ends the voice. Then Albions Angel wrathful burnt Beside the Stone of Night; and like the Eternal Lions howl In famine \& war, reply'd. Art thou not Orc, who serpent-form'd

Stands at the gate of Enitharmon to devour her children; Blasphemous Demon, Antichrist, hater of Dignities;

Lover of wild rebellion, and transgresser of Gods Law; Why dost thou come to Angels eyes in this terrific form?

The terror answerd: I am Orc, wreath'd round the accursed tree:
The times are ended; shadows pass the morning gins to break;
The fiery joy, that Urizen perverted to ten commands,
What night he led the starry hosts thro' the wide wilderness:
That stony law I stamp to dust: and scatter religion abroad
To the four winds as a torn book, \& none shall gather the leaves;
But they shall rot on desart sands, \& consume in bottomless deeps;
To make the desarts blossom, \& the deeps shrink to their fountains,
And to renew the fiery joy, and burst the stony roof.
That pale religious letchery, seeking Virginity,
May find it in a harlot, and in coarse-clad honesty
The undefil'd tho' ravish'd in her cradle night and morn:
For every thing that lives is holy, life delights in life;
Because the soul of sweet delight can never be defil'd.
Fires inwrap the earthly globe, yet man is not consumd; Amidst the lustful fires he walks: his feet become like brass, His knees and thighs like silver, \& his breast and head like gold.

Sound! sound! my loud war-trumpets \& alarm my Thirteen Angels! Loud howls the eternal Wolf! the eternal Lion lashes his tail!
America is darkned; and my punishing Demons terrified Crouch howling before their caverns deep like skins dry'd in the wind.
They cannot smite the wheat, nor quench the fatness of the earth.
They cannot smite with sorrows, nor subdue the plow and spade.
They cannot wall the city, nor moat round the castle of princes.
They cannot bring the stubbed oak to overgrow the hills.
For terrible men stand on the shores, \& in their robes I see
Children take shelter from the lightnings, there stands Washington And Paine and Warren with their foreheads reard toward the east But clouds obscure my aged sight. A vision from afar! Sound! sound! my loud war-trumpets \& alarm my thirteen Angels: Ah vision from afar! Ah rebel form that rent the ancient Heavens; Eternal Viper self-renew'd, rolling in clouds I see thee in thick clouds and darkness on America's shore. Writhing in pangs of abhorred birth; red flames the crest rebellious And eyes of death; the harlot womb oft opened in vain Heaves in enormous circles, now the times are return'd upon thee, Devourer of thy parent, now thy unutterable torment renews.

Sound! sound! my loud war trumpets \& alarm my thirteen Angels! Ah terrible birth! a young one bursting! where is the weeping mouth?
And where the mothers milk? instead those ever-hissing jaws And parched lips drop with fresh gore; now roll thou in the clouds

Thy mother lays her length outstretch'd upon the shore beneath. Sound! sound! my loud war-trumpets \& alarm my thirteen Angels! Loud howls the eternal Wolf: the eternal Lion lashes his tail!

Thus wept the Angel voice \& as he wept the terrible blasts Of trumpets, blew a loud alarm across the Atlantic deep. No trumpets answer; no reply of clarions or of fifes, Silent the Colonies remain and refuse the loud alarm.

On those vast shady hills between America \& Albions shore; Now barr'd out by the Atlantic sea: call'd Atlantean hills: Because from their bright summits you may pass to the Golden world An ancient palace, archetype of mighty Emperies, Rears its immortal pinnacles, built in the forest of God By Ariston the king of beauty for his stolen bride,

Here on their magic seats the thirteen Angels sat perturb'd For clouds from the Atlantic hover o'er the solemn roof.

Fiery the Angels rose, \& as they rose deep thunder roll'd Around their shores: indignant burning with the fires of Orc And Bostons Angel cried aloud as they flew thro' the dark night.

He cried: Why trembles honesty and like a murderer, Why seeks he refuge from the frowns of his immortal station! Must the generous tremble \& leave his joy, to the idle: to the pestilence! That mock him? who commanded this? what God? what Angel!
To keep the gen'rous from experience till the ungenerous Are unrestraind performers of the energies of nature; Till pity is become a trade, and generosity a science, That men get rich by, \& the sandy desart is giv'n to the strong What God is he, writes laws of peace, \& clothes him in a tempest What pitying Angel lusts for tears, and fans himself with sighs What crawling villain preaches abstinence \& wraps himself In fat of lambs? no more I follow, no more obedience pay.

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So cried he, rending off his robe \& throwing down his scepter. In sight of Albions Guardian, and all the thirteen Angels Rent off their robes to the hungry wind, \& threw their golden scepters Down on the land of America. indignant they descended Headlong from out their heav'nly heights, descending swift as fires Over the land; naked \& flaming are their lineaments seen In the deep gloom, by Washington \& Paine \& Warren they stood And the flame folded roaring fierce within the pitchy night Before the Demon red, who burnt towards America, In black smoke thunders and loud winds rejoicing in its terror

Breaking in smoky wreaths from the wild deep, \& gath'ring thick In flames as of a furnace on the land from North to South

What time the thirteen Governors that England sent convene In Bernards house; the flames coverd the land, they rouze they cry Shaking their mental chains they rush in fury to the sea To quench their anguish; at the feet of Washington down fall'n They grovel on the sand and writhing lie, while all

The British soldiers thro' the thirteen states sent up a howl Of anguish: threw their swords \& muskets to the earth \& ran From their encampments and dark castles seeking where to hide From the grim flames; and from the visions of Orc; in sight Of Albions Angel; who enrag'd his secret clouds open'd From north to south, and burnt outstretchd on wings of wrath cov'ring The eastern sky, spreading his awful wings across the heavens; Beneath him roll'd his num'rous hosts, all Albions Angels camp'd Darkend the Atlantic mountains \& their trumpets shook the valleys Arm'd with diseases of the earth to cast upon the Abyss, Their numbers forty millions, must'ring in the eastern sky.

In the flames stood \& view'd the armies drawn out in the sky
Washington Franklin Paine \& Warren Allen Gates \& Lee:
And heard the voice of Albions Angel give the thunderous command:
His plagues obedient to his voice flew forth out of their clouds
Falling upon America, as a storm to cut them off
As a blight cuts the tender corn when it begins to appear.
Dark is the heaven above, \& cold \& hard the earth beneath; And as a plague wind fill'd with insects cuts off man \& beast; And as a sea o'erwhelms a land in the day of an earthquake; ${ }^{t 163}$

Fury! rage! madness! in a wind swept through America And the red flames of Orc that folded roaring fierce around The angry shores, and the fierce rushing of th'inhabitants together: The citizens of New-York close their books \& lock their chests;
The mariners of Boston drop their anchors and unlade;
The scribe of Pensylvania casts his pen upon the earth;
The builder of Virginia throws his hammer down in fear.

Then had America been lost, o'erwhelm'd by the Atlantic, And Earth had lost another portion of the infinite, But all rush together in the night in wrath and raging fire The red fires rag'd! the plagues recoil'd! then rolld they back with fury

On Albions Angels; then the Pestilence began in streaks of red Across the limbs of Albions Guardian, the spotted plague smote Bristols

And the Leprosy Londons Spirit, sickening all their bands:
The millions sent up a howl of anguish and threw off their hammerd mail, And cast their swords \& spears to earth, \& stood a naked multitude. Albions Guardian writhed in torment on the eastern sky Pale quivring toward the brain his glimmering eyes, teeth chattering Howling \& shuddering his legs quivering; convuls'd each muscle \& sinew Sick'ning lay Londons Guardian, and the ancient miter'd York Their heads on snowy hills, their ensigns sick'ning in the sky

The plagues creep on the burning winds driven by flames of Orc, And by the fierce Americans rushing together in the night Driven o'er the Guardians of Ireland and Scotland and Wales They spotted with plagues forsook the frontiers \& their banners seard With fires of hell, deform their ancient heavens with shame \& woe. Hid in his caves the Bard of Albion felt the enormous plagues. And a cowl of flesh grew o'er his head \& scales on his back \& ribs; And rough with black scales all his Angels fright their ancient heavens The doors of marriage are open, and the Priests in rustling scales Rush into reptile coverts, hiding from the fires of Orc, That play around the golden roofsin wreaths of fierce desire, Leaving the females naked and glowing with the lusts of youth

For the female spirits of the dead pining in bonds of religion; Run from their fetters reddening, \& in long drawn arches sitting: They feel the nerves of youth renew, and desires of ancient times, Over their pale limbs as a vine when the tender grape appears

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Over the hills, the vales, the cities, rage the red flames fierce; The Heavens melted from north to south; and Urizen who sat Above all heavens in thunders wrap'd, emerg'd his leprous head From out his holy shrine, his tears in deluge piteous
Falling into the deep sublime! flag'd with grey-brow'd snows And thunderous visages, his jealous wings wav'd over the deep; Weeping in dismal howling woe he dark descended howling Around the smitten bands, clothed in tears \& trembling shudd'ring cold. His stored snows he poured forth, and his icy magazines He open'd on the deep, and on the Atlantic sea white shiv'ring. Leprous his limbs, all over white, and hoary was his visage. Weeping in dismal howlings before the stern Americans Hiding the Demon red with clouds \& cold mists from the earth; Till Angels \& weak men twelve years should govern o'er the strong: And then their end should come, when France reciev'd the Demons light.

Stiff shudderings shook the heav'nly thrones! France Spain \& Italy, In terror view'd the bands of Albion, and the ancient Guardians
Fainting upon the elements, smitten with their own plagues

They slow advance to shut the five gates of their law-built heaven
Filled with blasting fancies and with mildews of despair
With fierce disease and lust, unable to stem the fires of Orc;
But the five gates were consum'd, \& their bolts and hinges melted
And the fierce flames burnt round the heavens, \& round the abodes of men

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[Canceled Plates] ${ }^{t 165}$
Reveal the dragon thro' the human; coursing swift as fire
To the close hall of counsel, where his Angel form renews.

In a sweet vale shelter'd with cedars, that eternal stretch
Their unmov'd branches, stood the hall; built when the moon shot forth, In that dread night when Urizen call'd the stars round his feet; Then burst the center from its orb, and found a place beneath; And Earth conglob'd, in narrow room, roll'd round its sulphur Sun.

To this deep valley situated by the flowing Thames;
Where George the third holds council. \& his Lords \& Commons meet:
Shut out from mortal sight the Angel came; the vale was dark
With clouds of smoke from the Atlantic, that in volumes roll'd

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Between the mountains, dismal visions mope around the house.

On chairs of iron, canopied with mystic ornaments, Of life by magic power condens'd; infernal forms art-bound The council sat; all rose before the aged apparition;
His snowy beard that streams like lambent flames down his wide breast Wetting with tears, \& his white garments cast a wintry light.

Then as arm'd clouds arise terrific round the northern drum; The world is silent at the flapping of the folding banners; So still terrors rent the house: as when the solemn globe Launch'd to the unknown shore, while Sotha held the northern helm, Till to that void it came \& fell; so the dark house was rent, The valley mov'd beneath; its shining pillars split in twain, And its roofs crack across down falling on th'Angelic seats.
[Then Albions Angel rose] resolv'd to the cove of armoury: t166 His shield that bound twelve demons \& their cities in its orb, t167 He took down from its trembling pillar; from its cavern deep, His helm was brought by Londons Guardian, \& his thirsty spear By the wise spirit of Londons river: silent stood the King breathing damp mists: ${ }^{\text {t168 }}$ And on his aged limbs they clasp'd the armour of terrible gold. ${ }^{\text {t169 }}$

Infinite Londons awful spires cast a dreadful cold ${ }^{t 170}$
Even on rational things beneath, and from the palace walls ti71
Around Saint James's chill \& heavy, even to the city gate. ${ }^{t 172}$

On the vast stone whose name is Truth he stood, his cloudy shield Smote with his scepter, the scale bound orb loud howld; th' ancie[nt] pillar tl73 Trembling sunk, an earthquake roll'd along the massy pile. ${ }^{t 174}$

In glittring armour, swift as winds; intelligent as clouds; t775
Four winged heralds mount the furious blasts \& blow their trumps Gold, silver, brass \& iron clangors clamoring rend the shores. ${ }^{t 176}$
Like white clouds rising from the deeps, his fifty-two armies
From the four cliffs of Albion rise, mustering around their Prince; ${ }^{t 177}$
Angels of cities and of parishes and villages and families,
In armour as the nerves of wisdom, each his station holds. ${ }^{t 178}$

In opposition dire, a warlike cloud the myriads stood In the red air before the Demon; [seen even by mortal men: t179

Who call it Fancy, \& shut the gates of sense, \& in their chambers, Sleep like the dead.] But like a constellation ris'n and blazing Over the rugged ocean; so the Angels of Albion hung, a frowning shadow, like an aged King in arms of gold, t180 Who wept over a den, in which his only son outstretch'd By rebels hands was slain; his white beard wav'd in the wild wind. ${ }^{t 181}$

On mountains \& cliffs of snow the awful apparition hover'd; And like the voices of religious dead, heard in the mountains: When holy zeal scents the sweet valleys of ripe virgin bliss; Such was the hollow voice that o'er America lamented. t182

## [Fragment]

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As when a dream of Thiralatha flies the midnight hour:
In vain the dreamer grasps the joyful images, they fly
Seen in obscured traces in the Vale of Leutha, So
The British Colonies beneath the woful Princes fade.

And so the Princes fade from earth, scarce seen by souls of men But tho' obscur'd, this is the form of the Angelic land.

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Five windows light the cavern'd Man; thro' one he breathes the air; Thro' one, hears music of the spheres; thro' one, the eternal vine Flourishes, that he may recieve the grapes; thro' one can look. And see small portions of the eternal world that ever groweth; Thro' one, himself pass out what time he please, but he will not; For stolen joys are sweet, \& bread eaten in secret pleasant.

So sang a Fairy mocking as he sat on a streak'd Tulip, Thinking none saw him: when he ceas'd I started from the trees! And caught him in my hat as boys knock down a butterfly. How know you this said I small Sir? where did you learn this song? Seeing himself in my possession thus he answered me: My master, I am yours. command me, for I must obey.

Then tell me, what is the material world, and is it dead? He laughing answer'd: I will write a book on leaves of flowers, If you will feed me on love-thoughts, \& give me now and then A cup of sparkling poetic fancies; so when I am tipsie, I'll sing to you to this soft lute; and shew you all alive The world, when every particle of dust breathes forth its joy.

I took him home in my warm bosom: as we went along Wild flowers I gatherd; \& he shew'd me each eternal flower: He laugh'd aloud to see them whimper because they were pluck'd. They hover'd round me like a cloud of incense: when I came Into my parlour and sat down, and took my pen to write: My Fairy sat upon the table, and dictated EUROPE.

## PRELUDIUM

The nameless shadowy female rose from out the breast of Orc: Her snaky hair brandishing in the winds of Enitharmon; And thus her voice arose.

O mother Enitharmon wilt thou bring forth other sons?
To cause my name to vanish, that my place may not be found. For I am faint with travel! t185
Like the dark cloud disburdend in the day of dismal thunder.

My roots are brandish'd in the heavens. my fruits in earth beneath Surge, foam, and labour into life, first born \& first consum'd!
Consumed and consuming!
Then why shouldst thou accursed mother bring me into life?

I wrap my turban of thick clouds around my lab'ring head; And fold the sheety waters as a mantle round my limbs.
Yet the red sun and moon, And all the overflowing stars rain down prolific pains.

Unwilling I look up to heaven! unwilling count the stars! Sitting in fathomless abyss of my immortal shrine. I sieze their burning power
And bring forth howling terrors, all devouring fiery kings.

Devouring \& devoured roaming on dark and desolate mountains In forests of eternal death, shrieking in hollow trees.
Ah mother Enitharmon!
Stamp not with solid form this vig'rous progeny of fires.

I bring forth from my teeming bosom myriads of flames.
And thou dost stamp them with a signet, then they roam abroad And leave me void as death:
Ah! I am drown'd in shady woe, and visionary joy.

And who shall bind the infinite with an eternal band?
To compass it with swaddling bands? and who shall cherish it With milk and honey?
I see it smile \& I roll inward \& my voice is past.

She ceast \& rolld her shady clouds
Into the secret place.

## A PROPHECY

The deep of winter came;
What time the secret child,
Descended thro' the orient gates of the eternal day:
War ceas'd, \& all the troops like shadows fled to their abodes.

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Then Enitharmon saw her sons \& daughters rise around.
Like pearly clouds they meet together in the crystal house:
And Los, possessor of the moon, joy'd in the peaceful night:
Thus speaking while his num'rous sons shook their bright fiery wings

Again the night is come t186
That strong Urthona takes his rest,
And Urizen unloos'd from chains
Glows like a meteor in the distant north
Stretch forth your hands and strike the elemental strings!
Awake the thunders of the deep.

The shrill winds wake
Till all the sons of Urizen look out and envy Los:
Sieze all the spirits of life and bind
Their warbling joys to our loud strings

Bind all the nourishing sweets of earth
To give us bliss, that we may drink the sparkling wine of Los
And let us laugh at war,
Despising toil and care,
Because the days and nights of joy, in lucky hours renew.

Arise O Orc from thy deep den, First born of Enitharmon rise!
And we will crown thy head with garlands of the ruddy vine;
For now thou art bound;
And I may see thee in the hour of bliss, my eldest born.

The horrent Demon rose, surrounded with red stars of fire, Whirling about in furious circles round the immortal fiend.

Then Enitharmon down descended into his red light, And thus her voice rose to her children, the distant heavens reply.

Now comes the night of Enitharmons joy!
Who shall I call? Who shall I send?
That Woman, lovely Woman! may have dominion?
Arise O Rintrah thee I call! \& Palamabron thee!
Go! tell the human race that Womans love is Sin!

That an Eternal life awaits the worms of sixty winters In an allegorical abode where existence hath never come: Forbid all joy, \& from her childhood shall the little female Spread nets in every secret path.

My weary eyelids draw towards the evening, my bliss is yet but new.

Arise O Rintrah eldest born: second to none but Orc:
O lion Rintrah raise thy fury from thy forests black:
Bring Palamabron horned priest, skipping upon the mountains:
And silent Elynittria the silver bowed queen:
Rintrah where hast thou hid thy bride!
Weeps she in desart shades?
Alas my Rintrah! bring the lovely jealous Ocalythron.

Arise my son! bring all thy brethren O thou king of fire.
Prince of the sun I see thee with thy innumerable race:
Thick as the summer stars:
But each ramping his golden mane shakes,
And thine eyes rejoice because of strength O Rintrah furious king.

Enitharmon slept,
Eighteen hundred years: Man was a Dream!
The night of Nature and their harps unstrung:
She slept in middle of her nightly song,
Eighteen hundred years, a female dream!
Shadows of men in fleeting bands upon the winds: t187
Divide the heavens of Europe:
Till Albions Angel smitten with his own plagues fled with his bands
The cloud bears hard on Albions shore:
Fill'd with immortal demons of futurity:
In council gather the smitten Angels of Albion
The cloud bears hard upon the council house; down rushing
On the heads of Albions Angels.

One hour they lay buried beneath the ruins of that hall; But as the stars rise from the salt lake they arise in pain, In troubled mists o'erclouded by the terrors of strugling times.

In thoughts perturb'd, they rose from the bright ruins silent following The fiery King, who sought his ancient temple serpent-form'd That stretches out its shady length along the Island white.

Round him roll'd his clouds of war; silent the Angel went, Along the infinite shores of Thames to golden Verulam. There stand the venerable porches that high-towering rear Their oak-surrounded pillars, form'd of massy stones, uncut With tool; stones precious; such eternal in the heavens, Of colours twelve, few known on earth, give light in the opake, Plac'd in the order of the stars, when the five senses whelm'd In deluge o'er the earth-born man; then turn'd the fluxile eyes Into two stationary orbs, concentrating all things. The ever-varying spiral ascents to the heavens of heavens Were bended downward; and the nostrils golden gates shut Turn'd outward, barr'd and petrify'd against the infinite.

Thought chang'd the infinite to a serpent; that which pitieth: To a devouring flame; and man fled from its face and hid In forests of night; then all the eternal forests were divided Into earths rolling in circles of space, that like an ocean rush'd And overwhelmed all except this finite wall of flesh. Then was the serpent temple form'd, image of infinite Shut up in finite revolutions, and man became an Angel; Heaven a mighty circle turning; God a tyrant crown'd.

Now arriv'd the ancient Guardian at the southern porch, That planted thick with trees of blackest leaf, \& in a vale

Obscure, inclos'd the Stone of Night; oblique it stood, o'erhung With purple flowers and berries red; image of that sweet south, Once open to the heavens and elevated on the human neck, Now overgrown with hair and coverd with a stony roof, Downward 'tis sunk beneath th' attractive north, that round the feet A raging whirlpool draws the dizzy enquirer to his grave:

Albions Angel rose upon the Stone of Night. He saw Urizen on the Atlantic;
And his brazen Book, That Kings \& Priests had copied on Earth Expanded from North to South.

And the clouds \& fires pale rolld round in the night of Enitharmon Round Albions cliffs \& Londons walls; still Enitharmon slept! Rolling volumes of grey mist involve Churches, Palaces, Towers: For Urizen unclaspd his Book: feeding his soul with pity

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The youth of England hid in gloom curse the paind heavens; compell'd Into the deadly night to see the form of Albions Angel Their parents brought them forth \& aged ignorance preaches canting, On a vast rock, perciev'd by those senses that are clos'd from thought: Bleak, dark, abrupt, it stands \& overshadows London city They saw his boney feet on the rock, the flesh consum'd in flames: They saw the Serpent temple lifted above, shadowing the Island white: They heard the voice of Albions Angel howling in flames of Orc, Seeking the trump of the last doom

Above the rest the howl was heard from Westminster louder \& louder: The Guardian of the secret codes forsook his ancient mansion, Driven out by the flames of Orc; his furr'd robes \& false locks Adhered and grew one with his flesh, and nerves \& veins shot thro' them With dismal torment sick hanging upon the wind: he fled Groveling along Great George Street thro' the Park gate; all the soldiers Fled from his sight; he drag'd his torments to the wilderness.

Thus was the howl thro Europe!
For Orc rejoic'd to hear the howling shadows
But Palamabron shot his lightnings trenching down his wide back
And Rintrah hung with all his legions in the nether deep

Enitharmon laugh'd in her sleep to see (O womans triumph) Every house a den, every man bound; the shadows are filld With spectres, and the windows wove over with curses of iron:
Over the doors Thou shalt not; \& over the chimneys Fear is written:
With bands of iron round their necks fasten'd into the walls
The citizens: in leaden gyves the inhabitants of suburbs
Walk heavy: soft and bent are the bones of villagers

Between the clouds of Urizen the flames of Orc roll heavy Around the limbs of Albions Guardian, his flesh consuming. Howlings \& hissings, shrieks \& groans, \& voices of despair Arise around him in the cloudy ${ }^{t 188}$
Heavens of Albion, Furious

The red limb'd Angel siez'd, in horror and torment;
The Trump of the last doom; but he could not blow the iron tube!
Thrice he assay'd presumptuous to awake the dead to Judgment.

A mighty Spirit leap'd from the land of Albion,

Nam'd Newton; he siez'd the Trump, \& blow'd the enormous blast!
Yellow as leaves of Autumn the myriads of Angelic hosts, Fell thro' the wintry skies seeking their graves;
Rattling their hollow bones in howling and lamentation.

Then Enitharmon woke, nor knew that she had slept ti89
And eighteen hundred years were fled
As if they had not been
She calld her sons \& daughters
To the sports of night,
Within her crystal house;
And thus her song proceeds.

Arise Ethinthus! tho' the earth-worm call;
Let him call in vain;
Till the night of holy shadows
And human solitude is past!

Ethinthus queen of waters, how thou shinest in the sky: My daughter how do I rejoice! for thy children flock around Like the gay fishes on the wave, when the cold moon drinks the dew. Ethinthus! thou art sweet as comforts to my fainting soul:
For now thy waters warble round the feet of Enitharmon.

Manathu-Vorcyon! I behold thee flaming in my halls,
Light of thy mothers soul! I see thy lovely eagles round;
Thy golden wings are my delight, \& thy flames of soft delusion.

Where is my lureing bird of Eden! Leutha silent love!
Leutha, the many colourd bow delights upon thy wings:
Soft soul of flowers Leutha!
Sweet smiling pestilence! I see thy blushing light:
Thy daughters many changing,
Revolve like sweet perfumes ascending O Leutha silken queen!

Where is the youthful Antamon. prince of the pearly dew, O Antamon, why wilt thou leave thy mother Enitharmon?

Alone I see thee crystal form, Floting upon the bosomd air: With lineaments of gratified desire.

My Antamon the seven churches of Leutha seek thy love.

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I hear the soft Oothoon in Enitharmons tents:
Why wilt thou give up womans secrecy my melancholy child?
Between two moments bliss is ripe:
O Theotormon robb'd of joy, I see thy salt tears flow
Down the steps of my crystal house.

Sotha \& Thiralatha, secret dwellers of dreamful caves, Arise and please the horrent fiend with your melodious songs. Still all your thunders golden hoofd, \& bind your horses black.
Orc! smile upon my children!
Smile son of my afflictions.
Arise O Orc and give our mountains joy of thy red light.

She ceas'd, for All were forth at sport beneath the solemn moon ${ }^{t 190}$
Waking the stars of Urizen with their immortal songs, That nature felt thro' all her pores the enormous revelry, Till morning ope'd the eastern gate. ${ }^{t 191}$
Then every one fled to his station, \& Enitharmon wept.

But terrible Orc, when he beheld the morning in the east,

Shot from the heights of Enitharmon;
And in the vineyards of red France appear'd the light of his fury.

The sun glow'd fiery red!
The furious terrors flew around!
On golden chariots raging, with red wheels dropping with blood;
The Lions lash their wrathful tails!
The Tigers couch upon the prey \& suck the ruddy tide:
And Enitharmon groans \& cries in anguish and dismay.

Then Los arose his head he reard in snaky thunders clad:
And with a cry that shook all nature to the utmost pole, Call'd all his sons to the strife of blood.

## FINIS

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AFRICA

I will sing you a song of Los. the Eternal Prophet:
He sung it to four harps at the tables of Eternity.
In heart-formed Africa.
Urizen faded! Ariston shudderd!
And thus the Song began

Adam stood in the garden of Eden:
And Noah on the mountains of Ararat;
They saw Urizen give his Laws to the Nations
By the hands of the children of Los.

Adam shudderd! Noah faded! black grew the sunny African
When Rintrah gave Abstract Philosophy to Brama in the East:
(Night spoke to the Cloud!
Lo these Human form'd spirits in smiling hipocrisy. War
Against one another; so let them War on; slaves to the eternal Elements)
Noah shrunk, beneath the waters;
Abram fled in fires from Chaldea;
Moses beheld upon Mount Sinai forms of dark delusion:

To Trismegistus. Palamabron gave an abstract Law:
To Pythagoras Socrates \& Plato.

Times rolled on o'er all the sons of Har, time after time
Orc on Mount Atlas howld, chain'd down with the Chain of Jealousy
Then Oothoon hoverd over Judah \& Jerusalem
And Jesus heard her voice (a man of sorrows) he recievd
A Gospel from wretched Theotormon.

The human race began to wither, for the healthy built
Secluded places, fearing the joys of Love
And the disease'd only propagated:
So Antamon call'd up Leutha from her valleys of delight:
And to Mahomet a loose Bible gave.
But in the North, to Odin, Sotha gave a Code of War,

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Because of Diralada thinking to reclaim his joy.

These were the Churches: Hospitals: Castles: Palaces:
Like nets \& gins \& traps to catch the joys of Eternity
And all the rest a desart;
Till like a dream Eternity was obliterated \& erased.

Since that dread day when Har and Heva fled.
Because their brethren \& sisters liv'd in War \& Lust;
And as they fled they shrunk
Into two narrow doleful forms:
Creeping in reptile flesh upon
The bosom of the ground:
And all the vast of Nature shrunk
Before their shrunken eyes.

Thus the terrible race of Los \& Enitharmon gave
Laws \& Religions to the sons of Har binding them more
And more to Earth: closing and restraining:
Till a Philosophy of Five Senses was complete
Urizen wept \& gave it into the hands of Newton \& Locke

Clouds roll heavy upon the Alps round Rousseau \& Voltaire: And on the mountains of Lebanon round the deceased Gods Of Asia; \& on the desarts of Africa round the Fallen Angels The Guardian Prince of Albion burns in his nightly tent

## ASIA

## The Kings of Asia heard

The howl rise up from Europe!
And each ran out from his Web;
From his ancient woven Den;
For the darkness of Asia was startled
At the thick-flaming, thought-creating fires of Orc.

And the Kings of Asia stood
And cried in bitterness of soul.

Shall not the King call for Famine from the heath?
Nor the Priest, for Pestilence from the fen?

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To restrain! to dismay! to thin!
The inhabitants of mountain and plain;
In the day, of full-feeding prosperity; And the night of delicious songs.

Shall not the Councellor throw his curb Of Poverty on the laborious?
To fix the price of labour;
To invent allegoric riches:

And the privy admonishers of men
Call for fires in the City
For heaps of smoking ruins, In the night of prosperity \& wantonness

To turn man from his path, To restrain the child from the womb,

To cut off the bread from the city, That the remnant may learn to obey. That the pride of the heart may fail; That the lust of the eyes may be quench'd: That the delicate ear in its infancy

May be dull'd; and the nostrils clos'd up;
To teach mortal worms the path That leads from the gates of the Grave.

Urizen heard them cry!
And his shudd'ring waving wings
Went enormous above the red flames
Drawing clouds of despair thro' the heavens
Of Europe as he went:
And his Books of brass iron \& gold
Melted over the land as he flew,

Heavy-waving, howling, weeping.

And he stood over Judea:
And stay'd in his ancient place:
And stretch'd his clouds over Jerusalem;

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| SongLOS7.21; E69 | Lay bleach'd on the garden of Eden; |
| SongLOS7.22; E69 | And Noah as white as snow |
| SongLOS7.23; E69 | On the mountains of Ararat. |

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Then the thunders of Urizen bellow'd aloud From his woven darkness above.

Orc raging in European darkness
Arose like a pillar of fire above the Alps
Like a serpent of fiery flame!
The sullen Earth
Shrunk!

Forth from the dead dust rattling bones to bones Join: shaking convuls'd the shivring clay breathes And all flesh naked stands: Fathers and Friends; Mothers \& Infants; Kings \& Warriors:

The Grave shrieks with delight, \& shakes
Her hollow womb, \& clasps the solid stem:
Her bosom swells with wild desire:
And milk \& blood \& glandous wine

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Of the primeval Priests assum'd power, When Eternals spurn'd back his religion; And gave him a place in the north, Obscure, shadowy, void, solitary.

Eternals I hear your call gladly, Dictate swift winged words, \& fear not To unfold your dark visions of torment.

## Chap: I

1. Lo, a shadow of horror is risen In Eternity! Unknown, unprolific!
Self-closd, all-repelling: what Demon
Hath form'd this abominable void
This soul-shudd'ring vacuum?--Some said
"It is Urizen", But unknown, abstracted
Brooding secret, the dark power hid.
2. Times on times he divided, \& measur'd Space by space in his ninefold darkness
Unseen, unknown! changes appeard In his desolate mountains rifted furious $t 195$
By the black winds of perturbation
3. For he strove in battles dire

In unseen conflictions with shapes
Bred from his forsaken wilderness, Of beast, bird, fish, serpent \& element
Combustion, blast, vapour and cloud.
4. Dark revolving in silent activity: Unseen in tormenting passions;
An activity unknown and horrible;

A self-contemplating shadow, In enormous labours occupied
5. But Eternals beheld his vast forests

Age on ages he lay, clos'd, unknown Brooding shut in the deep; all avoid The petrific abominable chaos
6. His cold horrors silent, dark Urizen

Prepar'd: his ten thousands of thunders
Rang'd in gloom'd array stretch out across
The dread world, \& the rolling of wheels
As of swelling seas, sound in his clouds
In his hills of stor'd snows, in his mountains
Of hail \& ice; voices of terror, Are heard, like thunders of autumn, When the cloud blazes over the harvests

Chap: II. ${ }^{1196}$

1. Earth was not: nor globes of attraction The will of the Immortal expanded Or contracted his all flexible senses. Death was not, but eternal life sprung
2. The sound of a trumpet the heavens Awoke \& vast clouds of blood roll'd Round the dim rocks of Urizen, so nam'd
That solitary one in Immensity
3. Shrill the trumpet: \& myriads of Eternity, t197

Muster around the bleak desarts
Now fill'd with clouds, darkness \& waters
That roll'd perplex'd labring \& utter'd
Words articulate, bursting in thunders
That roll'd on the tops of his mountains

4: From the depths of dark solitude. From
The eternal abode in my holiness, Hidden set apart in my stern counsels

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Reserv'd for the days of futurity, I have sought for a joy without pain,

For a solid without fluctuation
Why will you die O Eternals?
Why live in unquenchable burnings?

5 First I fought with the fire; consum'd Inwards, into a deep world within: A void immense, wild dark \& deep, Where nothing was: Natures wide womb

And self balanc'd stretch'd o'er the void I alone, even I! the winds merciless Bound; but condensing, in torrents They fall \& fall; strong I repell'd The vast waves, \& arose on the waters A wide world of solid obstruction
6. Here alone I in books formd of metals

Have written the secrets of wisdom
The secrets of dark contemplation
By fightings and conflicts dire, With terrible monsters Sin-bred:
Which the bosoms of all inhabit;
Seven deadly Sins of the soul. ${ }^{t 199}$
7. Lo! I unfold my darkness: and on This rock, place with strong hand the Book Of eternal brass, written in my solitude.
8. Laws of peace, of love, of unity: Of pity, compassion, forgiveness. Let each chuse one habitation:
His ancient infinite mansion:
One command, one joy one desire, One curse, one weight, one measure One King, one God, one Law.

Chap: III. ${ }^{1200}$

1. The voice ended, they saw his pale visage

Emerge from the darkness; his hand
On the rock of eternity unclasping
The Book of brass. Rage siez'd the strong
2. Rage, fury, intense indignation

In cataracts of fire blood \& gall
In whirlwinds of sulphurous smoke:
And enormous forms of energy;
All the seven deadly sins of the soul

In living creations appear'd ${ }^{1201}$
In the flames of eternal fury.
3. Sund'ring, dark'ning, thund'ring!

Rent away with a terrible crash
Eternity roll'd wide apart

Wide asunder rolling
Mountainous all around
Departing; departing; departing:
Leaving ruinous fragments of life
Hanging frowning cliffs \& all between
An ocean of voidness unfathomable.
4. The roaring fires ran o'er the heav'ns

In whirlwinds \& cataracts of blood
And o'er the dark desarts of Urizen
Fires pour thro' the void on all sides
On Urizens self-begotten armies. ${ }^{1202}$
5. But no light from the fires. all was darkness In the flames of Eternal fury
6. In fierce anguish \& quenchless flames

To the desarts and rocks He ran raging ${ }^{1203}$
To hide, but He could not: combining
He dug mountains \& hills in vast strength, ${ }^{2204}$
He piled them in incessant labour, In howlings \& pangs \& fierce madness Long periods in burning fires labouring

Till hoary, and age-broke, and aged, In despair and the shadows of death.
7. And a roof, vast petrific around, On all sides He fram'd: like a womb;
Where thousands of rivers in veins
Of blood pour down the mountains to cool
The eternal fires beating without
From Eternals; \& like a black globe
View'd by sons of Eternity, standing
On the shore of the infinite ocean
Like a human heart strugling \& beating
The vast world of Urizen appear'd.
8. And Los round the dark globe of Urizen, Kept watch for Eternals to confine, The obscure separation alone; For Eternity stood wide apart,

As the stars are apart from the earth
9. Los wept howling around the dark Demon:

And cursing his lot; for in anguish,

Urizen was rent from his side;
And a fathomless void for his feet; And intense fires for his dwelling.
10. But Urizen laid in a stony sleep

Unorganiz'd, rent from Eternity ${ }^{205}$
11. The Eternals said: What is this? Death Urizen is a clod of clay.

12: Los howld in a dismal stupor, Groaning! gnashing! groaning!
Till the wrenching apart was healed

13: But the wrenching of Urizen heal'd not Cold, featureless, flesh or clay,

Rifted with direful changes
He lay in a dreamless night

14: Till Los rouz'd his fires, affrighted At the formless unmeasurable death.

## Chap: IV:[a]

## 1: Los smitten with astonishment

Frightend at the hurtling bones

2: And at the surging sulphureous
Perturbed Immortal mad raging

3: In whirlwinds \& pitch \& nitre
Round the furious limbs of Los

4: And Los formed nets \& gins
And threw the nets round about

5: He watch'd in shuddring fear The dark changes \& bound every change With rivets of iron \& brass;
6. And these were the changes of Urizen.

## Chap: IV.[b]

1. Ages on ages roll'd over him!

In stony sleep ages roll'd over him!
Like a dark waste stretching chang'able
By earthquakes riv'n, belching sullen fires
On ages roll'd ages in ghastly

Sick torment; around him in whirlwinds
Of darkness the eternal Prophet howl'd
Beating still on his rivets of iron
Pouring sodor of iron; dividing
The horrible night into watches.

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2. And Urizen (so his eternal name) His prolific delight obscurd more \& more In dark secresy hiding in surgeing Sulphureous fluid his phantasies. The Eternal Prophet heavd the dark bellows, And turn'd restless the tongs; and the hammer Incessant beat; forging chains new \& new Numb'ring with links. hours, days \& years
3. The eternal mind bounded began to roll Eddies of wrath ceaseless round \& round, And the sulphureous foam surgeing thick Settled, a lake, bright, \& shining clear:
White as the snow on the mountains cold.
4. Forgetfulness, dumbness, necessity!

In chains of the mind locked up, Like fetters of ice shrinking together Disorganiz'd, rent from Eternity, Los beat on his fetters of iron; And heated his furnaces \& pour'd Iron sodor and sodor of brass
5. Restless turnd the immortal inchain'd Heaving dolorous! anguish'd! unbearable Till a roof shaggy wild inclos'd In an orb, his fountain of thought.
6. In a horrible dreamful slumber; Like the linked infernal chain;
A vast Spine writh'd in torment
Upon the winds; shooting pain'd
Ribs, like a bending cavern And bones of solidness, froze
Over all his nerves of joy. And a first Age passed over, And a state of dismal woe.
7. From the caverns of his jointed Spine, Down sunk with fright a red Round globe hot burning deep

Deep down into the Abyss:

Bu11.5; E76| Panting: Conglobing, Trembling bu11.6; E76| Shooting out ten thousand branches
Bu11.7; E76| Around his solid bones.
BU11.8; E76|
BU11.9; E76|
And a second Age passed over, And a state of dismal woe.

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BU13.7; E76|
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BU13.11; E76|
8. In harrowing fear rolling round;

His nervous brain shot branches
Round the branches of his heart.
On high into two little orbs
And fixed in two little caves
Hiding carefully from the wind, His Eyes beheld the deep, And a third Age passed over:
And a state of dismal woe.
9. The pangs of hope began, In heavy pain striving, struggling.
Two Ears in close volutions.
From beneath his orbs of vision Shot spiring out and petrified As they grew. And a fourth Age passed And a state of dismal woe.
10. In ghastly torment sick; Hanging upon the wind;

Two Nostrils bent down to the deep. And a fifth Age passed over; And a state of dismal woe.
11. In ghastly torment sick; Within his ribs bloated round, A craving Hungry Cavern; Thence arose his channeld Throat, And like a red flame a Tongue Of thirst \& of hunger appeard. And a sixth Age passed over: And a state of dismal woe.
12. Enraged \& stifled with torment He threw his right Arm to the north His left Arm to the south Shooting out in anguish deep, And his Feet stampd the nether Abyss In trembling \& howling \& dismay. And a seventh Age passed over: And a state of dismal woe.

## Chap: V.

I. In terrors Los shrunk from his task: His great hammer fell from his hand: His fires beheld, and sickening, Hid their strong limbs in smoke. For with noises ruinous loud; With hurtlings \& clashings \& groans The Immortal endur'd his chains, Tho' bound in a deadly sleep.
2. All the myriads of Eternity:

All the wisdom \& joy of life:
Roll like a sea around him, Except what his little orbs Of sight by degrees unfold.
3. And now his eternal life Like a dream was obliterated
4. Shudd'ring, the Eternal Prophet smote With a stroke, from his north to south region The bellows \& hammer are silent now A nerveless silence, his prophetic voice Siez'd; a cold solitude \& dark void The Eternal Prophet \& Urizen clos'd
5. Ages on ages rolld over them

Cut off from life \& light frozen Into horrible forms of deformity Los suffer'd his fires to decay Then he look'd back with anxious desire

But the space undivided by existence Struck horror into his soul.
6. Los wept obscur'd with mourning:

His bosom earthquak'd with sighs;
He saw Urizen deadly black, In his chains bound, \& Pity began,
7. In anguish dividing \& dividing

For pity divides the soul
In pangs eternity on eternity
Life in cataracts pourd down his cliffs The void shrunk the lymph into Nerves Wand'ring wide on the bosom of night And left a round globe of blood Trembling upon the Void

Thus the Eternal Prophet was divided
Before the death-image of Urizen
For in changeable clouds and darkness
In a winterly night beneath,
The Abyss of Los stretch'd immense:
And now seen, now obscur'd, to the eyes
Of Eternals, the visions remote
Of the dark seperation appear'd.
As glasses discover Worlds
In the endless Abyss of space, So the expanding eyes of Immortals Beheld the dark visions of Los, And the globe of life blood trembling.
8. The globe of life blood trembled Branching out into roots; Fib'rous, writhing upon the winds; Fibres of blood, milk and tears; In pangs, eternity on eternity. At length in tears \& cries imbodied A female form trembling and pale Waves before his deathy face

## 9. All Eternity shudderd at sight

 Of the first female now separatePale as a cloud of snow Waving before the face of Los
10. Wonder, awe, fear, astonishment, Petrify the eternal myriads; At the first female form now separate

They call'd her Pity, and fled
11. "Spread a Tent, with strong curtains around them
"Let cords \& stakes bind in the Void That Eternals may no more behold them"
12. They began to weave curtains of darkness

They erected large pillars round the Void
With golden hooks fastend in the pillars
With infinite labour the Eternals
A woof wove, and called it Science

## Chap: VI.

1. But Los saw the Female \& pitied He embrac'd her, she wept, she refus'd In perverse and cruel delight She fled from his arms, yet he followd
2. Eternity shudder'd when they saw, Man begetting his likeness, On his own divided image.
3. A time passed over, the Eternals Began to erect the tent; When Enitharmon sick, Felt a Worm within her womb.

[^0]5. All day the worm lay on her bosom All night within her womb The worm lay till it grew to a serpent With dolorous hissings \& poisons Round Enitharmons loins folding,
6. Coild within Enitharmons womb The serpent grew casting its scales, With sharp pangs the hissings began To change to a grating cry, Many sorrows and dismal throes, Many forms of fish, bird \& beast, Brought forth an Infant form Where was a worm before.
7. The Eternals their tent finished Alarm'd with these gloomy visions When Enitharmon groaning Produc'd a man Child to the light.
8. A shriek ran thro' Eternity: And a paralytic stroke;
At the birth of the Human shadow.
9. Delving earth in his resistless way; Howling, the Child with fierce flames Issu'd from Enitharmon.
10. The Eternals, closed the tent

They beat down the stakes the cords

Stretch'd for a work of eternity; No more Los beheld Eternity.
11. In his hands he siez'd the infant

He bathed him in springs of sorrow
He gave him to Enitharmon.

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1. They named the child Orc, he grew Fed with milk of Enitharmon
2. Los awoke her; O sorrow \& pain!

A tight'ning girdle grew,
Around his bosom. In sobbings
He burst the girdle in twain, But still another girdle
Opressd his bosom, In sobbings
Again he burst it. Again
Another girdle succeeds
The girdle was form'd by day;
By night was burst in twain.
3. These falling down on the rock Into an iron Chain In each other link by link lock'd
4. They took Orc to the top of a mountain.

O how Enitharmon wept!
They chain'd his young limbs to the rock
With the Chain of Jealousy
Beneath Urizens deathful shadow
5. The dead heard the voice of the child And began to awake from sleep All things. heard the voice of the child And began to awake to life.

## 6. And Urizen craving with hunger

Stung with the odours of Nature
Explor'd his dens around
7. He form'd a line \& a plummet To divide the Abyss beneath. He form'd a dividing rule:
8. He formed scales to weigh; He formed massy weights; He formed a brazen quadrant;

He formed golden compasses And began to explore the Abyss And he planted a garden of fruits
9. But Los encircled Enitharmon With fires of Prophecy From the sight of Urizen \& Orc.
10. And she bore an enormous race

Chap. VIII.

1. Urizen explor'd his dens

Mountain, moor, \& wilderness, With a globe of fire lighting his journey
A fearful journey, annoy'd
By cruel enormities: forms

Of life on his forsaken mountains
2. And his world teemd vast enormities Frightning; faithless; fawning Portions of life; similitudes Of a foot, or a hand, or a head Or a heart, or an eye, they swam mischevous Dread terrors! delighting in blood
3. Most Urizen sicken'd to see

His eternal creations appear
Sons \& daughters of sorrow on mountains
Weeping! wailing! first Thiriel appear'd Astonish'd at his own existence Like a man from a cloud born, \& Utha From the waters emerging, laments! Grodna rent the deep earth howling Amaz'd! his heavens immense cracks Like the ground parch'd with heat; then Fuzon Flam'd out! first begotten, last born. All his eternal sons in like manner His daughters from green herbs \& cattle From monsters, \& worms of the pit.
4. He in darkness clos'd, view'd all his race, And his soul sicken'd! he curs'd Both sons \& daughters; for he saw That no flesh nor spirit could keep His iron laws one moment.

## 5. For he saw that life liv'd upon death

The Ox in the slaughter house moans
The Dog at the wintry door
And he wept, \& he called it Pity
And his tears flowed down on the winds
6. Cold he wander'd on high, over their cities

In weeping \& pain \& woe!
And where-ever he wanderd in sorrows
Upon the aged heavens A cold shadow follow'd behind him Like a spiders web, moist, cold, \& dim Drawing out from his sorrowing soul The dungeon-like heaven dividing. Where ever the footsteps of Urizen Walk'd over the cities in sorrow.
7. Till a Web dark \& cold, throughout all The tormented element stretch'd From the sorrows of Urizens soul And the Web is a Female in embrio ${ }^{208}$ None could break the Web, no wings of fire.
8. So twisted the cords, \& so knotted

The meshes: twisted like to the human brain

## 9. And all calld it, The Net of Religion

## Chap: IX

1. Then the Inhabitants of those Cities:

Felt their Nerves change into Marrow

And hardening Bones began
In swift diseases and torments, In throbbings \& shootings \& grindings Thro' all the coasts; till weaken'd The Senses inward rush'd shrinking, Beneath the dark net of infection.
2. Till the shrunken eyes clouded over Discernd not the woven hipocrisy But the streaky slime in their heavens Brought together by narrowing perceptions
Appeard transparent air; for their eyes Grew small like the eyes of a man And in reptile forms shrinking together Of seven feet stature they remaind
3. Six days they shrunk up from existence And on the seventh day they rested And they bless'd the seventh day, in sick hope: And forgot their eternal life

## 4. And their thirty cities divided

In form of a human heart
No more could they rise at will
In the infinite void, but bound down
To earth by their narrowing perceptions

## They lived a period of years

Then left a noisom body
To the jaws of devouring darkness
5. And their children wept, \& built

Tombs in the desolate places,
And form'd laws of prudence, and call'd them
The eternal laws of God
6. And the thirty cities remaind Surrounded by salt floods, now call'd Africa: its name was then Egypt.

Bu28.12; E83| Beheld their brethren shrink together
bu28.13; E83| Beneath the Net of Urizen;
bu28.14; E83| Perswasion was in vain;
bu28.15; E83| For the ears of the inhabitants,
BU28.16; E83| Were wither'd, \& deafen'd, \& cold:
bU28.17; E83| And their eyes could not discern, BU28.18; E83 Their brethren of other cities.

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BU28.21; E83|
BU28.22; E83|
8. So Fuzon call'd all together The remaining children of Urizen: And they left the pendulous earth: They called it Egypt, \& left it.
9. And the salt ocean rolled englob'd

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Chap: Ist

1: Fuzon, on a chariot iron-wing'd
On spiked flames rose; his hot visage
Flam'd furious! sparkles his hair \& beard
Shot down his wide bosom and shoulders.
On clouds of smoke rages his chariot And his right hand burns red in its cloud Moulding into a vast globe, his wrath As the thunder-stone is moulded. Son of Urizens silent burnings

2: Shall we worship this Demon of smoke, Said Fuzon, this abstract non-entity This cloudy God seated on waters Now seen, now obscur'd; King of sorrow?

3: So he spoke, in a fiery flame, On Urizen frowning indignant, The Globe of wrath shaking on high Roaring with fury, he threw The howling Globe: burning it flew Lengthning into a hungry beam. Swiftly

4: Oppos'd to the exulting flam'd beam The broad Disk of Urizen upheav'd Across the Void many a mile.

5: It was forg'd in mills where the winter Beats incessant; ten winters the disk Unremitting endur'd the cold hammer.

6: But the strong arm that sent it, remember'd The sounding beam; laughing it tore through That beaten mass: keeping its direction The cold loins of Urizen dividing.

7: Dire shriek'd his invisible Lust Deep groan'd Urizen! stretching his awful hand Ahania (so name his parted soul) He siez'd on his mountains of jealousy. He groand anguishd \& called her Sin,

Kissing her and weeping over her; Then hid her in darkness in silence; Jealous tho' she was invisible.

8: She fell down a faint shadow wandring In chaos and circling dark Urizen, As the moon anguishd circles the earth; Hopeless! abhorrd! a death-shadow, Unseen, unbodied, unknown, The mother of Pestilence.

9: But the fiery beam of Fuzon Was a pillar of fire to Egypt
Five hundred years wandring on earth
Till Los siezd it and beat in a mass
With the body of the sun.

## Chap: II:d

1: But the forehead of Urizen gathering,
And his eyes pale with anguish, his lips
Blue \& changing; in tears and bitter
Contrition he prepar'd his Bow,

2: Form'd of Ribs: that in his dark solitude When obscur'd in his forests fell monsters, Arose. For his dire Contemplations Rush'd down like floods from his mountains In torrents of mud settling thick
With Eggs of unnatural production
Forthwith hatching; some howl'd on his hills
Some in vales; some aloft flew in air

Scaled and poisonous horned
Approach'd Urizen even to his knees
As he sat on his dark rooted Oak.

4: With his horns he push'd furious.
Great the conflict \& great the jealousy
In cold poisons: but Urizen smote him

5: First he poison'd the rocks with his blood Then polish'd his ribs, and his sinews
Dried; laid them apart till winter;
Then a Bow black prepar'd; on this Bow, A poisoned rock plac'd in silence:
He utter'd these words to the Bow.

6: O Bow of the clouds of secresy!
O nerve of that lust form'd monster!
Send this rock swift, invisible thro'
The black clouds, on the bosom of Fuzon

7: So saying, In torment of his wounds, He bent the enormous ribs slowly;
A circle of darkness! then fixed The sinew in its rest: then the Rock Poisonous source! plac'd with art, lifting difficult Its weighty bulk: silent the rock lay.

8: While Fuzon his tygers unloosing
Thought Urizen slain by his wrath. I am God. said he, eldest of things!

9: Sudden sings the rock, swift \& invisible 0n Fuzon flew, enter'd his bosom; His beautiful visage, his tresses, That gave light to the mornings of heaven Were smitten with darkness, deform'd And outstretch'd on the edge of the forest

10: But the rock fell upon the Earth, Mount Sinai, in Arabia.

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Chap: III:

1: The Globe shook; and Urizen seated
On black clouds his sore wound anointed
The ointment flow'd down on the void
Mix'd with blood; here the snake gets her poison

2: With difficulty \& great pain; Urizen
Lifted on high the dead corse:
On his shoulders he bore it to where
A Tree hung over the Immensity

3: For when Urizen shrunk away
From Eternals, he sat on a rock
Barren; a rock which himself
From redounding fancies had petrified
Many tears fell on the rock,
Many sparks of vegetation;
Soon shot the pained root
Of Mystery, under his heel:
It grew a thick tree; he wrote
In silence his book of iron:

Till the horrid plant bending its boughs
Grew to roots when it felt the earth
And again sprung to many a tree.

4: Amaz'd started Urizen! when
He beheld himself compassed round
And high roofed over with trees
He arose but the stems stood so thick
He with difficulty and great pain
Brought his Books, all but the Book

Of iron, from the dismal shade

6: The corse of his first begotten

On the accursed Tree of MYSTERY:
On the topmost stem of this Tree Urizen nail'd Fuzons corse.

## Chap: IV:

1: Forth flew the arrows of pestilence Round the pale living Corse on the tree

2: For in Urizens slumbers of abstraction
In the infinite ages of Eternity:
When his Nerves of joy melted \& flow'd
A white Lake on the dark blue air In perturb'd pain and dismal torment
Now stretching out, now swift conglobing.

## 3: Effluvia vapor'd above

 In noxious clouds; these hover'd thick Over the disorganiz'd Immortal, Till petrific pain scurfd o'er the Lakes As the bones of man, solid \& dark4: The clouds of disease hover'd wide Around the Immortal in torment Perching around the hurtling bones Disease on disease, shape on shape, Winged screaming in blood \& torment.

5: The Eternal Prophet beat on his anvils
Enrag'd in the desolate darkness

He forg'd nets of iron around
And Los threw them around the bones

6: The shapes screaming flutter'd vain Some combin'd into muscles \& glands Some organs for caving and lust Most remain'd on the tormented void: Urizens army of horrors.

7: Round the pale living Corse on the Tree Forty years flew the arrows of pestilence

8: Wailing and terror and woe Ran thro' all his dismal world: Forty years all his sons \& daughters Felt their skulls harden; then Asia Arose in the pendulous deep.

9: They reptilize upon the Earth.

10: Fuzon groand on the Tree.

## Chap: V

1: The lamenting voice of Ahania
Weeping upon the void.
And round the Tree of Fuzon:
Distant in solitary night
Her voice was heard, but no form
Had she: but her tears from clouds
Eternal fell round the Tree

2: And the voice cried: Ah Urizen! Love!
Flower of morning! I weep on the verge
Of Non-entity; how wide the Abyss
Between Ahania and thee!

3: I lie on the verge of the deep.
I see thy dark clouds ascend,
I see thy black forests and floods, A horrible waste to my eyes!

4: Weeping I walk over rocks
Over dens \& thro' valleys of death
Why didst thou despise Ahania
To cast me from thy bright presence
Into the World of Loneness

5: I cannot touch his hand:

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Nor weep on his knees, nor hear

His voice \& bow, nor see his eyes
And joy, nor hear his footsteps, and
My heart leap at the lovely sound!
I cannot kiss the place
Whereon his bright feet have trod,

But I wander on the rocks
With hard necessity.

6: Where is my golden palace Where my ivory bed Where the joy of my morning hour Where the sons of eternity, singing

7: To awake bright Urizen my king!
To arise to the mountain sport, To the bliss of eternal valleys:

8: To awake my king in the morn!
To embrace Ahanias joy
On the bredth of his pen bosom:
From my soft cloud of dew to fall
In showers of life on his harvests.

9: When he gave my happy soul
To the sons of eternal joy:
When he took the daughters of life.
Into my chambers of love:

10: When I found babes of bliss on my beds.
And bosoms of milk in my chambers
Fill'd with eternal seed
O ! eternal births sung round Ahania
In interchange sweet of their joys.

11: Swell'd with ripeness \& fat with fatness Bursting on winds my odors, My ripe figs and rich pomegranates
In infant joy at thy feet

O Urizen, sported and sang;

12: Then thou with thy lap full of seed
With thy hand full of generous fire
Walked forth from the clouds of morning
On the virgins of springing joy,
On the human soul to cast
The seed of eternal science.

13: The sweat poured down thy temples
To Ahania return'd in evening

The moisture awoke to birth
My mothers-joys, sleeping in bliss.

14: But now alone over rocks, mountains
Cast out from thy lovely bosom:
Cruel jealousy! selfish fear!
Self-destroying: how can delight, Renew in these chains of darkness
Where bones of beasts are strown
On the bleak and snowy mountains
Where bones from the birth are buried
Before they see the light.

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Chap. I

1: Eno aged Mother, Who the chariot of Leutha guides, Since the day of thunders in old time

2: Sitting beneath the eternal Oak Trembled and shook the stedfast Earth And thus her speech broke forth.

3: O Times remote!
When Love \& joy were adoration:
And none impure were deem'd.
Not Eyeless Covet
Nor Thin-lip'd Envy
Nor Bristled Wrath
Nor Curled Wantonness

4: But Covet was poured full:
Envy fed with fat of lambs:
Wrath with lions gore:
Wantonness lulld to sleep
With the virgins lute,
Or sated with her love.

5: Till Covet broke his locks \& bars, And slept with open doors:
Envy sung at the rich mans feast:
Wrath was follow'd up and down
By a little ewe lamb
And Wantoness on his own true love Begot a giant race:

6: Raging furious the flames of desire Ran thro' heaven \& earth, living flames Intelligent, organiz'd: arm'd With destruction \& plagues. In the midst The Eternal Prophet bound in a chain Compell'd to watch Urizens shadow

7: Rag'd with curses \& sparkles of fury Round the flames roll as Los hurls his chains Mounting up from his fury, condens'd Rolling round \& round, mounting on high Into vacuum: into non-entity. Where nothing was! dash'd wide apart His feet stamp the eternal fierce-raging Rivers of wide flame; they roll round And round on all sides making their way Into darkness and shadowy obscurity

8: Wide apart stood the fires: Los remain'd In the void between fire and fire[.]
In trembling and horror they beheld him They stood wide apart, driv'n by his hands And his feet which the nether abyss Stamp'd in fury and hot indignation

9: But no light from the fires all was

Darkness round Los: heat was not; for bound up Into fiery spheres from his fur The gigantic flames trembled and hid

10: Coldness, darkness, obstruction, a Solid Without fluctuation, hard as adamant Black as marble of Egypt; impenetrable Bound in the fierce raging Immortal, And the seperated fires froze in A vast solid without fluctuation, Bound in his expanding clear senses

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1: The Immortal stood frozen amidst
The vast rock of eternity; times
And times; a night of vast durance:
Impatient, stifled, stiffend, hardned.

2: Till impatience no longer could bear The hard bondage, rent: rent, the vast solid With a crash from immense to immense

3: Crack'd across into numberless fragments
The Prophetic wrath, strug'ling for vent Hurls apart, stamping furious to dust And crumbling with bursting sobs; heaves The black marble on high into fragments

4: Hurl'd apart on all sides, as a falling
Rock: the innumerable fragments away
Fell asunder; and horrible vacuum
Beneath him \& on all sides round.

5: Falling, falling! Los fell \& fell
Sunk precipitant heavy down down
Times on times, night on night, day on day
Truth has bounds. Error none: falling, falling:
Years on years, and ages on ages
Still he fell thro' the void, still a void Found for falling day \& night without end. For tho' day or night was not; their spaces Were measurd by his incessant whirls In the horrid vacuity bottomless.

6: The Immortal revolving; indignant First in wrath threw his limbs, like the babe New born into our world: wrath subsided And contemplative thoughts first arose Then aloft his head rear'd in the Abyss And his downward-borne fall. chang'd oblique

7: Many ages of groans: till there grew Branchy forms. organizing the Human Into finite inflexible organs.

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8: Till in process from falling he bore Sidelong on the purple air, wafting The weak breeze in efforts oerwearied

9: Incessant the falling Mind labour'd
Organizing itself: till the Vacuum Became element, pliant to rise,

Or to fall, or to swim, or to fly:
With ease searching the dire vacuity

Chap: III
1: The Lungs heave incessant, dull and heavy For as yet were all other parts formless Shiv'ring: clinging around like a cloud Dim \& glutinous as the white Polypus Driv'n by waves \& englob'd on the tide.

2: And the unformed part crav'd repose Sleep began: the Lungs heave on the wave Weary overweigh'd, sinking beneath In a stifling black fluid he woke

3: He arose on the waters, but soon Heavy falling his organs like roots Shooting out from the seed, shot beneath, And a vast world of waters around him In furious torrents began.

4: Then he sunk, \& around his spent Lungs Began intricate pipes that drew in The spawn of the waters. Outbranching

An immense Fibrous form, stretching out Thro' the bottoms of immensity raging.

5: He rose on the floods: then he smote The wild deep with his terrible wrath, Seperating the heavy and thin.

6: Down the heavy sunk; cleaving around To the fragments of solid: up rose The thin, flowing round the fierce fires That glow'd furious in the expanse.

## Chap: IV:

I: Then Light first began; from the fires
Beams, conducted by fluid so pure .
Flow'd around the Immense: Los beheld
Forthwith writhing upon the dark void
The Back bone of Urizen appear Hurtling upon the wind
Like a serpent! like an iron chain Whirling about in the Deep.

2: Upfolding his Fibres together To a Form of impregnable strength Los astonish'd and terrified, built Furnaces; he formed an Anvil A Hammer of adamant then began The binding of Urizen day and night

3: Circling round the dark Demon, with howlings Dismay \& sharp blightings; the Prophet
Of Eternity beat on his iron links

4: And first from those infinite fires
The light that flow'd down on the winds
He siez'd; beating incessant, condensing
The subtil particles in an Orb.

5: Roaring indignant the bright sparks Endur'd the vast Hammer; but unwearied Los beat on the Anvil; till glorious An immense Orb of fire he fram'd

6: Oft he quench'd it beneath in the Deeps Then surveyd the all bright mass. Again Siezing fires from the terrific Orbs

He heated the round Globe, then beat[,] While roaring his Furnaces endur'd The chaind Orb in their infinite wombs

7: Nine ages completed their circles When Los heated the glowing mass, casting It down into the Deeps: the Deeps fled Away in redounding smoke; the Sun Stood self-balanc'd. And Los smild with joy. He the vast Spine of Urizen siez'd And bound down to the glowing illusion

8: But no light, for the Deep fled away On all sides, and left an unform'd Dark vacuity: here Urizen lay In fierce torments on his glowing bed

9: Till his Brain in a rock, \& his Heart In a fleshy slough formed four rivers Obscuring the immense Orb of fire Flowing down into night: till a Form Was completed, a Human Illusion In darkness and deep clouds involvd.

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The Stolen and Perverted Writings of Homer \& Ovid: of Plato \& Cicero. which all Men ought to contemn: are set up by artifice against the Sublime of the Bible. but when the New Age is at leisure to Pronounce; all will be set right: \& those Grand Works of the more ancient \& consciously \& professedly Inspired Men, will hold their proper rank, \& the Daughters of Memory shall become the Daughters of Inspiration. Shakspeare \& Milton were both curbd by the general malady \& infection from the silly Greek \& Latin slaves of the Sword.

Rouze up O Young Men of the New Age! set your foreheads against the ignorant Hirelings! For we have Hirelings in the Camp, the Court, \& the University: who would if they could, for ever depress Mental \& prolong Corporeal War. Painters! on you I call! Sculptors! Architects! Suffer not the fash[i]onable Fools to depress your powers by the prices they pretend to give for contemptible works or the expensive advertizing boasts that they make of such works; believe Christ \& his Apostles that there is a Class of Men whose whole delight is in Destroying. We do not want either Greek or Roman Models if we are but just \& true to our own Imaginations, those Worlds of Eternity in which we shall live for ever; in Jesus our Lord.

And did those feet in ancient time, Walk upon Englands mountains green: And was the holy Lamb of God, On Englands pleasant pastures seen!

And did the Countenance Divine, Shine forth upon our clouded hills? And was Jerusalem builded here, Among these dark Satanic Mills?

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Bring me my Bow of burning gold:
Bring me my Arrows of desire:
Bring me my Spear: O clouds unfold!
Bring me my Chariot of fire!

I will not cease from Mental Fight, Nor shall my Sword sleep in my hand:

Till we have built Jerusalem, In Englands green \& pleasant Land.

Book the First

Daughters of Beulah! Muses who inspire the Poets Song Record the journey of immortal Milton thro' your Realms Of terror \& mild moony lustre, in soft sexual delusions Of varied beauty, to delight the wanderer and repose His burning thirst \& freezing hunger! Come into my hand By your mild power; descending down the Nerves of my right arm From out the Portals of my Brain, where by your ministry The Eternal Great Humanity Divine. planted his Paradise, And in it caus'd the Spectres of the Dead to take sweet forms In likeness of himself. Tell also of the False Tongue! vegetated Beneath your land of shadows: of its sacrifices. and Its offerings; even till Jesus, the image of the Invisible God Became its prey; a curse, an offering, and an atonement, For Death Eternal in the heavens of Albion, \& before the Gates Of Jerusalem his Emanation, in the heavens beneath Beulah

Say first! what mov'd Milton, who walkd about in Eternity One hundred years, pondring the intricate mazes of Providence Unhappy tho in heav'n, he obey'd, he murmur'd not. he was silent Viewing his Sixfold Emanation scatter'd thro' the deep In torment! To go into the deep her to redeem \& himself perish? What cause at length mov'd Milton to this unexampled deed[?] ${ }^{2213}$

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A Bards prophetic Song! for sitting at eternal tables, Terrific among the Sons of Albion in chorus solemn \& loud A Bard broke forth! all sat attentive to the awful man.

Mark well my words! they are of your eternal salvation:

Three Classes are Created by the Hammer of Los, \& Woven ${ }^{1214}$

By Enitharmons Looms when Albion was slain upon his Mountains And in his Tent, thro envy of Living Form, even of the Divine Vision And of the sports of Wisdom in the Human Imagination Which is the Divine Body of the Lord Jesus. blessed for ever. Mark well my words. they are of your eternal salvation:

Urizen lay in darkness \& solitude, in chains of the mind lock'd up Los siezd his Hammer \& Tongs; he labourd at his resolute Anvil

Among indefinite Druid rocks \& snows of doubt \& reasoning.

Refusing all Definite Form, the Abstract Horror roofd. stony hard. And a first Age passed over \& a State of dismal woe:

Down sunk with fright a red round Globe hot burning. deep Deep down into the Abyss. panting: conglobing: trembling And a second Age passed over \& a State of dismal woe.

Rolling round into two little Orbs \& closed in two little Caves The Eyes beheld the Abyss: lest bones of solidness freeze over all And a third Age passed over \& a State of dismal woe.

From beneath his Orbs of Vision, Two Ears in close volutions Shot spiring out in the deep darkness \& petrified as they grew And a fourth Age passed over \& a State of dismal woe.

Hanging upon the wind, Two Nostrils bent down into the Deep And a fifth Age passed over \& a State of dismal woe.

In ghastly torment sick, a Tongue of hunger \& thirst flamed out And a sixth Age passed over \& a State of dismal woe.

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Enraged \& stifled without \& within: in terror \& woe, he threw his Right Arm to the north, his left Arm to the south, \& his Feet Stampd the nether Abyss in trembling \& howling \& dismay And a seventh Age passed over \& a State of dismal woe

Terrified Los stood in the Abyss \& his immortal limbs Grew deadly pale; he became what he beheld: for a red Round Globe sunk down from his Bosom into the Deep in pangs He hoverd over it trembling \& weeping. suspended it shook The nether Abyss in tremblings. he wept over it, he cherish'd it In deadly sickening pain: till separated into a Female pale As the cloud that brings the snow: all the while from his Back A blue fluid exuded in Sinews hardening in the Abyss Till it separated into a Male Form howling in Jealousy

Within labouring. beholding Without: from Particulars to Generals Subduing his Spectre, they Builded the Looms of Generation They Builded Great Golgonooza Times on Times Ages on Ages First Orc was Born then the Shadowy Female: then All Los's Family At last Enitharmon brought forth Satan Refusing Form, in vain The Miller of Eternity made subservient to the Great Harvest That he may go to his own Place Prince of the Starry Wheels

Beneath the Plow of Rintrah \& the harrow of the Almighty In the hands of Palamabron. Where the Starry Mills of Satan Are built beneath the Earth \& Waters of the Mundane Shell Here the Three Classes of Men take their Sexual texture Woven The Sexual is Threefold: the Human is Fourfold.

If you account it Wisdom when you are angry to be silent, and Not to shew it: I do not account that Wisdom but Folly.
Every Mans Wisdom is peculiar to his own Individ[u]ality O Satan my youngest born, art thou not Prince of the Starry Hosts And of the Wheels of Heaven, to turn the Mills day \& night? Art thou not Newtons Pantocrator weaving the Woof of Locke To Mortals thy Mills seem every thing \& the Harrow of Shaddai A scheme of Human conduct invisible \& incomprehensible Get to thy Labours at the Mills \& leave me to my wrath.

Satan was going to reply, but Los roll'd his loud thunders.

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Anger me not! thou canst not drive the Harrow in pitys paths. Thy Work is Eternal Death, with Mills \& Ovens \& Cauldrons. Trouble me no more. thou canst not have Eternal Life

So Los spoke! Satan trembling obeyd weeping along the way.
Mark well my words, they are of your eternal Salvation

Between South Molton Street \& Stratford Place: Calvarys foot Where the Victims were preparing for Sacrifice their Cherubim Around their loins pourd forth their arrows \& their bosoms beam With all colours of precious stones, \& their inmost palaces Resounded with preparation of animals wild \& tame (Mark well my words! Corporeal Friends are Spiritual Enemies) Mocking Druidical Mathematical Proportion of Length Bredth Highth Displaying Naked Beauty! with Flute \& Harp \& Song

Palamabron with the fiery Harrow in morning returning From breathing fields. Satan fainted beneath the artillery Christ took on Sin in the Virgins Womb, \& put it off on the Cross

All pitied the piteous \& was wrath with the wrathful \& Los heard it.

And this is the manner of the Daughters of Albion in their beauty Every one is threefold in Head \& Heart \& Reins, \& every one Has three Gates into the Three Heavens of Beulah which shine Translucent in their Foreheads \& their Bosoms \& their Loins Surrounded with fires unapproachable: but whom they please They take up into their Heavens in intoxicating delight For the Elect cannot be Redeemd, but Created continually By Offering \& Atonement in the crue[1]ties of Moral Law Hence the three Classes of Men take their fix'd destinations They are the Two Contraries \& the Reasoning Negative.

While the Females prepare the Victims. the Males at Furnaces And Anvils dance the dance of tears \& pain. loud lightnings Lash on their limbs as they turn the whirlwinds loose upon The Furnaces, lamenting around the Anvils \& this their Song[:]

Ah weak \& wide astray! Ah shut in narrow doleful form Creeping in reptile flesh upon the bosom of the ground The Eye of Man a little narrow orb closd up \& dark

Scarcely beholding the great light conversing with the Void The Ear, a little shell in small volutions shutting out All melodies \& comprehending only Discord and Harmony The Tongue a little moisture fills, a little food it cloys A little sound it utters \& its cries are faintly heard Then brings forth Moral Virtue the cruel Virgin Babylon

Can such an Eye judge of the stars? \& looking thro its tubes Measure the sunny rays that point their spears on Udanadan Can such an Ear filld with the vapours of the yawning pit. Judge of the pure melodious harp struck by a hand divine? Can such closed Nostrils feel a joy? or tell of autumn fruits When grapes \& figs burst their covering to the joyful air Can such a Tongue boast of the living waters? or take in Ought but the Vegetable Ratio \& loathe the faint delight Can such gross Lips percieve? alas! folded within themselves They touch not ought but pallid turn \& tremble at every wind

Thus they sing Creating the Three Classes among Druid Rocks Charles calls on Milton for Atonement. Cromwell is ready James calls for fires in Golgonooza. for heaps of smoking ruins In the night of prosperity and wantonness which he himself Created Among the Daughters of Albion among the Rocks of the Druids When Satan fainted beneath the arrows of Elynittria And Mathematic Proportion was subdued by Living Proportion

From Golgonooza the spiritual Four-fold London eternal In immense labours \& sorrows, ever building, ever falling, Thro Albions four Forests which overspread all the Earth, From London Stone to Blackheath east: to Hounslow west: To Finchley north: to Norwood south: and the weights Of Enitharmons Loom play lulling cadences on the winds of Albion From Caithness in the north, to Lizard-point \& Dover in the south

Loud sounds the Hammer of Los, \& loud his Bellows is heard Before London to Hampsteads breadths \& Highgates heights To Stratford \& old Bow: \& across to the Gardens of Kensington On Tyburns Brook: loud groans Thames beneath the iron Forge Of Rintrah \& Palamabron of Theotorm[on] \& Bromion, to forge the instruments ${ }^{1218}$ Of Harvest: the Plow \& Harrow to pass over the Nations

The Surrey hills glow like the clinkers of the furnace: Lambeths Vale

Where Jerusalems foundations began; where they were laid in ruins

Where they were laid in ruins from every Nation \& Oak Groves rooted

Dark gleams before the Furnace-mouth a heap of burning ashes
When shall Jerusalem return \& overspread all the Nations Return: return to Lambeths Vale O building of human souls Thence stony Druid Temples overspread the Island white And thence from Jerusalems ruins.. from her walls of salvation And praise: thro the whole Earth were reard from Ireland To Mexico \& Peru west, \& east to China \& Japan; till Babel The Spectre of Albion frownd over the Nations in glory \& war All things begin \& end in Albions ancient Druid rocky shore But now the Starry Heavens are fled from the mighty limbs of Albion

Loud sounds the Hammer of Los, loud turn the Wheels of Enitharmon Her Looms vibrate with soft affections, weaving the Web of Life Out from the ashes of the Dead; Los lifts his iron Ladles With molten ore: he heaves the iron cliffs in his rattling chains From Hyde Park to the Alms-houses of Mile-end \& old Bow Here the Three Classes of Mortal Men take their fixd destinations And hence they overspread the Nations of the whole Earth \& hence The Web of Life is woven: \& the tender sinews of life created And the Three Classes of Men regulated by Los's hammer. ${ }^{1219}$

The first, The Elect from before the foundation of the World: ${ }^{1220}$ The second, The Redeem'd. The Third, The Reprobate \& form'd To destruction from the mothers womb: follow with me my plow! ${ }^{1221}$

Of the first class was Satan: with incomparable mildness; His primitive tyrannical attempts on Los: with most endearing love He soft intreated Los to give to him Palamabrons station; For Palamabron returnd with labour wearied every evening Palamabron oft refus'd; and as often Satan offer'd His service till by repeated offers and repeated intreaties Los gave to him the Harrow of the Almighty; alas blamable Palamabron. fear'd to be angry lest Satan should accuse him of Ingratitude, \& Los believe the accusation thro Satans extreme Mildness. Satan labour'd all day. it was a thousand years In the evening returning terrified overlabourd \& astonish'd Embrac'd soft with a brothers tears Palamabron, who also wept

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Next morning Palamabron rose: the horses of the Harrow Were maddend with tormenting fury, \& the servants of the Harrow The Gnomes, accus'd Satan, with indignation fury and fire. Then Palamabron reddening like the Moon in an eclipse, Spoke saying, You know Satans mildness and his self-imposition, Seeming a brother, being a tyrant, even thinking himself a brother While he is murdering the just; prophetic I behold

His future course thro' darkness and despair to eternal death But we must not be tyrants also! he hath assum'd my place For one whole day, under pretence of pity and love to me: My horses hath he maddend! and my fellow servants injur'd: How should he[,] he[,] know the duties of another? O foolish forbearance ${ }^{t 222}$ Would I had told Los, all my heart! but patience O my friends. All may be well: silent remain, while I call Los and Satan.

Loud as the wind of Beulah that unroots the rocks \& hills Palamabron call'd! and Los \& Satan came before him And Palamabron shew'd the horses \& the servants. Satan wept, And mildly cursing Palamabron, him accus'd of crimes Himself had wrought. Los trembled; Satans blandishments almost Perswaded the Prophet of Eternity that Palamabron Was Satans enemy, \& that the Gnomes being Palamabron's friends Were leagued together against Satan thro' ancient enmity. What could Los do? how could be judge, when Satans self, believ'd That he had not oppres'd the horses of the Harrow, nor the servants.

So Los said, Henceforth Palamabron, let each his own station Keep: nor in pity false, nor in officious brotherhood, where None needs, be active. Mean time Palamabrons horses. Rag'd with thick flames redundant, \& the Harrow maddend with fury. Trembling Palamabron stood, the strongest of Demons trembled: Curbing his living creatures; many of the strongest Gnomes, hey bit in their wild fury, who also maddend like wildest beasts

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Mean while wept Satan before Los, accusing Palamabron; Himself exculpating with mildest speech. for himself believ'd That he had not opress'd nor injur'd the refractory servants.

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But Satan returning to his Mills (for Palamabron had serv'd The Mills of Satan as the easier task) found all confusion And back return'd to Los, not fill'd with vengeance but with tears, Himself convinc'd of Palamabrons turpitude. Los beheld The servants of the Mills drunken with wine and dancing wild With shouts and Palamabrons songs, rending the forests green With ecchoing confusion, tho' the Sun was risen on high.

Then Los took off his left sandal placing it on his head, Signal of solemn mourning: when the servants of the Mills Beheld the signal they in silence stood, tho' drunk with wine. Los wept! But Rintrah also came, and Enitharmon on His arm lean'd tremblingly observing all these things

And Los said. Ye Genii of the Mills! the Sun is on high Your labours call you! Palamabron is also in sad dilemma; His horses are mad! his Harrow confounded! his companions enrag'd. Mine is the fault! I should have remember'd that pity divides the soul And man, unmans: follow with me my Plow. this mournful day Must be a blank in Nature: follow with me, and tomorrow again Resume your labours, \& this day shall be a mournful day

Wildly they follow'd Los and Rintrah, \& the Mills were silent They mourn'd all day this mournful day of Satan \& Palamabron: And all the Elect \& all the Redeem'd mourn'd one toward another Upon the mountains of Albion among the cliffs of the Dead.

They Plow'd in tears! incessant pourd Jehovahs rain, \& Molechs Thick fires contending with the rain, thunder'd above rolling Terrible over their heads; Satan wept over Palamabron Theotormon \& Bromion contended on the side of Satan Pitying his youth and beauty; trembling at eternal death: Michael contended against Satan in the rolling thunder Thulloh the friend of Satan also reprovd him; faint their reproof.

But Rintrah who is of the reprobate: of those form'd to destruction In indignation. for Satans soft dissimulation of friendship! Flam'd above all the plowed furrows, angry red and furious, Till Michael sat down in the furrow weary dissolv'd in tears Satan who drave the team beside him, stood angry \& red He smote Thulloh \& slew him, \& he stood terrible over Michael

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Urging him to arise: he wept! Enitharmon saw his tears But Los hid Thulloh from her sight, lest she should die of grief She wept: she trembled! she kissed Satan; she wept over Michael She form'd a Space for Satan \& Michael \& for the poor infected[.] Trembling she wept over the Space, \& clos'd it with a tender Moon

Los secret buried Thulloh, weeping disconsolate over the moony Space

But Palamabron called down a Great Solemn Assembly, That he who will not defend Truth, may be compelled to Defend a Lie, that he may be snared \& caught \& taken

And all Eden descended into Palamabrons tent
Among Albions Druids \& Bards, in the caves beneath Albions
Death Couch, in the caverns of death, in the corner of the Atlantic.
And in the midst of the Great Assembly Palamabron pray'd:
O God protect me from my friends, that they have not power over me
Thou hast giv'n me power to protect myself from my bitterest enemies.

Mark well my words, they are of your eternal salvation

Then rose the Two Witnesses, Rintrah \& Palamabron:
And Palamabron appeal'd to all Eden, and recievd
Judgment: and Lo! it fell on Rintrah and his rage:
Which now flam'd high \& furious in Satan against Plamabron Till it became a proverb in Eden. Satan is among the Reprobate.

Los in his wrath curs'd heaven \& earth, he rent up Nations Standing on Albions rocks among high-reard Druid temples Which reach the stars of heaven \& stretch from pole to pole. He displacd continents, the oceans fled before his face He alter'd the poles of the world, east, west \& north \& south But he clos'd up Enitharmon from the sight of all these things

For Satan flaming with Rintrahs fury hidden beneath his own mildness Accus'd Palamabron before the Assembly of ingratitude! of malice: He created Seven deadly Sins drawing out his infernal scroll, Of Moral laws and cruel punishments upon the clouds of Jehovah To pervert the Divine voice in its entrance to the earth With thunder of war \& trumpets sound, with armies of disease Punishments \& deaths musterd \& number'd; Saying I am God alone

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There is no other! let all obey my principles of moral individuality I have brought them from the uppermost innermost recesses Of my Eternal Mind, transgressors I will rend off for ever, As now I rend this accursed Family from my covering.

Thus Satan rag'd amidst the Assembly! and his bosom grew Opake against the Divine Vision: the paved terraces of His bosom inwards shone with fires, but the stones becoming opake! Hid him from sight, in an extreme blackness and darkness, And there a World of deeper Ulro was open'd, in the midst Of the Assembly. In Satans bosom a vast unfathomable Abyss.

Astonishment held the Assembly in an awful silence: and tears Fell down as dews of night, \& a loud solemn universal groan Was utter'd from the east \& from the west \& from the south And from the north; and Satan stood opake immeasurable Covering the east with solid blackness, round his hidden heart With thunders utterd from his hidden wheels: accusing loud The Divine Mercy, for protecting Palamabron in his tent.

Rintrah rear'd up walls of rocks and pourd rivers \& moats Of fire round the walls: columns of fire guard around Between Satan and Palamabron in the terrible darkness.

And Satan not having the Science of Wrath, but only of Pity: Rent them asunder, and wrath was left to wrath, \& pity to pity. He sunk down a dreadful Death, unlike the slumbers of Beulah

The Separation was terrible: the Dead was repos'd on his Couch Beneath the Couch of Albion, on the seven mou[n]tains of Rome In the whole place of the Covering Cherub, Rome Babylon \& Tyre. His Spectre raging furious descended into its Space

Then Los \& Enitharmon knew that Satan is Urizen ${ }^{1224}$ Drawn down by Orc \& the Shadowy Female into Generation Oft Enitharmon enterd weeping into the Space, there appearing An aged Woman raving along the Streets (the Space is named Canaan) then she returnd to Los weary frighted as from dreams

The nature of a Female Space is this: it shrinks the Organs Of Life till they become Finite \& Itself seems Infinite. ${ }^{1225}$

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And Satan vibrated in the immensity of the Space! Limited To those without but Infinite to those within: it fell down and Became Canaan: closing Los from Eternity in Albions Cliffs A mighty Fiend against the Divine Humanity mustring to War

Satan! Ah me! is gone to his own place, said Los! their God I will not worship in their Churches, nor King in their Theatres Elynittria! whence is this jealousy running along the mountains British Women were not Jealous when Greek \& Roman were Jealous Every thing in Eternity shines by its own Internal light: but thou Darkenest every Internal light with the arrows of thy quiver Bound up in the horns of jealousy to a deadly fading Moon And Ocalythron binds the Sun into a Jealous Globe That every thing is fixd Opake without Internal light

So Los lamented over Satan, who triumphant divided the Nations

He set his face against Jerusalem to destroy the Eon of Albion

But Los hid Enitharmon from the sight of all these things, Upon the Thames whose lulling harmony repos'd her soul:
Where Beulah lovely terminates in rocky Albion:
Terminating in Hyde Park, on Tyburns awful brook.

And the Mills of Satan were separated into a moony Space Among the rocks of Albions Temples, and Satans Druid sons Offer the Human Victims throughout all the Earth, and Albions Dread Tomb immortal on his Rock, overshadowd the whole Earth: Where Satan making to himself Laws from his own identity. Compell'd others to serve him in moral gratitude \& submission Being call'd God: setting himself above all that is called God. And all the Spectres of the Dead calling themselves Sons of God In his Synagogues worship Satan under the Unutterable Name

And it was enquir'd: Why in a Great Solemn Assembly The Innocent should be condemn'd for the Guilty? Then an Eternal rose Saying. If the Guilty should be condemn'd, he must be an Eternal Death And one must die for another throughout all Eternity. Satan is fall'n from his station \& never can be redeem'd But must be new created continually moment by moment And therefore the Class of Satan shall be calld the Elect, \& those

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Of Rintrah. the Reprobate, \& those of Palamabron the Redeem'd For he is redeem'd from Satans Law, the wrath falling on Rintrah, And therefore Palamabron dared not to call a solemn Assembly Till Satan had assum'd Rintrahs wrath in the day of mourning In a feminine delusion of false pride self-deciev'd.

So spake the Eternal and confirm'd it with a thunderous oath

But when Leutha a Daughter of Beulah) beheld Satans condemnation She down descended into the midst of the Great Solemn Assembly Offering herself a Ransom for Satan, taking on her, his Sin.

Mark well my words. they are of your eternal salvation!

And Leutha stood glowing with varying colours immortal, heart-piercing And lovely: \& her moth-like elegance shone over the Assembly

At length standing upon the golden floor of Palamabron She spake: I am the Author of this Sin! by my suggestion My Parent power Satan has committed this transgression. I loved Palamabron \& I sought to approach his Tent, But beautiful Elynittria with her silver arrows repelld me.

For her light is terrible to me. I fade before her immortal beauty. O wherefore doth a Dragon-form forth issue from my limbs To sieze her new born son? Ah me! the wretched Leutha! This to prevent, entering the doors of Satans brain night after night Like sweet perfumes I stupified the masculine perceptions And kept only the feminine awake, hence rose his soft
Delusory love to Palamabron: admiration join'd with envy
Cupidity unconquerable! my fault, when at noon of day The Horses of Palamabron call'd for rest and pleasant death: I sprang out of the breast of Satan, over the Harrow beaming In all my beauty! that I might unloose the flaming steeds As Elynittria use'd to do; but too well those living creatures Knew that I was not Elynittria, and they brake the traces But me, the servants of the Harrow saw not: but as a bow Of varying colours on the hills; terribly rag'd the horses.

Satan astonishd, and with power above his own controll Compell'd the Gnomes to curb the horses, \& to throw banks of sand

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Around the fiery flaming Harrow in labyrinthine forms.
And brooks between to intersect the meadows in their course.
The Harrow cast thick flames: Jehovah thunderd above:
Chaos \& ancient night fled from beneath the fiery Harrow:
The Harrow cast thick flames \& orb'd us round in concave fires A Hell of our own making. see, its flames still gird me round. Jehovah thunder'd above! Satan in pride of heart Drove the fierce Harrow among the constellations of Jehovah Drawing a third part in the fires as stubble north \& south To devour Albion and Jerusalem the Emanation of Albion Driving the Harrow in Pitys paths. 'twas then, with our dark fires Which now gird round us (O eternal torment) I form'd the Serpent Of precious stones \& gold turn'd poisons on the sultry wastes The Gnomes in all that day spar'd not; they curs'd Satan bitterly. To do unkind things in kindness! with power armd, to say The most irritating things in the midst of tears and love These are the stings of the Serpent! thus did we by them; till thus They in return retaliated, and the Living Creatures maddend. The Gnomes labourd. I weeping hid in Satans inmost brain; But when the Gnomes refus'd to labour more, with blandishments I came forth from the head of Satan! back the Gnomes recoil'd. And call'd me Sin, and for a sign portentous held me. Soon Day sunk and Palamabron return'd, trembling I hid myself In Satans inmost Palace of his nervous fine wrought Brain: For Elynittria met Satan with all her singing women. Terrific in their joy \& pouring wine of wildest power They gave Satan their wine: indignant at the burning wrath. Wild with prophetic fury his former life became like a dream Cloth'd in the Serpents folds, in selfish holiness demanding purity Being Most impure, self-condemn'd to eternal tears, he drove Me from his inmost Brain \& the doors clos'd with thunders sound O Divine Vision who didst create the Female: to repose The Sleepers of Beulah: pity the repentant Leutha. My

Sick Couch bears the dark shades of Eternal Death infolding The Spectre of Satan. he furious refuses to repose in sleep I humbly bow in all my Sin before the Throne Divine. Not so the Sick-one; Alas what shall be done him to restore? Who calls the Individual Law, Holy: and despises the Saviour. Glorying to involve Albions Body in fires of eternal War--

Now Leutha ceas'd: tears flow'd: but the Divine Pity supported her.

All is my fault! We are the Spectre of Luvah the murderer.

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Of Albion: O Vala! O Luvah! O Albion! O lovely Jerusalem

The Sin was begun in Eternity, and will not rest to Eternity Till two Eternitys meet together, Ah! lost! lost! lost! for ever!

So Leutha spoke. But when she saw that Enitharmon had Created a New Space to protect Satan from punishment; She fled to Enitharmons Tent \& hid herself. Loud raging Thundered the Assembly dark \& clouded, and they ratify'd The kind decision of Enitharmon \& gave a Time to the Space, Even Six Thousand years; and sent Lucifer for its Guard. But Lucifer refus'd to die \& in pride he forsook his charge And they elected Molech, and when Molech was impatient The Divine hand found the Two Limits: first of Opacity, then of Contraction Opacity was named Satan, Contraction was named Adam. Triple Elohim came: Elohim wearied fainted: they elected Shaddai. Shaddai angry, Pahad descended: Pahad terrified, they sent Jehovah And Jehovah was leprous; loud he call'd, stretching his hand to Eternity For then the Body of Death was perfected in hypocritic holiness,

Around the Lamb, a Female Tabernacle woven in Cathedrons Looms He died as a Reprobate. he was Punish'd as a Transgressor! Glory! Glory! Glory! to the Holy Lamb of God I touch the heavens as an instrument to glorify the Lord!

The Elect shall meet the Redeem'd. on Albions rocks they shall meet Astonish'd at the Transgressor, in him beholding the Saviour. And the Elect shall say to the Redeemd. We behold it is of Divine Mercy alone! of Free Gift and Election that we live. Our Virtues \& Cruel Goodnesses, have deserv'd Eternal Death. Thus they weep upon the fatal Brook of Albions River.

But Elynittria met Leutha in the place where she was hidden. And threw aside her arrows, and laid down her sounding Bow; She sooth'd her with soft words \& brought her to Palamabrons bed In moments new created for delusion, interwoven round about, In dreams she bore the shadowy Spectre of Sleep, \& namd him Death. In dreams she bore Rahab the mother of Tirzah \& her sisters In Lambeths vales; in Cambridge \& in Oxford, places of Thought Intricate labyrinths of Times and Spaces unknown, that Leutha lived In Palamabrons Tent, and Oothoon was her charming guard.

The Bard ceas'd. All consider'd and a loud resounding murmur Continu'd round the Halls; and much they question'd the immortal Loud voicd Bard. and many condemn'd the high tone'd Song Saying Pity and Love are too venerable for the imputation Of Guilt. Others said. It it is true! if the acts have been perform'd Let the Bard himself witness. Where hadst thou this terrible Song

The Bard replied. I am Inspired! I know it is Truth! for I Sing

According to the inspiration of the Poetic Genius
Who is the eternal all-protecting Divine Humanity
To whom be Glory \& Power \& Dominion Evermore Amen

Then there was great murmuring in the Heavens of Albion Concerning Generation \& the Vegetative power \& concerning The Lamb the Saviour: Albion trembled to Italy Greece \& Egypt To Tartary \& Hindostan \& China \& to Great America Shaking the roots \& fast foundations of the Earth in doubtfulness The loud voic'd Bard terrify'd took refuge in Miltons bosom

Then Milton rose up from the heavens of Albion ardorous! The whole Assembly wept prophetic, seeing in Miltons face And in his lineaments divine the shades of Death \& Ulro He took off the robe of the promise, \& ungirded himself from the oath of God

And Milton said, I go to Eternal Death! The Nations still Follow after the detestable Gods of Priam; in pomp Of warlike selfhood, contradicting and blaspheming. When will the Resurrection come; to deliver the sleeping body From corruptibility: O when Lord Jesus wilt thou come?
Tarry no longer; for my soul lies at the gates of death.
I will arise and look forth for the morning of the grave.
I will go down to the sepulcher to see if morning breaks!
I will go down to self annihilation and eternal death,
Lest the Last Judgment come \& find me unannihilate
And I be siez'd \& giv'n into the hands of my own Selfhood
The Lamb of God is seen thro' mists \& shadows, hov'ring
Over the sepulchers in clouds of Jehovah \& winds of Elohim A disk of blood, distant; \& heav'ns \& earth's roll dark between What do I here before the Judgment? without my Emanation?
With the daughters of memory, \& not with the daughters of inspiration[?] I in my Selfhood am that Satan: I am that Evil One!

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He is my Spectre! in my obedience to loose him from my Hells To claim the Hells, my Furnaces, I go to Eternal Death.

And Milton said. I go to Eternal Death! Eternity shudder'd For he took the outside course, among the graves of the dead A mournful shade. Eternity shudderd at the image of eternal death

Then on the verge of Beulah he beheld his own Shadow; A mournful form double; hermaphroditic: male \& female In one wonderful body. and he enterd into it In direful pain for the dread shadow, twenty-seven-fold

Reachd to the depths of direst Hell, \& thence to Albions land: Which is this earth of vegetation on which now I write,

The Seven Angels of the Presence wept over Miltons Shadow!

As when a man dreams, he reflects not that his body sleeps, Else he would wake; so seem'd he entering his Shadow: but With him the Spirits of the Seven Angels of the Presence Entering; they gave him still perceptions of his Sleeping Body; Which now arose and walk'd with them in Eden, as an Eighth Image Divine tho' darken'd; and tho walking as one walks In sleep; and the Seven comforted and supported him.

Like as a Polypus that vegetates beneath the deep! They saw his Shadow vegetated underneath the Couch Of death: for when he enterd into his Shadow: Himself: His real and immortal Self: was as appeard to those Who dwell in immortality, as One sleeping on a couch Of gold; and those in immortality gave forth their Emanations Like Females of sweet beauty, to guard round him \& to feed His lips with food of Eden in his cold and dim repose! But to himself he seemd a wanderer lost in dreary night.

Onwards his Shadow kept its course among the Spectres; call'd Satan, but swift as lightning passing them, startled the shades Of Hell beheld him in a trail of light as of a comet That travels into Chaos: so Milton went guarded within.

The nature of infinity is this: That every thing has its

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Own Vortex; and when once a traveller thro Eternity. Has passd that Vortex, he percieves it roll backward behind His path, into a globe itself infolding; like a sun: Or like a moon, or like a universe of starry majesty, While he keeps onwards in his wondrous journey on the earth Or like a human form, a friend with whom he livd benevolent. As the eye of man views both the east \& west encompassing Its vortex; and the north \& south, with all their starry host; Also the rising sun $\&$ setting moon he views surrounding His corn-fields and his valleys of five hundred acres square. Thus is the earth one infinite plane, and not as apparent To the weak traveller confin'd beneath the moony shade. Thus is the heaven a vortex passd already, and the earth A vortex not yet pass'd by the traveller thro' Eternity.

First Milton saw Albion upon the Rock of Ages, Deadly pale outstretchd and snowy cold, storm coverd; A Giant form of perfect beauty outstretchd on the rock

In solemn death: the Sea of Time \& Space thunderd aloud Against the rock, which was inwrapped with the weeds of death Hovering over the cold bosom, in its vortex Milton bent down To the bosom of death, what was underneath soon seemd above. A cloudy heaven mingled with stormy seas in loudest ruin; But as a wintry globe descends precipitant thro' Beulah bursting, With thunders loud and terrible: so Miltons shadow fell Precipitant loud thundring into the Sea of Time \& Space.

Then first I saw him in the Zenith as a falling star, Descending perpendicular, swift as the swallow or swift; And on my left foot falling on the tarsus, enterd there; But from my left foot a black cloud redounding spread over Europe.

Then Milton knew that the Three Heavens of Beulah were beheld By him on earth in his bright pilgrimage of sixty years
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In those three females whom his Wives, \& those three whom his Daughters Had represented and containd, that they might be resum'd By giving up of Selfhood: \& they distant view'd his journey In their eternal spheres, now Human, tho' their Bodies remain clos'd

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In the dark Ulro till the Judgment: also Milton knew: they and Himself was Human, tho' now wandering thro Death's Vale In conflict with those Female forms, which in blood \& jealousy Surrounded him, dividing \& uniting without end or number.

He saw the Cruelties of Ulro, and he wrote them down In iron tablets: and his Wives \& Daughters names were these Rahab and Tirzah, \& Milcah \& Malah \& Noah \& Hoglah, They sat rangd round him as the rocks of Horeb round the land Of Canaan: and they wrote in thunder smoke and fire His dictate; and his body was the Rock Sinai; that body, Which was on earth born to corruption: \& the six Females Are Hor \& Peor \& Bashan \& Abarim \& Lebanon \& Hermon Seven rocky masses terrible in the Desarts of Midian.

But Miltons Human Shadow continu'd journeying above The rocky masses of The Mundane Shell; in the Lands Of Edom \& Aram \& Moab \& Midian \& Amalek.

> The Mundane Shell, is a vast Concave Earth: an immense Hardend shadow of all things upon our Vegetated Earth Enlarg'd into dimension \& deform'd into indefinite space, In Twenty-seven Heavens and all their Hells; with Chaos And Ancient Night; \& Purgatory. It is a cavernous Earth

Of labyrinthine intricacy, twenty-seven folds of opakeness And finishes where the lark mounts; here Milton journeyed In that Region calld Midian among the Rocks of Horeb For travellers from Eternity. pass outward to Satans seat, But travellers to Eternity. pass inward to Golgonooza.

Los the Vehicular terror beheld him, \& divine Enitharmon Call'd all her daughters, Saying. Surely to unloose my bond Is this Man come! Satan shall be unloosd upon Albion Los heard in terror Enitharmons words: in fibrous strength His limbs shot forth like roots of trees against the forward path Of Miltons jouney. Urizen beheld the immortal Man,

## And Tharmas Demon of the Waters, \& Orc, who is Luvah

The Shadowy Female seeing Milton, howl'd in her lamentation

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And thus the Shadowy Female howls in articulate howlings

I will lament over Milton in the lamentations of the afflicted
My Garments shall be woven of sighs \& heart broken lamentations The misery of unhappy Families shall be drawn out into its border Wrought with the needle with dire sufferings poverty pain \& woe Along the rocky Island \& thence throughout the whole Earth There shall be the sick Father \& his starving Family! there The Prisoner in the stone Dungeon \& the Slave at the Mill I will have Writings written all over it in Human Words That every Infant that is born upon the Earth shall read And get by rote as a hard task of a life of sixty years I will have Kings inwoven upon it, \& Councellors \& Mighty Men The Famine shall clasp it together with buckles \& Clasps And the Pestilence shall be its fringe \& the War its girdle To divide into Rahab \& Tirzah that Milton may come to our tents For I will put on the Human Form \& take the Image of God Even Pity \& Humanity but my Clothing shall be Cruelty And I will put on Holiness as a breastplate \& as a helmet And all my ornaments shall be of the gold of broken hearts And the precious stones of anxiety \& care \& desperation \& death And repentance for sin \& sorrow \& punishment \& fear To defend me from thy terrors O Orc! my only beloved!

Orc answerd. Take not the Human Form O loveliest. Take not Terror upon thee! Behold how I am \& tremble lest thou also Consume in my Consummation; but thou maist take a Form Female \& lovely, that cannot consume in Mans consmmation Wherefore dost thou Create \& Weave this Satan for a Covering[?] When thou attemptest to put on the Human Form, my wrath

Burns to the top of heaven against thee in Jealousy \& Fear. Then I rend thee asunder, then I howl over thy clay \& ashes When wilt thou put on the Female Form as in times of old With a Garment of Pity \& Compassion like the Garment of God His garments are long sufferings for the Children of Men Jerusalem is his Garment \& not thy Covering Cherub O lovely Shadow of my delight who wanderest seeking for the prey.

So spoke Orc when Oothoon \& Leutha hoverd over his Couch

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Of fire in interchange of Beauty \& Perfection in the darkness Opening interiorly into Jerusalem \& Babylon shining glorious In the Shadowy Females bosom. Jealous her darkness grew: Howlings filld all the desolate places in accusations of Sin In Female beauty shining in the unformd void \& Orc in vain Stretch'd out his hands of fire, \& wooed: they triumph in his pain

Thus darkend the Shadowy Female tenfold \& Orc tenfold Glowd on his rocky Couch against the darkness: loud thunders Told of the enormous conflict[.] Earthquake beneath: around; Rent the Immortal Females, limb from limb \& joint from joint And moved the fast foundations of the Earth to wake the Dead

Urizen emerged from his Rocky Form \& from his Snows,

And he also darkend his brows: freezing dark rocks between The footsteps. and infixing deep the feet in marble beds: That Milton labourd with his journey, \& his feet bled sore Upon the clay now chang'd to marble; also Urizen rose, And met him on the shores of Arnon; \& by the streams of the brooks

Silent they met, and silent strove among the streams, of Arnon Even to Mahanaim, when with cold hand Urizen stoop'd down And took up water from the river Jordan: pouring on To Miltons brain the icy fluid from his broad cold palm. But Milton took of the red clay of Succoth, moulding it with care Between his palms: and filling up the furrows of many years Beginning at the feet of Urizen, and on the bones Creating new flesh on the Demon cold, and building him, As with new clay a Human form in the Valley of Beth Peor.

Four Universes round the Mundane Egg remain Chaotic One to the North, named Urthona: One to the South, named Urizen:
One to the East, named Luvah: One to the West, named Tharmas They are the Four Zoa's that stood around the Throne Divine! But when Luvah assum'd the World of Urizen to the South: And Albion was slain upon his mountains, \& in his tent; All fell towards the Center in dire ruin, sinking down. And in the South remains a burning fire; in the East a void.

In the West, a world of raging waters; in the North a solid, Unfathomable! without end. But in the midst of these,

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Is built eternally the Universe of Los and Enitharmon: Towards which Milton went, but Urizen oppos'd his path.

The Man and Demon strove many periods. Rahab beheld Standing on Carmel; Rahab and Tirzah trembled to behold The enormous strife. one giving life, the other giving death To his adversary. and they sent forth all their sons \& daughters In all their beauty to entice Milton across the river,

The Twofold form Hermaphroditic: and the Double-sexed; The Female-male \& the Male-female, self-dividing stood Before him in their beauty, \& in cruelties of holiness! Shining in darkness, glorious upon the deeps of Entuthon.

Saying. Come thou to Ephraim! behold the Kings of Canaan!
The beautiful Amalekites, behold the fires of youth
Bound with the Chain of jealousy by Los \& Enitharmon;
The banks of Cam: cold learnings streams: Londons dark-frowning towers;
Lament upon the winds of Europe in Rephaims Vale.
Because Ahania rent apart into a desolate night,
Laments! \& Enion wanders like a weeping inarticulate voice
And Vala labours for her bread \& water among the Furnaces
Therefore bright Tirzah triumphs: putting on all beauty.
And all perfection, in her cruel sports among the Victims,
Come bring with thee Jerusalem with songs on the Grecian Lyre!
In Natural Religion! in experiments on Men,
Let her be Offerd up to Holiness! Tirzah numbers her;
She numbers with her fingers every fibre ere it grow;
Where is the Lamb of God? where is the promise of his coming?
Her shadowy Sisters form the bones, even the bones of Horeb:
Around the marrow! and the orbed scull around the brain!
His Images are born for War! for Sacrifice to Tirzah!
To Natural Religion! to Tirzah the Daughter of Rahab the Holy!
She ties the knot of nervous fibres, into a white brain!
She ties the knot of bloody veins, into a red hot heart!
Within her bosom Albion lies embalmd, never to awake
Hand is become a rock! Sinai \& Horeb, is Hyle \& Coban: ${ }^{1228}$
Scofield is bound in iron armour before Reubens Gate!
She ties the knot of milky seed into two lovely Heavens,

Two yet but one: each in the other sweet reflected! these Are our Three Heavens beneath the shades of Beulah, land of rest! Come then to Ephraim \& Manasseh O beloved-one!

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Come to my ivory palaces O beloved of thy mother!

And let us bind thee in the bands of War \& be thou King Of Canaan and reign in Hazor where the Twelve Tribes meet.

So spoke they as in one voice! Silent Milton stood before The darkend Urizen; as the sculptor silent stands before His forming image; he walks round it patient labouring. Thus Milton stood forming bright Urizen, while his Mortal part Sat frozen in the rock of Horeb: and his Redeemed portion, Thus form'd the Clay of Urizen; but within that portion His real Human walkd above in power and majesty Tho darkend; and the Seven Angels of the Presence attended him.

O how can I with my gross tongue that cleaveth to the dust, Tell of the Four-fold Man, in starry numbers fitly orderd Or how can I with my cold hand of clay! But thou O Lord Do with me as thou wilt! for I am nothing, and vanity. If thou chuse to elect a worm, it shall remove the mountains. For that portion namd the Elect: the Spectrous body of Milton: Redounding from my left foot into Los's Mundane space, Brooded over his Body in Horeb against the Resurrection Preparing it for the Great Consummation; red the Cherub on Sinai Glow'd; but in terrors folded round his clouds of blood.

Now Albions sleeping Humanity began to turn upon his Couch;
Feeling the electric flame of Miltons awful precipitate descent. Seest thou the little winged fly, smaller than a grain of sand? It has a heart like thee; a brain open to heaven \& hell, Withinside wondrous \& expansive; its gates are not clos'd, I hope thine are not: hence it clothes itself in rich array; Hence thou art cloth'd with human beauty O thou mortal man. Seek not thy heavenly father then beyond the skies: There Chaos dwells \& ancient Night \& Og \& Anak old: For every human heart has gates of brass \& bars of adamant, Which few dare unbar because dread Og \& Anak guard the gates Terrific! and each mortal brain is walld and moated round Within: and Og \& Anak watch here; here is the Seat Of Satan in its Webs; for in brain and heart and loins Gates open behind Satans Seat to the City of Golgonooza Which is the spiritual fourfold London, in the loins of Albion

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Thus Milton fell thro Albions heart, travlling outside of Humanity Beyond the Stars in Chaos in Caverns of the Mundane Shell.

But many of the Eternals rose up from eternal tables Drunk with the Spirit, burning round the Couch of death they stood Looking down into Beulah: wrathful, fill'd with rage! They rend the heavens round the Watchers in a fiery circle: And round the Shadowy Eighth: the Eight close up the Couch

Into a tabernacle, and flee with cries down to the Deeps: Where Los opens his three wide gates, surrounded by raging fires! They soon find their own place \& join the Watchers of the Ulro.

Los saw them and a cold pale horror coverd o'er his limbs Pondering he knew that Rintrah \& Palamabron might depart: Even as Reuben \& as Gad; gave up himself to tears. He sat down on his anvil-stock; and leand upon the trough. Looking into the black water, mingling it with tears.

At last when desperation almost tore his heart in twain He recollected an old Prophecy in Eden recorded, And often sung to the loud harp at the immortal feasts That Milton of the Land of Albion should up ascend Forwards from Ulro from the Vale of Felpham; and set free Orc from his Chain of Jealousy, he started at the thought

And down descended into Udan-Adan; it was night:
And Satan sat sleeping upon his Couch in Udan-Adan:
His Spectre slept, his Shadow woke; when one sleeps th'other wakes

But Milton entering my Foot; I saw in the nether Regions of the Imagination; also all men on Earth, And all in Heaven, saw in the nether regions of the Imagination In Ulro beneath Beulah, the vast breach of Miltons descent.
But I knew not that it was Milton, for man cannot know
What passes in his members till periods of Space \& Time
Reveal the secrets of Eternity: for more extensive
Than any other earthly things, are Mans earthly lineaments.

And all this Vegetable World appeard on my left Foot, As a bright sandal formd immortal of precious stones \& gold:

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I stooped down \& bound it on to walk forward thro' Eternity.

There is in Eden a sweet River, of milk \& liquid pearl, Namd Ololon; on whose mild banks dwelt those who Milton drove
Down into Ulro: and they wept in long resounding song For seven days of eternity, and the rivers living banks The mountains waild! \& every plant that grew, in solemn sighs lamented.

When Luvahs bulls each morning drag the sulphur Sun out of the Deep Harnessd with starry harness black \& shining kept by black slaves That work all night at the starry harness. Strong and vigorous They drag the unwilling Orb: at this time all the Family Of Eden heard the lamentation, and Providence began. But when the clarions of day sounded they drownd the lamentations

And when night came all was silent in Ololon: \& all refusd to lament In the still night fearing lest they should others molest.

Seven mornings Los heard them, as the poor bird within the shell Hears its impatient parent bird; and Enitharmon heard them: But saw them not, for the blue Mundane Shell inclosd them in.

And they lamented that they had in wrath \& fury \& fire Driven Milton into the Ulro; for now they knew too late That it was Milton the Awakener: they had not heard the Bard, Whose song calld Milton to the attempt; and Los heard these laments. He heard them call in prayer all the Divine Family; And he beheld the Cloud of Milton stretching over Europe.

## But all the Family Divine collected as Four Suns <br> In the Four Points of heaven East, West \& North \& South Enlarging and enlarging till their Disks approachd each other; And when they touch'd closed together Southward in One Sun Over Ololon: and as One Man, who weeps over his brother, In a dark tomb, so all the Family Divine. wept over Ololon.

Saying, Milton goes to Eternal Death! so saying, they groan'd in spirit And were troubled! and again the Divine Family groaned in spirit!

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And Ololon said, Let us descend also, and let us give Ourselves to death in Ulro among the Transgressors.

Is Virtue a Punisher? O no! how is this wondrous thing? This World beneath, unseen before: this refuge from the wars Of Great Eternity! unnatural refuge! unknown by us till now! Or are these the pangs of repentance? let us enter into them

Then the Divine Family said. Six Thousand Years are now Accomplish'd in this World of Sorrow; Miltons Angel knew The Universal Dictate; and you also feel this Dictate. And now you know this World of Sorrow, and feel Pity. Obey The Dictate! Watch over this World, and with your brooding wings, Renew it to Eternal Life: Lo! I am with you alway But you cannot renew Milton he goes to Eternal Death

So spake the Family Divine as One Man even Jesus Uniting in One with Ololon \& the appearance of One Man Jesus the Saviour appeard coming in the Clouds of Ololon!

Tho driven away with the Seven Starry Ones into the Ulro Yet the Divine Vision remains Every-where For-ever. Amen.
And Ololon lamented for Milton with a great lamentation.

While Los heard indistinct in fear, what time I bound my sandals On; to walk forward thro' Eternity, Los descended to me: And Los behind me stood; a terrible flaming Sun: just close

Behind my back; I turned round in terror, and behold. Los stood in that fierce glowing fire; \& he also stoop'd down And bound my sandals on in Udan-Adan; trembling I stood Exceedingly with fear \& terror, standing in the Vale Of Lambeth: but he kissed me and wishd me health. And I became One Man with him arising in my strength: Twas too late now to recede. Los had enterd into my soul: His terrors now posses'd me whole! I arose in fury \& strength.

I am that Shadowy Prophet who Six Thousand Years ago
Fell from my station in the Eternal bosom. Six Thousand Years
Are finishd. I return! both Time \& Space obey my will.
I in Six Thousand Years walk up and down: for not one Moment
Of Time is lost, nor one Event of Space unpermanent
But all remain: every fabric of Six Thousand Years
Remains permanent: tho' on the Earth where Satan
Fell, and was cut off all things vanish \& are seen no more

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They vanish not from me \& mine, we guard them first \& last The generations of men run on in the tide of Time But leave their destind lineaments permanent for ever \& ever.

So spoke Los as we went along to his supreme abode.

Rintrah and Palamabron met us at the Gate of Golgonooza Clouded with discontent. \& brooding in their minds terrible things

They said. O Father most beloved! O merciful Parent! Pitying and permitting evil, tho strong \& mighty to destroy. Whence is this Shadow terrible? wherefore dost thou refuse To throw him into the Furnaces! knowest thou not that he Will unchain Orc? \& let loose Satan, Og, Sihon \& Anak, Upon the Body of Albion? for this he is come! behold it written Upon his fibrous left Foot black! most dismal to our eyes ${ }^{2229}$ The Shadowy Female shudders thro' heaven in torment inexpressible! And all the Daughters of Los prophetic wail: yet in deceit, They weave a new Religion from new Jealousy of Theotormon! Miltons Religion is the cause: there is no end to destruction! Seeing the Churches at their Period in terror \& despair: Rahab created Voltaire; Tirzah created Rousseau; Asserting the Self-righteousness against the Universal Saviour, Mocking the Confessors \& Martyrs, claiming Self-righteousness; With cruel Virtue: making War upon the Lambs Redeemed; To perpetuate War \& Glory. to perpetuate the Laws of Sin: They perverted Swedenborgs Visions in Beulah \& in Ulro; To destroy Jerusalem as a Harlot \& her Sons as Reprobates; To raise up Mystery the Virgin Harlot Mother of War, Babylon the Great, the Abomination of Desolation! O Swedenborg! strongest of men, the Samson shorn by the Churches!

Shewing the Transgresors in Hell, the proud Warriors in Heaven:
Heaven as a Punisher \& Hell as One under Punishment:
With Laws from Plato \& his Greeks to renew the Trojan Gods, In Albion; \& to deny the value of the Saviours blood.
But then I rais'd up Whitefield, Palamabron raisd up Westley, And these are the cries of the Churches before the two Witnesses['] t230
Faith in God the dear Saviour who took on the likeness of men:
Becoming obedient to death, even the death of the Cross
The Witnesses lie dead in the Street of the Great City
No Faith is in all the Earth: the Book of God is trodden under Foot:
He sent his two Servants Whitefield \& Westley; were they Prophets

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Or were they Idiots or Madmen? shew us Miracles!

Can you have greater Miracles than these? Men who devote Their lifes whole comfort to intire scorn \& injury \& death Awake thou sleeper on the Rock of Eternity Albion awake The trumpet of Judgment hath twice sounded: all Nations are awake But thou art still heavy and dull: Awake Albion awake! ${ }^{1231}$
Lo Orc arises on the Atlantic. Lo his blood and fire Glow on Americas shore: Albion turns upon his Couch He listens to the sounds of War, astonishd and confounded: He weeps into the Atlantic deep, yet still in dismal dreams Unwakend! and the Covering Cherub advances from the East: How long shall we lay dead in the Street of the great City How long beneath the Covering Cherub give our Emanations Milton will utterly consume us \& thee our beloved Father He hath enterd into the Covering Cherub, becoming one with Albions dread Sons, Hand, Hyle \& Coban surround him as A girdle; Gwendolen \& Conwenna as a garment woven Of War \& Religion; let us descend \& bring him chained To Bowlahoola O father most beloved! O mild Parent! Cruel in thy mildness, pitying and permitting evil Tho strong and mighty to destroy, O Los our beloved Father!

Like the black storm, coming out of Chaos, beyond the stars: It issues thro the dark \& intricate caves of the Mundane Shell Passing the planetary visions, \& the well adorned Firmament The Sun rolls into Chaos \& the Stars into the Desarts; And then the storms become visible, audible \& terrible, Covering the light of day, \& rolling down upon the mountains, Deluge all the country round. Such is a vision of Los; When Rintrah \& Palamabron spake; and such his stormy face Appeard, as does the face of heaven, when coverd with thick storms Pitying and loving tho in frowns of terrible perturbation ${ }^{1232}$

But Los dispersd the clouds even as the strong winds of Jehovah,

And Los thus spoke. O noble Sons, be patient yet a little I have embracd the falling Death, he is become One with me O Sons we live not by wrath. by mercy alone we live! I recollect an old Prophecy in Eden recorded in gold; and oft Sung to the harp: That Milton of the land of Albion. Should up ascend forward from Felphams Vale \& break the Chain Of jealousy from all its roots; be patient therefore O my Sons

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These lovely Females form sweet night and silence and secret Obscurities to hide from Satans Watch-Fiends. Human loves And graces; lest they write them in their Books, \& in the Scroll Of mortal life, to condemn the accused: who at Satans Bar Tremble in Spectrous Bodies continually day and night While on the Earth they live in sorrowful Vegetations O when shall we tread our Wine-presses in heaven; and Reap Our wheat with shoutings of joy, and leave the Earth in peace Remember how Calvin and Luther in fury premature Sow'd War and stern division between Papists \& Protestants Let it not be so now! O go not forth in Martyrdoms \& Wars We were plac'd here by the Universal Brotherhood \& Mercy With powers fitted to circumscribe this dark Satanic death And that the Seven Eyes of God may have space for Redemption. But how this is as yet we know not, and we cannot know; Till Albion is arisen; then patient wait a little while, Six Thousand years are passd away the end approaches fast; This mighty one is come from Eden, he is of the Elect, Who died from Earth \& he is returnd before the Judgment. This thing Was never known that one of the holy dead should willing return Then patient wait a little while till the Last Vintage is over: Till we have quenchd the Sun of Salah in the Lake of Udan Adan O my dear Sons! leave not your Father, as your brethren left me[.] Twelve Sons successive fled away in that thousand years of sorrow

Of Palamabrons Harrow, \& of Rintrahs wrath \& fury:
Reuben \& Manazzoth \& Gad \& Simeon \& Levi, And Ephraim \& Judah were Generated, because They left me, wandering with Tirzah: Enitharmon wept One thousand years, and all the Earth was in a watry deluge
We calld him Menassheh because of the Generations of Tirzah
Because of Satan: \& the Seven Eyes of God continually Guard round them, but I the Fourth Zoa am also set The Watchman of Eternity, the Three are not! \& I am preserved Still my four mighty ones are let to me in Golgonooza
Still Rintrah fierce, and Palamabron mild \& piteous Theotormon filld with care, Bromion loving Science

You O my Sons still guard round Los. O wander not \& leave me Rintrah, thou well rememberest when Amalek \& Canaan Fled with their Sister Moab into the abhorred Void They became Nations in our sight beneath the hands of Tirzah. And Palamabron thou rememberest when Joseph an infant; Stolen from his nurses cradle wrapd in needle-work

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Of emblematic texture, was sold to the Amalekite, Who carried him down into Egypt where Ephraim \& Menassheh Gatherd my Sons together in the Sands of Midian And if you also flee away and leave your Fathers side, Following Milton into Ulro, altho your power is great Surely you also shall become poor mortal vegetations Beneath the Moon of Ulro: pity then your Fathers tears[.] When Jesus raisd Lazarus from the Grave I stood \& saw Lazarus who is the Vehicular Body of Albion the Redeemd Arise into the Covering Cherub who is the Spectre of Albion By martyrdoms to suffer: to watch over the Sleeping Body. Upon his Rock beneath his Tomb. I saw the Covering Cherub Divide Four-fold into Four Churches when Lazarus arose Paul, Constantine, Charlemaine, Luther; behold they stand before us Stretchd over Europe \& Asia. come O Sons, come, come away Arise O Sons give all your strength against Eternal Death Lest we are vegetated, for Cathedrons Looms weave only Death A Web of Death: \& were it not for Bowlahoola \& Allamanda No Human Form but only a Fibrous Vegetation A Polypus of soft affections without Thought or Vision Must tremble in the Heavens \& Earths thro all the Ulro space[.] Throw all the Vegetated Mortals into Bowlahoola But as to this Elected Form who is returnd again He is the Signal that the Last Vintage now approaches Nor Vegetation may go on till all the Earth is reapd

So Los spoke. Furious they descended to Bowlahoola \& Allamanda Indignant. unconvincd by Los's arguments \& thun[d]ers rolling They saw that wrath now swayd and now pity absorbd him As it was, so it remaind \& no hope of an end.

Bowlahoola is namd Law. by mortals, Tharmas founded it:
Because of Satan, before Luban in the City of Golgonooza.
But Golgonooza is namd Art \& Manufacture by mortal men.

In Bowlahoola Los's Anvils stand \& his Furnaces rage;
Thundering the Hammers beat \& the Bellows blow loud Living self moving mourning lamenting \& howling incessantly Bowlahoola thro all its porches feels tho' too fast founded Its pillars \& porticoes to tremble at the force

Of mortal or immortal arm: and softly lilling flutes Accordant with the horrid labours make sweet melody

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The Bellows are the Animal Lungs: the Hammers the Animal Heart The Furnaces the Stomach for digestion. terrible their fury
Thousands \& thousands labour. thousands play on instruments
Stringed or fluted to ameliorate the sorrows of slavery
Loud sport the dancers in the dance of death, rejoicing in carnage
The hard dentant Hammers are lulld by the flutes['] lula lula
The bellowing Furnaces['] blare by the long sounding clarion ${ }^{1234}$
The double drum drowns howls \& groans, the shrill fife. shrieks \& cries:
The crooked horn mellows the hoarse raving serpent, terrible, but harmonious ${ }^{1235}$

Bowlahoola is the Stomach in every individual man.

Los is by mortals nam'd Time Enitharmon is nam'd Space
But they depict him bald \& aged who is in eternal youth
All powerful and his locks flourish like the brows of morning
He is the Spirit of Prophecy the ever apparent Elias
Time is the mercy of Eternity; without Times swiftness
Which is the swiftest of all things: all were eternal torment:
All the Gods of the Kingdoms of Earth labour in Los's Halls.
Every one is a fallen Son of the Spirit of Prophecy
He is the Fourth Zoa, that stood arou[n]d the Throne Divine.

Loud shout the Sons of Luvah, at the Wine-presses as Los descended With Rintrah \& Palamabron in his fires of resistless fury.

The Wine-press on the Rhine groans loud, but all its central beams Act more terrific in the central Cities of the Nations Where Human Thought is crushd beneath the iron hand of Power. There Los puts all into the Press, the Opressor \& the Opressed Together, ripe for the Harvest \& Vintage \& ready for the Loom.

They sang at the Vintage. This is the Last Vintage! \& Seed Shall no more be sown upon Earth, till all the Vintage is over And all gatherd in, till the Plow has passd over the Nations And the Harrow \& heavy thundering Roller upon the mountains

And loud the Souls howl round the Porches of Golgonooza Crying O God deliver us to the Heavens or to the Earths, That we may preach righteousness \& punish the sinner with death But Los refused, till all the Vintage of Earth was gatherd in.

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And Los stood \& cried to the Labourers of the Vintage in voice of awe.

Fellow Labourers! The Great Vintage \& Harvest is now upon Earth The whole extent of the Globe is explored: Every scatterd Atom Of Human Intellect now is flocking to the sound of the Trumpet All the Wisdom which was hidden in caves \& dens, from ancient Time; is now sought out from Animal \& Vegetable \& Mineral

The Awakener is come. outstretchd over Europe! the Vision of God is fulfilled The Ancient Man upon the Rock of Albion Awakes, He listens to the sounds of War astonishd \& ashamed; He sees his Children mock at Faith and deny Providence Therefore you must bind the Sheaves not by Nations or Families You shall bind them in Three Classes; according to their Classes So shall you bind them. Separating What has been Mixed Since Men began to be Wove into Nations by Rahab \& Tirzah Since Albions Death \& Satans Cutting-off from our awful Fields; When under pretence to benevolence the Elect Subdud All From the Foundation of the World. The Elect is one Class: You Shall bind them separate: they cannot Believe in Eternal Life Except by Miracle \& a New Birth. The other two Classes; The Reprobate who never cease to Believe, and the Redeemd, Who live in doubts \& fears perpetually tormented by the Elect These you shall bind in a twin-bundle for the Consummation-But the Elect must be saved [from] fires of Eternal Death, To be formed into the Churches of Beulah that they destroy not the Earth For in every Nation \& every Family the Three Classes are born And in every Species of Earth, Metal, Tree, Fish, Bird \& Beast. We form the Mundane Egg, that Spectres coming by fury or amity All is the same, \& every one remains in his own energy Go forth Reapers with rejoicing. you sowed in tears
But the time of your refreshing cometh, only a little moment Still abstain from pleasure \& rest, in the labours of eternity And you shall Reap the whole Earth, from Pole to Pole! from Sea to Sea Begining at Jerusalems Inner Court, Lambeth ruin'd and given To the detestable Gods of Priam, to Apollo: and at the Asylum Given to Hercules, who labour in Tirzahs Looms for bread Who set Pleasure against Duty: who Create Olympic crowns To make Learning a burden \& the Work of the Holy Spirit: Strife. $\mathrm{T}[\mathrm{o}]$ Thor \& cruel Odin who first reard the Polar Caves ${ }^{1236}$ Lambeth mourns calling Jerusalem. she weeps \& looks abroad For the Lords coming, that Jerusalem may overspread all Nations Crave not for the mortal \& perishing delights, but leave them

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To the weak, and pity the weak as your infant care; Break not Forth in your wrath lest you also are vegetated by Tirzah Wait till the Judgement is past, till the Creation is consumed And then rush forward with me into the glorious spiritual Vegetation; the Supper of the Lamb \& his Bride; and the Awaking of Albion our friend and ancient companion.

So Los spoke. But lightnings of discontent broke on all sides round And murmurs of thunder rolling heavy long \& loud over the mountains While Los calld his Sons around him to the Harvest \& the Vintage.

Thou seest the Constellations in the deep \& wondrous Night They rise in order and continue their immortal courses Upon the mountains \& in vales with harp \& heavenly song With flute \& clarion; with cups \& measures filld with foaming wine. Glittring the streams reflect the Vision of beatitude, And the calm Ocean joys beneath \& smooths his awful waves!

These are the Sons of Los, \& these the Labourers of the Vintage Thou seest the gorgeous clothed Flies that dance \& sport in summer Upon the sunny brooks \& meadows: every one the dance ${ }^{1237}$ Knows in its intricate mazes of delight artful to weave: Each one to sound his instruments of music in the dance, To touch each other \& recede; to cross \& change \& return These are the Children of Los; thou seest the Trees on mountains The wind blows heavy, loud they thunder thro' the darksom sky Uttering prophecies \& speaking instructive words to the sons Of men: These are the Sons of Los! These the Visions of Eternity

But we see only as it were the hem of their garments When with our vegetable eyes we view these wond'rous Visions

There are Two Gates thro which all Souls descend. One Southward From Dover Cliff o Lizard Point. the other toward the North Caithness \& rocky Durness, Pentland \& John Groats House.

The Souls descending to the Body, wail on the right hand Of Los; \& those deliverd from the Body, on the left hand For Los against the east his force continually bends Along the Valleys of Middlesex from Hounslow to Blackheath Lest those Three Heavens of Beulah should the Creation destroy And lest they should descend before the north \& south Gates

Groaning with pity, he among the wailing Souls laments.

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And these the Labours of the Sons of Los in Allamanda:
And in the City of Golgonooza: \& in Luban: \& around
The Lake of Udan-Adan, in the Forests of Entuthon Benython
Where Souls incessant wail, being piteous Passions \& Desires
With neither lineament nor form but like to watry clouds The Passions \& Desires descend upon the hungry winds For such alone Sleepers remain meer passion \& appetite; The Sons of Los clothe them \& feed \& provide houses \& fields

And every Generated Body in its inward form, Is a garden of delight \& a building of magnificence, Built by the Sons of Los in Bowlahoola \& Allamanda And the herbs \& flowers \& furniture \& beds \& chambers Continually woven in the Looms of Enitharmons Daughters In bright Cathedrons golden Dome with care \& love \& tears For the various Classes of Men are all markd out determinate

In Bowlahoola; \& as the Spectres choose their affinities So they are born on Earth, \& every Class is determinate But not by Natural but by Spiritual power alone. Because The Natural power continually seeks \& tends to Destruction Ending in Death: which would of itself be Eternal Death And all are Class'd by Spiritual, \& not by Natural power.

> And every Natural Effect has a Spiritual Cause, and Not A Natural: for a Natural Cause only seems, it is Delusion Of Ulro: \& a ratio of the perishing Vegetable Memory.

But the Wine-press of Los is eastward of Golgonooza, before the Seat Of Satan. Luvah laid the foundation \& Urizen finish'd it in howling Woe. How red the sons \& daughters of Luvah! here they tread the grapes. Laughing \& shouting drunk with odours many fall oerwearied 1239 Drownd in the wine is many a youth \& maiden: those around Lay them on skins of Tygers \& of the spotted Leopard \& the Wild Ass Till they revive, or bury them in cool grots, making lamentation.

This Wine-press is call'd War on Earth, it is the Printing-Press Of Los; and here he lays his words in order above the mortal brain As cogs are formd in a wheel to turn the cogs of the adverse wheel.

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Timbrels \& violins sport round the Wine-presses; the little Seed; The sportive Root, the Earth-worm, the gold Beetle; the wise Emmet; Dance round the Wine-presses of Luvah: the Centipede is there:
The ground Spider with many eyes: the Mole clothed in velvet The ambitious Spider in his sullen web; the lucky golden Spinner; The Earwig armd: the tender Maggot emblem of immortality: The Flea: Louse: Bug: the Tape-Worm: all the Armies of Disease: Visible or invisible to the slothful vegetating Man. The slow Slug: the Grasshopper that sings \& laughs \& drinks: Winter comes, he folds his slender bones without a murmur. The cruel Scorpion is there: the Gnat: Wasp: Hornet \& the Honey Bee: The Toad \& venomous Newt; the Serpent clothd in gems \& gold: They throw off their gorgeous raiment: they rejoice with loud jubilee Around the Wine-presses of Luvah, naked \& drunk with wine.

There is the Nettle that stings with soft down; and there The indignant Thistle: whose bitterness is bred in his milk: Who feeds on contempt of his neighbour: there all the idle Weeds That creep around the obscure places, shew their various limbs. Naked in all their beauty dancing round the Wine-presses.

But in the Wine-presses the Human grapes sing not, nor dance They howl \& writhe in shoals of torment; in fierce flames consuming,

In chains of iron $\&$ in dungeons circled with ceaseless fires. In pits $\&$ dens $\&$ shades of death: in shapes of torment \& woe. The plates \& screws \& wracks \& saws \& cords \& fires \& cisterns The cruel joys of Luvahs Daughters lacerating with knives And whips their Victims \& the deadly sport of Luvahs Sons.

They dance around the dying, \& they drink the howl \& groan They catch the shrieks in cups of gold, they hand them to one another: These are the sports of love, \& these the sweet delights of amorous play Tears of the grape, the death sweat of the cluster the last sigh Of the mild youth who listens to the lureing songs of Luvah

But Allamanda calld on Earth Commerce, is the Cultivated land Around the City of Golgonooza in the Forests of Entuthon: Here the Sons of Los labour against Death Eternal; through all The Twenty-seven Heavens of Beulah in Ulro, Seat of Satan, Which is the False Tongue beneath Beulah: it is the Sense of Touch:

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The Plow goes forth in tempests \& lightnings \& the narrow cruel In blights of the east; the heavy Roller follows in howlings of woe.

Urizens sons here labour also; \& here are seen the Mills Of Theotormon, on the verge of the Lake of Udan-Adan: These are the starry voids of night \& the depths \& caverns of earth These Mills are oceans, clouds \& waters ungovernable in their fury Here are the stars created \& the seeds of all things planted And here the Sun \& Moon recieve their fixed destinations

But in Eternity the Four Arts: Poetry, Painting, Music, And Architecture which is Science: are the Four Faces of Man. Not so in Time \& Space: there Three are shut out, and only Science remains thro Mercy: \& by means of Science, the Three Become apparent in time \& space, in the Three Professions

Poetry in Religion: Music, Law: Painting, in Physic \& Surgery: ${ }^{1240}$

That Man may live upon Earth till the time of his awaking, And from these Three, Science derives every Occupation of Men. And Science is divided into Bowlahoola \& Allamanda.

Some Sons of Los surround the Passions with porches of iron \& silver Creating form \& beauty around the dark regions of sorrow, Giving to airy nothing a name and a habitation Delightful! with bounds to the Infinite putting off the Indefinite Into most holy forms of Thought: (such is the power of inspiration) They labour incessant; with many tears \& afflictions: Creating the beautiful House for the piteous sufferer.

Others; Cabinets richly fabricate of gold \& ivory; For Doubts \& fears unform'd \& wretched \& melancholy ${ }^{1241}$

The little weeping Spectre stands on the threshold of Death Eternal; and sometimes two Spectres like lamps quivering And often malignant they combat (heart-breaking sorrowful \& piteous) Antamon takes them into his beautiful flexible hands, As the Sower takes the seed, or as the Artist his clay Or fine wax, to mould artful a model for golden ornaments, The soft hands of Antamon draw the indelible line: Form immortal with golden pen; such as the Spectre admiring

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Puts on the sweet form; then smiles Antamon bright thro his windows The Daughters of beauty look up from their Loom \& prepare. The integument soft for its clothing with joy \& delight.

But Theotormon \& Sotha stand in the Gate of Luban anxious
Their numbers are seven million \& seven thousand \& seven hundred
They contend with the weak Spectres, they fabricate soothing forms
The Spectre refuses. he seeks cruelty. they create the crested Cock
Terrified the Spectre screams \& rushes in fear into their Net Of kindness \& compassion \& is born a weeping terror. Or they create the Lion \& Tyger in compassionate thunderings Howling the Spectres flee: they take refuge in Human lineaments.

> The Sons of Ozoth within the Optic Nerve stand fiery glowing And the number of his Sons is eight millions \& eight. They give delights to the man unknown; artificial riches They give to scorn, \& their posessors to trouble \& sorrow \& care, Shutting the sun. \& moon. \& stars. \& trees. \& clouds. \& waters. And hills. out from the Optic Nerve \& hardening it into a bone Opake. and like the black pebble on the enraged beach.
> While the poor indigent is like the diamond which tho cloth'd In rugged covering in the mine, is open all within
> And in his hallowd center holds the heavens of bright eternity Ozoth here builds walls of rocks against the surging sea And timbers crampt with iron cramps bar in the joys of life From fell destruction in the Spectrous cunning or rage. He Creates The speckled Newt, the Spider \& Beetle, the Rat \& Mouse, The Badger \& Fox: they worship before his feet in trembling fear.

But others of the Sons of Los build Moments \& Minutes \& Hours And Days \& Months \& Years \& Ages \& Periods; wondrous buildings And every Moment has a Couch of gold for soft repose, (A Moment equals a pulsation of the artery), And between every two Moments stands a Daughter of Beulah To feed the Sleepers on their Couches with maternal care. And every Minute has an azure Tent with silken Veils. And every Hour has a bright golden Gate carved with skill. And every Day \& Night, has Walls of brass \& Gates of adamant, Shining like precious stones \& ornamented with appropriate signs:

And every Month, a silver paved Terrace builded high:
And every Year, invulnerable Barriers with high Towers.
And every Age is Moated deep with Bridges of silver \& gold.

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And every Seven Ages is Incircled with a Flaming Fire.
Now Seven Ages is amounting to Two Hundred Years
Each has its Guard. each Moment Minute Hour Day Month \& Year.
All are the work of Fairy hands of the Four Elements
The Guard are Angels of Providence on duty evermore
Every Time less than a pulsation of the artery
Is equal in its period \& value to Six Thousand Years.

For in this Period the Poets Work is Done: and all the Great Events of Time start forth \& are concievd in such a Period Within a Moment: a Pulsation of the Artery.

The Sky is an immortal tent built by the Sons of Los And every Space that a Man views around his dwelling-place:
Standing on his own roof, or in his garden on a mount Of twenty-five cubits in height, such space is his Universe;
And on its verge the Sun rises \& sets. the Clouds bow To meet the flat Earth \& the Sea in such an orderd Space: The Starry heavens reach no further but here bend and set On all sides \& the two Poles turn on their valves of gold: And if he move his dwelling-place, his heavens also move. Wher'eer he goes \& all his neighbourhood bewail his loss: Such are the Spaces called Earth \& such its dimension: As to that false appearance which appears to the reasoner, As of a Globe rolling thro Voidness, it is a delusion of Ulro The Microscope knows not of this nor the Telescope. they alter The ratio of the Spectators Organs but leave Objects untouchd For every Space larger than a red Globule of Mans blood.
Is visionary: and is created by the Hammer of Los And every Space smaller than a Globule of Mans blood. opens Into Eternity of which this vegetable Earth is but a shadow: The red Globule is the unwearied Sun by Los created To measure Time and Space to mortal Men. every morning. Bowlahoola \& Allamanda are placed on each side Of that Pulsation \& that Globule, terrible their power.

But Rintrah \& Palamabron govern over Day \& Night In Allamanda \& Entuthon Benython where Souls wail: Where Orc incessant howls burning in fires of Eternal Youth, Within the vegetated mortal Nerves; for every Man born is joined Within into One mighty Polypus, and this Polypus is Orc.

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To Death in old time by Satan the father of Sin \& Death And Satan is the Spectre of Orc \& Orc is the generate Luvah

But in the Nerves of the Nostrils, Accident being formed Into Substance \& Principle, by the cruelties of Demonstration It became Opake \& Indefinite; but the Divine Saviour, Formed it into a Solid by Los's Mathematic power. He named the Opake Satan: he named the Solid Adam

And in the Nerves of the Ear, (for the Nerves of the Tongue are closed) On Albions Rock Los stands creating the glorious Sun each morning And when unwearied in the evening he creates the Moon Death to delude, who all in terror at their splendor leaves His prey while Los appoints, \& Rintrah \& Palamabron guide The Souls clear from the Rock of Death, that Death himself may wake In his appointed season when the ends of heaven meet.

Then Los conducts the Spirits to be Vegetated, into
Great Golgonooza, free from the four iron pillars of Satans Throne (Temperance, Prudence, Justice, Fortitude, the four pillars of tyranny) That Satans Watch-Fiends touch them not before they Vegetate.

But Enitharmon and her Daughters take the pleasant charge.
To give them to their lovely heavens till the Great Judgment Day
Such is their lovely charge. But Rahab \& Tirzah pervert
Their mild influences, therefore the Seven Eyes of God walk round
The Three Heavens of Ulro, where Tirzah \& her Sisters
Weave the black Woof of Death upon Entuthon Benython
In the Vale of Surrey where Horeb terminates in Rephaim
The stamping feet of Zelophehads Daughters are coverd with Human gore
Upon the treddles of the Loom, they sing to the winged shuttle:
The River rises above his banks to wash the Woof:
He takes it in his arms: he passes it in strength thro his current
The veil of human miseries is woven over the Ocean
From the Atlantic to the Great South Sea, the Erythrean.

Such is the World of Los the labour of six thousand years. Thus Nature is a Vision of the Science of the Elohim.

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There is a place where Contrarieties are equally True This place is called Beulah, It is a pleasant lovely Shadow Where no dispute can come. Because of those who Sleep. Into this place the Sons \& Daughters of Ololon descended With solemn mourning into Beulahs moony shades \& hills Weeping for Milton: mute wonder held the Daughters of Beulah Enrapturd with affection sweet and mild benevolence

Beulah is evermore Created around Eternity; appearing To the Inhabitants of Eden, around them on all sides. But Beulah to its Inhabitants appears within each district As the beloved infant in his mothers bosom round incircled With arms of love \& pity \& sweet compassion. But to The Sons of Eden the moony habitations of Beulah, Are from Great Eternity a mild \& pleasant Rest.

And it is thus Created. Lo the Eternal Great Humanity To whom be Glory \& Dominion Evermore Amen Walks among all his awful Family see in every face As the breath of the Almighty. such are the words of man to man In the great Wars of Eternity, in fury of Poetic Inspiration, To build the Universe stupendous: Mental forms Creating

But the Emanations trembled exceedingly, nor could they Live, because the life of Man was too exceeding unbounded His joy became terrible to them they trembled \& wept Crying with one voice. Give us a habitation \& a place In which we may be hidden under the shadow of wings For if we who are but for a time, \& who pass away in winter Behold these wonders of Eternity we shall consume But you O our Fathers \& Brothers, remain in Eternity

But grant us a Temporal Habitation. do you speak To us; we will obey your words as you obey Jesus The Eternal who is blessed for ever \& ever. Amen

So spake the lovely Emanations; \& there appeard a pleasant Mild Shadow above: beneath: \& on all sides round,

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Into this pleasant Shadow all the weak \& weary
Like Women \& Children were taken away as on wings
Of dovelike softness, \& shadowy habitations prepared for them
But every Man returnd \& went still going forward thro'
The Bosom of the Father in Eternity on Eternity
Neither did any lack or fall into Error without
A Shadow to repose in all the Days of happy Eternity

Into this pleasant Shadow Beulah, all Ololon descended And when the Daughters of Beulah heard the lamentation All Beulah wept, for they saw the Lord coming in the Clouds And the Shadows of Beulah terminate in rocky Albion.

And all Nations wept in affliction Family by Family Germany wept towards France \& Italy: England wept \& trembled Towards America: India rose up from his golden bed: As one awakend in the night: they saw the Lord coming In the Clouds of Ololon with Power \& Great Glory!

And all the Living Creatures of the Four Elements, wail'd With bitter wailing: these in the aggregate are named Satan And Rahab: they know not of Regeneration, but only of Generation The Fairies, Nymphs, Gnomes \& Genii of the Four Elements Unforgiving \& unalterable: these cannot be Regenerated But must be Created, for they know only of Generation These are the Gods of the Kingdoms of the Earth: in contrarious And cruel opposition: Element against Element, opposed in War Not Mental, as the Wars of Eternity, but a Corporeal Strife In Los's Halls continual labouring in the Furnaces of Golgonooza Orc howls on the Atlantic: Enitharmon trembles: All Beulah weeps

Thou hearest the Nightingale begin the Song of Spring; The Lark sitting upon his earthy bed: just as the morn Appears; listens silent; then springing from the waving Corn-field! loud He leads the Choir of Day! trill, trill, trill, trill, Mounting upon the wings of light into the Great Expanse: Reecchoing against the lovely blue \& shining heavenly Shell:
His little throat labours with inspiration; every feather On throat \& breast \& wings vibrates with the effluence Divine All Nature listens silent to him \& the awful Sun Stands still upon the Mountain looking on this little Bird

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With eyes of soft humility, \& wonder love \& awe.
Then loud from their green covert all the Birds begin their Song
The Thrush, the Linnet \& the Goldfinch, Robin \& the Wren Awake the Sun from his sweet reverie upon the Mountain: The Nightingale again assays his song, \& thro the day, And thro the night warbles luxuriant; every Bird of Song Attending his loud harmony with admiration \& love. This is a Vision of the lamentation of Beulah over Ololon!

Thou percievest the Flowers put forth their precious Odours!
And none can tell how from so small a center comes such sweets
Forgetting that within that Center Eternity expands
Its ever during doors, that Og \& Anak fiercely guard[.]
First eer the morning breaks joy opens in the flowery bosoms Joy even to tears, which the Sun rising dries; first the Wild Thyme And Meadow-sweet downy \& soft waving among the reeds. Light springing on the air lead the sweet Dance: they wake The Honeysuckle sleeping on the Oak: the flaunting beauty Revels along upon the wind; the White-thorn lovely May Opens her many lovely eyes: listening the Rose still sleeps ${ }^{1243}$ None dare to wake her. soon she bursts her crimson curtaind bed And comes forth in the majesty of beauty; every Flower: The Pink, the Jessamine, the Wall-flower, the Carnation The Jonquil, the mild Lilly opes her heavens! every Tree, And Flower \& Herb soon fill the air with an innumerable Dance Yet all in order sweet \& lovely, Men are sick with Love! Such is a Vision of the lamentation of Beulah over Ololon

## And Milton oft sat up on the Couch of Death \& oft conversed

 In vision \& dream beatific with the Seven Angels of the PresenceI have turned my back upon these Heavens builded on cruelty My Spectre still wandering thro' them follows my Emanation He hunts her footsteps thro' the snow \& the wintry hail \& rain The idiot Reasoner laughs at the Man of Imagination And from laughter proceeds to murder by undervaluing calumny

Then Hillel who is Lucifer replied over the Couch of Death And thus the Seven Angels instructed him \& thus they converse.

We are not Individuals but States: Combinations of Individuals We were Angels of the Divine Presence: \& were Druids in Annandale

Compelld to combine into Form by Satan, the Spectre of Albion, Who made himself a God \& , destroyed the Human Form Divine. [Hebrew text] But the Divine Humanity \& Mercy gave us a Human Form as multitudes Because we were combind in Freedom \& holy Brotherhood Vox Populi ${ }^{1245}$

While those combind by Satans Tyranny first in the blood of War And Sacrifice \&, next, in Chains of imprisonment: are Shapeless Rocks Retaining only Satans Mathematic Holiness, Length: Bredth \& Highth Calling the Human Imagination: which is the Divine Vision \& Fruition In which Man liveth eternally: madness \& blasphemy, against Its own Qualities, which are Servants of Humanity, not Gods or Lords[.]
Distinguish therefore States from Individuals in those States.
States Change: but Individual Identities never change nor cease:
You cannot go to Eternal Death in that which can never Die.
Satan \& Adam are States Created into Twenty-seven Churches
And thou O Milton art a State about to be Created
Called Eternal Annihilation that none but the Living shall Dare to enter: \& they shall enter triumphant over Death And Hell \& the Grave! States that are not, but ah! Seem to be.

Judge then of thy Own Self: thy Eternal Lineaments explore What is Eternal \& what Changeable? \& what Annihilable!

The Imagination is not a State: it is the Human Existence itself Affection or Love becomes a State, when divided from Imagination The Memory is a State always, \& the Reason is a State Created to be Annihilated \& a new Ratio Created Whatever can be Created can be Annihilated Forms cannot The Oak is cut down by the Ax, the Lamb falls by the Knife But their Forms Eternal Exist, For-ever. Amen Halle[1]ujah

Thus they converse with the Dead watching round the Couch of Death.
For God himself enters Death's Door always with those that enter And lays down in the Grave with them, in Visions of Eternity
Till they awake \& see Jesus \& the Linen Clothes lying That the Females had Woven for them, \& the Gates of their Fathers House

## And the Divine Voice was heard in the Songs of Beulah Saying

## When I first Married you, I gave you all my whole Soul

 I thought that you would love my loves \& joy in my delights Seeking for pleasures in my pleasures O Daughter of BabylonM33.12; E133|
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Then thou wast lovely, mild \& gentle. now thou art terrible In jealousy \& unlovely in my sight, because thou hast cruelly Cut off my loves in fury till I have no love left for thee Thy love depends on him thou lovest $\&$ on his dear loves Depend thy pleasures which thou hast cut off by jealousy Therefore I shew my jealousy \& set before you Death. Behold Milton descended to Redeem the Female Shade

From Death Eternal; such your lot, to be continually Redeem'd By death \& misery of those you love \& by Annihilation When the Sixfold Female percieves that Milton annihilates Himself: that seeing all his loves by her cut off: he leaves Her also: intirely abstracting himself from Female loves She shall relent in fear of death: She shall begin to give Her maidens to her husband: delighting in his delight And then \& then alone begins the happy Female joy As it is done in Beulah, \& thou O Virgin Babylon Mother of Whoredoms Shalt bring Jerusalem in thine arms in the night watches; and No longer turning her a wandering Harlot in the streets Shalt give her into the arms of God your Lord \& Husband.

Such are the Songs of Beulah in the Lamentations of Ololon

And all the Songs of Beulah sounded comfortable notes
To comfort Ololons lamentation, for they said[:]
Are you the Fiery Circle that late drove in fury \& fire
The Eight Immortal Starry-Ones down into Ulro dark
Rending the Heavens of Beulah with your thunder \& lightnings
And can you thus lament \& can you pity \& forgive?
Is terror changd to pity O wonder of Eternity!

And the Four States of Humanity in its Repose, Were shewed them. First of Beulah a most pleasant Sleep On Couches soft, with mild music, tended by Flowers of Beulah Sweet Female forms, winged or floating in the air spontaneous The Second State is Alla \& the third State Al-Ulro;
But the Fourth State is dreadful; it is named Or-Ulro:
The First State is in the Head, the Second is in the Heart:
The Third in the Loins \& Seminal Vessels \& the Fourth In the Stomach \& Intestines terrible, deadly, unutterable And he whose Gates are opend in those Regions of his Body Can from those Gates view all these wondrous Imaginations

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But Ololon sought the Or-Ulro \& its fiery Gates And the Couches of the Martyrs: \& many Daughters of Beulah Accompany them down to the Ulro with soft melodious tears A long journey \& dark thro Chaos in the track of Miltons course To where the Contraries of Beulah War beneath Negations Banner

Then view'd from Miltons Track they see the Ulro: a vast Polypus Of living fibres down into the Sea of Time \& Space growing A self-devouring monstrous human Death Twenty-seven fold Within it sit Five Females \& the nameless Shadowy Mother Spinning it from their bowels with songs of amorous delight And melting cadences that lure the Sleepers of Beulah down The River Storge (which is Arnon) into the Dead Sea: Around this Polypus Los continual builds the Mundane Shell

Four Universes round the Universe of Los remain Chaotic Four intersecting Globes, \& the Egg form'd World of Los In midst; stretching from Zenith to Nadir, in midst of Chaos. One of these Ruind Universes is to the North named Urthona One to the South this was the glorious World of Urizen One to the East, of Luvah: One to the West; of Tharmas. But when Luvah assumed the World of Urizen in the South All fell towards the Center sinking downward in dire Ruin Here in these Chaoses the Sons of Ololon took their abode In Chasms of the Mundane Shell which open on all sides round Southward \& by the East within the Breach of Miltons descent To watch the time, pitying \& gentle to awaken Urizen They stood in a dark land of death of fiery corroding waters Where lie in evil death the Four Immortals pale and cold And the Eternal Man even Albion upon the Rock of Ages[.] Seeing Miltons Shadow, some Daughters of Beulah trembling Returnd, but Ololon remaind before the Gates of the Dead

And Ololon looked down into the Heavens of Ulro in fear They said. How are the Wars of Man which in Great Eternity

Appear around, in the External Spheres of Visionary Life Here renderd Deadly within the Life \& Interior Vision How are the Beasts \& Birds \& Fishes, \& Plants \& Minerals Here fixd into a frozen bulk subject to decay \& death[?] Those Visions of Human Life \& Shadows of Wisdom \& Knowledge

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Are here frozen to unexpansive deadly destroying terrors[.]
And War \& Hunting: the Two Fountains of the River of Life Are become Fountains of bitter Death \& of corroding Hell Till Brotherhood is changd into a Curse \& a Flattery By Differences between Ideas, that Ideas themselves, (which are The Divine Members) may be slain in offerings for sin O dreadful Loom of Death! O piteous Female forms compelld To weave the Woof of Death, On Camberwell Tirzahs Courts Malahs on Blackheath, Rahab \& Noah. dwell on Windsors heights Where once the Cherubs of Jerusalem spread to Lambeths Vale Milcahs Pillars shine from Harrow to Hampstead where Hoglah On Highgates heights magnificent Weaves overtrembling Thames To Shooters Hill and thence to Blackheath the dark Woof! Loud Loud roll the Weights \& Spindles over the whole Earth let down On all sides round to the Four Quarters of the World, eastward on Europe to Euphrates \& Hindu, to Nile \& back in Clouds Of Death across the Atlantic to America North \& South

So spake Ololon in reminiscence astonishd, but they Could not behold Golgonooza without passing the Polypus A wondrous journey not passable by Immortal feet, \& none But the Divine Saviour can pass it without annihilation. For Golgonooza cannot be seen till having passd the Polypus
It is viewed on all sides round by a Four-fold Vision Or till you become Mortal \& Vegetable in Sexuality Then you behold its mighty Spires \& Domes of ivory \& gold And Ololon examined all the Couches of the Dead. Even of Los \& Enitharmon \& all the Sons of Albion And his Four Zoas terrified \& on the verge of Death In midst of these was Miltons Couch, \& when they saw Eight Immortal Starry-Ones, guarding the Couch in flaming fires They thunderous utterd all a universal groan falling down Prostrate before the Starry Eight asking with tears forgiveness Confessing their crime with humiliation and sorrow.

O how the Starry Eight rejoic'd to see Ololon descended! And now that a wide road was open to Eternity,

By Ololons descent thro Beulah to Los \& Enitharmon,

For mighty were the multitudes of Ololon, vast the extent Of their great sway, reaching from Ulro to Eternity

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Surrounding the Mundane Shell outside in its Caverns And through Beulah. and all silent forbore to contend With Ololon for they saw the Lord in the Clouds of Ololon

There is a Moment in each Day that Satan cannot find Nor can his Watch Fiends find it, but the Industrious find This Moment \& it multiply. \& when it once is found It renovates every Moment of the Day if rightly placed[.] In this Moment Ololon descended to Los \& Enitharmon Unseen beyond the Mundane Shell Southward in Miltons track

Just in this Moment when the morning odours rise abroad And first from the Wild Thyme, stands a Fountain in a rock Of crystal flowing into two Streams, one flows thro Golgonooza And thro Beulah to Eden beneath Los's western Wall The other flows thro the Aerial Void \& all the Churches Meeting again in Golgonooza beyond Satans Seat

The Wild Thyme is Los's Messenger to Eden, a mighty Demon Terrible deadly \& poisonous his presence in Ulro dark Therefore he appears only a small Root creeping in grass Covering over the Rock of Odours his bright purple mantle Beside the Fount above the Larks nest in Golgonooza Luvah slept here in death \& here is Luvahs empty Tomb Ololon sat beside this Fountain on the Rock of Odours.

Just at the place to where the Lark mounts, is a Crystal Gate It is the enterance of the First Heaven named Luther: for The Lark is Los's Messenger thro the Twenty-seven Churches That the Seven Eyes of God who walk even to Satans Seat Thro all the Twenty-seven Heavens may not slumber nor sleep

But the Larks Nest is at the Gate of Los, at the eastern Gate of wide Golgonooza \& the Lark is Los's Messenger

When on the highest lift of his light pinions he arrives At that bright Gate, another Lark meets him \& back to back They touch their pinions tip tip: and each descend To their respective Earths \& there all night consult with Angels Of Providence \& with the Eyes of God all night in slumbers Inspired: \& at the dawn of day send out another Lark

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Into another Heaven to carry news upon his wings
Thus are the Messengers dispatchd till they reach the Earth again
In the East Gate of Golgonooza, \& the Twenty-eighth bright
Lark. met the Female Ololon descending into my Garden
Thus it appears to Mortal eyes \& those of the Ulro Heavens But not thus to Immortals, the Lark is a mighty Angel.

For Ololon step'd into the Polypus within the Mundane Shell They could not step into Vegetable Worlds without becoming

The enemies of Humanity except in a Female Form
And as One Female, Ololon and all its mighty Hosts
Appear'd: a Virgin of twelve years nor time nor space was
To the perception of the Virgin Ololon but as the
Flash of lightning but more quick the Virgin in my Garden
Before my Cottage stood for the Satanic Space is delusion

For when Los joind with me he took me in his firy whirlwind
My Vegetated portion was hurried from Lambeths shades
He set me down in Felphams Vale \& prepard a beautiful Cottage for me that in three years I might write all these Visions To display Natures cruel holiness: the deceits of Natural Religion[.] Walking in my Cottage Garden, sudden I beheld The Virgin Ololon \& address'd her as a Daughter of Beulah[:]

Virgin of Providence fear not to enter into my Cottage What is thy message to thy friend: What am I now to do Is it again to plunge into deeper affliction? behold me Ready to obey, but pity thou my Shadow of Delight Enter my Cottage, comfort her, for she is sick with fatigue ${ }^{1247}$

The Virgin answerd. Knowest thou of Milton who descended
Driven from Eternity; him I seek! terrified at my Act In Great Eternity which thou knowest! I come him to seek

So Ololon utterd in words distinct the anxious thought Mild was the voice, but more distinct than any earthly That Miltons Shadow heard \& condensing all his Fibres Into a strength impregnable of majesty \& beauty infinite I saw he was the Covering Cherub \& within him Satan And Raha[b], in an outside which is fallacious! within ${ }^{2248}$ Beyond the outline of Identity, in the Selfhood deadly

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And he appeard the Wicker Man of Scandinavia in whom Jerusalems children consume in flames among the Stars

Descending down into my Garden, a Human Wonder of God Reaching from heaven to earth a Cloud \& Human Form I beheld Milton with astonishment \& in him beheld The Monstrous Churches of Beulah, the Gods of Ulro dark Twelve monstrous dishumanizd terrors Synagogues of Satan. A Double Twelve \& Thrice Nine: such their divisions.

## And these their Names \& their Places within the Mundane Shell

In Tyre \& Sidon I saw Baal \& Ashtaroth. In Moab Chemosh In Ammon, Molech: loud his Furnaces rage among the Wheels Of Og , \& pealing loud the cries of the Victims of Fire! And pale his Priestesses infolded in Veils of Pestilence, border'd With War; Woven in Looms of Tyre \& Sidon by beautiful Ashtaroth.

In Palestine Dagon, Sea Monster! worshipd o'er the Sea.
Thammuz in Lebanon \& Rimmon in Damascus curtaind Osiris: Isis: Orus: in Egypt: dark their Tabernacles on Nile Floating with solemn songs, \& on the Lakes of Egypt nightly With pomp, even till morning break \& Osiris appear in the sky But Belial of Sodom \& Gomorrha, obscure Demon of Bribes And secret Assasinations, not worshipd nor adord; but ${ }^{2} 24$ With the finger on the lips \& the back turnd to the light And Saturn Jove \& Rhea of the Isles of the Sea remote These Twelve Gods. are the Twelve Spectre Sons of the Druid Albion

And these the names of the Twenty-seven Heavens \& their Churches Adam, Seth, Enos, Cainan, Mahalaleel, Jared, Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech: these are Giants mighty Hermaphroditic Noah, Shem, Arphaxad, Cainan the second, Salah, Heber, Peeg, Reu, Serug, Nahor, Terah, these are the Female-Males A Male within a Female hid as in an Ark \& Curtains, Abraham, Moses, Solomon, Paul, Constantine, Charlemaine Luther, these seven are the Male-Females, the Dragon Forms Religion hid in War, a Dragon red \& hidden Harlot

All these are seen in Miltons Shadow who is the Covering Cherub The Spectre of Albion in which the Spectre of Luvah inhabits In the Newtonian Voids between the Substances of Creation

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For the Chaotic Voids outside of the Stars are measured by The Stars, which are the boundaries of Kingdoms, Provinces And Empires of Chaos invisible to the Vegetable Man The Kingdom of Og. is in Orion: Sihon is in Ophiucus Og has Twenty-seven Districts; Sihons Districts Twenty-one From Star to Star, Mountains \& Valleys, terrible dimension Stretchd out, compose the Mundane Shell, a mighty Incrustation Of Forty-eight deformed Human Wonders of the Almighty With Caverns whose remotest bottoms meet again beyond The Mundane Shell in Golgonooza, but the Fires of Los, rage In the remotest bottoms of the Caves, that none can pass Into Eternity that way, but all descend to Los To Bowlahoola \& Allamanda \& to Entuthon Benython

The Heavens are the Cherub, the Twelve Gods are Satan

And the Forty-eight Starry Regions are Cities of the Levites The Heads of the Great Polypus, Four-fold twelve enormity In mighty \& mysterious comingling enemy with enemy Woven by Urizen into Sexes from his mantle of years[.] And Milton collecting all his fibres into impregnable strength Descended down a Paved work of all kinds of precious stones Out from the eastern sky; descending down into my Cottage Garden: clothed in black, severe \& silent he descended.

The Spectre of Satan stood upon the roaring sea \& beheld Milton within hi sleeping Humanity! trembling \& shuddring He stood upon the waves a Twenty-seven-fold mighty Demon Gorgeous \& beautiful: loud roll his thunders against Milton Loud Satan thunderd, loud \& dark upon mild Felpham shore Not daring to touch one fibre he howld round upon the Sea.

I also stood in Satans bosom \& beheld its desolations!
A ruind Man: a ruind building of God not made with hands; Its plains of burning sand, its mountains of marble terrible: Its pits \& declivities flowing with molten ore \& fountains Of pitch \& nitre: its ruind palaces \& cities \& mighty works; Its furnaces of affliction in which his Angels \& Emanations Labour with blackend visages among its stupendous ruins Arches \& pyramids \& porches colonades \& domes:
In which dwells Mystery Babylon, here is her secret place From hence she comes forth on the Churches in delight

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Here is her Cup filld with its poisons, in these horrid vales And here her scarlet Veil woven in pestilence \& war: Here is Jerusalem bound in chains, in the Dens of Babylon

In the Eastern porch of Satans Universe Milton stood \& said

Satan! my Spectre! I know my power thee to annihilate And be a greater in thy place, \& be thy Tabernacle A covering for thee to do thy will, till one greater comes And smites me as I smote thee \& becomes my covering. Such are the Laws of thy false Heavns! but Laws of Eternity Are not such: know thou: I come to Self Annihilation Such are the Laws of Eternity that each shall mutually Annihilate himself for others good, as I for thee[.] Thy purpose \& the purpose of thy Priests \& of thy Churches Is to impress on men the fear of death; to teach Trembling \& fear, terror, constriction; abject selfishness Mine is to teach Men to despise death \& to go on In fearless majesty annihilating Self, laughing to scorn Thy Laws \& terrors, shaking down thy Synagogues as webs I come to discover before Heavn \& Hell the Self righteousness In all its Hypocritic turpitude, opening to every eye These wonders of Satans holiness shewing to the Earth The Idol Virtues of the Natural Heart, \& Satans Seat Explore in all its Selfish Natural Virtue \& put off In Self annihilation all that is not of God alone: To put off Self \& all I have ever \& ever Amen

Satan heard! Coming in a cloud, with trumpets \& flaming fire Saying I am God the judge of all, the living \& the dead Fall therefore down \& worship me. submit thy supreme Dictate, to my eternal Will \& to my dictate bow

I hold the Balances of Right \& Just \& mine the Sword Seven Angels bear my Name \& in those Seven I appear But I alone am God \& I alone in Heavn \& Earth Of all that live dare utter this, others tremble \& bow

Till All Things become One Great Satan, in Holiness
Oppos'd to Mercy, and the Divine Delusion Jesus be no more

Suddenly around Milton on my Path, the Starry Seven

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Burnd terrible! my Path became a solid fire, as bright As the clear Sun \& Milton silent came down on my Path. And there went forth from the Starry limbs of the Seven: Forms Human; with Trumpets innumerable, sounding articulate As the Seven spake; and they stood in a mighty Column of Fire Surrounding Felphams Vale, reaching to the Mundane Shell, Saying Awake Albion awake! reclaim thy Reasoning Spectre. Subdue

Him to the Divine Mercy, Cast him down into the Lake Of Los, that ever burneth with fire, ever \& ever Amen! Let the Four Zoa's awake from Slumbers of Six Thousand Years

Then loud the Furnaces of Los were heard! \& seen as Seven heavens Stretching from south to north over the mountains of Albion

Satan heard; trembling round his Body, he incircled it He trembled with exceeding great trembling \& astonishment Howling in his Spectre round his Body hungring to devour But fearing for the pain for if he touches a Vital, His torment is unendurable: therefore he cannot devour: But howls round it as a lion round his prey continually Loud Satan thunderd, loud \& dark upon mild Felphams Shore Coming in a Cloud with Trumpets \& with Fiery Flame An awful Form eastward from midst of a bright Paved-work Of precious stones by Cherubim surrounded: so permitted (Lest he should fall apart in his Eternal Death) to imitate The Eternal Great Humanity Divine surrounded by His Cherubim \& Seraphim in ever happy Eternity Beneath sat Chaos: Sin on his right hand Death on his left And Ancient Night spread over all the heavn his Mantle of Laws He trembled with exceeding great trembling \& astonishment

Then Albion rose up in the Night of Beulah on his Couch Of dread repose seen by the visionary eye; his face is toward The east, toward Jerusalems Gates: groaning he sat above His rocks. London \& Bath \& Legions \& Edinburgh Are the four pillars of his Throne; his left foot near London Covers the shades of Tyburn: his instep from Windsor To Primrose Hill stretching to Highgate \& Holloway

London is between his knees: its basements fourfold His right foot stretches to the sea on Dover cliffs, his heel

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On Canterburys ruins; his right hand covers lofty Wales His left Scotland; his bosom girt with gold involves York, Edinburgh, Durham \& Carlisle \& on the front Bath, Oxford, Cambridge Norwich; his right elbow Leans on the Rocks of Erins Land, Ireland ancient nation[,] His head bends over London: he sees his embodied Spectre Trembling before him with exceeding great trembling \& fear He views Jerusalem \& Babylon, his tears flow down He movd his right foot to Cornwall, his left to the Rocks of Bognor He strove to rise to walk into the Deep. but strength failing Forbad \& down with dreadful groans he sunk upon his Couch In moony Beulah. Los his strong Guard walks round beneath the Moon

Urizen faints in terror striving among the Brooks of Arnon With Miltons Spirit: as the Plowman or Artificer or Shepherd While in the labours of his Calling sends his Thought abroad ${ }^{1250}$ To labour in the ocean or in the starry heaven. So Milton Labourd in Chasms of the Mundane Shell, tho here before My Cottage midst the Starry Seven, where the Virgin Ololon Stood trembling in the Porch: loud Satan thunderd on the stormy Sea Circling Albions Cliffs in which the Four-fold World resides Tho seen in fallacy outside: a fallacy of Satans Churches

Before Ololon Milton stood \& percievd the Eternal Form Of that mild Vision; wondrous were their acts by me unknown Except remotely; and I heard Ololon say to Milton

I see thee strive upon the Brooks of Arnon. there a dread And awful Man I see, oercoverd with the mantle of years. I behold Los \& Urizen. I behold Orc \& Tharmas; The Four Zoa's of Albion \& thy Spirit with them striving In Self annihilation giving thy life to thy enemies Are those who contemn Religion \& seek to annihilate it Become in their Femin[in]e portions the causes \& promoters Of these Religions, how is this thing? this Newtonian Phantasm This Voltaire \& Rousseau: this Hume \& Gibbon \& Bolingbroke This Natural Religion! this impossible absurdity Is Ololon the cause of this? O where shall I hide my face These tears fall for the little-ones: the Children of Jerusalem Lest they be annihilated in thy annihilation.

No sooner she had spoke but Rahab Babylon appeard Eastward upon the Paved work across Europe \& Asia

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Glorious as the midday Sun in Satans bosom glowing: A Female hidden in a Male, Religion hidden in War

Namd Moral Virtue; cruel two-fold Monster shining bright A Dragon red \& hidden Harlot which John in Patmos saw

And all beneath the Nations innumerable of Ulro Appeard, the Seven Kingdoms of Canaan \& Five Baalim Of Philistea. into Twelve divided, calld after the Names Of Israel: as they are in Eden. Mountain. River \& Plain City \& sandy Desart intermingled beyond mortal ken But turning toward Ololon in terrible majesty Milton Replied. Obey thou the Words of the Inspired Man All that can be annihilated must be annihilated ${ }^{251}$

That the Children of Jerusalem may be saved from slavery
There is a Negation, \& there is a Contrary
The Negation must be destroyd to redeem the Contraries
The Negation is the Spectre; the Reasoning Power in Man
This is a false Body: an Incrustation over my Immortal Spirit; a Selfhood, which must be put off \& annihilated alway To cleanse the Face of my Spirit by Self-examination.

To bathe in the Waters of Life; to wash off the Not Human I come in Self-annihilation \& the grandeur of Inspiration To cast off Rational Demonstration by Faith in the Saviour To cast off the rotten rags of Memory by Inspiration
To cast off Bacon, Locke \& Newton from Albions covering
To take off his filthy garments, \& clothe him with Imagination
To cast aside from Poetry, all that is not Inspiration
That it no longer shall dare to mock with the aspersion of Madness
Cast on the Inspired, by the tame high finisher of paltry Blots, Indefinite, or paltry Rhymes; or paltry Harmonies. Who creeps into State Government like a catterpiller to destroy To cast off the idiot Questioner who is always questioning, But never capable of answering; who sits with a sly grin Silent plotting when to question, like a thief in a cave; Who publishes doubt \& calls it knowledge; whose Science is Despair Whose pretence to knowledge is Envy, whose whole Science is To destroy the wisdom of ages to gratify ravenous Envy; That rages round him like a Wolf day \& night without rest He smiles with condescension; he talks of Benevolence \& Virtue And those who act with Benevolence \& Virtue, they murder time on time

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These are the destroyers of Jerusalem, these are the murderers Of Jesus, who deny the Faith \& mock at Eternal Life: Who pretend to Poetry that they may destroy Imagination; By imitation of Natures Images drawn from Remembrance These are the Sexual Garments, the Abomination of Desolation Hiding the Human lineaments as with an Ark \& Curtains

Which Jesus rent: \& now shall wholly purge away with Fire Till Generation is swallowd up in Regeneration.

Then trembled the Virgin Ololon \& replyd in clouds of despair

Is this our Femin[in]e Portion the Six-fold Miltonic Female Terribly this Portion trembles before thee O awful Man Altho' our Human Power can sustain the severe contentions Of Friendship, our Sexual cannot: but flies into the Ulro. Hence arose all our terrors in Eternity! \& now remembrance Returns upon us! are we Contraries O Milton, Thou \& I O Immortal! how were we led to War the Wars of Death Is this the Void Outside of Existence, which if enterd into

Becomes a Womb? \& is this the Death Couch of Albion Thou goest to Eternal Death \& all must go with thee

So saying, the Virgin divided Six-fold \& with a shriek Dolorous that ran thro all Creation a Double Six-fold Wonder! Away from Ololon she divided \& fled into the depths Of Miltons Shadow as a Dove upon the stormy Sea.

Then as a Moony Ark Ololon descended to Felphams Vale In clouds of blood, in streams of gore, with dreadful thunderings Into the Fires of Intellect that rejoic'd in Felphams Vale Around the Starry Eight: with one accord the Starry Eight became One Man Jesus the Saviour. wonderful! round his limbs The Clouds of Ololon folded as a Garment dipped in blood Written within \& without in woven letters: \& the Writing Is the Divine Revelation in the Litteral expression:
A Garment of War, I heard it namd the Woof of Six Thousand Years

And I beheld the Twenty-four Cities of Albion
Arise upon their Thrones to Judge the Nations of the Earth

And the Immortal Four in whom the Twenty-four appear Four-fold Arose around Albions body: Jesus wept \& walked forth From Felphams Vale clothed in Clouds of blood, to enter into Albions Bosom, the bosom of death \& the Four surrounded him In the Column of Fire in Felphams Vale; then to their mouths the Four Applied their Four Trumpets \& them sounded to the Four winds

Terror struck in the Vale I stood at that immortal sound My bones trembled. I fell outstretchd upon the path A moment, \& my Soul returnd into its mortal state To Resurrection \& Judgment in the Vegetable Body And my sweet Shadow of Delight stood trembling by my side

Immediately the Lark mounted with a loud trill from Felphams Vale And the Wild Thyme from Wimbletons green \& impurpled Hills

And Los \& Enitharmon rose over the Hills of Surrey Their clouds roll over London with a south wind, soft Oothoon Pants in the Vales of Lambeth weeping oer her Human Harvest Los listens to the Cry of the Poor Man: his Cloud Over London in volume terrific, low bended in anger.

Rintrah \& Palamabron view the Human Harvest beneath Their Wine-presses \& Barns stand open; the Ovens are prepar'd The Waggons ready: terrific Lions \& Tygers sport \& play All Animals upon the Earth, are prepard in all their strength

To go forth to the Great Harvest \& Vintage of the Nations

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SHEEP GOATS ${ }^{1257}$

The Emanation of The Giant Albion ${ }^{1253}$

1804 Printed by W. Blake Sth Molton St. ${ }^{1254}$

There is a Void, outside of Existence, which if enterd into
Englobes itself \& becomes a Womb, such was Albions Couch A pleasant Shadow of Repose calld Albions lovely Land

His Sublime \& Pathos become Two Rocks fixd in the Earth His Reason his Spectrous Power, covers them above Jerusalem his Emanation is a Stone laying beneath
O [Albion behold Pitying] behold the Vision of Albion ${ }^{1256}$

Half Friendship is the bitterest Enmity said Los
As he enterd the Door of Death for Albions sake Inspired The long sufferings of God are not for ever there is a Judgment

Every Thing has its Vermin O Spectre of the Sleeping Dead!

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After my three years slumber on the banks of the Ocean, I again display my Giant forms to the Public: My former Giants \& Fairies having reciev'd the highest reward possible: the [love] and [friendship] of those with whom to be connected, is to be [blessed]: I cannot doubt that this more consolidated \& extended Work, will be as kindly recieved The Enthusiasm of the following Poem, the Author hopes ${ }^{125}$ [no Reader will think presumptuousness or arroganc[e] when he is reminded that the Ancients acknowledge their love to their Deities, to the full as Enthusiastically as I have who Acknowledge mine for my Saviour and Lord, for they were wholly absorb'd in their Gods.] I also hope the Reader will be with me, wholly One in Jesus our Lord, who is the God [of Fire] and Lord [of Love] to whom the Ancients look'd and saw his day afar off, with trembling \& amazement. The Spirit of Jesus is continual forgiveness of Sin: he who waits to be righteous before he enters into the Saviours kingdom, the Divine Body; will never enter there. I am perhaps the most sinful of men! I pretend not to holiness! yet I pretend to love, to see, to converse with daily, as man with man, \& the more to have an interest in the Friend of Sinners. Therefore
[Dear] Reader, [forgive] what you do not approve, \& [love] me for this energetic exertion of my talent.

Reader! [lover] of books! [lover] of heaven, And of that God from whom [all books are given,]
Who in mysterious Sinais awful cave
To Man the wond'rous art of writing gave, Again he speaks in thunder and in fire!
Thunder of Thought, \& flames of fierce desire:
Even from the depths of Hell his voice I hear,
Within the unfathomd caverns of my Ear.
Therefore I print; nor vain my types shall be:
Heaven, Earth \& Hell, henceforth shall live in harmony

Of the Measure, in which the following Poem is written

We who dwell on Earth can do nothing of ourselves, every thing is conducted by Spirits, no less than Digestion or Sleep.
[to Note the last words of Jesus, <Greek>Edotha moi pasa exousia en ouranon kai epi ges</Greek>]

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When this Verse was first dictated to me I consider'd a Monotonous Cadence like that used by Milton \& Shakspeare \& all writers of English Blank Verse, derived from the modern bondage of Rhyming; to be a necessary and indispensible part of Verse. But I soon found that
in the mouth of a true Orator such monotony was not only awkward, but as much a bondage as rhyme itself. I therefore have produced a variety in every line, both of cadences \& number of syllables. Every word and every letter is studied and put into its fit place: the terrific numbers are reserved for the terrific parts--the mild \& gentle, for the mild \& gentle parts, and the prosaic, for inferior parts: all are necessary to each other. Poetry Fetter'd, Fetters the Human Race! Nations are Destroy'd, or Flourish, in proportion as Their Poetry Painting and Music, are Destroy'd or Flourish! The Primeval State of Man, was Wisdom, Art, and Science.

> <Greek>Monos 'o Iesous </Greek>

## Jerusalem

Chap: I

Of the Sleep of Ulro! and of the passage through Eternal Death! and of the awaking to Eternal Life.

This theme calls me in sleep night after night, \& ev'ry morn Awakes me at sun-rise, then I see the Saviour over me Spreading his beams of love, \& dictating the words of this mild song.

Awake! awake O sleeper of the land of shadows, wake! expand!
I am in you and you in me, mutual in love divine:
Fibres of love from man to man thro Albions pleasant land.
In all the dark Atlantic vale down from the hills of Surrey
A black water accumulates, return Albion! return!
Thy brethren call thee, and thy fathers, and thy sons,
Thy nurses and thy mothers, thy sisters and thy daughters
Weep at thy souls disease, and the Divine Vision is darkend:
Thy Emanation that was wont to play before thy face,
Beaming forth with her daughters into the Divine bosom [Where!!]

Where hast thou hidden thy Emanation lovely Jerusalem From the vision and fruition of the Holy-one?
I am not a God afar off, I am a brother and friend;
Within your bosoms I reside, and you reside in me:
Lo! we are One; forgiving all Evil; Not seeking recompense!
Ye are my members O ye sleepers of Beulah, land of shades!

But the perturbed Man away turns down the valleys dark; [Saying. We are not One: we are Many, thou most simulative] Phantom of the over heated brain! shadow of immortality! Seeking to keep my soul a victim to thy Love! which binds

Man the enemy of man into deceitful friendships:
Jerusalem is not! her daughters are indefinite:
By demonstration, man alone can live, and not by faith. My mountains are my own, and I will keep them to myself! The Malvern and the Cheviot, the Wolds Plinlimmon \& Snowdon Are mine. here will I build my Laws of Moral Virtue! Humanity shall be no more: but war \& princedom \& victory!

So spoke Albion in jealous fears, hiding his Emanation Upon the Thames and Medway, rivers of Beulah: dissembling His jealousy before the throne divine, darkening, cold!

The banks of the Thames are clouded! the ancient porches of Albion are Darken'd! they are drawn thro' unbounded space, scatter'd upon The Void in incoherent despair! Cambridge \& Oxford \& London, Are driven among the starry Wheels, rent away and dissipated, In Chasms \& Abysses of sorrow, enlarg'd without dimension, terrible[.] Albions mountains run with blood, the cries of war \& of tumult Resound into the unbounded night, every Human perfection Of mountain \& river \& city, are small \& wither'd \& darken'd Cam is a little stream! Ely is almost swallowd up! Lincoln \& Norwich stand trembling on the brink of Udan-Adan! Wales and Scotland shrink themselves to the west and to the north! Mourning for fear of the warriors in the Vale of Entuthon-Benython Jerusalem is scatterd abroad like a cloud of smoke thro' non-entity:
Moab \& Ammon \& Amalek \& Canaan \& Egypt \& Aram Recieve her little-ones for sacrifices and the delights of cruelty

Trembling I sit day and night, my friends are astonish'd at me. Yet they forgive my wanderings, I rest not from my great task!

To open the Eternal Worlds, to open the immortal Eyes Of Man inwards into the Worlds of Thought: into Eternity Ever expanding in the Bosom of God. the Human Imagination O Saviour pour upon me thy Spirit of meekness \& love:
Annihilate the Selfhood in me, be thou all my life!
Guide thou my hand which trembles exceedingly upon the rock of ages, While I write of the building of Golgonooza, \& of the terrors of Entuthon:
Of Hand \& Hyle \& Coban, of Kwantok, Peachey, Brereton, Slayd \& Hutton: Of the terrible sons \& daughters of Albion. and their Generations.

Scofield! Kox, Kotope and Bowen, revolve most mightily upon The Furnace of Los: before the eastern gate bending their fury. They war, to destroy the Furnaces, to desolate Golgonooza: And to devour the Sleeping Humanity of Albion in rage \& hunger.

They revolve into the Furnaces Southward \& are driven forth Northward Divided into Male and Female forms time after time.
From these Twelve all the Families of England spread abroad.

The Male is a Furnace of beryll; the Female is a golden Loom; I behold them and their rushing fires overwhelm my Soul, In Londons darkness; and my tears fall day and night, Upon the Emanations of Albions Sons! the Daughters of Albion Names anciently rememberd, but now contemn'd as fictions! Although in every bosom they controll our Vegetative powers.

These are united into Tirzah and her Sisters, on Mount Gilead, Cambel \& Gwendolen \& Conwenna \& Cordella \& Ignoge. And these united into Rahab in the Covering Cherub on Euphrates Gwiniverra \& Gwinefred, \& Gonorill \& Sabrina beautiful, Estrild, Mehetabel \& Ragan, lovely Daughters of Albion They are the beautiful Emanations of the Twelve Sons of Albion

The Starry Wheels revolv'd heavily over the Furnaces;
Drawing Jerusalem in anguish of maternal love, Eastward a pillar of a cloud with Vala upon the mountains Howling in pain, redounding from the arms of Beulahs Daughters, Out from the Furnaces of Los above the head of Los. A pillar of smoke writhing afar into Non-Entity, redounding Till the cloud reaches afar outstretch'd among the Starry Wheels Which revolve heavily in the mighty Void above the Furnaces

O what avail the loves \& tears of Beulahs lovely Daughters They hold the Immortal Form in gentle bands \& tender tears But all within is open'd into the deeps of Entuthon Benython A dark and unknown night, indefinite, unmeasurable, without end. Abstract Philosophy warring in enmity against Imagination (Which is the Divine Body of the Lord Jesus. blessed for ever). ${ }^{1259}$ And there Jerusalem wanders with Vala upon the mountains, Attracted by the revolutions of those Wheels the Cloud of smoke Immense, and Jerusalem \& Vala weeping in the Cloud Wander away into the Chaotic Void, lamenting with her Shadow Among the Daughters of Albion, among the Starry Wheels; Lamenting for her children, for the sons \& daughters of Albion

Los heard her lamentations in the deeps afar! his tears fall Incessant before the Furnaces, and his Emanation divided in pain, Eastward toward the Starry Wheels. But Westward, a black Horror,

His spectre driv'n by the Starry Wheels of Albions sons, black and Opake divided from his back; he labours and he mourns!

For as his Emanation divided, his Spectre also divided In terror of those starry wheels: and the Spectre stood over Los Howling in pain: a blackning Shadow, blackning dark \& opake Cursing the terrible Los: bitterly cursing him for his friendship To Albion, suggesting murderous thoughts against Albion.

Los rag'd and stamp'd the earth in his might \& terrible wrath!
He stood and stampd the earth! then he threw down his hammer in rage \& In fury: then he sat down and wept, terrified! Then arose And chaunted his song, labouring with the tongs and hammer:
But still the Spectre divided, and still his pain increas'd!

In pain the Spectre divided: in pain of hunger and thirst:
To devour Los's Human Perfection, but when he saw that Los

Was living: panting like a frighted wolf, and howling
He stood over the Immortal, in the solitude and darkness:
Upon the darkning Thames, across the whole Island westward. A horrible Shadow of Death, among the Furnaces: beneath The pillar of folding smoke; and he sought by other means, To lure Los: by tears, by arguments of science \& by terrors: Terrors in every Nerve, by spasms \& extended pains:

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While Los answer'd unterrified to the opake blackening Fiend

And thus the Spectre spoke: Wilt thou still go on to destruction?
Till thy life is all taken away by this deceitful Friendship?
He drinks thee up like water! like wine he pours thee Into his tuns: thy Daughters are trodden in his vintage He makes thy Sons the trampling of his bulls, they are plow'd And harrowd for his profit, lo! thy stolen Emanation Is his garden of pleasure! all the Spectres of his Sons mock thee Look how they scorn thy once admired palaces! now in ruins Because of Albion! because of deceit and friendship! For Lo! Hand has peopled Babel \& Nineveh: Hyle, Ashur \& Aram: Cobans son is Nimrod: his son Cush is adjoind to Aram, By the Daughter of Babel, in a woven mantle of pestilence \& war. They put forth their spectrous cloudy sails; which drive their immense Constellations over the deadly deeps of indefinite Udan-Adan Kox is the Father of Shem \& Ham \& Japheth, he is the Noah Of the Flood of Udan-Adan. Hutn is the Father of the Seven From Enoch to Adam; Schofield is Adam who was NewCreated in Edom. I saw it indignant, \& thou art not moved! This has divided thee in sunder: and wilt thou still forgive? O! thou seest not what I see! what is done in the Furnaces. Listen, I will tell thee what is done in moments to thee unknown:

Luvah was cast into the Furnaces of affliction and sealed, And Vala fed in cruel delight, the Furnaces with fire:
Stern Urizen beheld; urgd by necessity to keep
The evil day afar, and if perchance with iron power He might avert his own despair: in woe \& fear he saw Vala incircle round the Furnaces where Luvah was clos'd: With joy she heard his howlings, \& forgot he was her Luvah, With whom she liv'd in bliss in times of innocence \& youth! Vala comes from the Furnace in a cloud, but wretched Luvah Is howling in the Furnaces, in flames among Albions Spectres, To prepare the Spectre of Albion to reign over thee O Los, Forming the Spectres of Albion according to his rage:
To prepare the Spectre sons of Adam, who is Scofield: the Ninth Of Albions sons, \& the father of all his brethren in the Shadowy Generation. Cambel \& Gwendolen wove webs of war \& of Religion, to involve all Albions sons, and when they had Involv'd Eight; their webs roll'd outwards into darkness And Scofield the Ninth remaind on the outside of the Eight And Kox, Kotope, \& Bowen, One in him, a Fourfold Wonder Involv'd the Eight--Such are the Generations of the Giant Albion,

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To separate a Law of Sin, to punish thee in thy members.

Los answer'd. Altho' I know not this! I know far worse than this: I know that Albion hath divided me, and that thou O my Spectre, Hast just cause to be irritated: but look stedfastly upon me: Comfort thyself in my strength the time will arrive, When all Albions injuries shall cease, and when we shall Embrace him tenfold bright, rising from his tomb in immortality. They have divided themselves by Wrath. they must be united by Pity: let us therefore take example \& warning O my Spectre, O that I could abstain from wrath! O that the Lamb
Of God would look upon me and pity me in my fury.
In anguish of regeneration! in terrors of self annihilation:
Pity must join together those whom wrath has torn in sunder, And the Religion of Generation which was meant for the destruction Of Jerusalem, become her covering, till the time of the End. O holy Generation! [Image] of regeneration! ${ }^{1260}$
O point of mutual forgiveness between Enemies!
Birthplace of the Lamb of God incomprehensible!
The Dead despise \& scorn thee, \& cast thee out as accursed:
Seeing the Lamb of God in thy gardens \& thy palaces:
Where they desire to place the Abomination of Desolation.
Hand sits before his furnace: scorn of others \& furious pride:
Freeze round him to bars of steel \& to iron rocks beneath His feet: indignant self-righteousness like whirlwinds of the north:

Rose up against me thundering from the Brook of Albions River

From Ranelagh \& Strumbolo, from Cromwells gardens \& Chelsea
The place of wounded Soldiers. but when he saw my Mace Whirld round from heaven to earth, trembling he sat: his cold Poisons rose up: \& his sweet deceits coverd them all over With a tender cloud. As thou art now; such was he O Spectre I know thy deceit \& thy revenges, and unless thou desist I will certainly create an eternal Hell for thee. Listen! Be attentive! be obedient! Lo the Furnaces are ready to recieve thee. I will break thee into shivers! \& melt thee in the furnaces of death; I will cast thee into forms of abhorrence \& torment if thou Desist not from thine own will, \& obey not my stern command! I am closd up from my children: my Emanation is dividing And thou my Spectre art divided against me. But mark I will compell thee to assist me in my terrible labours. To beat These hypocritic Selfhoods on the Anvils of bitter Death I am inspired: I act not for myself: for Albions sake

I now am what I am: a horror and an astonishment
Shuddring the heavens to look upon me: Behold what cruelties
Are practised in Babel \& Shinar, \& have approachd to Zions Hill

While Los spoke, the terrible Spectre fell shuddring before him Watching his time with glowing eyes to leap upon his prey Los opend the Furnaces in fear. the Spectre saw to Babel \& Shinar Across all Europe \& Asia. he saw the tortures of the Victims. He saw now from the ou[t]side what he before saw \& felt from within He saw that Los was the sole, uncontrolld Lord of the Furnaces Groaning he kneeld before Los's iron-shod feet on London Stone, Hungring \& thirsting for Los's life yet pretending obedience. While Los pursud his speech in threatnings loud \& fierce.

Thou art my Pride \& Self-righteousness: I have found thee out:
Thou art reveald before me in all thy magnitude \& power
Thy Uncircumcised pretences to Chastity must be cut in sunder!
Thy holy wrath \& deep deceit cannot avail against me
Nor shalt thou ever assume the triple-form of Albions Spectre
For I am one of the living: dare not to mock my inspired fury
If thou wast cast forth from my life! if I was dead upon the mountains
Thou mightest be pitied \& lovd: but now I am living; unless
Thou abstain ravening I will create an eternal Hell for thee.
Take thou this Hammer \& in patience heave the thundering Bellows
Take thou these Tongs: strike thou alternate with me: labour obedient ${ }^{\text {t26l }}$
Hand \& Hyle \& Koban: Skofeld, Kox \& Kotope, labour mightily
In the Wars of Babel \& Shinar, all their Emanations were
Condensd. Hand has absorbd all his Brethren in his might All the infant Loves \& Graces were lost, for the mighty Hand

Condens'd his Emanations into hard opake substances; And his infant thoughts \& desires, into cold, dark, cliffs of death.
His hammer of gold he siezd; and his anvil of adamant.
He siez'd the bars of condens'd thoughts, to forge them:
Into the sword of war: into the bow and arrow:
Into the thundering cannon and into the murdering gun
I saw the limbs form'd for exercise, contemn'd: \& the beauty of
Eternity, look'd upon as deformity \& loveliness as a dry tree:
I saw disease forming a Body of Death around the Lamb
Of God, to destroy Jerusalem, \& to devour the body of Albion
By war and stratagem to win the labour of the husbandman:
Awkwardness arm'd in steel: folly in a helmet of gold:
Weakness with horns \& talons: ignorance with a rav'ning beak!
Every Emanative joy forbidden as a Crime:

And the Emanations buried alive in the earth with pomp of religion:
Inspiration deny'd; Genius forbidden by laws of punishment:
I saw terrified; I took the sighs \& tears, \& bitter groans:
I lifted them into my Furnaces; to form the spiritual sword.
That lays open the hidden heart: I drew forth the pang
Of sorrow red hot: I workd it on my resolute anvil:
I heated it in the flames of Hand, \& Hyle, \& Coban
Nine times; Gwendolen \& Cambel \& Gwineverra
Are melted into the gold, the silver, the liquid ruby, The crysolite, the topaz, the jacinth, \& every precious stone.
Loud roar my Furnaces and loud my hammer is heard:
I labour day and night, I behold the soft affections
Condense beneath my hammer into forms of cruelty
But still I labour in hope, tho' still my tears flow down.
That he who will not defend Truth, may be compelld to defend
A Lie: that he may be snared and caught and snared and taken That Enthusiasm and Life may not cease: arise Spectre arise!

Thus they contended among the Furnaces with groans \& tears; Groaning the Spectre heavd the bellows, obeying Los's frowns; Till the Spaces of Erin were perfected in the furnaces Of affliction, and Los drew them forth, compelling the harsh Spectre.

Into the Furnaces \& into the valleys of the Anvils of Death And into the mountains of the Anvils \& of the heavy Hammers Till he should bring the Sons \& Daughters of Jerusalem to be The Sons \& Daughters of Los that he might protect them from Albions dread Spectres; storming, loud, thunderous \& mighty The Bellows \& the Hammers move compell'd by Los's hand.

And this is the manner of the Sons of Albion in their strength They take the Two Contraries which are calld Qualities, with which

Every Substance is clothed, they name them Good \& Evil From them they make an Abstract, which is a Negation
Not only of the Substance from which it is derived A murderer of its own Body: but also a murderer Of every Divine Member: it is the Reasoning Power An Abstract objecting power, that Negatives every thing This is the Spectre of Man: the Holy Reasoning Power And in its Holiness is closed the Abomination of Desolation

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Therefore Los stands in London building Golgonooza Compelling his Spectre to labours mighty; trembling in fear The Spectre weeps, but Los unmovd by tears or threats remains

I must Create a System, or be enslav'd by another Mans I will not Reason \& Compare: my business is to Create

So Los, in fury \& strength: in indignation \& burning wrath Shuddring the Spectre howls. his howlings terrify the night He stamps around the Anvil, beating blows of stern despair He curses Heaven \& Earth, Day \& Night \& Sun \& Moon He curses Forest Spring \& River, Desart \& sandy Waste Cities \& Nations, Families \& Peoples, Tongues \& Laws Driven to desperation by Los's terrors \& threatning fears

Los cries, Obey my voice \& never deviate from my will And I will be merciful to thee: be thou invisible to all To whom I make thee invisible, but chief to my own Children O Spectre of Urthona: Reason not against their dear approach Nor them obstruct with thy temptations of doubt \& despair O Shame O strong \& mighty Shame I break thy brazen fetters If thou refuse, thy present torments will seem southern breezes To what thou shalt endure if thou obey not my great will.

The Spectre answer'd. Art thou not ashamd of those thy Sins That thou callest thy Children? lo the Law of God commands That they be offered upon his Altar: O cruelty \& torment For thine are also mine! I have kept silent hitherto, Concerning my chief delight: but thou hast broken silence Now I will speak my mind! Where is my lovely Enitharmon O thou my enemy, where is my Great Sin? She is also thine I said: Now is my grief at worst: incapable of being Surpassed: but every moment it accumulates more \& more It continues accumulating to eternity! the joys of God advance For he is Righteous: he is not a Being of Pity \& Compassion ${ }^{1263}$ He cannot feel Distress: he feeds on Sacrifice \& Offering: Delighting in cries \& tears \& clothed in Holiness \& solitude But my griefs advance also, for ever \& ever without end O that I could cease to be! Despair! I am Despair

Created to be the great example of horror \& agony: also my Prayer is vain I called for compassion: compassion mockd

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Mercy \& pity threw the grave stone over me \& with lead And iron, bound it over me for ever: Life lives on my Consuming: \& the Almighty hath made me his Contrary To be all evil, all reversed \& for ever dead: knowing And seeing life, yet living not; how can I then behold And not tremble; how can I be beheld \& not abhorrd

So spoke the Spectre shuddring, \& dark tears ran down his shadowy face
Which Los wiped off, but comfort none could give! or beam of hope
Yet ceasd he not from labouring at the roarings of his Forge
With iron \& brass Building Golgonooza in great contendings
Till his Sons \& Daughters came forth from the Furnaces At the sublime Labours for Los. compelld the invisible Spectre

To labours mighty, with vast strength, with his mighty chains, In pulsations of time, \& extensions of space, like Urns of Beulah With great labour upon his anvils, \& in his ladles the Ore ${ }^{1264}$ He lifted, pouring it into the clay ground prepar'd with art; Striving with Systems to deliver Individuals from those Systems; That whenever any Spectre began to devour the Dead, He might feel the pain as if a man gnawd his own tender nerves.

Then Erin came forth from the Furnaces, \& all the Daughters of Beulah Came from the Furnaces, by Los's mighty power for Jerusalems Sake: walking up and down among the Spaces of Erin: And the Sons and Daughters of Los came forth in perfection lovely! And the Spaces of Erin reach'd from the starry heighth, to the starry depth.

Los wept with exceeding joy \& all wept with joy together! They feard they never more should see their Father, who Was built in from Eternity, in the Cliffs of Albion.

But when the joy of meeting was exhausted in loving embrace; Again they lament. O what shall we do for lovely Jerusalem? To protect the Emanations of Albions mighty ones from cruelty?
Sabrina \& Ignoge begin to sharpen their beamy spears
Of light and love: their little children stand with arrows of gold:
Ragan is wholly cruel Scofield is bound in iron armour!
He is like a mandrake in the earth before Reubens gate:
He shoots beneath Jerusalems walls to undermine her foundations!
Vala is but they Shadow, O thou loveliest among women!
A shadow animated by thy tears O mournful Jerusalem!

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Why wilt thou give to her a Body whose life is but a Shade?. Her joy and love, a shade: a shade of sweet repose: But animated and vegetated, she is a devouring worm:
What shall we do for thee O lovely mild Jerusalem?

And Los said. I behold the finger of God in terrors! Albion is dead! his Emanation is divided from him! But I am living! yet I feel my Emanation also dividing Such thing was never known! O pity me, thou all-piteous-one!
What shall I do! or how exist, divided from Enitharmon?
Yet why despair! I saw the finger of God go forth
Upon my Furnaces, from within the Wheels of Albions Sons:
Fixing their Systems, permanent: by mathematic power Giving a body to Falshood that it may be cast off for ever. With Demonstrative Science piercing Apollyon with his own bow! God is within, \& without! he is even in the depths of Hell!

Such were the lamentations of the Labourers in the Furnaces!

And they appeard within \& without incircling on both sides The Starry Wheels of Albions Sons, with Spaces for Jerusalem: And for Vala the shadow of Jerusalem: the ever mourning shade: On both sides, within \& without beaming gloriously!

Terrified at the sublime Wonder, Los stood before his Furnaces. And they stood around, terrified with admiration at Erins Spaces For the Spaces reachd fro the starry heighth, to the starry depth; And they builded Golgonooza: terrible eternal labour!

What are those golden builders doing? where was the burying-place Of soft Ethinthus? near Tyburns fatal Tree? is that Mild Zions hills most ancient promontory; near mournful Ever weeping Paddington? is that Calvary and Golgotha? Becoming a building of pity and compassion? Lo! The stones are pity, and the bricks, well wrought affections: Enameld with love \& kindness, \& the tiles engraven gold Labour of merciful hands: the beams \& rafters are forgiveness: The mortar \& cement of the work, tears of honesty: the nails, And the screws \& iron braces, are well wrought blandishments, And well contrived words, firm fixing, never forgotten, Always comforting the remembrance: the floors, humility,

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The cielings, devotion: the hearths, thanksgiving: Prepare the furniture O Lambeth in thy pitying looms! The curtains, woven tears \& sighs, wrought into lovely forms For comfort. there the secret furniture of Jerusalems chamber Is wrought: Lambeth! the Bride the Lambs Wife loveth thee: Thou art one with her \& knowest not of self in thy supreme joy.

Go on, builders in hope: tho Jerusalem wanders far away, Without the gate of Los: among the dark Satanic wheels.

Fourfold the Sons of Los in their divisions: and fourfold, The great City of Golgonooza: fourfold toward the north And toward the south fourfold, \& fourfold toward the east \& west Each within other toward the four points: that toward Eden, and that toward the World of Generation, And that toward Beulah, and that toward Ulro: Ulro is the space of the terrible starry wheels of Albions sons: But that toward Eden is walled up, till time of renovation: Yet it is perfect in its building, ornaments \& perfection.

And the Four Points are thus beheld in Great Eternity West, the Circumference: South, the Zenith: North, The Nadir: East, the Center, unapproachable for ever. These are the four Faces towards the Four Worlds of Humanity In every Man. Ezekiel saw them by Chebars flood. And the Eyes are the South, and the Nostrils are the East. And the Tongue is the West, and the Ear is the North.

And the North Gate of Golgonooza toward Generation; Has four sculpturd Bulls terrible before the Gate of iron. And iron, the Bulls: and that which looks toward Ulro, Clay bak'd \& enamel'd, eternal glowing as four furnaces: Turning upon the Wheels of Albions sons with enormous power. And that toward Beulah four, gold, silver, brass, \& iron:

And that toward Eden, four, form'd of gold, silver, brass, \& iron.

The South, a golden Gate, has four Lions terrible, living!
That toward Generation, four, of iron carv'd wondrous:
That toward Ulro, four, clay bak'd, laborious workmanship
That toward Eden, four; immortal gold, silver, brass \& iron.

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The Western Gate fourfold, is closd: having four Cherubim Its guards, living, the work of elemental hands, laborious task!
Like Men, hermaphroditic, each winged with eight wings
That towards Generation, iron; that toward Beulah, stone;
That toward Ulro, clay: that toward Eden, metals.
But all clos'd up till the last day, when the graves shall yield their dead

The Eastern Gate, fourfold: terrible \& deadly its ornaments: Taking their forms from the Wheels of Albions sons; as cogs Are formd in a wheel, to fit the cogs of the adverse wheel.

That toward Eden, eternal ice, frozen in seven folds Of forms of death: and that toward Beulah, stone: The seven diseases of the earth are carved terrible.

And that toward Ulro, forms of war: seven enormities:
And that toward Generation, seven generative forms.

And every part of the City is fourfold; \& every inhabitant, fourfold. And every pot \& vessel \& garment \& utensil of the houses, And every house, fourfold; but the third Gate in every one Is closd as with a threefold curtain of ivory \& fine linen \& ermine. And Luban stands in middle of the City. a moat of fire, Surrounds Luban, Los's Palace \& the golden Looms of Cathedron.

And sixty-four thousand Genii, guard the Eastern Gate:
And sixty-four thousand Gnomes, guard the Northern Gate:
And sixty-four thousand Nymphs, guard the Western Gate:
And sixty-four thousand Fairies, guard the Southern Gate:

Around Golgonooza lies the land of death eternal; a Land Of pain and misery and despair and ever brooding melancholy: In all the Twenty-seven Heavens, numberd from Adam to Luther; From the blue Mundane Shell, reaching to the Vegetative Earth.

The Vegetative Universe, opens like a flower from the Earths center: In which is Eternity. It expands in Stars to the Mundane Shell And there it meets Eternity again, both within and without, And the abstract Voids between the Stars are the Satanic Wheels.

There is the Cave; the Rock; the Tree; the Lake of Udan Adan; The Forest, and the Marsh, and the Pits of bitumen deadly: The Rocks of solid fire: the Ice valleys: the Plains Of burning sand: the rivers, cataract \& Lakes of Fire:
The Islands of the fiery Lakes: the Trees of Malice: Revenge: And black Anxiety; and the Cities of the Salamandrine men:
(But whatever is visible to the Generated Man, Is a Creation of mercy \& love, from the Satanic Void.) The land of darkness flamed but no light, \& no repose: The land of snows of trembling, \& of iron hail incessant: The land of earthquakes: and the land of woven labyrinths: The land of snares \& traps \& wheels \& pit-falls \& dire mills: The Voids, the Solids, \& the land of clouds \& regions of waters: With their inhabitants: in the Twenty-seven Heavens beneath Beulah:
Self-righteousnesses conglomerating against the Divine Vision:
A Concave Earth wondrous, Chasmal, Abyssal, Incoherent!
Forming the Mundane Shell: above; beneath: on all sides surrounding Golgonooza: Los walks round the walls night and day.

He views the City of Golgonooza, \& its smaller Cities:
The Looms \& Mills \& Prisons \& Work-houses of Og \& Anak:
The Amalekite: the Canaanite: the Moabite: the Egyptian:
And all that has existed in the space of six thousand years:
Permanent, \& not lost not lost nor vanishd, \& every little act,

Word, work, \& wish, that has existed, all remaining still In those Churches ever consuming \& ever building by the Spectres Of all the inhabitants of Earth wailing to be Created: Shadowy to those who dwell not in them, meer possibilities: But to those who enter into them they seem the only substances For every thing exists \& not one sigh nor smile nor tear,

One hair nor particle of dust, not one can pass away.

He views the Cherub at the Tree of Life, also the Serpent, Orc the first born coild in the south: the Dragon Urizen: Tharmas the Vegetated Tongue even the Devouring Tongue: A threefold region, a false brain: a false heart: And false bowels: altogether composing the False Tongue, Beneath Beulah: as a watry flame revolving every way And as dark roots and stems: a Forest of affliction, growing In seas of sorrow. Los also views the Four Females: Ahania, and Enion, and Vala, and Enitharmon lovely.

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And from them all the lovely beaming Daughters of Albion, Ahania \& Enion \& Vala, are three evanescent shades:
Enitharmon is a vegetated mortal Wife of Los:
His Emanation, yet his Wife till the sleep of death is past.

Such are the Buildings of Los! \& such are the Woofs of Enitharmon!

And Los beheld his Sons, and he beheld his Daughters:
Every one a translucent Wonder: a Universe within, Increasing inwards, into length and breadth, and heighth:
Starry \& glorious: and they every one in their bright loins:
Have a beautiful golden gate which opens into the vegetative world:
And every one a gate of rubies \& all sorts of precious stones
In their translucent hearts, which opens into the vegetative world:
And every one a gate of iron dreadful and wonderful, In their translucent heads, which opens into the vegetative world And every one has the three regions Childhood: Manhood: \& Age: But the gate of the tongue: the western gate in them is clos'd, Having a wall builded against it: and thereby the gates Eastward \& Southward \& Northward, are incircled with flaming fires. And the North is Breadth, the South is Heighth \& Depth: The East is Inwards: \& the West is Outwards every way.

And Los beheld the mild Emanation Jerusalem eastward bending Her revolutions toward the Starry Wheels in maternal anguish Like a pale cloud arising from the arms of Beulahs Daughters: In Entuthon Benythons deep Vales beneath Golgonooza. ${ }^{2265}$

And Hand \& Hyle rooted into Jerusalem by a fibre
Of strong revenge \& Skofeld Vegetated by Reubens Gate

In every Nation of the Earth till the Twelve Sons of Albion Enrooted into every Nation: a mighty Polypus growing From Albion over the whole Earth: such is my awful Vision.

I see the Four-fold Man. The Humanity in deadly sleep And its fallen Emanation. The Spectre \& its cruel Shadow. I see the Past, Present \& Future, existing all at once Before me; O Divine Spirit sustain me on thy wings! That I may awake Albion from his long \& cold repose. For Bacon \& Newton sheathd in dismal steel, their terrors hang Like iron scourges over Albion, Reasonings like vast Serpents

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Infold around my limbs, bruising my minute articulations

I turn my eyes to the Schools \& Universities of Europe And there behold the Loom of Locke whose Woof rages dire Washd by the Water-wheels of Newton. black the cloth In heavy wreathes folds over every Nation; cruel Works Of many Wheels I view, wheel without wheel, with cogs tyrannic Moving by compulsion each other: not as those in Eden: which Wheel within Wheel in freedom revolve in harmony \& peace.

I see in deadly fear in London Los raging round his Anvil Of death: forming an Ax of gold: the Four Sons of Los Stand round him cutting the Fibres from Albions hills That Albions Sons may roll apart over the Nations While Reuben enroots his brethren in the narrow Canaanite From the Limit Noah to the Limit Abram in whose Loins Reuben in his Twelve-fold majesty \& beauty shall take refuge As Abraham flees from Chaldea shaking his goary locks But first Albion must sleep, divided from the Nations

I see Albion sitting upon his Rock in the first Winter And thence I see the Chaos of Satan \& the World of Adam When the Divine Hand went forth on Albion in the mid Winter And at the place of Death when Albion sat in Eternal Death Among the Furnaces of Los in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom

Hampstead Highgate Finchley Hendon Muswell hill: rage loud Before Bromions iron Tongs \& glowing Poker reddening fierce Hertfordshire glows with fierce Vegetation! in the Forests The Oak frowns terrible, the Beech \& Ash \& Elm enroot Among the Spiritual fires; loud the Corn fields thunder along The Soldiers fife; the Harlots shriek; the Virgins dismal groan The Parents fear: the Brothers jealousy: the Sisters curse Beneath the Storms of Theotormon \& the thundring Bellows Heaves in the hand of Palamabron who in Londons darkness Before the Anvil, watches the bellowing flames: thundering The Hammer loud rages in Rintrahs strong grasp swinging loud

Round from heaven to earth down falling with heavy blow Dead on the Anvil, where the red hot wedge groans in pain He quenches it in the black trough of his Forge; Londons River Feeds the dread Forge, trembling \& shuddering along the Valleys

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Humber \& Trent roll dreadful before the Seventh Furnace And Tweed \& Tyne anxious give up their Souls for Albions sake Lincolnshire Derbyshire Nottinghamshire Leicestershire From Oxfordshire to Norfolk on the Lake of Udan Adan Labour within the Furnaces, walking among the Fires With Ladles huge \& iron Pokers over the Island white.

Scotland pours out his Sons to labour at the Furnaces Wales gives his Daughters to the Looms; England: nursing Mothers Gives to the Children of Albion \& to the Children of Jerusalem From the blue Mundane Shell even to the Earth of Vegetation Throughout the whole Creation which groans to be deliverd. Albion groans in the deep slumbers of Death upon his Rock.

Here Los fixd down the Fifty-two Counties of England \& Wales
The Thirty-six of Scotland, \& the Thirty-four of Ireland With mighty power, when they fled out at Jerusalems Gates Away from the Conflict of Luvah \& Urizen, fixing the Gates In the Twelve Counties of Wales \& thence Gates looking every way
To the Four Points: conduct to England \& Scotland \& Ireland And thence to all the Kingdoms \& Nations \& Families of the Earth The Gate of Reuben in Carmarthenshire: the Gate of Simeon in Cardiganshire: \& the Gate of Levi in Montgomeryshire The Gate of Judah Merionethshire: the Gate of Dan Flintshire The Gate of Napthali, Radnorshire: the Gate of Gad Pembrokeshire The Gate of Asher, Carnarvonshire the Gate of Issachar Brecknokshire The Gate of Zebulun, in Anglesea \& Sodor. so is Wales divided. The Gate of Joseph, Denbighshire: the Gate of Benjamin Glamorganshire For the protection of the Twelve Emanations of Albions Sons

And the Forty Counties of England are thus divided in the Gates Of Reuben Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex. Simeon Lincoln, York Lancashire Levi. Middlesex Kent Surrey. Judah Somerset Glouster Wiltshire. Dan. Cornwal Devon Dorset, Napthali, Warwick Leicester Worcester Gad. Oxford Bucks Harford. Asher, Sussex Hampshire Berkshire Issachar, Northampton Rutland Nottgham. Zebulun Bedford Huntgn Camb Joseph Stafford Shrops Heref. Benjamin, Derby Cheshire Monmouth And Cumberland Northumberland Westmoreland \& Durham are Divided in the Gates of Reuben, Judah Dan \& Joseph

And the Thirty-six Counties of Scotland, divided in the Gates Of Reuben Kincard Haddntn Forfar, Simeon Ayr Argyll Banff

Levi Edinburh Roxbro Ross. Judah, Abrdeen Berwik Dumfries Dan Bute Caitnes Clakmanan. Napthali Nairn Invernes Linlithgo Gad Peebles Perth Renfru. Asher Sutherlan Sterling Wigtoun Issachar Selkirk Dumbartn Glasgo. Zebulun Orkney Shetland Skye Joseph Elgin Lanerk Kinros. Benjamin Kromarty Murra Kirkubriht Governing all by the sweet delights of secret amorous glances In Enitharmons Halls builded by Los \& his mighty Children

All things acted on Earth are seen in the bright Sculptures of Los's Halls \& every Age renews its powers from these Works With every pathetic story possible to happen from Hate or Wayward Love \& every sorrow \& distress is carved here Every Affinity of Parents Marriages \& Friendships are here In all their various combinations wrought with wondrous Art All that can happen to Man in his pilgrimage of seventy years Such is the Divine Written Law of Horeb \& Sinai: And such the Holy Gospel of Mount Olivet \& Calvary:

His Spectre divides \& Los in fury compells it to divide:
To labour in the fire, in the water, in the earth, in the air, To follow the Daughters of Albion as the hound follows the scent Of the wild inhabitant of the forest, to drive them from his own: To make a way for the Children of Los to come from the Furnaces But Los himself against Albions Sons his fury bends, for he Dare not approach the Daughters openly lest he be consumed In the fires of their beauty \& perfection \& be Vegetated beneath Their Looms, in a Generation of death \& resurrection to forgetfulness They wooe Los continually to subdue his strength: he continually Shews them his Spectre: sending him abroad over the four points of heaven In the fierce desires of beauty \& in the tortures of repulse! He is The Spectre of the Living pursuing the Emanations of the Dead. Shuddring they flee: they hide in the Druid Temples in cold chastity: Subdued by the Spectre of the Living \& terrified by undisguisd desire.

For Los said: Tho my Spectre is divided: as I am a Living Man I must compell him to obey me wholly: that Enitharmon may not Be lost: \& lest he should devour Enitharmon: Ah me! Piteous image of my soft desires \& loves: O Enitharmon!
I will compell my Spectre to obey: I will restore to thee thy Children. No one bruises or starves himself to make himself fit for labour! ${ }^{2266}$

Tormented with sweet desire for these beauties of Albion

They would never love my power if they did not seek to destroy Enitharmon: Vala would never have sought \& loved Albion If she had not sought to destroy Jerusalem; such is that false And Generating Love: a pretence of love to destroy love:

Cruel hipocrisy unlike the lovely delusions of Beulah: And cruel forms, unlike the merciful forms of Beulahs Night

They know not why they love nor wherefore they sicken \& die Calling that Holy Love: which is Envy Revenge \& Cruelty Which separated the stars from the mountains: the mountains from Man And left Man, a little grovelling Root, outside of Himself. Negations are not Contraries: Contraries mutually Exist: But Negations Exist Not: Exceptions \& Objections \& Unbeliefs Exist not: nor shall they ever be Organized for ever \& ever: If thou separate from me, thou art a Negation: a meer Reasoning \& Derogation from Me, an Objecting \& cruel Spite And Malice \& Envy: but my Emanation, Alas! will become My Contrary: O thou Negation, I will continually compell Thee to be invisible to any but whom I please, \& when And where \& how I please, and never! never! shalt thou be Organized But as a distorted \& reversed Reflexion in the Darkness And in the Non Entity: nor shall that which is above Ever descend into thee: but thou shalt be a Non Entity for ever And if any enter into thee, thou shalt be an Unquenchable Fire And he shall be a never dying Worm, mutually tormented by Those that thou tormentest, a Hell \& Despair for ever \& ever.

So Los in secret with himself communed \& Enitharmon heard In her darkness \& was comforted: yet still she divided away In gnawing pain from Los's bosom in the deadly Night; First as a red Globe of blood trembling beneath his bosom[.] Suspended over her he hung: he infolded her in his garments Of wool: he hid her from the Spectre, in shame \& confusion of Face; in terrors \& pains of Hell \& Eternal Death, the Trembling Globe shot forth Self-living \& Los howld over it: Feeding it with his groans \& tears day \& night without ceasing: And the Spectrous Darkness from his back divided in temptations, And in grinding agonies in threats! stiflings! \& direful strugglings.

Go thou to Skofield: ask him if he is Bath or if he is Canterbury Tell him to be no more dubious: demand explicit words Tell him: I will dash him into shivers, where \& at what time

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I please: tell Hand \& Skofield they are my ministers of evil To those I hate: for I can hate also as well as they!

From every-one of the Four Regions of Human Majesty, There is an Outside spread Without, \& an Outside spread Within Beyond the Outline of Identity both ways, which meet in One: An orbed Void of doubt, despair, hunger, \& thirst \& sorrow. Here the Twelve Sons of Albion, join'd in dark Assembly,

Jealous of Jerusalems children, asham'd of her little-ones (For Vala produc'd the Bodies. Jerusalem gave the Souls) Became as Three Immense Wheels, turning upon one-another Into Non-Entity, and their thunders hoarse appall the Dead To murder their own Souls, to build a Kingdom among the Dead

Cast! Cast ye Jerusalem forth! The Shadow of delusions!
The Harlot daughter! Mother of pity and dishonourable forgiveness
Our Father Albions sin and shame! But father now no more!
Nor sons! nor hateful peace \& love, nor soft complacencies
With transgressors meeting in brotherhood around the table,
Or in the porch or garden. No more the sinful delights
Of age and youth and boy and girl and animal and herb, And river and mountain, and city \& village, and house \& family.
Beneath the Oak \& Palm, beneath the Vine and Fig-tree. In self-denial!--But War and deadly contention, Between Father and Son, and light and love! All bold asperities Of Haters met in deadly strife, rending the house \& garden The unforgiving porches, the tables of enmity, and beds And chambers of trembling \& suspition, hatreds of age \& youth
And boy \& girl, \& animal \& herb, \& river \& mountain And city \& village, and house \& family. That the Perfect, May live in glory, redeem'd by Sacrifice of the Lamb And of his children, before sinful Jerusalem. To build Babylon the City of Vala, the Goddess Virgin-Mother. She is our Mother! Nature! Jerusalem is our Harlot-Sister Return'd with Children of pollution, to defile our House, With Sin and Shame. Cast! Cast her into the Potters field. Her little-ones, She must slay upon our Altars: and her aged Parents must be carried into captivity, to redeem her Soul To be for a Shame \& a Curse, and to be our Slaves for ever

So cry Hand \& Hyle the eldest of the fathers of Albions ${ }^{1267}$ Little-ones; to destroy the Divine Saviour; the Friend of Sinners,

Building Castles in desolated places, and strong Fortifications. Soon Hand mightily devour'd \& absorb'd Albions Twelve Sons. Out from his bosom a mighty Polypus, vegetating in darkness, And Hyle \& Coban were his two chosen ones, for Emissaries In War: forth from his bosom they went and return'd. Like Wheels from a great Wheel reflected in the Deep. Hoarse turn'd the Starry Wheels, rending a way in Albions Loins Beyond the Night of Beulah. In a dark \& unknown Night, Outstretch'd his Giant beauty on the ground in pain \& tears:

His Children exil'd from his breast pass to and fro before him His birds are silent on his hills, flocks die beneath his branches

His tents are fall'n! his trumpets, and the sweet sound of his harp
Are silent on his clouded hills, that belch forth storms \& fire. His milk of Cows, \& honey of Bees, \& fruit of golden harvest, Is gather'd in the scorching heat, \& in the driving rain: Where once he sat he weary walks in misery and pain: His giant beauty and perfection fallen into dust:
Till from within his witherd breast grown narrow with his woes: The corn is turn'd to thistles \& the apples into poison: The birds of song to murderous crows, his joys to bitter groans! The voices of children in his tents, to cries of helpless infants! And self-exiled from the face of light \& shine of morning, In the dark world a narrow house! he wanders up and down, Seeking for rest and finding none! and hidden far within, His Eon weeping in the cold and desolated Earth.

All his Affections now appear withoutside: all his Sons, Hand, Hyle \& Coban, Guantok, Peachey, Brereton, Slayd \& Hutton, Scofeld, Kox, Kotope \& Bowen; his Twelve Sons: Satanic Mill!
Who are the Spectres of the Twentyfour, each Double-form'd:
Revolve upon his mountains groaning in pain: beneath
The dark incessant sky, seeking for rest and finding none:
Raging against their Human natures, ravning to gormandize
The Human majesty and beauty of the Twentyfour. Condensing them into solid rocks with cruelty and abhorrence Suspition \& revenge, \& the seven diseases of the Soul Settled around Albion and around Luvah in his secret cloud[.] Willing the Friends endur'd, for Albions sake, and for Jerusalem his Emanation shut within his bosom;
Which hardend against them more and more; as he builded onwards On the Gulph of Death in self-righteousness, that roll'd Before his awful feet, in pride of virtue for victory:

And Los was roofd in from Eternity in Albions Cliffs Which stand upon the ends of Beulah, and withoutside, all Appear'd a rocky form against the Divine Humanity.

Albions Circumference was clos'd: his Center began darkning Into the Night of Beulah, and the Moon of Beulah rose Clouded with storms: Los his strong Guard walkd round beneath the Moon And Albion flee inward among the currents of his rivers.

He found Jerusalem upon the River of his City soft repos'd In the arms of Vala, assimilating in one with Vala The Lilly of Havilah: and they sang soft thro' Lambeths vales, In a sweet moony night \& silence that they had created With a blue sky spread over with wings and a mild moon, Dividing \& uniting into many female forms: Jerusalem

Trembling! then in one comingling in eternal tears, Sighing to melt his Giant beauty, on the moony river.

But when they saw Albion fall'n upon mild Lambeths vale: Astonish'd! Terrified! they hover'd over his Giant limbs. Then thus Jerusalem spoke, while Vala wove the veil of tears: Weeping in pleadings of Love, in the web of despair.

Wherefore hast thou shut me into the winter of human life And clos'd up the sweet regions of youth and virgin innocence:
Where we live, forgetting error, not pondering on evil:
Among my lambs \& brooks of water, among my warbling birds:
Where we delight in innocence before the face of the Lamb:
Going in and out before him in his love and sweet affection.

Vala replied weeping \& trembling, hiding in her veil.

When winter rends the hungry family and the snow falls: Upon the ways of men hiding the paths of man and beast, Then mourns the wanderer: then he repents his wanderings \& eyes The distant forest; then the slave groans in the dungeon of stone. The captive in the mill of the stranger, sold for scanty hire. They view their former life: they number moments over and over; Stringing them on their remembrance as on a thread of sorrow. Thou art my sister and my daughter! thy shame is mine also!

Ask me not of my griefs! thou knowest all my griefs.

Jerusalem answer'd with soft tears over the valleys.

O Vala what is Sin? that thou shudderest and weepest At sight of thy once lov'd Jerusalem! What is Sin but a little Error \& fault that is soon forgiven; but mercy is not a Sin Nor pity nor love nor kind forgiveness! O! if I have Sinned Forgive \& pity me! O! unfold thy Veil in mercy \& love! Slay not my little ones, beloved Virgin daughter of Babylon Slay not my infant loves \& graces, beautiful daughter of Moab I cannot put off the human form I strive but strive in vain When Albion rent thy beautiful net of gold and silver twine; Thou hadst woven it with art, thou hadst caught me in the bands Of love; thou refusedst to let me go: Albion beheld thy beauty Beautiful thro' our Love's comeliness, beautiful thro' pity. The Veil shone with thy brightness in the eyes of Albion, Because it inclosd pity \& love; because we lov'd one-another! Albion lov'd thee! he rent thy Veil! he embrac'd thee! he lov'd thee! Astonish'd at his beauty \& perfection, thou forgavest his furious love: I redounded from Albions bosom in my virgin loveliness. The Lamb of God reciev'd me in his arms he smil'd upon us:

He made me his Bride \& Wife: he gave thee to Albion. Then was a time of love: O why is it passed away!

Then Albion broke silence and with groans reply'd

O Vala! O Jerusalem! do you delight in my groans
You O lovely forms, you have prepared my death-cup:
The disease of Shame covers me from head to feet: I have no hope Every boil upon my body is a separate \& deadly Sin.
Doubt first assaild me, then Shame took possession of me Shame divides Families. Shame hath divided Albion in sunder!
First fled my Sons, \& then my Daughters, then my Wild Animations
My Cattle next, last ev'n the Dog of my Gate. the Forests fled
The Corn-fields, \& the breathing Gardens outside separated The Sea; the Stars: the Sun: the Moon: drivn forth by my disease All is Eternal Death unless you can weave a chaste Body over an unchaste Mind! Vala! O that thou wert pure! That the deep wound of Sin might be clos'd up with the Needle, And with the Loom: to cover Gwendolen \& Ragan with costly Robes

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Of Natural Virtue, for their Spiritual forms without a Veil Wither in Luvahs Sepulcher. I thrust him from my presence And all my Children followd his loud howlings into the Deep. Jerusalem! dissembler Jerusalem! I look into thy bosom:
I discover thy secret places: Cordella! I behold
Thee whom I thought pure as the heavens in innocence \& fear:
Thy Tabernacle taken down, thy secret Cherubim disclosed Art thou broken? Ah me Sabrina, running by my side: In childhood what wert thou? unutterable anguish! Conwenna Thy cradled infancy is most piteous. O hide, O hide! Their secret gardens were made paths to the traveller: I knew not of their secret loves with those I hated most, Nor that their every thought was Sin \& secret appetite Hyle sees in fear, he howls in fury over them, Hand sees In jealous fear: in stern accusation with cruel stripes He drives them thro' the Streets of Babylon before my face: Because they taught Luvah to rise into my clouded heavens Battersea and Chelsea mourn for Cambel \& Gwendolen! Hackney and Holloway sicken for Estrild \& Ignoge! Because the Peak, Malvern \& Cheviot Reason in Cruelty Penmaenmawr \& Dhinas-bran Demonstrate in Unbelief Manchester \& Liverpool are in tortures of Doubt \& Despair Malden \& Colchester Demonstrate: I hear my Childrens voices ${ }^{1268}$
I see their piteous faces gleam out upon the cruel winds
From Lincoln \& Norwich, from Edinburgh \& Monmouth: I see them distant from my bosom scoured along the roads Then lost in clouds; I hear their tender voices! clouds divide

I see them die beneth the whips of the Captains! they are taken In solemn pomp into Chaldea across the bredths of Europe Six months they lie embalmd in Silent death: warshipped ${ }^{2269}$ Carried in Arks of Oak before the armies in the spring Bursting their Arks they rise again to life: they play before The Armies: I hear their loud cymbals \& their deadly cries Are the Dead cruel? are those who are infolded in moral Law Revengeful? O that Death \& Annihilation were the same! Then Vala answerd spreading her scarlet Veil over Albion

Albion thy fear has made me tremble; thy terrors have surrounded me Thy Sons have naild me on the Gates piercing my hands \& feet:
Till Skofields Nimrod the mighty Huntsman Jehovah came, With Cush his Son \& took me down. He in a golden Ark, Bears me before his Armies tho my shadow hovers here The flesh of multitudes fed \& nouris[h]d me in my childhood

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My morn \& evening food were prepard in Battles of Men Great is the cry of the Hounds of Nimrod along the Valley Of Vision, they scent the odor of War in the Valley of Vision. All Love is lost! terror succeeds \& Hatred instead of Love ${ }^{1270}$
And stern demands of Right \& Duty instead of Liberty
Once thou wast to me the loveliest Son of heaven; but now Where shall I hide from thy dread countenance \& searching eyes I have looked into the secret Soul of him I loved And in the dark recesses found Sin \& can never return.

Albion again utterd his voice beneath the silent Moon

I brought Love into light of day to pride in chaste beauty I brought Love into light \& fancied Innocence is no more

Then spoke Jerusalem O Albion! my Father Albion Why wilt thou number every little fibre of my Soul Spreading them out before the Sun like stalks of flax to dry?
The Infant Joy is beautiful, but its anatomy Horrible hast \& deadly! nought shalt thou find in it But dark despair \& everlasting brooding melancholy!

Then Albion turnd his face toward Jerusalem \& spoke

Hide thou Jerusalem in impalpable voidness, not to be
Touchd by the hand nor seen with the eye: O Jerusalem Would thou wert not \& that thy place might never be found But come O Vala with knife \& cup: drain my blood To the last drop! then hide me in thy Scarlet Tabernacle

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For I see Luvah whom I slew. I behold him in my Spectre
As I behold Jerusalem in thee O Vala dark and cold

Jerusalem then stretchd her hand toward the Moon \& spoke

Why should Punishment Weave the Veil with Iron Wheels of War When Forgiveness might it Weave with Wings of Cherubim

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Loud groand Albion from mountain to mountain \& replied

Jerusalem! Jerusalem! deluding shadow of Albion!
Daughter of my phantasy! unlawful pleasure! Albions curse!
I came here with intention to annihilate thee! But
My soul is melted away, inwoven within the Veil
Hast thou again knitted the Veil of Vala, which I for thee
Pitying rent in ancient times. I see it whole and more
Perfect, and shining with beauty! But thou! O wretched Father!
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Jerusalem reply'd, like a voice heard from a sepulcher:
Father! once piteous! Is Pity. a Sin? Embalm'd in Vala's bosom
In an Eternal Death for. Albions sake, our best beloved. Thou art my Father \& my Brother: Why hast thou hidden me, Remote from the divine Vision: my Lord and Saviour.

Trembling stood Albion at her words in jealous dark despair: He felt that Love and Pity are the same; a soft repose! Inward complacency of Soul: a Self-annihilation!

I have erred! I am ashamed! and will never return more: I have taught my children sacrifices of cruelty: what shall I answer? I will hide it from Eternals! I will give myself for my Children! Which way soever I turn, I behold Humanity and Pity!

He recoil'd: he rush'd outwards; he bore the Veil whole away His fires redound from his Dragon Altars in Errors returning. He drew the Veil of Moral Virtue, woven for Cruel Laws, And cast it into the Atlantic Deep, to catch the Souls of the Dead. He stood between the Palm tree \& the Oak of weeping Which stand upon the edge of Beulah; and there Albion sunk Down in sick pallid languor! These were his last words, relapsing! Hoarse from his rocks, from caverns of Derbyshire \& Wales And Scotland, utter'd from the Circumference into Eternity.

Blasphemous Sons of Feminine delusion! God in the dreary Void Dwells from Eternity, wide separated from the Human Soul But thou deluding Image by whom imbu'd the Veil I rent Lo here is Valas Veil whole, for a Law, a Terror \& a Curse! And therefore God takes vengeance on me: from my clay-cold bosom

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My children wander trembling victims of his Moral Justice.

His snows fall on me and cover me, while in the Veil I fold My dying limbs. Therefore O Manhood, if thou art aught But a meer Phantasy, hear dying Albions Curse!
May God who dwells in this dark Ulro \& voidness, vengeance take, And draw thee down into this Abyss of sorrow and torture, Like me thy Victim. O that Death \& Annihilation were the same!

What have I said? What have I done? O all-powerful Human Words! You recoil back upon me in the blood of the Lamb slain in his Children.
Two bleeding Contraries equally true, are his Witnesses against me
We reared mighty Stones: we danced naked around them:
Thinking to bring Love into light of day, to Jerusalems shame:
Displaying our Giant limbs to all the winds of heaven! Sudden
Shame siezd us, we could not look on one-another for abhorrence: the Blue
Of our immortal Veins \& all their Hosts fled from our Limbs, And wanderd distant in a dismal Night clouded \& dark:
The Sun fled from the Britons forehead: the Moon from his mighty loins: Scandinavia fled with all his mountains filld with groans.

O what is Life \& what is Man. O what is Death? Wherefore Are you my Children, natives in the Grave to where I go Or are you born to feed the hungry ravenings of Destruction To be the sport of Accident! to waste in Wrath \& Love, a weary Life, in brooding cares \& anxious labours, that prove but chaff.
O Jerusalem Jerusalem I have forsaken thy Courts
Thy Pillars of ivory \& gold: thy Curtains of silk \& fine
Linen: thy Pavements of precious stones: thy Walls of pearl
And gold, thy Gates of Thanksgiving thy Windows of Praise:
Thy Clouds of Blessing; thy Cherubims of Tender-mercy Stretching their Wings sublime over the Little-ones of Albion O Human Imagination O Divine Body I have Crucified I have turned my back upon thee into the Wastes of Moral Law: There Babylon is builded in the Waste, founded in Human desolation. O Babylon thy Watchman stands over thee in the night Thy severe Judge all the day long proves thee O Babylon With provings of destruction, with giving thee thy hearts desire. But Albion is cast forth to the Potter his Children to the Builders To build Babylon because they have forsaken Jerusalem The Walls of Babylon are Souls of Men: her Gates the Groans Of Nations: her Towers are the Miseries of once happy Families. Her Streets are paved with Destruction, her Houses built with Death Her Palaces with Hell \& the Grave; her Synagogues with Torments

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Yet thou wast lovely as the summer cloud upon my hills When Jerusalem was thy hearts desire in times of youth \& love. Thy Sons came to Jerusalem with gifts, she sent them away With blessings on their hands \& on their feet, blessings of gold, And pearl \& diamond: thy Daughters sang in her Courts: They came up to Jerusalem; they walked before Albion In the Exchanges of London every Nation walkd And London walkd in every Nation mutual in love \& harmony Albion coverd the whole Earth, England encompassd the Nations, Mutual each within others bosom in Visions of Regeneration; Jerusalem coverd the Atlantic Mountains \& the Erythrean, From bright Japan \& China to Hesperia France \& England. Mount Zion lifted his head in every Nation under heaven: And the Mount of Olives was beheld over the whole Earth: The footsteps of the Lamb of God were there: but now no more No more shall I behold him, he is closd in Luvahs Sepulcher. Yet why these smitings of Luvah, the gentlest mildest Zoa? If God was Merciful this could not be: O Lamb of God Thou art a delusion and Jerusalem is my Sin! O my Children I have educated you in the crucifying cruelties of Demonstration Till you have assum'd the Providence of God \& slain your Father Dost thou appear before me who liest dead in Luvahs Sepulcher Dost thou forgive me! thou who wast Dead \& art Alive? ${ }^{272}$ Look not so Merciful upon me O thou Slain Lamb of God I die! I die in thy arms tho Hope is banishd from me. ${ }^{1273}$

Thundring the Veil rushes from his hand Vegetating Knot by Knot, Day by Day, Night by Night; loud roll the indignant Atlantic Waves \& the Erythrean, turning up the bottoms of the Deeps

And there was heard a great lamenting in Beulah: all the Regions Of Beulah were moved as the tender bowels are moved: \& they said:

Why did you take Vengeance O ye Sons of the mighty Albion? Planting these Oaken Groves: Erecting these Dragon Temples Injury the Lord heals but Vengeance cannot be healed: As the Sons of Albion have done to Luvah: so they have in him Done to the Divine Lord \& Saviour, who suffers with those that suffer: For not one sparrow can suffer, \& the whole Universe not suffer also, In all its Regions, \& its Father \& Saviour not pity and weep. But Vengeance is the destroyer of Grace \& Repentance in the bosom

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Of the Injurer: in which the Divine Lamb is cruelly slain: Descend O Lamb of God \& take away the imputation of Sin By the Creation of States \& the deliverance of Individuals Evermore Amen

Thus wept they in Beulah over the Four Regions of Albion But many doubted \& despaird \& imputed Sin \& Righteousness To Individuals \& not to States, and these Slept in Ulro.

## SUCH VISIONS HAVE APPEARD TO ME <br> AS I MY ORDERD RACE HAVE RUN <br> JERUSALEM IS NAMED LIBERTY <br> AMONG THE SONS OF ALBION

To the Jews.

Jerusalem the Emanation of the Giant Albion! Can it be? Is it a
Truth that the Learned have explored? Was Britain the Primitive Seat of the Patriarchal Religion? If it is true: my title-page is also True, that Jerusalem was \& is the Emanation of the Giant Albion. It is True, and cannot be controverted. Ye are united O ye Inhabitants of Earth in One Religion. The Religion of Jesus: the most Ancient, the Eternal: \& the Everlasting Gospel--The Wicked will turn it to Wickedness, the Righteous to Righteousness. Amen! Huzza! Selah! "All things Begin \& End in Albions Ancient Druid Rocky Shore."

Your Ancestors derived their origin from Abraham, Heber, Shem, and Noah, who were Druids: as the Druid Temples (which are the Patriarchal Pillars \& Oak Groves) over the whole Earth witness to this day.
You have a tradition, that Man anciently containd in his mighty limbs all things in Heaven \& Earth: this you recieved from the Druids.
"But now the Starry Heavens are fled from the mighty limbs of Albion"

Albion was the Parent of the Druids; \& in his Chaotic State of Sleep Satan \& Adam \& the whole World was Created by the Elohim.

The fields from Islington to Marybone, To Primrose Hill and Saint Johns Wood:

Were builded over with pillars of gold, And there Jerusalems pillars stood.

Her Little-ones ran on the fields
The Lamb of God among them seen
And fair Jerusalem his Bride:
Among the little meadows green.

Pancrass \& Kentish-town repose
Among her golden pillars high:
Among her golden arches which
Shine upon the starry sky.

The Jews-harp-house \& the Green Man;
The Ponds where Boys to bathe delight:
The fields of Cows by Willans farm: 1275
Shine in Jerusalems pleasant sight.

She walks upon our meadows green:
The Lamb of God walks by her side:
And every English Child is seen, Children of Jesus \& his Bride,

Forgiving trespasses and sins
Lest Babylon with cruel Og ,
With Moral \& Self-righteous Law
Should Crucify in Satans Synagogue!

What are those golden Builders doing
Near mournful ever-weeping Paddington
Standing above that mighty Ruin
Where Satan the first victory won.

Where Albion slept beneath the Fatal Tree
And the Druids golden Knife,
Rioted in human gore, In Offerings of Human Life

They groan'd aloud on London Stone They groand aloud on Tyburns Brook Albion gave his deadly groan,

And all the Atlantic Mountains shook

Albions Spectre from his Loins
Tore forth in all the pomp of War!
Satan his name: in flames of fire
He stretch'd his Druid Pillars far.

Jerusalem fell from Lambeth's Vale, Down thro Poplar \& Old Bow; Thro Malden \& acros the Sea, In War \& howling death \& woe.

The Rhine was red with human blood:
The Danube rolld a purple tide:
On the Euphrates Satan stood:
And over Asia stretch'd his pride.

He witherd up sweet Zions Hill, From every Nation of the Earth: He witherd up Jerusalems Gates, And in a dark Land gave her birth.

He witherd up the Human Form, By laws of sacrifice for sin:
Till it became a Mortal Worm: But O! translucent all within.

The Divine Vision still was seen
Still was the Human Form, Divine
Weeping in weak \& mortal clay O Jesus still the Form was thine.

And thine the Human Face \& thine
The Human Hands \& Feet \& Breath
Entering thro' the Gates of Birth
And passing thro' the Gates of Death

And O thou Lamb of God, whom I
Slew in my dark self-righteous pride:
Art thou return'd to Albions Land!
And is Jerusalem thy Bride?

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Come to my arms \& never more
Depart; but dwell for ever here:
Create my Spirit to thy Love:
Subdue my Spectre to thy Fear,

Spectre of Albion! warlike Fiend!
In clouds of blood \& ruin roll'd:
I here reclaim thee as my own
My Selfhood! Satan! armd in gold.

Is this thy soft Family-Love
Thy cruel Patriarchal pride
Planting thy Family alone
Destroying all the World beside.

A mans worst enemies are those
Of his own house \& family;
And he who makes his law a curse, By his own law shall surely die.

In my Exchanges every Land
Shall walk, \& mine in every Land,
Mutual shall build Jerusalem:
Both heart in heart \& hand in hand.

If Humility is Christianity; you O Jews are the true Christians; If your tradition that Man contained in his Limbs, all Animals, is True \& they were separated from him by cruel Sacrifices: and when compulsory cruel Sacrifices had brought Humanity into a Feminine Tabernacle, in the loins of Abraham \& David: the Lamb of God, the Saviour became apparent on Earth as the Prophets had foretold? The Return of Israel is a Return to Mental Sacrifice \& War. Take up the Cross O Israel \& follow Jesus.

Jerusalem.

Chap: 2.

Every ornament of perfection, and every labour of love, In all the Garden of Eden, \& in all the golden mountains

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Was become an envied horror, and a remembrance of jealousy: And every Act a Crime, and Albion the punisher \& judge.

And Albion spoke from his secret seat and said

All these ornaments are crimes, they are made by the labours Of loves: of unnatural consanguinities and friendships Horrid to think of when enquired deeply into; and all These hills \& valleys are accursed witnesses of Sin I therefore condense them into solid rocks, stedfast! A foundation and certainty and demonstrative truth: That Man be separate from Man, \& here I plant my seat.

Cold snows drifted around him: ice coverd his loins around He sat by Tyburns brook, and underneath his heel, shot up! A deadly Tree, he nam'd it Moral Virtue, and the Law Of God who dwells in Chaos hidden from the human sight.

The Tree spread over him its cold shadows, (Albion groand)
They bent don, they felt the earth and again enrooting Shot into many a Tree! an endless labyrinth of woe!

From willing sacrifice of Self, to sacrifice of (miscall'd) Enemies For Atonement: Albion began to erect twelve Altars, Of rough unhewn rocks, before the Potters Furnace He nam'd them Justice, and Truth. And Albions Sons Must have become the first Victims, being the first transgressors But they fled to the mountains to seek ransom: building A Strong Fortification against the Divine Humanity and Mercy, In Shame \& Jealousy to annihilate Jerusalem!

Turning his back to the Divine Vision, his Spectrous Chaos before his face appeard: an Unformed Memory.

Then spoke the Spectrous Chaos to Albion darkning cold From the back \& loins where dwell the Spectrous Dead

I am your Rational Power O Albion \& that Human Form
You call Divine, is but a Worm seventy inches long That creeps forth in a night \& is dried in the morning sun In fortuitous concourse of memorys accumulated \& lost

It plows the Earth in its own conceit, it overwhelms the Hills Beneath its winding labyrinths, till a stone of the brook Stops it in midst of its pride among its hills \& rivers[.] Battersea \& Chelsea mourn, London \& Canterbury tremble Their place shall not be found as the wind passes over[.] The ancient Cities of the Earth remove as a traveller And shall Albions Cities remain when I pass over them With my deluge of forgotten remembrances over the tablet

So spoke the Spectre to Albion. he is the Great Selfhood Satan: Worshipd as God by the Mighty Ones of the Earth Having a white Dot calld a Center from which branches out A Circle in continual gyrations. this became a Heart From which sprang numerous branches varying their motions Producing many Heads three or seven or ten, \& hands \& feet Innumerable at will of the unfortunate contemplator Who becomes his food[:] such is the way of the Devouring Power

And this is the cause of the appearance in the frowning Chaos[.] Albions Emanation which he had hidden in Jealousy Appeard now in the frowning Chaos prolific upon the Chaos Reflecting back to Albion in Sexual Reasoning Hermaphroditic

Albion spoke. Who art thou that appearest in gloomy pomp Involving the Divine Vision in colours of autumn ripeness I never saw thee till this time, nor beheld life abstracted Nor darkness immingled with light on my furrowd field Whence camest thou! who art thou O loveliest? the Divine Vision Is as nothing before thee, faded is all life and joy

Vala replied in clouds of tears Albions garment embracing

I was a City \& a Temple built by Albions Children.
I was a Garden planted with beauty I allured on hill \& valley
The River of Life to flow against my walls \& among my trees
Vala was Albions Bride \& Wife in great Eternity
The loveliest of the daughters of Eternity when in day-break

I emanated from Luvah over the Towers of Jerusalem And in her Courts among her little Children offering up The Sacrifice of fanatic love! why loved I Jerusalem! Why was I one with her embracing in the Vision of Jesus

Wherefore did I loving create love, which never yet Immingled God \& Man, when thou \& I, hid the Divine Vision In cloud of secret gloom which behold involve me round about Know me now Albion: look upon me I alone am Beauty The Imaginative Human Form is but a breathing of Vala I breathe him forth into the Heaven from my secret Cave Born of the Woman to obey the Woman O Albion the mighty For the Divine appearance is Brotherhood, but I am Love

Elevate into the Region of Brotherhood with my red fires

Art thou Vala? replied Albion, image of my repose
O how I tremble! how my members pour down milky fear!
A dewy garment covers me all over, all manhood is gone!
At thy word \& at thy look death enrobes me about
From head to feet, a garment of death \& eternal fear Is not that Sun thy husband \& that Moon thy glimmering Veil?
Are not the Stars of heaven thy Children! art thou not Babylon?
Art thou Nature Mother of all! is Jerusalem thy Daughter
Why have thou elevate inward: O dweller of outward chambers
From grot \& cave beneath the Moon dim region of death
Where I laid my Plow in the hot noon, where my hot team fed
Where implements of War are forged, the Plow to go over the Nations
In pain girding me round like a rib of iron in heaven! O Vala
In Eternity they neither marry nor are given in marriage
Albion the high Cliff of the Atlantic is become a barren Land

Los stood at his Anvil: he heard the contentions of Vala-He heavd his thundring Bellows upon the valleys of Middlesex He opend his Furnaces before Vala, then Albion frownd in anger On his Rock: ere yet the Starry Heavens were fled away From his awful Members, and thus Los cried aloud To the Sons of Albion \& to Hand the eldest Son of Albion

I hear the screech of Childbirth loud pealing, \& the groans
Of Death, in Albions clouds dreadful utterd over all the Earth
What may Man be? who can tell! but what may Woman be?
To have power over Man from Cradle to corruptible Grave.
There is a Throne in every Man, it is the Throne of God This Woman has claimd as her own \& Man is no more!
Albion is the Tabernacle of Vala \& her Temple
And not the Tabernacle \& Temple of the Most High
O Albion why wilt thou Create a Female Will?

To hide the most evident God in a hidden covert, even In the shadows of a Woman \& a secluded Holy Place That we may pry after him as after a stolen treasure Hidden among the Dead \& mured up from the paths of life Hand! art thou not Reuben enrooting thyself into Bashan Till thou remainest a vaporous Shadow in a Void! O Merlin! Unknown among the Dead where never before Existence came Is this the Female Will O ye lovely Daughters of Albion. To Converse concerning Weight \& Distance in the Wilds of Newton \& Locke

So Los spoke standing on Mam-Tor looking over Europe \& Asia
The Graves thunder beneath his feet from Ireland to Japan

Reuben slept in Bashan like one dead in the valley Cut off from Albions mountains \& from all the Earths summits Between Succoth \& Zaretan beside the Stone of Bohan While the Daughters of Albion divided Luvah into three Bodies Los bended his Nostrils down to the Earth, then sent him over Jordan to the Land of the Hittite: every-one that saw him Fled! they fled at his horrible Form: they hid in caves And dens, they looked on one-another \& became what they beheld

Reuben return'd to Bashan, in despair he slept on the Stone. Then Gwendolen divided into Rahab \& Tirza in Twelve Portions[.] Los rolled, his Eyes into two narrow circles, then sent him Over Jordan; all terrified fled: they became what they beheld.

If Perceptive Organs vary: Objects of Perception seem to vary: If the Perceptive Organs close: their Objects seem to close also: Consider this O mortal Man! O worm of sixty winters said Los Consider Sexual Organization \& hide thee in the dust.

Then the Divine hand found the Two Limits, Satan and Adam, In Albions bosom: for in every Human bosom those Limits stand. And the Divine voice came from the Furnaces, as multitudes without Number! the voices of the innumerable multitudes of Eternity. And the appearance of a Man was seen in the Furnaces; Saving those who have sinned from the punishment of the Law, (In pity of the punisher whose state is eternal death,) And keeping them from Sin by the mild counsels of his love.

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Albion goes to Eternal Death: In Me all Eternity.
Must pass thro' condemnation, and awake beyond the Grave!
No individual can keep these Laws, for they are death
To every energy of man, and forbid the springs of life; Albion hath enterd the State Satan! Be permanent O State! And be thou for ever accursed! that Albion may arise again:

And be thou created into a State! I go forth to Create
States: to deliver Individuals evermore! Amen.

So spoke the voice from the Furnaces, descending into Non-Entity [To Govern the Evil by Good: and States abolish Systems.] 2279

Reuben return'd to his place, in vain he sought beautiful Tirzah For his Eyelids were narrowd, \& his Nostrils scented the ground And Sixty Winters Los raged in the Divisions of Reuben: Building the Moon of Ulro, plank by plank \& rib by rib Reuben slept in the Cave of Adam, and Los folded his Tongue Between Lips of mire \& clay, then sent him forth over Jordan In the love of Tirzah he said Doubt is my food day \& night-All that beheld him fled howling and gnawed their tongues For pain: they became what they beheld[.] In reasonings Reuben returned To Heshbon. disconsolate he walkd thro Moab \& he stood Before the Furnaces of Los in a horrible dreamful slumber, On Mount Gilead looking toward Gilgal: and Los bended His Ear in a spiral circle outward; then sent him over Jordan.

The Seven Nations fled before him they became what they beheld Hand, Hyle \& Coban fled: they became what they beheld Gwantock \& Peachy hid in Damascus beneath Mount Lebanon Brereton \& Slade in Egypt. Hutton \& Skofeld \& Kox Fled over Chaldea in terror in pains in every nerve Kotope \& Bowen became what they beheld, fleeing over the Earth And the Twelve Female Emanations fled with them agonizing.

Jerusalem trembled seeing her Children drivn by Los's Hammer In the visions of the dreams of Beulah on the edge of Non-Entity Hand stood between Reuben \& Merlin, as the Reasoning Spectre Stands between the Vegetative Man \& his Immortal Imagination

And the Four Zoa's clouded rage East \& West \& North \& South They change their situations, in the Universal Man.

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Albion groans, he sees the Elements divide before his face. And England who is Brittannia divided into Jerusalem \& Vala And Urizen assumes the East, Luvah assumes the South In his dark Spectre ravening from his open Sepulcher

And the Four Zoa's who are the Four Eternal Senses of Man Became Four Elements separating from the Limbs of Albion These are their names in the Vegetative Generation [West Weighing East \& North dividing Generation South bounding] ${ }^{1280}$ And Accident \& Chance were found hidden in Length Bredth \& Highth And they divided into Four ravening deathlike Forms Fairies \& Genii \& Nymphs \& Gnomes of the Elements. These are States Permanently Fixed by the Divine Power

The Atlantic Continent sunk round Albions cliffy shore And the Sea poured in amain upon the Giants of Albion As Los bended the Senses of Reuben Reuben is Merlin Exploring the Three States of Ulro; Creation; Redemption. \& Judgment

And many of the Eternal Ones laughed after their manner

Have you known the judgment that is arisen among the Zoa's of Albion? where a Man dare hardly to embrace His own Wife, for the terrors of Chastity that they call By the name of Morality. their Daughters govern all I hidden deceit! they are Vegetable only fit for burning Art \& Science cannot exist but by Naked Beauty displayd

Then those in Great Eternity who contemplate on Death Said thus. What seems to Be: Is: To those to whom It seems to $\mathrm{Be}, \&$ is productive of the most dreadful Consequences to those to whom it seems to Be: even of Torments, Despair, Eternal Death; but the Divine Mercy Steps beyond and Redeems Man in the Body of Jesus Amen And Length Bredth Highth again Obey the Divine Vision Hallelujah

## And One stood forth from the Divine Family \& ,said ${ }^{1281}$

I feel my Spectre rising upon me! Albion! arouze thyself!
Why dost thou thunder with frozen Spectrous wrath against us?
The Spectre is, in Giant Man; insane, and most deform'd.

Thou wilt certainly provoke my Spectre against thine in fury! He has a Sepulcher hewn out of a Rock ready for thee:
And a Death of Eight thousand years forg'd by thyself, upon The point of his Spear! if thou persistest to forbid with Laws Our Emanations, and to attack our secret supreme delights

So Los spoke: But when he saw blue death in Albions feet, ${ }^{282}$
Again he join'd the Divine Body, following merciful;
While Albion fled more indignant! revengeful covering

His face and bosom with petrific hardness, and his hands
And feet, lest any should enter his bosom \& embrace His hidden heart; his Emanation wept \& trembled within him:
Uttering not his jealousy, but hiding it as with Iron and steel, dark and opake, with clouds \& tempests brooding:
His strong limbs shudderd upon his mountains high and dark.

Turning from Universal Love petrific as he went, His cold against the warmth of Eden rag'd with loud
Thunders of deadly war (the fever of the human soul) Fires and clouds of rolling smoke! but mild the Saviour follow'd him,

## Displaying the Eternal Vision! the Divine Similitude!

In loves and tears of brothers, sisters, sons, fathers, and friends
Which if Man ceases to behold, he ceases to exist:

Saying. Albion! Our wars are wars of life, \& wounds of love, With intellectual spears, \& long winged arrows of thought: Mutual in one anothers love and wrath all renewing We live as One Man; for contracting our infinite senses We behold multitude; or expanding: we behold as one, As One Man all the Universal Family; and that One Man We call Jesus the Christ: and he in us, and we in him, Live in perfect harmony in Eden the land of life, Giving, recieving, and forgiving each others trespasses. He is the Good shepherd, he is the Lord and master: He is the Shepherd of Albion, he is all in all, In Eden: in the garden of God: and in heavenly Jerusalem. If we have offended, forgive us, take not vengeance against us.

Thus speaking; the Divine Family follow Albion:
I see them in the Vision of God upon my pleasant valleys.

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I behold London; a Human awful wonder of God!
He says: Return, Albion, return! I give myself for thee:
My Streets are my, Ideas of Imagination.
Awake Albion, awake! and let us awake up together.
My Houses are Thoughts: my Inhabitants; Affections, The children of my thoughts, walking within my blood-vessels, Shut from my nervous form which sleeps upon the verge of Beulah In dreams of darkness, while my vegetating blood in veiny pipes, Rolls dreadful thro' the Furnaces of Los, and the Mills of Satan. For Albions sake, and for Jerusalem thy Emanation I give myself, and these my brethren give themselves for Albion.

So spoke London, immortal Guardian! I heard in Lambeths shades:
In Felpham I heard and saw the Visions of Albion
I write in South Molton Street what I both see and hear In regions of Humanity, in Londons opening streets.

I see thee awful Parent Land in light, behold I see!
Verulam! Canterbury! venerable parent of men, Generous immortal Guardian golden clad! for Cities Are Men, fathers of multitudes, and Rivers \& Mount[a]ins Are also Men; every thing is Human, mighty! sublime! In every bosom a Universe expands, as wings Let down at will around, and call'd the Universal Tent. York, crown'd with loving kindness. Edinburgh, cloth'd With fortitude as with a garment of immortal texture Woven in looms of Eden, in spiritual deaths of mighty men

Who give themselves, in Golgotha, Victims to Justice; where There is in Albion a Gate of precious stones and gold Seen only by Emanations, by vegetations viewless, Bending across the road of Oxford Street; it from Hyde Park To Tyburns deathful shades, admits the wandering souls Of multitudes who die from Earth: this Gate cannot be found

By Satans Watch-fiends tho' they search numbering every grain Of sand on Earth every night, they never find this Gate. It is the Gate of Los. Withoutside is the Mill, intricate, dreadful And fill'd with cruel tortures; but no mortal man can find the Mill Of Satan, in his mortal pilgrimage of seventy years

For Human beauty knows it not: nor can Mercy find it! But ${ }^{283}$
In the Fourth region of Humanity, Urthona namd[,] Mortality begins to roll the billows of Eternal Death Before the Gate of Los. Urthona here is named Los. And here begins the System of Moral Virtue, named Rahab. ${ }^{1284}$ Albion fled thro' the Gate of Los, and he stood in the Gate.

Los was the friend of Albion who most lov'd him. In Cambridgeshire His eternal station, he is the twenty-eighth, \& is four-fold. Seeing Albion had turn'd his back aginst the Divine Vision, Los said to Albion, Whither fleest thou? Albion reply'd.

I die! I go to Eternal Death! the shades of death
Hover within me \& beneath, and spreading themselves outside Like rocky clouds, build me a gloomy monument of woe:
Will none accompany me in my death? or be a Ransom for me In that dark Valley? I have girded round my cloke, and on my feet Bound these black shoes of death, \& on my hands, death's iron gloves:
God hath forsaken me, \& my friends are become a burden A weariness to me, \& the human footstep is a terror to me.

Los answerd, troubled: and his soul was rent in twain:
Must the Wise die for an Atonement? does Mercy endure Atonement?
No! It is Moral Severity, \& destroys Mercy in its Victim.
So speaking, not yet infected with the Error \& Illusion,

Los shudder'd at beholding Albion, for his disease Arose upon him pale and ghastly: and he call'd around The Friends of Albion: trembling at the sight of Eternal Death The four appear'd with their Emanations in fiery Chariots: black their fires roll beholding Albions House of Eternity Damp couch the flames beneath and silent, sick, stand shuddering Before the Porch of sixteen pillars: weeping every one Descended and fell down upon their knees round Albions knees, Swearing the Oath of God! with awful voice of thunders round Upon the hills \& valleys, and the cloudy Oath roll'd far and wide

Albion is sick! said every Valley, every mournful Hill
And every River: our brother Albion is sick to death.
He hath leagued himself with robbers! he hath studied the arts Of unbelief! Envy hovers over him! his Friends are his abhorrence! Those who give their lives for him are despised!

Those who devour his soul, are taken into his bosom!
To destroy his Emanation is their intention:
Arise! awake O Friends of the Giant Albion
They have perswaded him of horrible falshoods!
They have sown errors over all his fruitful fields!

The Twenty-four heard! they came trembling on watry chariots.
Borne by the Living Creatures of the third procession Of Human Majesty, the Living Creatures wept aloud as they Went along Albions roads, till they arriv'd at Albions House.

O! how the torments of Eternal Death, waited on Man: And the loud-rending bars of the Creation ready to burst: That the wide world might fly from its hinges, \& the immortal mansion Of Man, for ever be possess'd by monsters of the deeps: And Man himself become a Fiend, wrap'd in an endless curse, Consuming and consum'd for-ever in flames of Moral Justice.

For had the Body of Albion fall'n down, and from its dreadful ruins Let loose the enormous Spectre on the darkness of the deep, At enmity with the Merciful \& fill'd with devouring fire, A nether-world must have recievd the foul enormous spirit, Under pretence of Moral Virtue, fill'd with Revenge and Law. There to eternity chain'd down, and issuing in red flames And curses, with his mighty arms brandish'd against the heavens Breathing cruelty blood \& vengeance, gnashing his teeth with pain Torn with black storms, \& ceaseless torrents of his own consuming fire: Within his breast his mighty Sons chaind down \& fill'd with cursings: And his dark Eon, that once fair crystal form divinely clear:
Within his ribs producing serpents whose souls are flames of fire. But, glory to the Merciful-One, for he is of tender mercies!
And the Divine Family wept over him as One Man.

And these the Twenty-four in whom the Divine Family Appear'd; and they were One in Him. A Human Vision! Human Divine, Jesus the Saviour, blessed for ever and ever.

Selsey, true friend! who afterwards submitted to be devourd By the waves of Despair, whose Emanation rose above The flood, and was nam'd Chichester, lovely mild \& gentle! Lo! Her lambs bleat to the sea-fowls cry, lamenting still for Albion.

Submitting to be call'd the son of Los the terrible vision:
Winchester stood devoting himself for Albion: his tents

Outspread with abundant riches, and his Emanations Submitting to be call'd Enitharmons daughters, and be born In vegetable mould: created by the Hammer and Loom In Bowlahoola \& Allamanda where the Dead wail night \& day.
(I call them by their English names: English, the rough basement. Los built the stubborn structure of the Language, acting against Albions melancholy, who must else have been a Dumb despair.)

Gloucester and Exeter and Salisbury and Bristol: and benevolent

Bath who is Legions: he is the Seventh, the physician and The poisoner: the best and worst in Heaven and Hell:
Whose Spectre first assimilated with Luvah in Albions mountains
A triple octave he took, to reduce Jerusalem to twelve To cast Jerusalem forth upon the wilds to Poplar \& Bow: To Malden \& Canterbury in the delights of cruelty: The Shuttles of death sing in the sky to Islington \& Pancrass Round Marybone to Tyburns River, weaving black melancholy as a net, And despair as meshes closely wove over the west of London, Where mild Jerusalem sought to repose in death \& be no more. She fled to Lambeths mild Vale and hid herself beneath The Surrey Hills where Rephaim terminates: her Sons are siez'd For victims of sacrifice; but Jerusalem cannot be found! Hid By the Daughters of Beulah: gently snatch'd away: and hid in Beulah

There is a Grain of Sand in Lambeth that Satan cannot find Nor can his Watch Fiends find it: tis translucent \& has many Angles But he ho finds it will find Oothoons palace, for within Opening into Beulah every angle is a lovely heaven But should the Watch Fiends find it, they would call it Sin And lay its Heavens \& their inhabitants in blood of punishment Here Jerusalem \& Vala were hid in soft slumberous repose Hid from the terrible East, shut up in the South \& West.

The Twenty-eight trembled in Deaths dark caves, in cold despair They kneeld around the Couch of Death in deep humiliation And tortures of self condemnation while their Spectres ragd within. The Four Zoa's in terrible combustion clouded rage

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Drinking the shuddering fears \& loves of Albions Families Destroying by selfish affections the things that they most admire Drinking \& eating, \& pitying \& weeping, as at a trajic scene. The soul drinks murder \& revenge, \& applauds its own holiness

They saw Albion endeavouring to destroy their Emanations. ${ }^{285}$
[illustration, with inscription, reversed: "Each Man is in / his Spectre's power / Untill the arrival / of that hour, / When his Humanity / awake / And cast his Spectre / into the Lake"]

They saw their Wheels rising up poisonous against Albion Urizen, cold \& scientific: Luvah, pitying \& weeping Tharmas, indolent \& sullen: Urthona, doubting \& despairing Victims to one another \& dreadfully plotting against each other To prevent Albion walking about in the Four Complexions.

They saw America clos'd out by the Oaks of the western shore; And Tharmas dash'd on the Rocks of the Altars of Victims in Mexico. If we are wrathful Albion will destroy Jerusalem with rooty Groves If we are merciful, ourselves must suffer destruction on his Oaks! Why should we enter into our Spectres, to behold our own corruptions O God of Albion descend! deliver Jerusalem from the Oaken Groves!

Then Los grew furious raging: Why stand we here trembling around Calling on God for help; and not ourselves in whom God dwells Stretching a hand to save the falling Man: are we not Four Beholding Albion upon the Precipice ready to fall into Non-Entity: Seeing these Heavens \& Hells conglobing in the Void. Heavens over Hells Brooding in holy hypocritic lust, drinking the cries of pain

From howling victims of Law: building Heavens Twenty-seven-fold. Swelld \& bloated General Forms, repugnant to the DivineHumanity, who is the Only General and Universal Form To which all Lineaments tend \& seek with love \& sympathy All broad \& general principles belong to benevolence Who protects minute particulars, every one in their own identity. But here the affectionate touch of the tongue is closd in by deadly teeth And the soft smile of friendship \& the open dawn of benevolence Become a net \& a trap, \& every energy renderd cruel, Till the existence of friendship \& benevolence is denied: The wine of the Spirit \& the vineyards of the Holy-One.

Here: turn into poisonous stupor \& deadly intoxication:
That they may be condemnd by Law \& the Lamb of God be slain!
And the two Sources of Life in Eternity[,] Hunting and War, Are become the Sources of dark \& bitter Death \& of corroding Hell:
The open heart is shut up in integuments of frozen silence That the spear that lights it forth may shatter the ribs \& bosom A pretence of Art, to destroy Art: a pretence of Liberty To destroy Liberty. a pretence of Religion to destroy Religion Oshea and Caleb fight: they contend in the valleys of Peor In the terrible Family Contentions of those who love each other:
The Armies of Balaam weep---no women come to the field Dead corses lay before them, \& not as in Wars of old. For the Soldier who fights for Truth, calls his enemy is brother:
They fight \& contend for life, \& not for eternal death! But here the Soldier strikes, \& a dead corse falls at his feet Nor Daughter nor Sister nor Mother come forth to embosom the Slain! But Death! Eternal Death! remains in the Valleys of Peor. The English are scatterd over the face of the Nations: are these Jerusalems children? Hark! hear the Giants of Albion cry at night We smell the blood of the English! we delight in their blood on our Altars!
The living \& the dead shall be ground in our rumbling Mills For bread of the Sons of Albion: of the Giants Hand \& Scofield Scofeld \& Kox are let loose upon my Saxons! they accumulate A World in which Man is by his Nature the Enemy of Man, In pride of Selfhood unwieldy stretching out into Non Entity Generalizing Art \& Science till Art \& Science is lost. Bristol \& Bath, listen to my words, \& ye Seventeen: give ear! It is easy to acknowledge a man to be great \& good while we Derogate from him in the trifles \& small articles of that goodness: Those alone are his friends, who admire his minutest powers[.] Instead of Albions lovely mountains \& the curtains of Jerusalem I see a Cave, a Rock, a Tree deadly and poisonous, unimaginative: Instead of the Mutual Forgivenesses, the Minute Particulars, I see Pits of bitumen ever burning: artificial Riches of the Canaanite

Like Lakes of liquid lead: instead of heavenly Chapels, built By our dear Lord: I see Worlds crusted with snows \& ice; I see a Wicker Idol woven round Jerusalems children. I see The Canaanite, the Amalekite, the Moabite, the Egyptian: By Demonstrations the cruel Sons of Quality \& Negation. Driven on the Void in incoherent despair into Non Entity I see America closd apart, \& Jerusalem driven in terror Away from Albions mountains, far away from Londons spires!
I will not endure this thing! I alone withstand to death, This outrage! Ah me! how sick \& pale you all stand round me!

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Ah me! pitiable ones! do you also go to deaths vale?
All you my Friends \& Brothers! all you my beloved Companions!
Have you also caught the infection of Sin \& stern Repentance?
I see Disease arise upon you! yet speak to me and give
Me some comfort: why do you all stand silent? I alone Remain in permanent strength. Or is all this goodness \& pity, only That you may take the greater vengeance in your Sepulcher.

So Los spoke. Pale they stood around the House of Death: In the midst of temptations \& despair: among the rooted Oaks: Among reared Rocks of Albions Sons, at length they rose

With one accord in love sublime, \& as on Cherubs wings They Albion surround with kindest violence to bear him back Against his will thro Los's Gate to Eden: Four-fold; loud! Their Wings waving over the bottomless Immense: to bear Their awful charge back to his native home: but Albion dark, Repugnant; rolld his Wheels backward into Non-Entity Loud roll the Starry Wheels of Albion into the World of Death And all the Gate of Los, clouded with clouds redounding from Albions dread Wheels, stretching out spaces immense between That every little particle of light \& air, became Opake Black \& immense, a Rock of difficulty \& a Cliff Of black despair; that the immortal Wings labourd against Cliff after cliff, \& over Valleys of despair \& death: The narrow Sea between Albion \& the Atlantic Continent: Its waves of pearl became a boundless Ocean bottomless, Of grey obscurity, filld with clouds \& rocks \& whirling waters And Albions Sons ascending \& descending in the horrid Void.

But as the Will must not be bended but in the day of Divine Power: silent calm \& motionless, in the mid-air sublime, The Family Divine hover around the darkend Albion.

Such is the nature of the Ulro: that whatever enters: Becomes Sexual, \& is Created, and Vegetated, and Born. From Hyde Park spread their vegetating roots beneath Albion In dreadful pain the Spectrous Uncircumcised Vegetation.

Forming a Sexual Machine: an Aged Virgin Form.
In Erins Land toward the north, joint after joint \& burning In love \& jealousy immingled \& calling it Religion

And feeling the damps of death they with one accord delegated Los Conjuring him by the Highest that he should Watch over them Till Jesus shall appear: \& they gave their power to Los Naming him the Spirit of Prophecy, calling him Elijah

Strucken with Albions disease they become what they behold; They assimilate with Albion in pity \& compassion; Their Emanations return not: their Spectres rage in the Deep The Slumbers of Death came over them around the Couch of Death Before the Gate of Los \& in the depths of Non Entity Among the Furnaces of Los: among the Oaks of Albion.

Man is adjoind to Man by his Emanative portion:
Who is Jerusalem in every individual Man: and her Shadow is Vala, builded by the Reasoning power in Man O search \& see: turn your eyes inward: open O thou World Of Love \& Harmony in Man: expand thy ever lovely Gates.

They wept into the deeps a little space at length was heard The voice of Bath, faint as the voice of the Dead in the House of Death

Bath, healing City! whose wisdom in midst of Poetic Fervor: mild spoke thro' the Western Porch, in soft gentle tears

O Albion mildest Son of Eden! clos'd is thy Western Gate Brothers of Eternity! this Man whose great example We all admir'd \& lov'd, whose all benevolent countenance, seen In Eden, in lovely Jerusalem, drew even from envy The tear: and the confession of honesty, open \& undisguis'd From mistrust and suspition. The Man is himself become A piteous example of oblivion. To teach the Sons Of Eden, that however great and glorious; however loving And merciful the Individuality; however high Our palaces and cities, and however fruitful are our fields In Selfhood, we are nothing: but fade away in mornings breath, Our mildness is nothing: the greatest mildness we can use Is incapable and nothing! none but the Lamb of God can heal This dread disease: none but Jesus! O Lord descend and save! Albions Western Gate is clos'd: his death is coming apace! Jesus alone can save him; for alas we none can know How soon his lot may be our own. When Africa in sleep Rose in the night of Beulah, and bound down the Sun \& Moon

His friends cut his strong chains, \& overwhelm'd his dark Machines in fury \& destruction, and the Man reviving repented He wept before his wrathful brethren, thankful \& considerate

For their well timed wrath. But Albions sleep is not Like Africa's: and his machines are woven with his life Nothing but mercy can save him! nothing but mercy interposing Lest he should slay Jerusalem in his fearful jealousy O God descend! gather our brethren, deliver Jerusalem But that we may omit no office of the friendly spirit Oxford take thou these leaves of the Tree of Life: with eloquence That thy immortal tongue inspires; present them to Albion: Perhaps he may recieve them, offerd from thy loved hands.

So spoke, unheard by Albion. the merciful Son of Heaven To those whose Western Gates were open, as they stood weeping Around Albion: but Albion heard him not; obdurate! hard! He frown'd on all his Friends, counting them enemies in his sorrow

And the Seventeen conjoining with Bath, the Seventh:
In whom the other Ten shone manifest, a Divine Vision!
Assimilated and embrac'd Eternal Death for Albions sake.

And these the names of the Eighteen combining with those Ten
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Bath, mild Physician of Eternity, mysterious power Whose springs are unsearchable \& knowledg infinite. Hereford, ancient Guardian of Wales, whose hands Builded the mountain palaces of Eden, stupendous works! Lincoln, Durham \& Carlisle, Councellors of Los. And Ely, Scribe of Los, whose pen no other hand Dare touch! Oxford, immortal Bard! with eloquence Divine, he wept over Albion: speaking the words of God In mild perswasion: bringing leaves of the Tree of Life.

Thou art in Error Albion, the Land of Ulro:
One Error not remov'd, will destroy a human Soul Repose in Beulahs night, till the Error is remov'd Reason not on both sides. Repose upon our bosoms
Till the Plow of Jehovah, and the Harrow of Shaddai Have passed over the Dead, to awake the Dead to Judgment. But Albion turn'd away refusing comfort.

Oxford trembled while he spoke, then fainted in the arms Of Norwich, Peterboro, Rochester, Chester awful, Worcester, Litchfield, Saint Davids, Landaff, Asaph, Bangor, Sodor, Bowing their heads devoted: and the Furnaces of Los Began to rage, thundering loud the storms began to roar Upon the Furnaces, and loud the Furnaces rebellow beneath

And these the Four in whom the twenty-four appear'd four-fold:
Verulam, London, York, Edinburgh, mourning one towards another

Alas!--The time will come, when a mans worst enemies Shall be those of his own house and family: in a Religion Of Generation, to destroy by Sin and Atonement, happy Jerusalem, The Bride and Wife of the Lamb. O God thou art Not an Avenger!

Thus Albion sat, studious of others in his pale disease: Brooding on evil: but when Los opend the Furnaces before him: He saw that the accursed things were his own affections, And his own beloveds: then he turn'd sick! his soul died within him Also Los sick \& terrified beheld the Furnaces of Death And must have died, but the Divine Saviour descended Among the infant loves \& affections, and the Divine Vision wept Like evening dew on every herb upon the breathing ground

Albion spoke in his dismal dreams: O thou deceitful friend Worshipping mercy \& beholding thy friend in such affliction: Los! thou now discoverest thy turpitude to the heavens. I demand righteousness \& justice. O thou ingratitude! Give me my Emanations back[,] food for my dying soul! My daughters are harlots! my sons are accursed before me. Enitharmon is my daughter: accursed with a fathers curse! O! I have utterly been wasted! I have given my daughters to devils

So spoke Albion in gloomy majesty, and deepest night Of Ulro rolld round his skirts from Dover to Cornwall.

Los answerd. Righteousness \& justice I give thee in return For thy righteousness! but I add mercy also, and bind Thee from destroying these little ones: am I to be only Merciful to thee and cruel to all that thou hatest[?]

Thou wast the Image of God surrounded by the Four Zoa's Three thou hast slain! I am the Fourth: thou canst not destroy me. Thou art in Error; trouble me not with thy righteousness. I have innocence to defend and ignorance to instruct:
I have no time for seeming; and little arts of compliment, In morality and virtue: in self-glorying and pride.
There is a limit of Opakeness, and a limit of Contraction; In every Individual Man, and the limit of Opakeness, Is named Satan: and the limit of Contraction is named Adam. But when Man sleeps in Beulah, the Saviour in mercy takes Contractions Limit, and of the Limit he forms Woman: That Himself may in process of time be born Man to redeem But there is no Limit of Expansion! there is no Limit of Translucence. In the bosom of Man for ever from eternity to eternity. Therefore I break thy bonds of righteousness; I crush thy messengers! That they may not crush me and mine: do thou be righteous, And I will return it; otherwise I defy thy worst revenge:

Consider me as thine enemy: on me turn all thy fury But destroy not these little ones, nor mock the Lords anointed: Destroy not by Moral Virtue, the little ones whom he hath chosen! The little ones whom he hath chosen in preference to thee. He hath cast thee off for ever; the little ones he hath anointed! Thy Selfhood is for ever accursed from the Divine presence

So Los spoke: then turn'd his face \& wept for Albion.

Albion replied. Go! Hand \& Hyle! sieze the abhorred friend: ${ }^{1287}$
As you Have siezd the Twenty-four rebellious ingratitudes;
To atone for you, for spiritual death! Man lives by deaths of Men
Bring him to justice before heaven here upon London stone, Between Blackheath \& Hounslow, between Norwood \& Finchley All that they have is mine: from my free genrous gift, They now hold all they have: ingratitude to me! To me their benefactor calls aloud for vengeance deep.

Los stood before his Furnaces awaiting the fury of the Dead: And the Divine hand was upon him, strengthening him mightily.

The Spectres of the Dead cry out from the deeps beneath Upon the hills of Albion; Oxford groans in his iron furnace Winchester in his den \& cavern; they lament against

Albion: they curse their human kindness \& affection They rage like wild beasts in the forests of affliction In the dreams of Ulro they repent of their human kindness.

Come up, build Babylon, Rahab is ours \& all her multitudes With her in pomp and glory of victory. Depart
Ye twenty-four into the deeps! let us depart to glory!

Their Human majestic forms sit up upon their Couches Of death: they curb their Spectres as with iron curbs They enquire after Jerusalem in the regions of the dead, With the voices of dead men, low, scarcely articulate, And with tears cold on their cheeks they weary repose.

O when shall the morning of the grave appear, and when Shall our salvation come? we sleep upon our watch We cannot awake! and our Spectres rage in the forests O God of Albion where art thou! pity the watchers!

Thus mourn they. Loud the Furnaces of Los thunder upon The clouds of Europe \& Asia, among the Serpent Temples!

And Los drew his Seven Furnaces around Albions Altars And as Albion built his frozen Altars, Los built the Mundane Shell, In the Four Regions of Humanity East \& West \& North \& South,

Till Norwood \& Finchley \& Blackheath \& Hounslow, coverd the whole Earth. This is the Net \& Veil of Vala, among the Souls of the Dead.

Then the Divine Vision like a silent Sun appeard above Albions dark rocks: setting behind the Gardens of Kensington On Tyburns River, in clouds of blood: where was mild Zion Hills Most ancient promontory, and in the Sun, a Human Form appeard And thus the Voice Divine went forth upon the rocks of Albion

I elected Albion for my glory; I gave to him the Nations, Of the whole Earth. he was the Angel of my Presence: and all The Sons of God were Albions Sons: and Jerusalem was my joy. The Reactor hath hid himself thro envy. I behold him. But you cannot behold him till he be reveald in his System Albions Reactor must have a Place prepard: Albion must Sleep

The Sleep of Death, till the Man of Sin \& Repentance be reveald. Hidden in Albions Forests he lurks: he admits of no Reply From Albion: but hath founded his Reaction into a Law Of Action, for Obedience to destroy the Contraries of Man[.] He hath compelld Albion to become a Punisher \& hath possessd Himself of Albions Forests \& Wilds! and Jerusalem is taken! The City of the Woods in the Forest of Ephratah is taken! London is a stone of her ruins; Oxford is the dust of her walls! Sussex \& Kent are her scatterd garments: Ireland her holy place! And the murderd bodies of her little ones are Scotland and Wales The Cities of the Nations are the smoke of her consummation The Nations are her dust! ground by the chariot wheels Of her lordly conquerors, her palaces levelld with the dust I come that I may find a way for my banished ones to return Fear not O little Flock I come! Albion shall rise again.

So saying, the mild Sun inclosd the Human Family.

Forthwith from Albions darkning [r]ocks came two Immortal forms ${ }^{1288}$
Saying We alone are escaped. O merciful Lord and Saviour, We flee from the interiors of Albions hills and mountains! From his Valleys Eastward: from Amalek Canaan \& Moab: Beneath his vast ranges of hills surrounding Jerusalem.

Albion walkd on the steps of fire before his Halls And Vala walkd with him in dreams of soft deluding slumber. He looked up \& saw the Prince of Light with splendor faded Then Albion ascended mourning into the porches of his Palace Above him rose a Shadow from his wearied intellect: Of living gold, pure, perfect, holy: in white linen pure he hoverd

A sweet entrancing self-delusion a watry vision of Albion Soft exulting in existence; all the Man absorbing!

Albion fell upon his face prostrate before the watry Shadow Saying O Lord whence is this change! thou knowest I am nothing! And Vala trembled \& coverd her face! \& her locks were spread on the pavement

We heard astonishd at the Vision \& our heart trembled within us:
We heard the voice of slumberous Albion, and thus he spake, Idolatrous to his own Shadow words of eternity uttering:

O I am nothing when I enter into judgment with thee!
If thou withdraw thy breath I die \& vanish into Hades If thou dost lay thine hand upon me behold I am silent: If thou withhold thine hand; I perish like a fallen leaf: O I am nothing: and to nothing must return again:
If thou withdraw thy breath. Behold I am oblivion.

He ceasd: the shadowy voice was silent: but the cloud hoverd over their heads In golden wreathes, the sorrow of Man; \& the balmy drops fell down.
And lo! that son of Man that Shadowy Spirit of mild Albion:
Luvah descended from the cloud; in terror Albion rose: Indignant rose the awful Man, \& turnd his back on Vala.

We heard the voice of Albion starting from his sleep:

Whence is this voice crying Enion! that soundeth in my ears?
O cruel pity! O dark deceit! can love seek for dominion?

And Luvah strove to gain dominion over Albion
They strove together above the Body where Vala was inclosd And the dark Body of Albion left prostrate upon the crystal pavement, Coverd with boils from head to foot: the terrible smitings of Luvah.

Then frownd the fallen Man, and put forth Luvah from his presence Saying. Go and Die the Death of Man, for Vala the sweet wanderer. I will turn the volutions of your ears outward, and bend your nostrils Downward, and your fluxile eyes englob'd roll round in fear: Your withring lips and tongue shrink up into a narrow circle, Till into narrow forms you creep: go take your fiery way: And learn what tis to absorb the Man you Spirits of Pity \& Love.

They heard the voice and fled swift as the winters setting sun. And now the human blood foamd high, the Spirits Luvah \& Vala, Went down the Human Heart where Paradise \& its joys abounded, In jealous fears \& fury \& rage, \& flames roll round their fervid feet: And the vast form of Nature like a serpent playd before them And as they fled in folding fires \& thunders of the deep:

Vala shrunk in like the dark sea that leaves its slimy banks. And from her bosom Luvah fell far as the east and west.

And the vast form of Nature like a serpent rolld between, Whether of Jerusalems or Valas ruins congenerated, we know not: All is confusion: all is tumult, \& we alone are escaped. So spoke the fugitives; they joind the Divine Family, trembling ${ }^{1289}$

And the Two that escaped; were the Emanation of Los \& his
Spectre: for whereever the Emanation goes, the Spectre Attends her as her Guard, \& Los's Emanation is named Enitharmon, \& his Spectre is named Urthona: they knew Not where to flee: they had been on a visit to Albions Children And they strove to weave a Shadow of the Emanation To hide themselves: weeping \& lamenting for the Vegetation Of Albions Children; fleeing thro Albions vales in streams of gore

Being not irritated by insult bearing insulting benevolences They percieved that corporeal friends are spiritual enemies They saw the Sexual Religion in its embryon Uncircumcision And the Divine hand was upon them bearing them thro darkness Back safe to their Humanity as doves to their windows: Therefore the Sons of Eden praise Urthonas Spectre in Songs Because he kept the Divine Vision in time of trouble.

They wept \& trembled: \& Los put forth his hand \& took them in Into his Bosom: from which Albion shrunk in dismal pain; Rending the fibres of Brotherhood \& in Feminine Allegories Inclosing Los: but the Divine Vision appeard with Los Following Albion into his Central Void among his Oaks.

And Los prayed and said. O Divine Saviour arise Upon the Mountains of Albion as in ancient time. Behold! The Cities of Albion seek thy face, London groans in pain From Hill to Hill \& the Thames laments along the Valleys The little Villages of Middlesex \& Surrey hunger \& thirst The Twenty-eight Cities of Albion stretch their hands to thee: Because of the Opressors of Albion in every City \& Village: They mock at the Labourers limbs! they mock at his starvd Children. They buy his Daughters that they may have power to sell his Sons: They compell the Poor to live upon a crust of bread by soft mild arts: They reduce the Man to want: then give with pomp \& ceremony. The praise of Jehovah is chaunted from lips of hunger \& thirst! Humanity knows not of Sex: wherefore are Sexes in Beulah?
In Beulah the Female lets down her beautiful Tabernacle;
Which the Male enters magnificent between her Cherubim:

And becomes One with her mingling condensing in Self-love The Rocky Law of Condemnation \& double Generation, \& Death.

Albion hath enterd the Loins the place of the Last Judgment: And Luvah hath drawn the Curtains around Albion in Vala's bosom The Dead awake to Generation! Arise O Lord, \& rend the Veil!

So Los in lamentations followd Albion, Albion coverd,

His western heaven with rocky clouds of death \& despair.

Fearing that Albion should turn his back against the Divine Vision Los took his globe of fire to search the interiors of Albions Bosom, in all the terrors of friendship, entering the caves Of despair \& death, to search the tempters out, walking among Albions rocks \& precipices! caves of solitude \& dark despair, And saw every Minute Particular of Albion degraded \& murderd But saw not by whom; they were hidden within in the minute particulars Of which they had possessd themselves; and there they take up The articulations of a mans soul, and laughing throw it down Into the frame, then knock it out upon the plank, \& souls are bak'd In bricks to build the pyramids of Heber \& Terah. But Los Searchd in vain: closd from the minutia he walkd, difficult. He came down from Highgate thro Hackney \& Holloway towards London Till he came to old Stratford \& thence to Stepney \& the Isle Of Leuthas Dogs, thence thro the narrows of the Rivers side And saw every minute particular, the jewels of Albion, running down The kennels of the streets \& lanes as if they were abhorrd. Every Universal Form, was become barren mountains of Moral Virtue: and every Minute Particular hardend into grains of sand: And all the tendernesses of the soul cast forth as filth \& mire, Among the winding places of deep contemplation intricate To where the Tower of London frownd dreadful over Jerusalem: A building of Luvah builded in Jerusalems eastern gate to be His secluded Court: thence to Bethlehem where was builded Dens of despair in the house of bread: enquiring in vain Of stones and rocks he took his way, for human form was none: And thus he spoke, looking on Albions City with many tears

What shall I do! what could I do, if I could find these Criminals I could not dare to take vengeance; for all things are so constructed And builded by the Divine hand, that the sinner shall always escape,

And he who takes vengeance alone is the criminal of Providence;
If I should dare to lay my finger on a grain of sand
In way of vengeance; I punish the already punishd: O whom Should I pity if I pity not the sinner who is gone astray!
O Albion, if thou takest vengeance; if thou revengest thy wrongs
Thou art for ever lost! What can I do to hinder the Sons
Of Albion from taking vengeance? or how shall I them perswade.

So spoke Los, travelling thro darkness \& horrid solitude: And he beheld Jerusalem in Westminster \& Marybone, Among the ruins of the Temple: and Vala who is her Shadow, Jerusalems Shadow bent northward over the Island white. At length he sat on London Stone, \& heard Jerusalems voice.

Albion I cannot be thy Wife. thine own Minute Particulars, Belong to God alone. and all thy little ones are holy They are of Faith \& not of Demonstration: wherefore is Vala Clothd in black mourning upon my rivers currents, Vala awake! I hear thy shuttles sing in the sky, and round my limbs I feel the iron threads of love \& jealousy \& despair.

Vala reply'd. Albion is mine! Luvah gave me to Albion And now recieves reproach \& hate. Was it not said of old Set your Son before a man \& he shall take you \& your sons For slaves: but set your Daughter before a man \& She Shall make him \& his sons \& daughters your slaves for ever! And is this Faith? Behold the strife of Albion, \& Luvah Is great in the east, their spears of blood rage in the eastern heaven Urizen is the champion of Albion, they will slay my Luvah:
And thou O harlot daughter! daughter of despair art all This cause of these shakings of my towers on Euphrates. Here is the House of Albion, \& here is thy secluded place And here we have found thy sins: \& hence we turn thee forth, For all to avoid thee: to be astonishd at thee for thy sins: Because thou art the impurity \& the harlot: \& thy children! Children of whoredoms: born for Sacrifice: for the meat \& drink Offering: to sustain the glorious combat \& the battle \& war That Man may be purified by the death of thy delusions.

So saying she her dark threads cast over the trembling River:
And over the valleys; from the hills of Hertfordshire to the hills
Of Surrey across Middlesex \& across Albions House
Of Eternity! pale stood Albion at his eastern gate,

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Leaning against the pillars, \& his disease rose from his skirts Upon the Precipice he stood! ready to fall into Non-Entity.

Los was all astonishment \& terror: he trembled sitting on the Stone Of London: but the interiors of Albions fibres \& nerves were hidden From Los; astonishd be beheld only the petrified surfaces:
And saw his Furnaces in ruins, for Los is the Demon of the Furnaces; He saw also the Four Points of Albion reversd inwards He siezd his Hammer \& Tongs, his iron Poker \& his Bellows, Upon the valleys of Middlesex, Shouting loud for aid Divine.

In stern defiance came from Albions bosom Hand, Hyle, Koban, Gwantok, Peachy, Brertun, Slaid, Huttn, Skofeld, Kock, Kotope

Bowen: Albions Sons: they bore him a golden couch into the porch And on the Couch reposd his limbs, trembling from the bloody field. Rearing their Druid Patriarchal rocky Temples around his limbs. (All things begin \& end, in Albions Ancient Druid Rocky Shore.)
[When Albion utterd his last words Hope is banishd from me] ${ }^{2290}$
From Camberwell to Highgate where the mighty Thames shudders along,
Where Los's Furnaces stand, where Jerusalem \& Vala howl:
Luvah tore forth from Albions Loins, in fibrous veins, in rivers
Of blood over Europe: a Vegetating Root in grinding pain.
Animating the Dragon Temples, soon to become that Holy Fiend The Wicker Man of Scandinavia in which cruelly consumed The Captives reard to heaven howl in flames among the stars Loud the cries of War on the Rhine \& Danube, with Albions Sons, Away from Beulahs hills \& vales break forth the Souls of the Dead, With cymbal, trumpet, clarion; \& the scythed chariots of Britain.

And the Veil of Vala, is composed of the Spectres of the Dead

Hark! the mingling cries of Luvah with the Sons of Albion Hark! \& Record the terrible wonder! that the Punisher Mingles with his Victims Spectre, enslaved and tormented To him whom he has murderd, bound in vengeance \& enmity Shudder not, but Write, \& the hand of God will assist you! Therefore I write Albions last words. Hope is banish'd from me.

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These were his last words, and the merciful Saviour in his arms Reciev'd him, in the arms of tender mercy and repos'd The pale limbs of his Eternal Individuality Upon the Rock of Ages. Then, surrounded with a Cloud: In silence the Divine Lord builded with immortal labour, Of gold \& jewels a sublime Ornament, a Couch of repose, With Sixteen pillars: canopied with emblems \& written verse. Spiritual Verse, order'd \& measur'd, from whence, time shall reveal. The Five books of the Decalogue, the books of Joshua \& Judges, Samuel, a double book \& Kings, a double book, the Psalms \& Prophets The Four-fold Gospel, and the Revelations everlasting Eternity groan'd \& was troubled, at the image of Eternal Death!

Beneath the bottoms of the Graves, which is Earths central joint, There is a place where Contrarieties are equally true: (To protect from the Giant blows in the sports of intellect, Thunder in the midst of kindness, \& love that kills its beloved: Because Death is for a period, and they renew tenfold.) From this sweet Place Maternal Love awoke Jerusalem

With pangs she forsook Beulah's pleasant lovely shadowy Universe Where no dispute can come; created for those who Sleep.

Weeping was in all Beulah, and all the Daughters of Beulah Wept for their Sister the Daughter of Albion, Jerusalem: When out of Beulah the Emanation of the Sleeper descended With solemn mourning out of Beulahs moony shades and hills: Within the Human Heart, whose Gates closed with solemn sound.

And this the manner of the terrible Separation The Emanations of the grievously afflicted Friends of Albion Concenter in one Female form an Aged pensive Woman. Astonish'd! lovely! embracing the sublime shade: the Daughters of Beulah Beheld her with wonder! With awful hands she took A Moment of Time, drawing it out with many tears \& afflictions And many sorrows: oblique across the Atlantic Vale Which is the Vale of Rephaim dreadful from East to West, Where the Human Harvest waves abundant in the beams of Eden Into a Rainbow of jewels and gold, a mild Reflection from Albions dread Tomb. Eight thousand and five hundred years In its extension. Every two hundred years has a door to Eden She also took an Atom of Space, with dire pain opening it a Center Into Beulah: trembling the Daughters of Beulah dried

Her tears. she ardent embrac'd her sorrows. occupied in labours Of sublime mercy in Rephaims Vale. Perusing Albions Tomb She sat: she walk'd among the ornaments solemn mourning. The Daughters attended her shudderings, wiping the death sweat Los also saw her in his seventh Furnace, he also terrified Saw the finger of God go forth upon his seventh Furnace: Away from the Starry Wheels to prepare Jerusalem a place. When with a dreadful groan the Emanation mild of Albion. Burst from his bosom in the Tomb like a pale snowy cloud, Female and lovely, struggling to put off the Human form Writhing in pain. The Daughters of Beulah in kind arms reciev'd Jerusalem: weeping over her among the Spaces of Erin, In the Ends of Beulah, where the Dead wail night \& day.

And thus Erin spoke to the Daughters of Beulah, in soft tears

Albion the Vortex of the Dead!Albion the Generous! Albion the mildest son of Heaven! The Place of Holy Sacrifice!
Where Friends Die for each other: will become the Place, Of Murder, \& Unforgiving, Never-awaking Sacrifice of Enemies
The Children must be sacrific'd! (a horror never known Till now in Beulah.) unless a Refuge can be found To hide them from the wrath of Albions Law that freezes sore Upon his Sons \& Daughters, self-exiled from his bosom

Draw ye Jerusalem away from Albions Mountains
To give a Place for Redemption, let Sihon and Og
Remove Eastward to Bashan and Gilead, and leave

The secret coverts of Albion \& the hidden places of America
Jerusalem Jerusalem! why wilt thou turn away
Come ye O Daughters of Beulah, lament for Og \& Sihon Upon the Lakes of Ireland from Rathlin to Baltimore:
Stand ye upon the Dargle from Wicklow to Drogheda
Come \& mourn over Albion the White Cliff of the Atlantic The Mountain of Giants: all the Giants of Albion are become Weak! witherd! darkend! \& Jerusalem is cast forth from Albion. They deny that they ever knew Jerusalem, or ever dwelt in Shiloh The Gigantic roots \& twigs of the vegetating Sons of Albion Filld with the little-ones are consumed in the Fires of their Altars The vegetating Cities are burned \& consumed from the Earth: And the Bodies in which all Animals \& Vegetations, the Earth \& Heaven Were containd in the All Glorious Imagination are witherd \& darkend;

The golden Gate of Havilah, and all the Garden of God, Was caught up with the Sun in one day of fury and war: The Lungs, the Heart, the Liver, shrunk away far distant from Man And left a little slimy substance floating upon the tides. In one night the Atlantic Continent was caught up with the Moon, And became an Opake Globe far distant clad with moony beams.
The Visions of Eternity, by reason of narrowed perceptions, Are become weak Visions of Time \& Space, fix'd into furrows of death;
Till deep dissimulation is the only defence an honest man has left
O Polypus of Death O Spectre over Europe and Asia
Withering the Human Form by Laws of Sacrifice for Sin By Laws of Chastity \& Abhorrence I am witherd up. Striving to Create a Heaven in which all shall be pure \& holy In their Own Selfhoods, in Natural Selfish Chastity to banish Pity And dear Mutual Forgiveness; \& to become One Great Satan Inslavd to the most powerful Selfhood: to murder the Divine Humanity In whose sight all are as the dust \& who chargeth his Angels with folly! Ah! weak \& wide astray! Ah shut in narrow doleful form! Creeping in reptile flesh upon the bosom of the ground! The Eye of Man, a little narrow orb, closd up \& dark, Scarcely beholding the Great Light; conversing with the [Void]: ${ }^{2291}$ The Ear, a little shell, in small volutions shutting out True Harmonies, \& comprehending great, as very small: The Nostrils, bent down to the earth \& clos'd with senseless flesh. That odours cannot them expand, nor joy on them exult: The Tongue, a little moisture fills, a little food it cloys, A little sound it utters, \& its cries are faintly heard.

Therefore they are removed: therefore they have taken root In Egypt \& Philistea: in Moab \& Edom \& Aram:
In the Erythrean Sea their Uncircu[m]cision in Heart \& Loins Be lost for ever \& ever. then they shall arise from Self, By Self Annihilation into Jerusalems Courts \& into Shiloh Shiloh the Masculine Emanation among the Flowers of Beulah Lo Shiloh dwells over France, as Jerusalem dwells over Albion Build \& prepare a Wall \& Curtain for Americas shore! Rush on: Rush on! Rush on! ye vegetating Sons of Albion The Sun shall go before you in Day: the Moon shall go Before you in Night. Come on! Come on! Come on! The Lord Jehovah is before, behind, above, beneath, around He has builded the arches of Albions Tomb binding the Stars In merciful Order, bending the Laws of Cruelty to Peace. He hath placed Og \& Anak, the Giants of Albion for their Guards: Building the Body of Moses in the Valley of Peor: the Body Of Divine Analogy; and Og \& Sihon in the tears of Balaam

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The Son of Beor, have given their power to Joshua \& Caleb. Remove from Albion, far remove these terrible surfaces. They are beginning to form Heavens \& Hells in immense Circles: the Hells for food to the Heavens: food of torment, Food of despair: they drink the condemnd Soul \& rejoice In cruel holiness, in their Heavens of Chastity \& Uncircumcision Yet they are blameless \& Iniquity must be imputed only To the State they are enterd into that they may be deliverd: Satan is the State of Death, \& not a Human existence: But Luvah is named Satan, because he has enterd that State. A World where Man is by Nature the enemy of Man Because the Evil is Created into a State. that Men May be deliverd time after time evermore. Amen. Learn therefore O Sisters to distinguish the Eternal Human That walks about among the stones of fire in bliss \& woe Alternate! from those States or Worlds in which the Spirit travels: This is the only means to Forgiveness of Enemies[.] Therefore remove from Albion these terrible Surfaces And let wild seas \& rocks close up Jerusalem away from

The Atlantic Mountains where Giants dwelt in Intellect; Now given to stony Druids, and Allegoric Generation To the Twelve Gods of Asia, the Spectres of those who Sleep: Sway'd by a Providence oppos'd to the Divine Lord Jesus: A murderous Providence! A Creation that groans, living on Death. Where Fish \& Bird \& Beast \& Man \& Tree \& Metal \& Stone Live by Devouring, going into Eternal Death continually: Albion is now possess'd by the War of Blood! the Sacrifice
Of envy Albion is become, and his Emanation cast out:

Come Lord Jesus, Lamb of God descend! for if; O Lord! If thou hadst been here, our brother Albion had not died.
Arise sisters! Go ye \& meet the Lord, while I remain-Behold the foggy mornings of the Dead on Albions cliffs!
Ye know that if the Emanation remains in them:
She will become an Eternal Death, an Avenger of Sin A Self-righteousness: the proud Virgin-Harlot! Mother of War! And we also \& all Beulah, consume beneath Albions curse.

So Erin spoke to the Daughters of Beulah. Shuddering With their wings they sat in the Furnace, in a night Of stars, for all the Sons of Albion appeard distant stars, Ascending and descending into Albions sea of death. And Erins lovely Bow enclos'd the Wheels of Albions Sons.

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Expanding on wing, the Daughters of Beulah replied in sweet response

Come O thou Lamb of God and take away the remembrance of Sin To Sin \& to hide the Sin in sweet deceit. is lovely!!
To Sin in the open face of day is cruel \& pitiless! But
To record the Sin for a reproach: to let the Sun go down In a remembrance of the Sin: is a Woe \& a Horror! A brooder of an Evil Day, and a Sun rising in blood Come then O Lamb of God and take away the remembrance of Sin

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He never can be a Friend to the Human Race who is the Preacher of Natural Morality or Natural Religion. he is a flatterer who means to betray, to perpetuate Tyrant Pride \& the Laws of that Babylon which he foresees shall shortly be destroyed, with the Spiritual and not the Natural Sword: He is in the State named Rahab: which State must be put off before he can be the Friend of Man.
You O Deists profess yourselves the Enemies of Christianity: and you are so: you are also the Enemies of the Human Race \& of Universal Nature. Man is born a Spectre or Satan \& is altogether an Evil, \& requires a New Selfhood continually \& must continually be changed into his direct Contrary. But your Greek Philosophy (which is a remnant of Druidism) teaches that Man is Righteous in his Vegetated Spectre: an Opinion of fatal \& accursed consequence to Man, as the Ancients saw plainly by Revelation to the intire abrogation of

Experimental Theory. and many believed what they saw, and Prophecied of Jesus.
Man must \& will have Some Religion; if he has not the Religion of Jesus, he will have the Religion of Satan, \& will erect the Synagogue of Satan. calling the Prince of this World, God; and destroying all who do not worship Satan under the Name of God. Will any one say: Where are those who worship Satan under the Name of God! Where are they? Listen! Every Religion that Preaches

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Vengeance for Sins the Religion of the Enemy \& Avenger; and not the Forgiver of Sin, and their God is Satan, Named by the Divine Name Your Religion O Deists: Deism, is the Worship of the God of this World by the means of what you call Natural Religion and Natural Philosophy, and of Natural Morality or Self-Righteousness, the Selfish Virtues of the Natural Heart. This was the Religion of the Pharises who murderd Jesus. Deism is the same \& ends in the same.
Voltaire Rousseau Gibbon Hume. charge the Spiritually Religious with Hypocrisy! but how a Monk or a Methodist either, can be a Hypocrite: I cannot concieve. We are Men of like passions with others \& pretend not to be holier than others: therefore, when a Religious Man falls into Sin, he ought not to be calld a Hypocrite: this title is more properly to be given to a Player who falls into Sin; whose profession is Virtue \& Morality \& the making Men Self-Righteous. Foote in calling Whitefield, Hypocrite: was himself one: for Whitefield pretended not to be holier than others: but confessed his Sins before all the World; Voltaire! Rousseau! You cannot escape my charge that you are Pharisees \& Hypocrites, for you are constantly talking of the Virtues of the Human Heart, and particularly of your own, that you may accuse others \& especially the Religious, whose errors, you by this display of pretended Virtue, chiefly design to expose. Rousseau thought Men Good by Nature; he found them Evil \& found no friend. Friendship cannot exist without Forgiveness of Sins continually. The Book written by Rousseau calld his Confessions is an apology \& cloke for his sin \& not a confession. But you also charge the poor Monks \& Religious with being the causes of War: while you acquit \& flatter the Alexanders \& Caesars, the Lewis's \& Fredericks: who alone are its causes \& its actors. But the Religion of Jesus, Forgiveness of Sin, can never be the cause of a War nor of a single Martyrdom.
Those who Martyr others or who cause War are Deists, but never can be Forgivers of Sin. The Glory of Christianity is, To Conquer by Forgiveness. All the Destruction therefore, in Christian Europe as arisen from Deism, which is Natural Religion.

And Voltaire with a wracking wheel The Schools in clouds of learning rolld $\quad 1296$ Arose with War in iron \& gold.

Thou lazy Monk they sound afar ${ }^{1297}$
In vain condemning glorious War ${ }^{2298}$
And in your Cell you shall ever dwell ${ }^{1299}$
Rise War \& bind him in his Cell.

The blood. red ran from the Grey Monks side
His hands \& feet were wounded wide
His body bent, his arms \& knees
Like to the roots of ancient trees

When Satan first the black bow bent ${ }^{1300}$
And the Moral Law from the Gospel rent
He forgd the Law into a Sword
And spilld the blood of mercys Lord.

Titus! Constantine! Charlemaine! ${ }^{1301}$
O Voltaire! Rousseau! Gibbon! Vain
Your Grecian Mocks \& Roman Sword ${ }^{1302}$
Against this image of his Lord!

For a Tear is an Intellectual thing; ${ }^{1303}$
And a Sigh is the Sword of an Angel King And the bitter groan of a Martyrs woe ti304 Is an Arrow from the Almighties Bow!

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But Los, who is the Vehicular Form of strong Urthona
Wept vehemently over Albion where Thames currents spring From the rivers of Beulah; pleasant river! soft, mild, parent stream
And the roots of Albions Tree enterd the Soul of Los
As he sat before his Furnaces clothd in sackcloth of hair In gnawing pain dividing him from his Emanation; Inclosing all the Children of Los time after time.
Their Giant forms condensing into Nations \& Peoples \& Tongues

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Translucent the Furnaces, of Beryll \& Emerald immortal: And Seven-fold each within other: incomprehensible To the Vegetated Mortal Eye's perverted \& single vision The Bellows are the Animal Lungs. the hammers, the Animal Heart The Furnaces, the Stomach for Digestion; terrible their fury Like seven burning heavens rang'd from South to North

Here on the banks of the Thames, Los builded Golgonooza, Outside of the Gates of the Human Heart, beneath Beulah In the midst of the rocks of the Altars of Albion. In fears He builded it, in rage \& in fury. It is the Spiritual Fourfold London: continually building \& continually decaying desolate! In eternal labours: loud the Furnaces \& loud the Anvils Of Death thunder incessant around the flaming Couches of The Twentyfour Friends of Albion and round the awful Four For the protection of the Twelve Emanations of Albions Sons The Mystic Union of the Emanation in the Lord; Because ${ }^{1306}$ Man divided from his Emanation is a dark Spectre His Emanation is an ever-weeping melancholy Shadow But she is made receptive of Generation thro' mercy In the Potters Furnace, among the Funeral Urns of Beulah From Surrey hills, thro' Italy and Greece, to Hinnoms vale.

In Great Eternity, every particular Form gives forth or Emanates Its own peculiar Light, \& the Form is the Divine Vision And the Light is his Garment This is Jerusalem in every Man A Tent \& Tabernacle of Mutual Forgiveness Male \& Female Clothings. And Jerusalem is called Liberty among the Children of Albion

But Albion fell down a Rocky fragment from Eternity hurld By his own Spectre, who is the Reasoning Power in every Man Into his own Chaos which is the Memory between Man \& Man

The silent broodings of deadly revenge springing from the All powerful parental affection, fills Albion from head to foot Seeing his Sons assimilate with Luvah, bound in the bonds Of spiritual Hate, from which springs Sexual Love as iron chains: He tosses like a Cloud outstretchd among Jerusalems Ruins Which overspread all the Earth, he groans among his ruind porches [<image, inscribed:>
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But the Spectre like a hoar frost \& a Mildew rose over Albion Saying, I am God O Sons of Men! I am your Rational Power! Am I not Bacon \& Newton \& Locke who teach Humility to Man! Who teach Doubt \& Experiment \& my two Wings Voltaire: Rousseau. Where is that Friend of Sinners! that Rebel against my Laws!

Who teaches Belief to the Nations, \& an unknown Eternal Life Come hither into the Desart \& turn these stones to bread. Vain foolish Man! wilt thou believe without Experiment? And build a World of Phantasy upon my Great Abyss! A World of Shapes in craving lust \& devouring appetite

So spoke the hard cold constrictive Spectre he is named Arthur Constricting into Druid Rocks round Canaan Agag \& Aram \& Pharoh

Then Albion drew England into his bosom in groans \& tears But she stretchd out her starry Night in Spaces against him. like A long Serpent, in the Abyss of the Spectre which augmented The Night with Dragon wings coverd with stars \& in the Wings Jerusalem \& Vala appeard: \& above between the Wings magnificent The Divine Vision dimly appeard in clouds of blood weeping.

When those who disregard all Mortal Things, saw a Mighty-One Among the Flowers of Beulah still retain his awful strength They wonderd; checking their wild flames \& Many gathering Together into an Assembly; they said, let us go down And see these changes! Others said, If you do so prepare For being driven from our fields, what have we to do with the Dead?
To be their inferiors or superiors we equally abhor;
Superior, none we know: inferior none: all equal share
Divine Benevolence \& joy, for the Eternal Man
Walketh among us, calling us his Brothers \& his Friends:
Forbidding us that Veil which Satan puts between Eve \& Adam By which the Princes of the Dead enslave their Votaries
Teaching them to form the Serpent of precious stones \& gold To sieze the Sons of Jerusalem \& plant them in One Mans Loins To make One Family of Contraries: that Joseph may be sold

Into Egypt: for Negation; a Veil the Saviour born \& dying rends.

But others said: Let us to him who only Is, \& who Walketh among us, give decision. bring forth all your fires!

So saying, an eternal deed was done: in fiery flames The Universal Conc[l]ave raged, such thunderous sounds as never ${ }^{1307}$ Were sounded from a mortal cloud, nor on Mount Sinai old Nor in Havilah where the Cherub rolld his redounding flame.

Loud! loud! the Mountains lifted up their voices, loud the Forests Rivers thunderd against their banks, loud Winds furious fought Cities \& Nations contended in fires \& clouds \& tempests. The Seas raisd up their voices \& lifted their hands on high The Stars in their courses fought. the Sun! Moon! Heaven! Earth. Contending for Albion \& for Jerusalem his Emanation And for Shiloh, the Emanation of France \& for lovely Vala.

Then far the greatest number were about to make a Separation And they Elected Seven, calld the Seven Eyes of God; Lucifer, Molech, Elohim, Shaddai, Pahad, Jehovah, Jesus. They namd the Eighth. he came not, he hid in Albions Forests But first they said: (\& their Words stood in Chariots in array Curbing their Tygers with golden bits \& bridles of silver \& ivory)

Let the Human Organs be kept in their perfect Integrity At will Contracting into Worms, or Expanding into Gods And then behold! what are these Ulro Visions of Chastity[!] Then as the moss upon the tree: or dust upon the plow: Or as the sweat upon the labouring shoulder: or as the chaff Of the wheat-floor or as the dregs of the sweet wine-press Such are these Ulro Visions, for tho we sit down within The plowed furrow, listning to the weeping clods till we Contract or Expand Space at will: or if we raise ourselves Upon the chariots of the morning. Contracting or Expanding Time! Every one knows, we are One Family! One Man blessed for ever

Silence remaind \& every one resumd his Human Majesty And many conversed on these things as they labourd at the furrow Saying: It is better to prevent misery, than to release from misery It is better to prevent error, than to forgive the criminal: Labour well the Minute Particulars, attend to the Little-ones:

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And those who are in misery cannot remain so long If we do but our duty: labour well the teeming Earth.

They Plow'd in tears, the trumpets sounded before the golden Plow And the voices of the Living Creatures were heard in the clouds of heaven Crying: Compell the Reasoner to Demonstrate with unhewn Demonstrations Let the Indefinite be explored. and let every Man be judged By his own Works, Let all Indefinites be thrown into Demonstrations To be pounded to dust \& melted in the Furnaces of Affliction: He who would do good to another, must do it in Minute Particulars General Good is the plea of the scoundrel hypocrite flatterer: For Art \& Science cannot exist but in minutely organized Particulars And not in generalizing Demonstrations of the Rational Power. The Infinite alone resides in Definite \& Determinate Identity Establishment of Truth depends on destruction of Falshood continually On Circumcision: not on Virginity, O Reasoners of Albion

So cried they at the Plow. Albions Rock frowned above And the Great Voice of Eternity rolled above terrible in clouds Saying Who will go forth for us! \& Who shall we send before our face?

Then Los heaved his thund'ring Bellows on the Valley of Middlesex And thus he chaunted his Song: the Daughters of Albion reply.

What may Man be? who can tell! But what may Woman be?
To have power over Man from Cradle to corruptible Grave.
He who is an Infant, and whose Cradle is a Manger
Knoweth the Infant sorrow: whence it came, and where it goeth:
And who weave it a Cradle of the grass that withereth away.
This World is all a Cradle for the erred wandering Phantom:
Rock'd by Year, Month, Day \& Hour; and every two Moments Between, dwells a Daughter of Beulah, to feed the Human Vegetable Entune: Daughters of Albion. your hymning Chorus mildly! Cord of affection thrilling extatic on the iron Reel:
To the golden Loom of Love! to the moth-labourd Woof A Garment and Cradle weaving for the infantine Terror:
For fear; at entering the gate into our World of cruel
Lamentation: it flee back \& hide in Non-Entitys dark wild
Where dwells the Spectre of Albion: destroyer of Definite Form.
The Sun shall be a Scythed Chariot of Britain: the Moon; a Ship In the British Ocean! Created by Los's Hammer; measured out Into Days \& Nights \& Years \& Months. to travel with my feet Over these desolate rocks of Albion: O daughters of despair!

Rock the Cradle, and in mild melodies tell me where found What you have enwoven with so much tears \& care? so much Tender artifice: to laugh: to weep: to learn: to know; Remember! recollect! what dark befel in wintry days

O it was lost for ever! and we found it not: it came And wept at our wintry Door: Look! look! behold! Gwendolen Is become a Clod of Clay! Merlin is a Worm of the Valley!

Then Los uttered with Hammer \& Anvil: Chaunt! revoice! I mind not your laugh: and your frown I not fear! and You must my dictate obey from your gold-beam'd Looms; trill Gentle to Albions Watchman, on Albions mountains; reeccho And rock the Cradle while! Ah me! Of that Eternal Man And of the cradled Infancy in his bowels of compassion: Who fell beneath his instruments of husbandry \& became Subservient to the clods of the furrow! the cattle and even The emmet and earth-Worm are his superiors \& his lords. ${ }^{\text {t308 }}$

Then the response came warbling from trilling Looms in Albion

We Women tremble at the light therefore: hiding fearful The Divine Vision with Curtain \& Veil \& fleshly Tabernacle

Los utter'd: swift as the rattling thunder upon the mountains[:] Look back into the Church Paul! Look! Three Women around The Cross! O Albion why didst thou a Female Will Create?

And the voices of Bath \& Canterbury \& York \& Edinburgh. Cry Over the Plow of Nations in the strong hand of Albion thundering along Among the Fires of the Druid \& the deep black rethundering Waters Of the Atlantic which poured in impetuous loud loud. louder \& louder. And the Great Voice of the Atlantic howled over the Druid Altars: Weeping over his Children in Stone-henge in Maiden \& Colchester. Round the Rocky Peak of Derbyshire London Stone \& Rosamonds Bower

What is a Wife \& what is a Harlot? What is a Church? \& What Is a Theatre? are they Two \& not One? can they Exist Separate? Are not Religion \& Politics the Same Thing? Brotherhood is Religion O Demonstrations of Reason Dividing Families in Cruelty \& Pride!

But Albion fled from the Divine Vision, with the Plow of Nations enflaming The Living Creatures maddend and Albion fell into the Furrow, and The Plow went over him \& the Living was Plowed in among the Dead But his Spectre rose over the starry Plow. Albion fled beneath the Plow Till he came to the Rock of Ages. \& he took his Seat upon the Rock.

Wonder siezd all in Eternity! to behold the Divine Vision. open The Center into an Expanse, \& the Center rolled out into an Expanse.

In beauty the Daughters of Albion divide \& unite at will Naked \& drunk with blood Gwendolen dancing to the timbrel Of War: reeling up the Street of London she divides in twain ${ }^{1330}$

Among the Inhabitants of Albion. the People fall around.
The Daughters of Albion. divide \& unite in jealousy \& cruelty The Inhabitants of Albion at the Harvest \& the Vintage Feel their Brain cut round beneath the temples shrieking Bonifying into a Scull, the Marrow exuding in dismal pain They flee over the rocks bonifying: Horses: Oxen: feel the knife. And while the Sons of Albion by severe War \& Judgment, bonify The Hermaphroditic Condensations are divided by the Knife The obdurate Forms are cut asunder by jealousy \& Pity.

Rational Philosophy and Mathematic Demonstration Is divided in the intoxications of pleasure \& affection Two Contraries War against each other in fury \& blood, And Los fixes them on his Anvil, incessant his blows: He fixes them with strong blows. placing the stones \& timbers. To Create a World of Generation from the World of Death:
Dividing the Masculine \& Feminine: for the comingling
Of Albions \& Luvahs Spectres was Hermaphroditic

Urizen wrathful strode above directing the awful Building: As a Mighty Temple; delivering Form out of confusion[.]

Jordan sprang beneath its threshold bubbling from beneath Its pillars: Euphrates ran under its arches: white sails And silver oars reflect on its pillars, \& sound on its ecchoing Pavements: where walk the Sons of Jerusalem who remain Ungenerate But the revolving Sun and Moon pass thro its porticoes, Day \& night, in sublime majesty \& silence they revolve And shine glorious within! Hand \& Koban archd over the Sun

In the hot noon, as he traveld thro his journey; Hyle \& Skofield Archd over the Moon at midnight \& Los Fixd them there, With his thunderous Hammer; terrified the Spectres rage \& flee Canaan is his portico; Jordan is a fountain in his porch; A fountain of milk \& wine to relieve the traveller:
Egypt is the eight steps within. Ethiopia supports his pillars; Lybia \& the Lands unknown. are the ascent without; Within is Asia \& Greece, ornamented with exquisite art: Persia \& Media are his halls: his inmost hall is Great Tartary. China \& India \& Siberia are his temples for entertainment Poland \& Russia \& Sweden, his soft retired chambers France \& Spain \& Italy \& Denmark \& Holland \& Germany Are the temples among his pillars. Britain is Los's Forge; America North \& South are his baths of living waters.

Such is the Ancient World of Urizen in the Satanic Void Created from the Valley of Middlesex by Londons River From Stone-henge and from London Stone, from Cornwall to Cathnes The Four Zoa's rush around on all sides in dire ruin Furious in pride of Selfhood the terrible Spectres of Albion Rear their dark Rocks among the Stars of God: stupendous Works! A World of Generation continually Creating; out of The Hermaphroditic Satanic World of rocky destiny.

And formed into Four precious stones. for enterance from Beulah

For the Veil of Vala which Albion cast into the Atlantic Deep To catch the Souls of the Dead: began to Vegetate \& Petrify Around the Earth of Albion. among the Roots of his Tree This Los formed into the Gates \& mighty Wall, between the Oak Of Weeping \& the Palm of Suffering beneath Albions Tomb, Thus in process of time it became the beautiful Mundane Shell, The Habitation of the Spectres of the Dead \& the Place Of Redemption \& of awaking again into Eternity

For Four Universes round the Mundane Egg remain Chaotic One to the North; Urthona: One to the South; Urizen:
One to the East: Luvah: One to the West, Tharmas;
They are the Four Zoas that stood around the Throne Divine Verulam: London: York \& Edinburgh: their English names But when Luvah assumed the World of Urizen Southward

And Albion was slain upon his Mountains \& in his Tent. All fell towards the Center, sinking downwards in dire ruin, In the South remains a burning Fire: in the East. a Void In the West, a World of raging Waters: in the North; solid Darkness Unfathomable without end: but in the midst of these Is Built eternally the sublime Universe of Los \& Enitharmon

And in the North Gate, in the West of the North. toward Beulah Cathedrons Looms are builded. and Los's Furnaces in the South A wondrous golden Building immense with ornaments sublime Is bright Cathedrons golden Hall, its Courts Towers \& Pinnacles

And one Daughter of Los sat at the fiery Reel \& another Sat at the shining Loom with her Sisters attending round Terrible their distress \& their sorrow cannot be utterd And another Daughter of Los sat at the Spinning Wheel Endless their labour, with bitter food. void of sleep, Tho hungry they labour: they rouze themselves anxious Hour after hour labouring at the whirling Wheel Many Wheels \& as many lovely Daughters sit weeping

Yet the intoxicating delight that they take in their work Obliterates every other evil; none pities their tears Yet they regard not pity \& they expect no one to pity For they labour for life \& love, regardless of any one But the poor Spectres that they work for, always incessantly

They are mockd, by every one that passes by. they regard not They labour; \& when their Wheels are broken by scorn \& malice They mend them sorrowing with many tears \& afflictions.

Other Daughters Weave on the Cushion \& Pillow, Network fine That Rahab \& Tirzah may exist \& live \& breathe \& love Ah, that it could be as the Daughters of Beulah wish!

Other Daughters of Los, labouring at Looms less fine Create the Silk-worm \& the Spider \& the Catterpiller To assist in their most grievous work of pity \& compassion And others Create the wooly Lamb \& the downy Fowl To assist in the work: the Lamb bleats: the Sea-fowl cries Men understand not the distress \& the labour \& sorrow That in the Interior Worlds is carried on in fear \& trembling

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Weaving the shuddring fears \& loves of Albions Families Thunderous rage the Spindles of iron. \& the iron Distaff Maddens in the fury of their hands, Weaving in bitter tears The Veil of Goats-hair \& Purple \& Scarlet \& fine twined Linen

The clouds of Albions Druid Temples rage in the eastern heaven While Los sat terrified beholding Albions Spectre who is Luvah

Spreading in bloody veins in torments over Europe \& Asia; Not yet formed but a wretched torment unformed \& abyssal In flaming fire; within the Furnaces the Divine Vision appeard On Albions hills: often walking from the Furnaces in clouds And flames among the Druid Temples \& the Starry Wheels Gatherd Jerusalems Children in his arms \& bore them like A Shepherd in the night of Albion which overspread all the Earth

I gave thee liberty and life O lovely Jerusalem
And thou hast bound me down upon the Stems of Vegetation I gave thee Sheep-walks upon the Spanish Mountains Jerusalem
I gave thee Priams City and the Isles of Grecia lovely!
I gave thee Hand \& Scofield \& the Counties of Albion:
They spread forth like a lovely root into the Garden of God:
They were as Adam before me: united into One Man,
They stood in innocence \& their skiey tent reachd over Asia
To Nimrods Tower to Ham \& Canaan walking with Mizraim Upon the Egyptian Nile, with solemn songs to Grecia And sweet Hesperia even to Great Chaldea \& Tesshina Following thee as a Shepherd by the Four Rivers of Eden Why wilt thou rend thyself apart, Jerusalem?
And build this Babylon \& sacrifice in secret Groves, Among the Gods of Asia: among the fountains of pitch \& nitre Therefore thy Mountains are become barren Jerusalem!
Thy Valleys, Plains of burning sand. thy Rivers: waters of death
Thy Villages die of the Famine and thy Cities
Beg bread from house to house, lovely Jerusalem
Why wilt thou deface thy beauty \& the beauty of thy little-ones To please thy Idols, in the pretended chastities of Uncircumcision[?]
Thy Sons are lovelier than Egypt or Assyria; wherefore
Dost thou blacken their beauty by a Secluded place of rest. And a peculiar Tabernacle, to cut the integuments of beauty Into veils of tears and sorrows O lovely Jerusalem!
They have perswaded thee to this, therefore their end shall come And I will lead thee thro the Wilderness in shadow of my cloud And in my love I will lead thee, lovely Shadow of Sleeping Albion.

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This is the Song of the Lamb, sung by Slaves in evening time.

But Jerusalem faintly saw him, closd in the Dungeons of Babylon Her Form was held by Beulahs Daughters. but all within unseen She sat at the Mills, her hair unbound her feet naked Cut with the flints: her tears run down, her reason grows like The Wheel of Hand. incessant turning day \& night without rest Insane she raves upon the winds hoarse, inarticulate: All night Vala hears. she triumphs in pride of holiness To see Jerusalem deface her lineaments with bitter blows

Of despair. while the Satanic Holiness triumphd in Vala In a Religion of Chastity \& Uncircumcised Selfishness Both of the Head \& Heart \& Loins, closd up in Moral Pride.

But the Divine Lamb stood beside Jerusalem. oft she saw The lineaments Divine \& oft the Voice heard, \& oft she said:

O Lord \& Saviour, have the Gods of the Heathen pierced thee?
Or hast thou been pierced in the House of thy Friends?
Art thou alive! \& livest thou for-evermore? or art thou
Not: but a delusive shadow, a thought that liveth not. ${ }^{1311}$
Babel mocks saying, there is no God nor Son of God
That thou O Human Imagination, O Divine Body art all
A delusion. but I know thee O Lord when thou arisest upon My weary eyes even in this dungeon \& this iron mill.
The Stars of Albion cruel rise; thou bindest to sweet influences:
For thou also sufferest with me altho I behold thee not; And altho I sin \& blaspheme thy holy name, thou pitiest me; Because thou knowest I am deluded by the turning mills. And by these visions of pity \& love because of Albions death.

Thus spake Jerusalem, \& thus the Divine Voice replied.

Mild Shade of Man, pitiest thou these Visions of terror \& woe! Give forth thy pity \& love. fear not! lo I am with thee always. Only believe in me that I have power to raise from death Thy Brother who Sleepeth in Albion: fear not trembling Shade

Behold: in the Visions of Elohim Jehovah, behold Joseph \& Mary

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And be comforted O Jerusalem in the Visions of Jehovah Elohim

She looked \& saw Joseph the Carpenter in Nazareth \& Mary His espoused Wife. And Mary said, If thou put me away from thee Dost thou not murder me? Joseph spoke in anger \& fury. Should I Marry a Harlot \& an Adulteress? Mary answerd, Art thou more pure Than thy Maker who forgiveth Sins \& calls again Her that is Lost Tho She hates. he calls her again in love. I love my dear Joseph But he driveth me away from his presence. yet I hear the voice of God In the voice of my Husband. tho he is angry for a moment, he will not Utterly cast me away. if I were pure, never could I taste the sweets Of the Forgive[ne]ss of Sins! if I were holy! I never could behold the tears Of love! of him who loves me in the midst of his anger in furnace of fire.

Ah my Mary: said Joseph: weeping over \& embracing her closely in His arms: Doth he forgive Jerusalem \& not exact Purity from her who is Polluted. I heard his voice in my sleep O his Angel in my dream:

Saying, Doth Jehovah Forgive a Debt only on condition that it shall Be Payed? Doth he Forgive Pollution only on conditions of Purity That Debt is not Forgiven! That Pollution is not Forgiven Such is the Forgiveness of the Gods, the Moral Virtues of the Heathen, whose tender Mercies are Cruelty. But Jehovahs Salvation Is without Money \& without Price, in the Continual Forgiveness of Sins In the Perpetual Mutual Sacrifice in Great Eternity! for behold! There is none that liveth \& Sinneth not! And this is the Covenant Of Jehovah: If you Forgive one-another, so shall Jehovah Forgive You: That He Himself may Dwell among You. Fear not then to take To thee Mary thy Wife, for she is with Child by the Holy Ghost

Then Mary burst forth into a Song! she flowed like a River of Many Streams in the arms of Joseph \& gave forth her tears of joy Like many waters, and Emanating into gardens \& palaces upon Euphrates \& to forests \& floods \& animals wild \& tame from Gihon to Hiddekel, \& to corn fields \& villages \& inhabitants Upon Pison \& Arnon \& Jordan. And I heard the voice among The Reapers Saying, Am I Jerusalem the lost Adulteress? or am I Babylon come up to Jerusalem? And another voice answerd Saying

Does the voice of my Lord call me again? am I pure thro his Mercy And Pity. Am I become lovely as a Virgin in his sight who am Indeed a Harlot drunken with the Sacrifice of Idols does he

Call her pure as he did in the days of her Infancy when She Was cast out to the loathing of her person. The Chaldean took Me from my Cradle. The Amalekite stole me away upon his Camels Before I had ever beheld with love the Face of Jehovah; or known That there was a God of Mercy: O Mercy O Divine Humanity! O Forgiveness \& Pity \& Compassion! If I were Pure I should never Have known Thee; If I were Unpolluted I should never have Glorified thy Holiness, or rejoiced in thy great Salvation.

Mary leaned her side against Jerusalem, Jerusalem recieved The Infant into her hands in the Visions of Jehovah. Times passed on Jerusalem fainted over the Cross \& Sepulcher She heard the voice Wilt thou make Rome thy Patriarch Druid \& the Kings of Europe his Horsemen? Man in the Resurrection changes his Sexual Garments at will Every Harlot was once a Virgin: every Criminal an Infant Love!

Repose on me till the morning of the Grave. I am thy life.

Jerusalem replied. I am an outcast: Albion is dead!
I am left to the trampling foot \& the spurning heel!
A Harlot I am calld. I am sold from street to street!
I am defaced with blows \& with the dirt of the Prison!

And wilt thou become my Husband O my Lord \& Saviour?
Shall Vala bring thee forth! shall the Chaste be ashamed also?
I see the Maternal Line, I behold the Seed of the Woman!
Cainah, \& Ada \& Zillah \& Naamah Wife of Noah.
Shuahs daughter \& Tamar \& Rahab the Canaanites:
Ruth the Moabite \& Bathsheba of the daughters of Heth
Naamah the Ammonite, Zibeah the Philistine, \& Mary
These are the Daughters of Vala, Mother of the Body of death
But I thy Magdalen behold thy Spiritual Risen Body
Shall Albion arise? I know he shall arise at the Last Day!
I know that in my flesh I shall see God: but Emanations
Are weak. they know not whence they are, nor whither tend.

Jesus replied. I am the Resurrection \& the Life.
I Die \& pass the limits of possibility, as it appears
To individual perception. Luvah must be Created And Vala; for I cannot leave them in the gnawing Grave. But will prepare a way for my banished-ones to return Come now with me into the villages. walk thro all the cities.

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Tho thou art taken to prison \& judgment, starved in the streets I will command the cloud to give thee food \& the hard rock To flow with milk \& wine, tho thou seest me not a season Even a long season \& a hard journey \& a howling wilderness! Tho Valas cloud hide thee \& Luvahs fires follow thee! Only believe \& trust in me, Lo. I am always with thee!

So spoke the Lamb of God while Luvahs Cloud reddening above Burst forth in streams of blood upon the heavens \& dark night Involvd Jerusalem. \& the Wheels of Albions Sons turnd hoarse Over the Mountains \& the fires blaz'd on Druid Altars And the Sun set in Tyburns Brook where Victims howl \& cry.

But Los beheld the Divine Vision among the flames of the Furnaces Therefore he lived \& breathed in hope. but his tears fell incessant Because his Children were closd from him apart: \& Enitharmon Dividing in fierce pain: also the Vision of God was closd in clouds Of Albions Spectres, that Los in despair oft sat, \& often ponderd On Death Eternal in fierce shudders upon the mountains of Albion Walking: \& in the vales in howlings fierce, then to his Anvils Turning, anew began his labours, tho in terrible pains!

Jehovah stood among the Druids in the Valley of Annandale When the Four Zoas of Albion, the Four Living Creatures, the Cherubim Of Albion tremble before the Spectre, in the starry likeness of the Plow Of Nations. And their Names are Urizen \& Luvah \& Tharmas \& Urthona

Luvah slew Tharmas the Angel of the Tongue \& Albion brought him ${ }^{13 / 2}$
To Justice in his own City of Paris, denying the Resurrection Then Vala the Wife of Albion, who is the Daughter of Luvah Took vengeance Twelve-fold among the Chaotic Rocks of the Druids Where the Human Victims howl to the Moon \& Thor \& Friga Dance the dance of death contending with Jehovah among the Cherubim. The Chariot Wheels filled with Eyes rage along the howling Valley In the Dividing of Reuben \& Benjamin bleeding from Chesters River

The Giants \& the Witches \& the Ghosts of Albion dance with Thor \& Friga, \& the Fairies lead the Moon along the Valley of Cherubim Bleeding in torrents from Mountain to Mountain, a lovely Victim And Jehovah stood in the Gates of the Victim, \& he appeared A weeping Infant in the Gates of Birth in the midst of Heaven

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The Cities \& Villages of Albion became Rock \& Sand Unhumanized The Druid Sons of Albion \& the Heavens a Void around unfathomable No Human Form but Sexual \& a little weeping Infant pale reflected Multitudinous in the Looking Glass of Enitharmon, on all sides Around in the clouds of the Female, on Albions Cliffs of the Dead

Such the appearance in Cheviot: in the Divisions of Reuben When the Cherubim hid their heads under their wings in deep slumbers When the Druids demanded Chastity from Woman \& all was lost.

How can the Female be Chaste O thou stupid Druid Cried Los Without the Forgiveness of Sins in the merciful clouds of Jehovah And without the Baptism of Repentance to wash away Calumnies. and The Accusations of Sin that each may be Pure in their Neighbours sight O when shall Jehovah give us Victims from his Flocks \& Herds Instead of Human Victims by the Daughters of Albion \& Canaan

Then laugh'd Gwendolen \& her laughter shook the Nations \& Familys of The Dead beneath Beulah from Tyburn to Golgotha, and from Ireland to Japan. furious her Lions \& Tygers \& Wolves sport before Los on the Thames \& Medway. London \& Canterbury groan in pain

Los knew not yet what was done: he thought it was all in Vision In Visions of the Dreams of Beulah among the Daughters of Albion Therefore the Murder was put apart in the Looking-Glass of Enitharmon

He saw in Vala's hand the Druid Knife of Revenge \& the Poison Cup

Of Jealousy, and thought it a Poetic Vision of the Atmospheres Till Canaan rolld apart from Albion across the Rhine: along the Danube

And all the Land of Canaan suspended over the Valley of Cheviot From Bashan to Tyre \& from Troy to Gaza of the Amalekite And Reuben fled with his head downwards among the Caverns

Of the Mundane Shell which froze on all sides round Canaan on The vast Expanse: where the Daughters of Albion Weave the Web Of Ages \& Generations, folding \& unfolding it, like a Veil of Cherubim And sometimes it touches the Earths summits, \& sometimes spreads Abroad into the Indefinite Spectre, who is the Rational Power.

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Then All the Daughters of Albion became One before Los: even Vala! And she put forth her hand upon the Looms in dreadful howlings Till she vegetated into a hungry Stomach \& a devouring Tongue. Her Hand is a Court of Justice, her Feet: two Armies in Battle Storms \& Pestilence: in her Locks: \& in her Loins Earthquake. And Fire. \& the Ruin of Cities \& Nations \& Families \& Tongues

She cries: The Human is but a Worm, \& thou O Male: Thou art Thyself Female, a Male: a breeder of Seed: a Son \& Husband: \& Lo. The Human Divine is Womans Shadow, a Vapor in the summers heat Go assume Papal dignity thou Spectre, thou Male Harlot! Arthur Divide into the Kings of Europe in times remote O Woman-born And Woman-nourishd \& Woman-educated \& Woman-scorn'd!

Wherefore art thou living? said Los, \& Man cannot live in thy presence Art thou Vala the Wife of Albion O thou lovely Daughter of Luvah All Quarrels arise from Reasoning. the secret Murder, and The violent Man-slaughter. these are the Spectres double Cave The Sexual Death living on accusation of Sin \& judgment To freeze Love \& Innocence into the gold \& silver of the Merchant Without Forgiveness of Sin Love is Itself Eternal Death

Then the Spectre drew Vala into his bosom magnificent terrific Glittering with precious stones \& gold, with Garments of blood \& fire He wept in deadly wrath of the Spectre, in self-contradicting agony Crimson with Wrath \& green with jealousy dazling with Love And jealousy immingled \& the purple of the violet darkend deep Over the Plow of Nations thundring in the hand of Albions Spectre

A dark Hermaphrodite they stood frowning upon Londons River And the Distaff \& Spindle in the hands of Vala with the Flax of Human Miseries turnd fierce with the Lives of Men along the Valley As Reuben fled before the Daughters of Albion Taxing the Nations

Derby Peak yawnd a horrid Chasm at the Cries of Gwendolen, \& at The stamping feet of Ragan upon the flaming Treddles of her Loom That drop with crimson gore with the Loves of Albion \& Canaan Opening along the Valley of Rephaim, weaving over the Caves of Machpelah

To decide Two Worlds with a great decision: a World of Mercy, and A World of Justice: the World of Mercy for Salvation

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To cast Luvah into the Wrath, and Albion into the Pity In the Two Contraries of Humanity \& in the Four Regions.

For in the depths of Albions bosom in the eastern heaven, They sound the clarions strong! they chain the howling Captives! They cast the lots into the helmet: they give the oath of blood in Lambeth They vote the death of Luvah, \& they naild him to Albions Tree in Bath: They staind him with poisonous blue, they inwove him in cruel roots To die a death of Six thousand years bound round with vegetation The sun was black \& the moon rolld a useless globe thro Britain!

Then left the Sons of Urizen the plow \& harrow, the loom The hammer \& the chisel, \& the rule \& compasses; from London fleeing They forg'd the sword on Cheviot, the chariot of war \& the battle-ax, The trumpet fitted to mortal battle, \& the flute of summer in Annandale And all the Arts of Life. they changd into the Arts of Death in Albion.
The hour-glass contemnd because its simple workmanship.
Was like the workmanship of the plowman, \& the water wheel,
That raises water into cisterns: broken \& burnd with fire:
Because its workmanship. was like the workmanship of the shepherd.
And in their stead, intricate wheels invented, wheel without wheel:
To perplex youth in their outgoings, \& to bind to labours in Albion
Of day \& night the myriads of eternity that they may grind
And polish brass \& iron hour after hour laborious task!
Kept ignorant of its use, that they might spend the days of wisdom In sorrowful drudgery, to obtain a scanty pittance of bread: In ignorance to view a small portion \& think that All, And call it Demonstration: blind to all the simple rules of life.

Now: now the battle rages round thy tender limbs O Vala Now smile among thy bitter tears: now put on all thy beauty Is not the wound of the sword sweet! \& the broken bone delightful?
Wilt thou now smile among the scythes when the wounded groan in the field[?]
We were carried away in thousands from London; \& in tens
Of thousands from Westminster \& Marybone in ships closd up:

Chaind hand \& foot, compelld to fight under the iron whips
Of our captains; fearing our officers more than the enemy.
Lift up thy blue eyes Vala \& put on thy sapphire shoes:
O melancholy Magdalen behold the morning over Malden break;
Gird on thy flaming zone, descend into the sepulcher of Canterbury.
Scatter the blood from thy golden brow, the tears from thy silver locks:
Shake off the waters from thy wings! \& the dust from thy white garments

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Remember all thy feigned terrors on the secret couch of Lambeths Vale When the sun rose in glowing morn, with arms of mighty hosts Marching to battle who was wont to rise with Urizens harps Girt as a sower with his seed to scatter life abroad over Albion: Arise O Vala! bring the bow of Urizen: bring the swift arrows of light. How rag'd the golden horses of Urizen, compelld to the chariot of love! Compelld to leave the plow to the ox, to snuff up the winds of desolation To trample the corn fields in boastful neighings: this is no gentle harp This is no warbling brook, nor shadow of a mirtle tree: But blood and wounds and dismal cries, and shadows of the oak: And hearts laid open to the light, by the broad grizly sword: And bowels hid in hammerd steel rip'd quivering on the ground. Call forth thy smiles of soft deceit: call forth thy cloudy tears: We hear thy sighs in trumpets shrill when morn shall blood renew.

So sang the Spectre Sons of Albion round Luvahs Stone of Trial:
Mocking and deriding at the writhings of their Victim on Salisbury:
Drinking his Emanation in intoxicating bliss rejoicing in Giant dance;
For a Spectre has no Emanation but what he imbibes from decieving
A Victim! Then he becomes her Priest \& she his Tabernacle.
And his Oak Grove, till the Victim rend the woven Veil.
In the end of his sleep when Jesus calls him from his grave ${ }^{1313}$

Howling the Victims on the Druid Altars yield their souls
To the stern Warriors: lovely sport the Daughters round their Victims;
Drinking their lives in sweet intoxication. hence arose from Bath
Soft deluding odours, in spiral volutions intricately winding
Over Albions mountains, a feminine indefinite cruel delusion.
Astonishd: terrified \& in pain \& torment. Sudden they behold
Their own Parent the Emanation of their murderd Enemy
Become their Emanation and their Temple and Tabernacle
They knew not. this Vala was their beloved Mother Vala Albions Wife.

Terrified at the sight of the Victim: at his distorted sinews!
The tremblings of Vala vibrate thro' the limbs of Albions Sons:
While they rejoice over Luvah in mockery \& bitter scorn:
Sudden they become like what they behold in howlings \& deadly pain.
Spasms smite their features, sinews \& limbs: pale they look on one another.

They turn, contorted: their iron necks bend unwilling towards Luvah: their lips tremble: their muscular fibres are crampd \& smitten They become like what they behold! Yet immense in strength \& power,

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In awful pomp \& gold, in all the precious unhewn stones of Eden They build a stupendous Building on the Plain of Salisbury; with chains Of rocks round London Stone: of Reasonings: of unhewn Demonstrations In labyrinthine arches. (Mighty Urizen the Architect.) thro which The Heavens might revolve \& Eternity be bound in their chain. Labour unparallelld! a wondrous rocky World of cruel destiny Rocks piled on rocks reaching the stars: stretching from pole to pole. The Building is Natural Religion \& its Altars Natural Morality A building of eternal death: whose proportions are eternal despair Here Vala stood turning the iron Spindle of destruction From heaven to earth: howling! invisible! but not invisible Her Two Covering Cherubs afterwards named Voltaire \& Rousseau:
Two frowning Rocks: on each side of the Cove \& Stone of Torture: Frozen Sons of the feminine Tabernacle of Bacon, Newton \& Locke.
For Luvah is France: the Victim of the Spectres of Albion.

Los beheld in terror: he pour'd his loud storms on the Furnaces:
The Daughters of Albion clothed in garments of needle work Strip them off from their shoulders and bosoms, they lay aside Their garments; they sit naked upon the Stone of trial.
The Knife of flint passes over the howling Victim: his blood Gushes \& stains the fair side of the fair Daug[h]ters of Albion.
They put aside his curls; they divide his seven locks upon
His forehead: they bind his forehead with thorns of iron They put into his hand a reed, they mock: Saying: Behold The King of Canaan whose are seven hundred chariots of iron!
They take off his vesture whole with their Knives of flint:
But they cut asunder his inner garments: searching with
Their cruel fingers for his heart, \& there they enter in pomp,
In many tears; \& there they erect a temple \& an altar:
They pour cold water on his brain in front, to cause.
Lids to grow over his eyes in veils of tears: and caverns To freeze over his nostrils, while they feed his tongue from cups And dishes of painted clay. Glowing with beauty \& cruelty:
They obscure the sun \& the moon; no eye can look upon them.

Ah! alas! at the sight of the Victim, \& at sight of those who are smitten, All who see. become what they behold. their eyes are coverd With veils of tears and their nostrils \& tongues shrunk up Their ear bent outwards. as their Victim, so are they in the pangs Of unconquerable fear! amidst delights of revenge Earth-shaking!

And as their eye \& ear shrunk, the heavens shrunk away

The Divine Vision became First a burning flame, then a column Of fire, then an awful fiery wheel surrounding earth \& heaven: And then a globe of blood wandering distant in all unknown night: Afar into the unknown night the mountains fled away:
Six months of mortality; a summer: \& six months of mortality; a winter:
The Human form began to be alterd by the Daughters of Albion And the perceptions to be dissipated into the Indefinite. Becoming A mighty Polypus nam'd Albions Tree: they tie the Veins And Nerves into two knots: \& the Seed into a double knot: They look forth: the Sun is shrunk: the Heavens are shrunk Away into the far remote: and the Trees \& Mountains witherd Into indefinite cloudy shadows in darkness \& separation. By Invisible hatreds adjoind, they seem remote and separate From each other; and yet are a Mighty Polypus in the Deep! As the Misletoe grows on the Oak, so Albions Tree on Eternity: Lo! He who will not comingle in Love, must be adjoind by Hate

They look forth from Stone-henge! from the Cove round London Stone They look on one another: the mountain calls out to the mountain:
Plinlimmon shrunk away: Snowdon trembled: the mountains
Of Wales \& Scotland beheld the descending War: the routed flying:
Red run the streams of Albion: Thames is drunk with blood: As Gwendolen cast the shuttle of war: as Cambel returnd the beam. The Humber \& the Severn: are drunk with the blood of the slain: London feels his brain cut round: Edinburghs heart is circumscribed! York \& Lincoln hide among the flocks, because of the griding Knife. Worcester \& Hereford: Oxford \& Cambridge reel \& stagger, Overwearied with howling: Wales \& Scotland alone sustain the fight!
The inhabitants are sick to death: they labour to divide into Days And Nights, the uncertain Periods: and into Weeks \& Months. In vain They send the Dove \& Raven: \& in vain the Serpent over the mountains. And in vain the Eagle \& Lion over the four-fold wilderness. They return not: but generate in rocky places desolate. They return not; but build a habitation separate from Man. The Sun forgets his course like a drunken man; he hesitates, Upon the Cheselden hills, thinking to sleep on the Severn In vain: he is hurried afar into an unknown Night He bleeds in torrents of blood as he rolls thro heaven above He chokes up the paths of the sky; the Moon is leprous as snow: Trembling \& descending down seeking to rest upon high Mona: Scattering her leprous snows in flakes of disease over Albion. The Stars flee remote: the heaven is iron, the earth is sulphur, And all the mountains \& hills shrink up like a withering gourd, As the Senses of Men shrink together under the Knife of flint, In the hands of Albions Daughters, among the Druid Temples.

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> And the Twelve Daughters of Albion united in Rahab \& Tirzah A Double Female: and they drew out from the Rocky Stones Fibres of Life to Weave[,] for every Female is a Golden Loom The Rocks are opake hardnesses covering all Vegetated things And as they Wove \& Cut from the Looms in various divisions Stretching over Europe \& Asia from Ireland to Japan They divided into many lovely Daughters to be counterparts To those they Wove, for when they Wove a Male, they divided Into a Female to the Woven Male. in opake hardness They cut the Fibres from the Rocks groaning in pain they Weave; Calling the Rocks Atomic Origins of Existence; denying Eternity By the Atheistical Epicurean Philosophy of Albions Tree Such are the Feminine \& Masculine when separated from Man They call the Rocks Parents of Men, \& adore the frowning Chaos Dancing around in howling pain clothed in the bloody Veil. Hiding Albions Sons within the Veil, closing Jerusalems Sons without; to feed with their Souls the Spectres of Albion Ashamed to give Love openly to the piteous \& merciful Man Counting him an imbecile mockery: but the Warrior They adore: \& his revenge cherish with the blood of the Innocent They drink up Dan \& Gad, to feed with milk Skofeld \& Kotope They strip off Josephs Coat \& dip it in the blood of battle

Tirzah sits weeping to hear the shrieks of the dying: her Knife Of flint is in her hand: she passes it over the howling Victim The Daughters Weave their Work in loud cries over the Rock Of Horeb! still eyeing Albions Cliffs eagerly siezing \& twisting The threads of Vala \& Jerusalem running from mountain to mountain Over the whole Earth: loud the Warriors rage in Beth Peor Beneath the iron whips of their Captains \& consecrated banners Loud the Sun \& Moon rage in the conflict: loud the Stars Shout in the night of battle \& their spears grow to their hands With blood, weaving the deaths of the Mighty into a Tabernacle For Rahab \& Tirzah; till the Great Polypus of Generation coverd the Earth

In Verulam the Polypus's Head, winding around his bulk Thro Rochester, and Chichester, \& Exeter \& Salisbury, To Bristol: \& his Heart beat strong on Salisbury Plain Shooting out Fibres round the Earth, thro Gaul \& Italy And Greece, \& along the Sea of Rephaim into Judea

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To Sodom \& Gomorrha: thence to India, China \& Japan

The Twelve Daughters in Rahab \& Tirzah have circumscribd the Brain Beneath \& pierced it thro the midst with a golden pin. Blood hath staind her fair side beneath her bosom.

O thou poor Human Form! said she. O thou poor child of woe!
Why wilt thou wander away from Tirzah: why me compel to bind thee[!]
If thou dost go away from me I shall consume upon these Rocks
These fibres of thine eyes that used to beam in distant heavens
Away from me: I have bound down with a hot iron.
These nostrils that expanded with delight in morning skies I have bent downward with lead melted in my roaring furnaces
Of affliction; of love; of sweet despair; of torment unendurable My soul is seven furnaces, incessant roars the bellows
Upon my terribly flaming heart, the molten metal runs In channels thro my fiery limbs: O love! O pity! O fear! O pain! O the pangs, the bitter pangs of love forsaken Ephraim was a wilderness of joy where all my wild beasts ran The River Kanah wanderd by my sweet Manassehs side To see the boy spring into heavens sounding from my sight! Go Noah fetch the girdle of strong brass, heat it red-hot: Press it around the loins of this ever expanding cruelty Shriek not so my only love! I refuse thy joys: I drink Thy shrieks because Hand \& Hyle are cruel \& obdurate to me

O Skofield why art thou cruel? Lo Joseph is thine! to make You One: to weave you both in the same mantle of skin Bind him down Sisters bind him down on Ebal. Mount of cursing: Malah come forth from Lebanon: \& Hoglah from Mount Sinai: Come circumscribe this tongue of sweets \& with a screw of iron Fasten this ear into the rock! Milcah the task is thine Weep not so Sisters! weep not so! our life depends on this Or mercy \& truth are fled away from Shechem \& Mount Gilead Unless my beloved is bound upon the Stems of Vegetation

And thus the Warriors cry, in the hot day of Victory, in Songs.

Look: the beautiful Daughter of Albion sits naked upon the Stone Her panting Victim beside her: her heart is drunk with blood Tho her brain is not drunk with wine: she goes forth from Albion In pride of beauty: in cruelty of holiness: in the brightness

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Of her tabernacle, \& her ark \& secret place, the beautiful Daughter Of Albion, delights the eyes of the Kings. their hearts \& the Hearts of their Warriors glow hot before Thor \& Friga. O Molech! O Chemosh! O Bacchus! O Venus! O Double God of Generation The Heavens are cut like a mantle around from the Cliffs of Albion Across Europe; across Africa; in howlings \& deadly War A sheet \& veil \& curtain of blood is let down from Heaven Across the hills of Ephraim \& down Mount Olivet to The Valley of the Jebusite: Molech rejoices in heaven He sees the Twelve Daughters naked upon the Twelve Stones

Themselves condensing to rocks \& into the Ribs of a Man Lo they shoot forth in tender Nerves across Europe \& Asia Lo they rest upon the Tribes, where their panting Victims lie Molech rushes into the Kings in love to the beautiful Daughters But they frown \& delight in cruelty, refusing all other joy Bring your Offerings, your first begotten: pamperd with milk \& blood Your first born of seven years old: be they Males or Females: To the beautiful Daughters of Albion! they sport before the Kings Clothed in the sin of the Victim! blood! human blood! is the life And delightful food of the Warrior: the well fed Warriors flesh Of him who is slain in War: fills the Valleys of Ephraim with Breeding Women walking in pride \& bringing forth under green trees With pleasure, without pain, for their food is. blood of the Captive Molech rejoices thro the Land from Havilah to Shur: he rejoices In moral law \& its severe penalties: loud Shaddai \& Jehovah Thunder above: when they see the Twelve panting Victims On the Twelve Stones of Power, \& the beautiful Daughters of Albion If you dare rend their Veil with your Spear; you are healed of Love! From the Hills of Camberwell \& Wimbledon: from the Valleys
Of Walton \& Esher: from Stone-henge \& from Maldens Cove Jerusalems Pillars fall in the rendings of fierce War Over France \& Germany: upon the Rhine \& Danube Reuben \& Benjamin flee; they hide in the Valley of Rephaim Why trembles the Warriors limbs when he beholds thy beauty Spotted with Victims blood: by the fires of thy secret tabernacle And thy ark \& holy place: at thy frowns: at thy dire revenge Smitten as Uzzah of old: his armour is softend; his spear And sword faint in his hand, from Albion across Great Tartary O beautiful Daughter of Albion: cruelty is thy delight O Virgin of terrible eyes, who dwellest by Valleys of springs Beneath the Mountains of Lebanon, in the City of Rehob in Hamath Taught to touch the harp: to dance in the Circle of Warriors Before the Kings of Canaan: to cut the flesh from the Victim To roast the flesh in fire: to examine the Infants limbs

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In cruelties of holiness: to refuse the joys of love: to bring The Spies from Egypt, to raise jealousy in the bosoms of the Twelve Kings of Canaan: then to let the Spies depart to Meribah Kadesh To the place of the Amalekite; I am drunk with unsatiated love I must rush again to War: for the Virgin has frownd \& refusd Sometimes I curse \& sometimes bless thy fascinating beauty Once Man was occupied in intellectual pleasures \& energies But now my soul is harrowd with grief \& fear \& love \& desire And now I hate \& now I love \& Intellect is no more: There is no time for any thing but the torments of love \& desire The Feminine \& Masculine Shadows soft, mild \& ever varying In beauty: are Shadows now no more, but Rocks in Horeb

Then all the Males combined into One Male \& every one ${ }^{1314}$ Became a ravening eating Cancer growing in the Female A Polypus of Roots of Reasoning Doubt Despair \& Death. Going forth \& returning from Albions Rocks to Canaan: Devouring Jerusalem from every Nation of the Earth.

Envying stood the enormous Form at variance with Itself In all its Members: in eternal torment of love \& jealousy: Drivn forth by Los time after time from Albions cliffy shore, Drawing the free loves of Jerusalem into infernal bondage;
That they might be born in contentions of Chastity \& in Deadly Hate between Leah \& Rachel, Daughters of Deceit \& Fraud Bearing the Images of various Species of Contention And Jealousy \& Abhorrence \& Revenge \& deadly Murder.
Till they refuse liberty to the male; \& not like Beulah Where every Female delights to give her maiden to her husband The Female searches sea \& land for gratification to the Male Genius: who in return clothes her in gems \& gold And feeds her with the food of Eden. hence all her beauty beams
She Creates at her will a little moony night \& silence
With Spaces of sweet gardens \& a tent of elegant beauty: Closed in by a sandy desart \& a night of stars shining. And a little tender moon \& hovering angels on the wing.
And the Male gives a Time \& Revolution to her Space
Till the time of love is passed in ever varying delights
For All Things Exist in the Human Imagination
And thence in Beulah they are stolen by secret amorous theft, Till they have had Punishment enough to make them commit Crimes Hence rose the Tabernacle in the Wilderness \& all its Offerings, From Male \& Female Loves in Beulah \& their Jealousies
But no one can consummate Female bliss in Los's World without

And now the Spectres of the Dead awake in Beulah: all The Jealousies become Murderous: uniting together in Rahab A Religion of Chastity, forming a Commerce to sell Loves With Moral Law, an Equal Balance, not going down with decision Therefore the Male severe \& cruel filld with stern Revenge: Mutual Hate returns \& mutual Deceit \& mutual Fear.

Hence the Infernal Veil grows in the disobedient Female: Which Jesus rends \& the whole Druid Law removes away From the Inner Sanctuary: a False Holiness hid within the Center, For the Sanctuary of Eden. is in the Camp: in the Outline, In the Circumference: \& every Minute Particular is Holy: Embraces are Cominglings: from the Head even to the Feet; And not a pompous High Priest entering by a Secret Place.

Jerusalem pined in her inmost soul over Wandering Reuben As she slept in Beulahs Night hid by the Daughters of Beulah

And this the form of mighty Hand sitting on Albions cliffs Before the face of Albion, a mighty threatning Form.

His bosom wide \& shoulders huge overspreading wondrous Bear Three strong sinewy Necks \& Three awful \& terrible Heads Three Brains in contradictory council brooding incessantly. Neither daring to put in act its councils, fearing each-other, Therefore rejecting Ideas as nothing \& holding all Wisdom To consist. in the agreements \& disagree[me]nts of Ideas. Plotting to devour Albions Body of Humanity \& Love.

Such Form the aggregate of the Twelve Sons of Albion took; \& such Their appearance when combind: but often by birth-pangs \& loud groans They divide to Twelve: the key-bones \& the chest dividing in pain Disclose a hideous orifice; thence issuing the Giant-brood Arise as the smoke of the furnace, shaking the rocks from sea to sea. And there they combine into Three Forms, named Bacon \& Newton \& Locke, In the Oak Groves of Albion which overspread all the Earth.

Imputing Sin \& Righteousness to Individuals; Rahab Sat deep within him hid: his Feminine Power unreveal'd

Brooding Abstract Philosophy. to destroy Imagination, the Divine--Humanity A Three-fold Wonder: feminine: most beautiful: Three-fold Each within other. On her white marble \& even Neck, her Heart Inorb'd and bonified: with locks of shadowing modesty, shining Over her beautiful Female features, soft flourishing in beauty Beams mild, all love and all perfection, that when the lips Recieve a kiss from Gods or Men, a threefold kiss returns From the pressd loveliness: so her whole immortal form three-fold Three-fold embrace returns: consuming lives of Gods \& Men In fires of beauty melting them as gold \& silver in the furnace Her Brain enlabyrinths the whole heaven of her bosom \& loins To put in act what her Heart wills; O who can withstand her power Her name is Vala in Eternity: in Time her name is Rahab

The Starry Heavens all were fled from the mighty limbs of Albion

And above Albions Land was seen the Heavenly Canaan As the Substance is to the Shadow: and above Albions Twelve Sons Were seen Jerusalems Sons: and all the Twelve Tribes spreading Over Albion. As the Soul is to the Body, so Jerusalems Sons, Are to the Sons of Albion: and Jerusalem is Albions Emanation

What is Above is Within, for every-thing in Eternity is translucent: The Circumference is Within: Without, is formed the Selfish Center And the Circumference still expands going forward to Eternity. And the Center has Eternal States! these States we now explore.

And these the Names of Albions Twelve Sons, \& of his Twelve Daughters With their Districts. Hand dwelt in Selsey \& had Sussex \& Surrey And Kent \& Middlesex: all their Rivers \& their Hills, of flocks \& herds: Their Villages Towns Cities Sea-Ports Temples sublime Cathedrals; All were his Friends \& their Sons \& Daughters intermarry in Beulah For all are Men in Eternity. Rivers Mountains Cities Villages, All are Human \& when you enter into their Bosoms you walk In Heavens \& Earths; as in your own Bosom you bear your Heaven And Earth, \& all you behold, tho it appears Without it is Within In your Imagination of which this World of Mortality is but a Shadow.

Hyle dwelt in Winchester comprehending Hants Dorset Devon Cornwall. Their Villages Cities SeaPorts, their Corn fields \& Gardens spacious Palaces, Rivers \& Mountains, and between Hand \& Hyle arose Gwendolen \& Cambel who is Boadicea: they go abroad \& return

Like lovely beams of light from the mingled affections of the Brothers The Inhabitants of the whole Earth rejoice in their beautiful light.

Coban dwelt in Bath. Somerset Wiltshire Gloucestershire, Obeyd his awful voice Ignoge is his lovely Emanation; She adjoind with Gwantokes Children, soon lovely Cordella arose. Gwantoke forgave \& joyd over South Wales \& all its Mountains.

Peachey had North Wales Shropshire Cheshire \& the Isle of Man. His Emanation is Mehetabel terrible \& lovely upon the Mountains

Brertun had Yorkshire Durham Westmoreland \& his Emanation Is Ragan, she adjoind to Slade, \& produced Gonorill far beaming.

Slade had Lincoln Stafford Derby Nottingham \& his lovely Emanation Gonorill rejoices over hills \& rocks \& woods \& rivers.

Huttn had Warwick Northampton Bedford Buckingham Leicester \& Berkshire: \& his Emanation is Gwinefred beautiful

Skofeld had Ely Rutland Cambridge Huntingdon Norfolk Suffolk Hartford \& Essex: \& his Emanation is Gwinevera Beautiful, she beams towards the east, all kinds of precious stones And pearl, with instruments Of music in holy Jerusalem

Kox had Oxford Warwick Wilts: his Emanation is Estrild: Joind with Cordella she shines southward over the Atlantic.

Kotope had Hereford Stafford Worcester, \& his Emanation Is Sabrina joind with Mehetabel she shines west over America

Bowen had all Scotland, the Isles, Northumberland \& Cumberland His Emanation is Conwenna, she shines a triple form Over the north with pearly beams gorgeous \& terrible Jerusalem \& Vala rejoice in Bowen \& Conwenna.

But the Four Sons of Jerusalem that never were Generated Are Rintrah and Palamabron and Theotormon and Bromion. They Dwell over the Four Provinces of Ireland in heavenly light

But now Albion is darkened \& Jerusalem lies in ruins: Above the Mountains of Albion, above the head of Los.

And Los shouted with ceaseless shoutings \& his tears poured down His immortal cheeks, rearing his hands to heaven for aid Divine! But he spoke not to Albion: fearing lest Albion should turn his Back Against the Divine Vision: \& fall over the Precipice of Eternal Death. But he receded before Albion \& before Vala weaving the Veil With the iron shuttle of War among the rooted Oaks of Albion; Weeping \& shouting to the Lord day \& night; and his Children Wept round him as a flock silent Seven Days of Eternity

And the Thirty-two Counties of the Four Provinces of Ireland Are thus divided: The Four Counties are in the Four Camps Munster South in Reubens Gate, Connaut West in Josephs Gate Ulster North in Dans Gate, Leinster East in Judahs Gate

For Albion in Eternity has Sixteen Gates among his Pillars But the Four towards the West were Walled up \& the Twelve That front the Four other Points were turned Four Square By Los for Jerusalems sake \& called the Gates of Jerusalem Because Twelve Sons of Jerusalem fled successive thro the Gates But the Four Sons of Jerusalem who fled not but remaind Are Rintrah \& Palamabron \& Theotormon \& Bromion The Four that remain with Los to guard the Western Wall And these Four remain to guard the Four Walls of Jerusalem Whose foundations remain in the Thirty-two Counties of Ireland And in Twelve Counties of Wales, \& in the Forty Counties Of England \& in the Thirty-six Counties of Scotland

And the names of the Thirty-two Counties of Ireland are these Under Judah \& Issachar \& Zebulun are Lowth Longford Eastmeath Westmeath Dublin Kildare Kings County Queens County Wicklow Catherloh Wexford Kilkenny

And those under Reuben \& Simeon \& Levi are these
Waterford Tipperary Cork Limerick Kerry Clare
And those under Ephraim Manasseh \& Benjamin are these Galway Roscommon Mayo Sligo Leitrim
And those under Dan Asher \& Napthali are these

Donnegal Antrim Tyrone Fermanagh Armagh Londonderry Down Managhan Cavan. These are the Land of Erin

All these Center in London \& in Golgonooza. from whence They are Created continually East \& West \& North \& South And from them are Created all the Nations of the Earth Europe \& Asia \& Africa \& America, in fury Fourfold!
[<image>Continually Building. Continually Decaying because of Love \& Jealousy</image]
And Thirty-two the Nations: to dwell in Jerusalems Gates O Come ye Nations Come ye People Come up to Jerusalem Return Jerusalem \& dwell together as of old! Return Return! O Albion let Jerusalem overspread all Nations As in the times of old! O Albion awake! Reuben wanders The Nations wait for Jerusalem. they look up for the Bride

France Spain Italy Germany Poland Russia Sweden Turkey Arabia Palestine Persia Hindostan China Tartary Siberia Egypt Lybia Ethiopia Guinea Caffraria Negroland Morocco Congo Zaara Canada Greenland Carolina Mexico Peru Patagonia Amazonia Brazil. Thirty-two Nations And under these Thirty-two Classes of Islands in the Ocean All the Nations Peoples \& Tongues throughout all the Earth

And the Four Gates of Los surround the Universe Within and Without; \& whatever is visible in the Vegetable Earth, the same Is visible in the Mundane Shell; reversd in mountain \& vale And a Son of Eden was set over each Daughter of Beulah to guard In Albions Tomb the wondrous Creation: \& the Four-fold Gate Towards Beulah is to the South[.] Fenelon, Guion, Teresa, Whitefield \& Hervey, guard that Gate; with all the gentle Souls Who guide the great Wine-press of Love; Four precious stones that Gate:
[<image><reversed writing>Women the comforters of Men become the Tormentors \& Punishers</reversed writing></image>] ${ }^{\text {t3 }}$

Such are Cathedrons golden Halls: in the City of Golgonooza

And Los's Furnaces howl loud; living: self-moving: lamenting
With fury \& despair, \& they stretch from South to North

Thro all the Four Points: Lo! the Labourers at the Furnaces Rintrah \& Palamabron, Theotormon \& Bromion, loud labring With the innumerable multitudes of Golgonooza, round the Anvils Of Death. But how they came forth from the Furnaces \& how long Vast \& severe the anguish eer they knew their Father; were Long to tell \& of the iron rollers, golden axle-trees \& yokes Of brass, iron chains \& braces \& the gold, silver \& brass Mingled or separate: for swords; arrows; cannons; mortars The terrible ball: the wedge: the loud sounding hammer of destruction The sounding flail to thresh: the winnow: to winnow kingdoms The water wheel \& mill of many innumerable wheels resistless Over the Four fold Monarchy from Earth to the Mundane Shell.

Perusing Albions Tomb in the starry characters of Og \& Anak:
To Create the lion \& wolf the bear: the tyger \& ounce:
To Create the wooly lamb \& downy fowl \& scaly serpent The summer \& winter: day \& night: the sun \& moon \& stars The tree: the plant: the flower: the rock: the stone: the metal: Of Vegetative Nature: by their hard restricting condensations.

Where Luvahs World of Opakeness grew to a period: It Became a Limit, a Rocky hardness without form \& void Accumulating without end: here Los. who is of the Elohim Opens the Furnaces of affliction in the Emanation Fixing The Sexual into an ever-prolific Generation Naming the Limit of Opakeness Satan \& the Limit of Contraction Adam, who is Peleg \& Joktan: \& Esau \& Jacob: \& Saul \& David

Voltaire insinuates that these Limits are the cruel work of God Mocking the Remover of Limits \& the Resurrection of the Dead Setting up Kings in wrath: in holiness of Natural Religion Which Los with his mighty Hammer demolishes time on time In miracles \& wonders in the Four-fold Desart of Albion Permanently Creating to be in Time Reveald \& Demolishd Satan Cain Tubal Nimrod Pharoh Priam Bladud Belin Arthur Alfred the Norman Conqueror Richard John [Edward Henry Elizabeth James Charles William George] ${ }^{1316}$ And all the Kings \& Nobles of the Earth \& all their Glories These are Created by Rahab \& Tirzah in Ulro: but around

These, to preserve them from Eternal Death Los Creates Adam Noah Abraham Moses Samuel David Ezekiel [Pythagoras Socrates Euripedes Virgil Dante Milton] ${ }^{1317}$

Dissipating the rocky forms of Death, by his thunderous Hammer As the Pilgrim passes while the Country permanent remains So Men pass on: but States remain permanent for ever

The Spectres of the Dead howl round the porches of Los In the terrible Family feuds of Albions cities \& villages To devour the Body of Albion, hungring \& thirsting \& ravning The Sons of Los clothe them \& feed, \& provide houses \& gardens And every Human Vegetated Form in its inward recesses Is a house of ple[as]antness \& a garden of delight Built by the Sons \& Daughters of Los in Bowlahoola \& in Cathedron

From London to York \& Edinburgh the Furnaces rage terrible Primrose Hill is the mouth of the Furnace \& the Iron Door;

The Four Zoa's clouded rage; Urizen stood by Albion With Rintrah and Palamabron and Theotormon and Bromion These Four are Verulam \& London \& York \& Edinburgh And the Four Zoa's are Urizen \& Luvah \& Tharmas \& Urthona In opposition deadly, and their Wheels in poisonous And deadly stupor turn'd against each other loud \& fierce Entering into the Reasoning Power, forsaking Imagination They became Spectres; \& their Human Bodies were reposed In Beulah, by the Daughters of Beulah with tears \& lamentations The Spectre is the Reasoning Power in Man; \& when separated From Imagination, and closing itself as in steel, in a Ratio Of the Things of Memory. It thence frames Laws \& Moralities To destroy Imagination! the Divine Body, by Martyrdoms \& Wars

Teach me O Holy Spirit the Testimony of Jesus! let me Comprehend wonderous things out of the Divine Law I behold Babylon in the opening Street of London, I behold Jerusalem in ruins wandering about from house to house This I behold the shudderings of death attend my steps I walk up and down in Six Thousand Years: their Events are present before me To tell how Los in grief \& anger, whirling round his Hammer on high
Drave the Sons \& Daughters of Albion from their ancient mountains They became the Twelve Gods of Asia Opposing the Divine Vision

The Sons of Albion are Twelve: the Sons of Jerusalem Sixteen I tell how Albions Sons by Harmonies of Concords \& Discords Opposed to Melody, and by Lights \& Shades, opposed to Outline

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By cruel Laws divided Sixteen into Twelve Divisions How Hyle roofd Los in Albions Cliffs by the Affections rent Asunder \& opposed to Thought, to draw Jerusalems Sons Into the Vortex of his Wheels. therefore Hyle is called Gog Age after age drawing them away towards Babylon Babylon, the Rational Morality deluding to death the little ones In strong temptations of stolen beauty; I tell how Reuben slept On London Stone \& the Daughters of Albion ran around admiring His awful beauty: with Moral Virtue the fair deciever; offspring Of Good \& Evil, they divided him in love upon the Thames \& sent Him over Europe in streams of gore out of Cathedrons Looms How Los drave them from Albion \& they became Daughters of Canaan Hence Albion was calld the Canaanite \& all his Giant Sons. Hence is my Theme. O Lord my Saviour open thou the Gates And I will lead forth thy Words, telling how the Daughters Cut the Fibres of Reuben, how he rolld apart \& took Root In Bashan, terror-struck Albions Sons look toward Bashan They have divided Simeon he also rolld apart in blood Over the Nations till he took Root beneath the shining Looms Of Albions Daughters in Philistea by the side of Amalek They have divided Levi: he hath shot out into Forty eight Roots Over the Land of Canaan: they have divided Judah He hath took Root in Hebron, in the Land of Hand \& Hyle Dan: Napthali: Gad: Asher: Issachar: Zebulun: roll apart From all the Nations of the Earth to dissipate into Non Entity

I see a Feminine Form arise from the Four terrible Zoas Beautiful but terrible struggling to take a form of beauty Rooted in Shechem: this is Dinah, the youthful form of Erin The Wound I see in South Molton S[t]reet \& Stratford place Whence Joseph \& Benjamin rolld apart away from the Nations In vain they rolld apart; they are fixd into the Land of Cabul

And Rahab Babylon the Great hath destroyed Jerusalem Bath stood upon the Severn with Merlin \& Bladud \& Arthur The Cup of Rahab in his hand: her Poisons Twenty-seven-fold

And all her Twenty-seven Heavens now hid \& now reveal'd Appear in strong delusive light of Time \& Space drawn out In shadowy pomp by the Eternal Prophet created evermore

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For Los in Six Thousand Years walks up \& down continually That not one Moment of Time be lost \& every revolution Of Space he makes permanent in Bowlahoola \& Cathedron.

And these the names of the Twenty-seven Heavens \& their Churches Adam, Seth, Enos, Cainan, Mahalaleel, Jared, Enoch,

Methuselah, Lamech; these are the Giants mighty, Hermaphroditic Noah, Shem, Arphaxad, Cainan the Second, Salah, Heber, Peleg, Reu, Serug, Nahor, Terah: these are the Female Males: A Male within a Female hid as in an Ark \& Curtains. Abraham, Moses, Solomon, Paul, Constantine, Charlemaine, Luther. these Seven are the Male Females: the Dragon Forms The Female hid within a Male: thus Rahab is reveald Mystery Babylon the Great: the Abomination of Desolation Religion hid in War: a Dragon red, \& hidden Harlot But Jesus breaking thro' the Central Zones of Death \& Hell Opens Eternity in Time \& Space; triumphant in Mercy

Thus are the Heavens formd by Los within the Mundane Shell And where Luther ends Adam begins again in Eternal Circle To awake the Prisoners of Death; to bring Albion again With Luvah into light eternal, in his eternal day.

But now the Starry Heavens are fled from the mighty limbs of Albion To the Christians.

Devils are I give you the end of a golden string, ${ }^{1319}$
False Religions Only wind it into a ball:
"Saul Saul" It will lead you in at Heavens gate,
"Why persecutest thou me." Built in Jerusalems wall.

We are told to abstain from fleshly desires that we may lose no time from the Work of the Lord. Every moment lost, is a moment that cannot be redeemed every pleasure that intermingles with the duty of our station is a folly unredeemable \& is planted like the seed of a wild flower among our wheat. All the tortures of repentance. are tortures of self-reproach on account of our leaving the Divine Harvest to the Enemy, the struggles of intanglement with incoherent roots. I know of no other Christianity and of no other Gospel than the liberty both of body

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\& mind to exercise the Divine Arts of Imagination.
Imagination the real \& eternal World of which this Vegetable Universe is but a faint shadow \& in which we shall live in our Eternal or Imaginative Bodies, when these Vegetable Mortal Bodies are no more. The Apostles knew of no other Gospel. What were all their spiritual gifts? What is the Divine Spirit? is the Holy Ghost an other than an Intellectual Fountain? What is the Harvest of the Gospel \& its Labours? What is that Talent which it is a curse to hide? What are the Treasures of Heaven which we are to lay up for ourselves, are they any other than Mental Studies \& Performances? What are all the Gifts. of the Gospel, are they not all Mental Gifts? Is God a Spirit who must be worshipped in Spirit \& in Truth and are not the Gifts of the Spirit Every-thing to Man? O ye Religious discountenance every one among
you who shall pretend to despise Art \& Science! I call upon you in the Name of Jesus! What is the Life of Man but Art \& Science? is it Meat \& Drink? is not the Body more than Raiment? What is Mortality but the things relating to the Body, which Dies? What is Immortality but the things relating to the Spirit, which Lives Eternally! What is the joy of Heaven but Improvement in the things of the Spirit? What are the Pains of Hell but Ignorance, Bodily Lust, Idleness \& devastation of the things of the Spirit[?] Answer this to yourselves, \& expel from among you those who pretend to despise the labours of Art \& Science, which alone are the labours of the Gospel: Is not this plain \& manifest to the thought? Can you think at all \& not pronounce heartily! That to Labour in Knowledge. is to Build up Jerusalem: and to Despise Knowledge, is to Despise Jerusalem \& her Builders. And remember: He who despises \& mocks a Mental Gift in another; calling it pride \& selfishness \& sin; mocks Jesus the giver of every Mental Gift, which always appear to the ignorance-loving Hypocrite, as Sins. but that which is a Sin in the sight of cruel Man, is not so in the sight of our kind God. Let every Christian as much as in him lies engage himself openly \& publicly before all the World in some Mental pursuit for the Building up of Jerusalem

I stood among my valleys of the south
And saw a flame of fire, even as a Wheel
Of fire surrounding all the heavens: it went
From west to cast against the current of Creation and devourd all things in its loud
Fury \& thundering course round heaven \& earth

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By it the Sun was rolld into an orb: By it the Moon faded into a globe,

Travelling thro the night: for from its dire And restless fury, Man himself shrunk up Into a little root a fathom long. And I asked a Watcher \& a Holy-One Its Name? he answerd. It is the Wheel of Religion I wept \& said. Is this the law of Jesus This terrible devouring sword turning every way He answerd; Jesus died because he strove Against the current of this Wheel: its Name Is Caiaphas, the dark Preacher of Death Of sin, of sorrow, \& of punishment; Opposing Nature! It is Natural Religion But Jesus is the bright Preacher of Life Creating Nature from this fiery Law, By self-denial \& forgiveness of Sin.

Go therefore, cast out devils in Christs name Heal thou the sick of spiritual disease Pity the evil, for thou art not sent To smite with terror \& with punishments Those that are sick, like the Pharisees Crucifying \&,encompassing sea \& land For proselytes to tyranny \& wrath, But to the Publicans \& Harlots go!
Teach them True Happiness, but let no curse
Go forth out of thy mouth to blight their peace
For Hell is opend to heaven; thine eyes beheld
The dungeons burst $\&$ the Prisoners set free.

England! awake! awake! awake!
Jerusalem thy Sister calls!
Why wilt thou sleep the sleep of death?
And close her from thy ancient walls.

Thy hills \& valleys felt her feet,
Gently upon their bosoms move:
Thy gates beheld sweet Zions ways;
Then was a time of joy and love.

And now the time returns again:
Our souls exult \& Londons towers, Recieve the Lamb of God to dwell In Englands green \& pleasant bowers.
[The Real Self[hood] in the is the ?Imagination Divine ?Man] ${ }^{1320}$

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The Spectres of Albions Twelve Sons revolve mightily Over the Tomb \& over the Body: ravning to devour The Sleeping Humanity. Los with his mace of iron Walks round: loud his threats, loud his blows fall On the rocky Spectres, as the Potter breaks the potsherds; Dashing in pieces Self-righteousnesses: driving them from Albions Cliffs: dividing them into Male \& Female forms in his Furnaces And on his Anvils: lest they destroy the Feminine Affections They are broken. Loud howl the Spectres in his iron Furnace

While Los laments at his dire labours, viewing Jerusalem, Sitting before his Furnaces clothed in sackcloth of hair; Albions Twelve Sons surround the Forty-two Gates of Erin,

In terrible armour, raging against the Lamb \& against Jerusalem, Surrounding them with armies to destroy the Lamb of God. They took their Mother Vala, and they crown'd her with gold: They namd her Rahab, \& gave her power over the Earth The Concave Earth round Golgonooza in Entuthon Benython, Even to the stars exalting her Throne, to build beyond the Throne Of God and the Lamb, to destroy the Lamb \& usurp the Throne of God Drawing their Ulro Voidness round the Four-fold Humanity

Naked Jerusalem lay before the Gates upon Mount Zion
The Hill of Giants, all her foundations levelld with the dust!

Her Twelve Gates thrown down: her children carried into captivity Herself in chains: this from within was seen in a dismal night Outside, unknown before in Beulah, \& the twelve gates were fill'd With blood; from Japan eastward to the Giants causway, west In Erins Continent: and Jerusalem wept upon Euphrates banks

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Disorganizd; an evanescent shade, scarce seen or heard among Her childrens Druid Temples dropping with blood wanderd weeping! And thus her voice went forth in the darkness of Philisthea.

My brother \& my father are no more! God hath forsaken me The arrows of the Almighty pour upon me \& my children I have sinned and am an outcast from the Divine Presence!

My tents are fall'n! My pillars are in ruins! my children dashd Upon Egypts iron floors, \& the marble pavements of Assyria; I melt my soul in reasonings among the towers of Heshbon; Mount Zion is become a cruel rock \& no more dew Nor rain: no more the spring of the rock appears: but cold Hard \& obdurate are the furrows of the mountain of wine \& oil: The mountain of blessing is itself a curse \& an astonishment: The hills of Judea are fallen with me into the deepest hell Away from the Nations of the Earth, \& from the Cities of the Nations; I walk to Ephraim. I seek for Shiloh: I walk like a lost sheep Among precipices of despair: in Goshen I seek for light In vain: and in Gilead for a physician and a comforter. Goshen hath followd Philistea: Gilead hath joind with Og! They are become narrow places in a little and dark land: How distant far from Albion! his hills \& his valleys no more Recieve the feet of Jerusalem: they have cast me quite away: And Albion is himself shrunk to a narrow rock in the midst of the sea!
The plains of Sussex \& Surrey, their hills of flocks \& herds No more seek to Jerusalem nor to the sound of my Holy-ones. The Fifty-two Counties of England are hardend against me As if I was not their Mother, they despise me \& cast me out London coverd the whole Earth. England encompassd the Nations:

And all the Nations of the Earth were seen in the Cities of Albion: My pillars reachd from sea to sea: London beheld me come From my east \& from my west; he blessed me and gave His children to my breasts, his sons \& daughters to my knees His aged parents sought me out in every city \& village:
They discernd my countenance with joy! they shewd me to their sons
Saying Lo Jerusalem is here! she sitteth in our secret chambers
Levi and Judah \& Issachar: Ephra[i]m, Manesseh, Gad and Dan
Are seen in our hills \& valleys: they keep our flocks \& herds:
They watch them in the night: and the Lamb of God appears among us.
The river Severn stayd his course at my command:
Thames poured his waters into my basons and baths:
Medway mingled with Kishon: Thames recievd the heavenly Jordan

Albion gave me to the whole Earth to walk up \& down; to pour Joy upon every mountain; to teach songs to the shepherd \& plowman I taught the ships of the sea to sing the songs of Zion.
Italy saw me, in sublime astonishment: France was wholly mine:
As my garden \& as my secret bath; Spain was my heavenly couch:
I slept in his golden hills: the Lamb of God met me there.
There we walked as in our secret chamber among our little ones They looked upon our loves with joy: they beheld our secret joys:
With holy raptures of adoration rapd sublime in the Visions of God:
Germany; Poland \& the North wooed my footsteps they found My gates in all their mountains \& my curtains in all their vales The furniture of their houses was the furniture of my chamber Turkey \& Grecia saw my instr[u]ments of music, they arose They siezd the harp: the flute: the mellow horn of Jerusalems joy They sounded thanksgivings in my courts: Egypt \& Lybia heard The swarthy sons of Ethiopia stood round the Lamb of God Enquiring for Jerusalem: he led them up my steps to my altar: And thou America! I once beheld thee but now behold no more Thy golden mountains where my Cherubim \& Seraphim rejoicd Together among my little-ones. But now, my Altars run with blood! My fires are corrupt! my incense is a cloudy pestilence Of seven diseases! Once a continual cloud of salvation. rose From all my myriads; once the Four-fold World rejoicd among The pillars of Jerusalem, between my winged Cherubim: But now I am closd out from them in the narrow passages Of the valleys of destruction, into a dark land of pitch \& bitumen. From Albions Tomb afar and from the four-fold wonders of God Shrunk to a narrow doleful form in the dark land of Cabul; There is Reuben \& Gad \& Joseph \& Judah \& Levi, closd up In narrow vales: I walk \& count the bones of my beloveds Along the Valley of Destruction, among these Druid Temples Which overspread all the Earth in patriarchal pomp \& cruel pride

Tell me O Vala thy purposes; tell me wherefore thy shuttles Drop with the gore of the slain; why Euphrates is red with blood Wherefore in dreadful majesty \& beauty outside appears Thy Masculine from thy Feminine hardening against the heavens To devour the Human! Why dost thou weep upon the wind among These cruel Druid Temples: O Vala! Humanity is far above Sexual organization; \& the Visions of the Night of Beulah Where Sexes wander in dreams of bliss among the Emanations Where the Masculine \& Feminine are nurs'd into Youth \& Maiden By the tears \& smiles of Beulahs Daughters till the time of Sleep is past. Wherefore then do you realize these nets of beauty \& delusion In open day to draw the souls of the Dead into the light.

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Till Albion is shut out from every Nation under Heaven.

Encompassd by the frozen Net and by the rooted Tree I walk weeping in pangs of a Mothers torment for her Children:
I walk in affliction: I am a worm, and no living soul!
A worm going to eternal torment! raisd up in a night
To an eternal night of pain, lost! lost! lost! for ever!

Beside her Vala howld upon the winds in pride of beauty Lamenting among the timbrels of the Warriors: among the Captives
In cruel holiness, and her lamenting songs were from Arnon
And Jordan to Euphrates. Jerusalem followd trembling
Her children in captivity. listening to Valas lamentation
In the thick cloud $\&$ darkness. \& the voice went forth from The cloud. O rent in sunder from Jerusalem the Harlot daughter!
In an eternal condemnation in fierce burning flames Of torment unendurable: and if once a Delusion be found Woman must perish \& the Heavens of Heavens remain no more

My Father gave to me command to murder Albion In unreviving Death; my Love, my Luvah orderd me in night To murder Albion the King of Men. he fought in battles fierce He conquerd Luvah my beloved: he took me and my Father He slew them: I revived them to life in my warm bosom He saw them issue from my bosom, dark in Jealousy He burnd before me: Luvah framd the Knife \& Luvah gave The Knife into his daughters hand! such thing was never known Before in Albions land, that one should die a death never to be reviv'd! For in our battles we the Slain men view with pity and love:
We soon revive them in the secret of our tabernacles
But I Vala, Luvahs daughter, keep his body embalmd in moral laws
With spices of sweet odours of lovely jealous stupefaction:
Within my bosom, lest he arise to life \& slay my Luvah Pity me then O Lamb of God! O Jesus pity me! Come into Luvahs Tents, and seek not to revive the Dead!

So sang she: and the Spindle turnd furious as she sang:
The Children of Jerusalem the Souls of those who sleep Were caught into the flax of her Distaff, \& in her Cloud To weave Jerusalem a body according to her will A Dragon form on Zion Hills most ancient promontory

The Spindle turnd in blood \& fire: loud sound the trumpets Of war: the cymbals play loud before the Captains
With Cambel \& Gwendolen in dance and solemn song The Cloud of Rahab vibrating with the Daughters of Albion Los saw terrified, melted with pity \& divided in wrath He sent them over the narrow seas in pity and love Among the Four Forests of Albion which overspread all the Earth They go forth \& return swift as a flash of lightning. Among the tribes of warriors: among the Stones of power! Against Jerusalem they rage thro all the Nations of Europe Thro Italy \& Grecia, to Lebanon \& Persia \& India.

The Serpent Temples thro the Earth, from the wide Plain of Salisbury Resound with cries of Victims, shouts \& songs \& dying groans And flames of dusky fire, to Amalek, Canaan and Moab[.] And Rahab like a dismal and indefinite hovering Cloud Refusd to take a definite form. she hoverd over all the Earth Calling the definite, sin: defacing every definite form; Invisible, or Visible, stretch'd out in length or spread in breadth: Over the Temples drinking groans of victims weeping in pity, And joying in the pity, howling over Jerusalems walls.

Hand slept on Skiddaws top: drawn by the love of beautiful Cambel: his bright beaming Counterpart, divided from him And her delusive light beamd fierce above the Mountain, Soft: invisible: drinking his sighs in sweet intoxication: Drawing out fibre by fibre: returning to Albions Tree At night: and in the morning to Skiddaw; she sent him over Mountainous Wales into the Loom of Cathedron fibre by fibre: He ran in tender nerves across Europe to Jerusalems Shade, To weave Jerusalem a Body repugnant to the Lamb.

Hyle on East Moor in rocky Derbyshire, rav'd to the Moon For Gwendolen: she took up in bitter tears his anguishd heart, That apparent to all in Eternity, glows like the Sun in the breast: She hid it his his ribs \& back: she hid his tongue with teeth In terrible convulsions pitying \& gratified drunk with pity Glowing with loveliness before him, becoming apparent According to his changes: she roll'd his kidneys round Into two irregular forms: and looking on Albions dread Tree, She wove two vessels of seed, beautiful as Skiddaws snow; Giving them bends of self interest \& selfish natural virtue:

She hid them in his loins; raving he ran among the rocks, Compelld into a shape of Moral Virtue against the Lamb. The invisible lovely one giving him a form according to His Law a form against the Lamb of God opposd to Mercy And playing in the thunderous Loom in sweet intoxication Filling cups of silver \& crystal with shrieks \& cries, with groans And dolorous sobs: the wine of lovers in the Wine-press of Luvah

O sister Cambel said Gwendolen, as their long beaming light Mingled above the Mountain[:] what shall we do to keep These awful forms in our soft bands: distracted with trembling

I have mockd those who refused cruelty \& I have admired The cruel Warrior. I have refused to give love to Merlin the piteous. He brings to me the Images of his Love \& I reject in chastity And turn them out into the streets for Harlots to be food To the stern Warrior. I am become perfect in beauty over my Warrior For Men are caught by Love: Woman is caught by Pride That Love may only be obtaind in the passages of Death. [<image><reversed writing>In Heaven the only Art of Living / Is Forgetting \& Forgiving / Especially to the Female / But if you on Earth Forgive / You shall not find where to Live</reversed writing>] ${ }^{1321}$

Let us look! let us examine! is the Cruel become an Infant Or is he still a cruel Warrior? look Sisters, look! O piteous I have destroyd Wandring Reuben who strove to bind my Will I have stripd off Josephs beautiful integument for my Beloved, The Cruel-one of Albion: to clothe him in gems of my Zone I have Named him Jehovah of Hosts. Humanity is become A weeping Infant in ruind lovely Jerusalems folding Cloud: In Heaven Love begets Love! but Fear is the Parent of Earthly Love! ${ }^{1322}$ And he who will not bend to Love must be subdud by Fear,

I have heard Jerusalems groans; from Valas cries \& lamentations
I gather our eternal fate: Outcasts from life and love:
Unless we find a way to bind these awful Forms to our Embrace we shall perish annihilate, discoverd our Delusions. Look I have wrought without delusion: Look! I have wept! And given soft milk mingled together with the spirits of flocks Of lambs and doves, mingled together in cups and dishes Of painted clay; the mighty Hyle is become a weeping infant; Soon shall the Spectres of the Dead follow my weaving threads.

The Twelve Daughters of Albion attentive listen in secret shades On Cambridge and Oxford beaming soft uniting with Rahabs cloud While Gwendolen spoke to Cambel turning soft the spinning reel: Or throwing the wingd shuttle; or drawing the cords with softest songs The golden cords of the Looms animate beneath their touches soft, Along the Island white, among the Druid Temples, while Gwendolen Spoke to the Daughters of Albion standing on Skiddaws top.

So saying she took a Falshood \& hid it in her left hand:
To entice her Sisters away to Babylon on Euphrates. And thus she closed her left hand and utterd her Falshood: Forgetting that Falshood is prophetic, she hid her hand behind her, Upon her back behind her loins \& thus utterd her Deceit.

I heard Enitharmon say to Los: Let the Daughters of Albion Be scatterd abroad and let the name of Albion be forgotten: Divide them into three; name them Amalek Canaan \& Moab: Let Albion remain a desolation without an inhabitant: And let the Looms of Enitharmon \& the Furnaces of Los Create Jerusalem, \& Babylon \& Egypt \& Moab \& Amalek, And Helle \& Hesperia \& Hindostan \& China \& Japan.
But hide America, for a Curse an Altar of Victims \& a Holy Place. See Sisters Canaan is pleasant, Egypt is as the Garden of Eden: Babylon is our chief desire, Moab our bath in summer: Let us lead the stems of this Tree let us plant it before Jerusalem To judge the Friend of Sinners to death without the Veil: To cut her off from America, to close up her secret Ark: And the fury of Man exhaust in War! Woman permanent remain

See how the fires of our loins point eastward to Babylon Look. Hyle is become an infant Love: look! behold! see him lie! Upon my bosom. look! here is the lovely wayward form That gave me sweet delight by his torments beneath my Veil; By the fruit of Albions Tree I have fed him with sweet milk By contentions of the mighty for Sacrifice of Captives; Humanity the Great Delusion: is changd to War \& Sacrifice: I have naild his hands on Beth Rabbim \& his [feet] on Heshbons Wall: ${ }^{1324}$ O that I could live in his sight: O that I could bin him to my arm. So saying: She drew aside her Veil from Mam-Tor to Dovedale Discovering her own perfect beauty to the Daughters of Albion And Hyle a winding Worm beneath [her Loom upon the scales. Hyle was become a winding Worm:] \& not a weeping Infant.

Trembling \& pitying she screamd \& fled upon the wind: Hyle was a winding Worm and herself perfect in beauty: The desarts tremble at his wrath: they shrink themselves in fear.

Cambel trembled with jealousy: she trembled! she envied! The envy ran thro Cathedrons Looms into the Heart Of mild Jerusalem, to destroy the Lamb of God. Jerusalem Languishd upon Mount Olivet, East of mild Zions Hill.

Los saw the envious blight above his Seventh Furnace On Londons Tower on the Thames: he drew Cambel in wrath, Into his thundering Bellows, heaving it for a loud blast! And with the blast of his Furnace upon fishy Billingsgate, Beneath Albions fatal Tree, before the Gate of Los: Shewd her the fibres of her beloved to ameliorate The envy; loud she labourd in the Furnace of fire, To form the mighty form of Hand according to her will. In the Furnaces of Los \& in the Wine-press treading day \& night Naked among the human clusters: bringing wine of anguish To feed the afflicted in the Furnaces: she minded not The raging flames, tho she returnd [consumd day after day A redning skeleton in howling woe:] instead of beauty Defo[r]mity: she gave her beauty to another: bearing abroad Her struggling torment in her iron arms: and like a chain, Binding his wrists \& ankles with the iron arms of love.

Gwendolen saw the Infant in her siste[r]s arms; she howld Over the forests with bitter tears, and over the winding Worm Repentant: and she also in the eddying wind of Los's Bellows Began her dolorous task of love in the Wine-press of Luvah o form the Worm into a form of love by tears \& pain. The Sisters saw! trembling ran thro their Looms! soften[in]g mild Towards London: then they saw the Furna[c]es opend, \& in tears Began to give their souls away in the Furna[c]es of affliction.

Los saw \& was comforted at his Furnaces uttering thus his voice.

I know I am Urthona keeper of the Gates of Heaven, And that I can at will expatiate in the Gardens of bliss; But pangs of love draw me down to my loins which are Become a fountain of veiny pipes: O Albion! my brother!

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Corruptibility appears upon thy limbs, and never more ${ }^{1325}$
Can I arise and leave thy side, but labour here incessant Till thy awaking! yet alas I shall forget Eternity!
Against the Patriarchal pomp and cruelty, labouring incessant
I shall become an Infant horror. Enion! Tharmas! friends
Absorb me not in such dire grief: O Albion, my brother!
Jerusalem hungers in the desart! affection to her children!
The scorn'd and contemnd youthful girl, where shall she fly?
Sussex shuts up her Villages. Hants, Devon \& Wilts
Surrounded with masses of stone in orderd forms, determine then
A form for Vala and a form for Luvah, here on the Thames
Where the Victim nightly howls beneath the Druids knife:
A Form of Vegetation, nail them down on the stems of Mystery:
O when shall the Saxon return with the English his redeemed brother!
O when shall the Lamb of God descend among the Reprobate!
I woo to Amalek to protect my fugitives[.] Amalek trembles:
I call to Canaan \& Moab in my night watches, they mourn:
They listen not to my cry, they rejo[i]ce among their warriors
Woden and Thor and Friga wholly consume my Saxons:
On their enormous Altars built in the terrible north:
From Irelands rocks to Scandinavia Persia and Tartary:
From the Atlantic Sea to the universal Erythrean.
Found ye London! enormous City! weeps thy River?
Upon his parent bosom lay thy little ones O Land
Forsaken. Surrey and Sussex are Enitharmons Chamber.
Where I will build her a Couch of repose \& my pillars
Shall surround her in beautiful labyrinths: Oothoon?
Where hides my child? in Oxford hidest thou with Antamon?
In graceful hidings of error: in merciful deceit
Lest Hand the terrible destroy his Affection. thou hidest her: ${ }^{1326}$
In chaste appearances for sweet deceits of love \& modesty
Immingled, interwoven, glistening to the sickening sight.
Let Cambel and her Sisters sit within the Mundane Shell:
Forming the fluctuating Globe according to their will.
According as they weave the little embryon nerves \& veins
The Eye, the little Nostrils, \& the delicate Tongue \& Ears
Of labyrinthine intricacy: so shall they fold the World
That whatever is seen upon the Mundane Shell, the same
Be seen upon the Fluctuating Earth woven by the Sisters.

And sometimes the Earth shall roll in the Abyss \& sometimes Stand in the Center \& sometimes stretch flat in the Expanse,
According to the will of the lovely Daughters of Albion.
Sometimes it shall assimilate with mighty Golgonooza:
Touching its summits: \& sometimes divided roll apart.

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As a beautiful Veil so these Females shall fold \& unfold According to their will the outside surface of the Earth An outside shadowy Surface superadded to the real Surface; Which is unchangeable for ever \& ever Amen: so be it! Separate Albions Sons gently from their Emanations, Weaving bowers of delight on the current of infant Thames Where the old Parent still retains his youth as I alas! Retain my youth eight thousand and five hundred years. The labourer of ages in the Valleys of Despair!
The land is markd for desolation \& unless we plant The seeds of Cities \& of Villages in the Human bosom Albion must be a rock of blood: mark ye the points Where Cities shall remain \& where Villages[;] for the rest! It must lie in confusion till Albions time of awaking. Place the Tribes of Llewellyn in America for a hiding place!
Till sweet Jerusalem emanates again into Eternity The night falls thick: I go upon my watch: be attentive: The Sons of Albion go forth; I follow from my Furnaces: That they return no more: that a place be prepard on Euphrates Listen to your Watchmans voice: sleep not before the Furnaces Eternal Death stands at the door. O God pity our labours.

So Los spoke. to the Daughters of Beulah while his Emanation Like a faint rainbow waved before him in the awful gloom Of London City on the Thames from Surrey Hills to Highgate: Swift turn the silver spindles, \& the golden weights play soft And lulling harmonies beneath the Looms, from Caithness in the north To Lizard-point \& Dover in the south: his Emanation Joy'd in the many weaving threads in bright Cathedrons Dome Weaving the Web of life for Jerusalem. the Web of life Down flowing into Entuthons Vales glistens with soft affections.

While Los arose upon his Watch, and down from Golgonooza Putting on his golden sandals to walk from mountain to mountain, He takes his way, girding himself with gold \& in his hand Holding his iron mace: The Spectre remains attentive Alternate they watch in night: alternate labour in day Before the Furnaces labouring, while Los all night watches The stars rising \& setting, \& the meteors \& terrors of night! With him went down the Dogs of Leutha, at his feet They lap the water of the trembling Thames then follow swift And thus he heard the voice of Albions daughters on Euphrates,

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Walked up and down in its green mountains: but Hand is fled Away: \& mighty Hyle: \& after them Jerusalem is gone: Awake[...]

Highgates heights \& Hampsteads, to Poplar Hackney \& Bow:
To Islington \& Paddington \& the Brook of Albions River We builded Jerusalem as a City \& a Temple; from Lambeth We began our Foundations; lovely Lambeth! O lovely Hills Of Camberwell, we shall behold you no more in glory \& pride For Jerusalem lies in ruins \& the Furnaces of Los are builded there You are now shrunk up to a narrow Rock in the midst of the Sea But here we build Babylon on Euphrates, compelld to build And to inhabit, our Little-ones to clothe in armour of the gold Of Jerusalems Cherubims \& to forge them swords of her Altars I see London blind \& age-bent begging thro the Streets
Of Babylon, led by a child. his tears run down his beard The voice of Wandering Reuben ecchoes from street to street In all the Cities of the Nations Paris Madrid Amsterdam The Corner of Broad Street weeps; Poland Street languishes To Great Queen Street \& Lincolns Inn, all is distress \& woe. [three lines gouged out irrecoverably]

The night falls thick Hand comes from Albion in his strength He combines into a Mighty-one the Double Molech \& Chemosh Marching thro Egypt in his fury the East is pale at his course The Nations of India, the Wild Tartar that never knew Man Starts from his lofty places \& casts down his tents \& flees away But we woo him all the night ill songs, O Los come forth O Los Divide us from these terrors \& give us power them to subdue Arise upon thy Watches let us see thy Globe of fire On Albions Rocks \& let thy voice be heard upon Euphrates.

Thus sang the Daughters in lamentation, uniting into One With Rahab as she turnd the iron Spindle of destruction. Terrified at the Sons of Albion they took the Falshood which Gwendolen hid in her left hand. it grew \&, grew till it

Became a Space \& an Allegory around the Winding Worm They namd it Canaan \& built for it a tender Moon Los smild with joy thinking on Enitharmon \& he brought Reuben from his twelvefold wandrings \& led him into it Planting the Seeds of the Twelve Tribes \& Moses \& David And gave a Time \& Revolution to the Space Six Thousand Years He calld it Divine Analogy, for in Beulah the Feminine Emanations Create Space. the Masculine Create Time, \& plant The Seeds of beauty in the Space: listning to their lamentation

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Los walks upon his ancient Mountains in the deadly darkness Among his Furnaces directing his laborious Myriads watchful Looking to the East: \& his voice is heard over the whole Earth As he watches the Furnaces by night, \& directs the labourers

And thus Los replies upon his Watch: the Valleys listen silent:
The Stars stand still to hear: Jerusalem \& Vala cease to mourn:
His voice is heard from Albion: the Alps \& Appenines Listen: Hermon \& Lebanon bow their crowned heads Babel \& Shinar look toward the Western Gate, they sit down Silent at his voice: they view the red Globe of fire in Los's hand As he walks from Furnace to Furnace directing the Labourers And this is the Song of Los, the Song that he sings on his Watch

O lovely mild Jerusalem! O Shiloh of Mount Ephraim!
I see thy Gates of precious stones: thy Walls of gold \& silver Thou art the soft reflected Image of the Sleeping Man Who stretchd on Albions rocks reposes amidst his Twenty-eight Cities: where Beulah lovely terminates, in the hills \& valleys of Albion
Cities not yet embodied in Time and Space: plant ye The Seeds O Sisters in he bosom of Time \& Spaces womb To spring up for Jerusalem: lovely Shadow of Sleeping Albion Why wilt thou rend thyself apart \& build an Earthly Kingdom To reign in pride \& to opress \& to mix the Cup of Delusion O thou that dwellest with Babylon! Come forth O lovely-one

I see thy Form O lovely mild Jerusalem, Wingd with Six Wings
In the opacous Bosom of the Sleeper, lovely Three-fold In Head \& Heart \& Reins, three Universes of love \& beauty Thy forehead bright: Holiness to the Lord, with Gates of pearl Reflects Eternity beneath thy azure wings of feathery down Ribbd delicate \& clothd with featherd gold \& azure \& purple From thy white shoulders shadowing, purity in holiness! Thence featherd with soft crimson of the ruby bright as fire Spreading into the azure Wings which like a canopy Bends over thy immortal Head in which Eternity dwells Albion beloved Land; I see thy mountains \& thy hills And valleys \& thy pleasant Cities Holiness to the Lord I see the Spectres of thy Dead O Emanation of Albion.

Thy Bosom white, translucent coverd with immortal gems A sublime ornament not obscuring the outlines of beauty

Terrible to behold for thy extreme beauty \& perfection Twelve-fold here all the Tribes of Israel I behold Upon the Holy Land: I see the River of Life \& Tree of Life I see the New Jerusalem descending out of Heaven

Between thy Wings of gold \& silver featherd immortal Clear as the rainbow, as the cloud of the Suns tabernacle

Thy Reins coverd with Wings translucent sometimes covering And sometimes spread abroad reveal the flames of holiness Which like a robe covers: \& like a Veil of Seraphim In flaming fire unceasing burns from Eternity to Eternity Twelvefold I there behold Israel in her Tents A Pillar of a Cloud by day: a Pillar of fire by night Guides them: there I behold Moab \& Ammon \& Amalek There Bells of silver round thy knees living articulate Comforting sounds of love \& harmony \& on thy feet Sandals of gold \& pearl, \& Egypt \& Assyria before me The Isles of Javan, Philistea, Tyre and Lebanon

Thus Los sings upon his Watch walking from Furnace to Furnace. He siezes his Hammer every hour, flames surround him as He beats: seas roll beneath his feet, tempests muster Arou[n]d his head. the thick hail stones stand ready to obey His voice in the black cloud, his Sons labour in thunders At his Furnaces; his Daughters at their Looms sing woes His Emanation separates in milky fibres agonizing Among the golden Looms of Cathedron sending fibres of love From Golgonooza with sweet visions for Jerusalem, wanderer.

Nor can any consummate bliss without being Generated On Earth; of those whose Emanations weave the loves Of Beulah for Jerusalem \& Shiloh, in immortal Golgonooza Concentering in the majestic form of Erin in eternal tears Viewing the Winding Worm on the Desarts of Great Tartary Viewing Los in his shudderings, pouring balm on his sorrows So dread is Los's fury, that none dare him to approach Without becoming his Children in the Furnaces of affliction

And Enitharmon like a faint rainbow waved before him Filling with Fibres from his loins which reddend with desire Into a Globe of blood beneath his bosom trembling in darkness

Of Albions clouds. he fed it, with his tears \& bitter groans Hiding his Spectre in invisibility from the timorous Shade Till it became a separated cloud of beauty grace \& love Among the darkness of his Furnaces dividing asunder till She separated stood before him a lovely Female weeping Even Enitharmon separated outside, \& his Loins closed And heal'd after the separation: his pains he soon forgot: Lured by her beauty outside of himself in shadowy grief. Two Wills they had; Two Intellects: \& not as in times of old.

Silent they wanderd hand in hand like two Infants wandring From Enion in the desarts, terrified at each others beauty Envying each other yet desiring, in all devouring Love,

Repelling weeping Enion blind \& age-bent into the fourfold Desarts. Los first broke silence \& began to utter his love

O lovely Enitharmon: I behold thy graceful forms Moving beside me till intoxicated with the woven labyrinth Of beauty \& perfection my wild fibres shoot in veins Of blood thro all my nervous limbs. soon overgrown in roots I shall be closed from thy sight. sieze therefore in thy hand The small fibres as they shoot around me draw out in pity And let them run on the winds of thy bosom: I will fix them With pulsations. we will divide them into Sons \& Daughters To live in thy Bosoms translucence as in an eternal morning

Enitharmon answerd. No! I will sieze thy Fibres \& weave Them: not as thou wilt but as I will, for I will Create A round Womb beneath my bosom lest I also be overwoven With Love; be thou assured I never will be thy slave Let Mans delight be Love; but Womans delight be Pride In Eden our loves were the same here they are opposite I have Loves of my own I will weave them in Albions Spectre Cast thou in Jerusalems shadows thy Loves! silk of liquid Rubies Jacinths Crysolites: issuing from thy Furnaces. While Jerusalem divides thy care: while thou carest for Jerusalem Know that I never will be thine: also thou hidest Vala From her these fibres shoot to shut me in a Grave. You are Albions Victim, he has set his Daughter in your path

Los answerd sighing like the Bellows of his Furnaces

I care not! the swing of my Hammer shall measure the starry round[.]
When in Eternity Man converses with Man they enter Into each others Bosom (which are Universes of delight) In mutual interchange. and first their Emanations meet Surrounded by their Children. if they embrace \& comingle The Human Four-fold Forms mingle also in thunders of Intellect But if the Emanations mingle not; with storms \& agitations Of earthquakes \& consuming fires they roll apart in fear For Man cannot unite with Man but by their Emanations Which stand both Male \& Female at the Gates of each Humanity How then can I ever again be united as Man with Man While thou my Emanation refusest my Fibres of dominion. When Souls mingle \& join thro all the Fibres of Brotherhood Can there be any secret joy on Earth greater than this?

Enitharmon answerd: This is Womans World, nor need she any Spectre to defend her from Man. I will Create secret places And the masculine names of the places Merlin \& Arthur. A triple Female Tabernacle for Moral Law I weave That he who loves Jesus may loathe terrified Female love Till God himself become a Male subservient to the Female.

She spoke in scorn \& jealousy, alternate torments; and
So speaking she sat down on Sussex shore singing lulling Cadences, \& playing in sweet intoxication among the glistening Fibres of Los: sending them over the Ocean eastward into
The realms of dark death; O perverse to thyself, contrarious
To thy own purposes; for when she began to weave Shooting out in sweet pleasure her bosom in milky Love Flowd into the aching fibres of Los. yet contending against him In pride sending his Fibres over to her objects of jealousy ${ }^{1329}$ In the little lovely Allegoric Night of Albions Daughters Which stretchd abroad, expanding east \& west \& north \& south Thro' all the World of Erin \& of Los \& all their Children

A sullen Smile broke from the Spectre in mockery \& scorn Knowing himself the author of their divisions \& shrinkings, gratified At their contentions, he wiped his tears he washd his visage.

The Man who respects Woman shall be despised by Woman And deadly cunning \& mean abjectness only, shall enjoy them For I will make their places of joy \& love, excrementitious[.]

Continually building, continually destroying in Family feuds While you are under the dominion of a jealous Female Unpermanent for ever because of love \& jealousy. You shall want all the Minute Particulars of Life

Thus joyd the Spectre in the dusky fires of Los's Forge, eyeing Enitharmon who at her shining Looms sings lulling cadences While Los stood at his Anvil in wrath the victim of their love And hate; dividing the Space of Love with brazen Compasses In Golgonooza \& in Udan-Adan \& in Entuthon of Urizen.

The blow of his Hammer is Justice. the swing of his Hammer: Mercy. The force of Los's Hammer is eternal Forgiveness; but His rage or his mildness were vain, she scatterd his love on the wind Eastward into her own Center, creating the Female Womb In mild Jerusalem around the Lamb of God. Loud howl The Furnaces of Los! loud roll the Wheels of Enitharmon The Four Zoa's in all their faded majesty burst out in fury And fire. Jerusalem took the Cup which foamd in Vala's hand Like the red Sun upon the mountains in the bloody day Upon the Hermaphroditic Wine-presses of Love \& Wrath.

Tho divided by the Cross \& Nails \& Thorns \& Spear In cruelties of Rahab \& Tirzah[,] permanent endure ${ }^{1330}$
A terrible indefinite Hermaphroditic form
A Wine-press of Love \& Wrath double Hermaph[r]oditic
Twelvefold in Allegoric pomp in selfish holiness
The Pharisaion, the Grammateis, the Presbuterion,
The Archiereus, the Iereus, the Saddusaion, double
Each withoutside of the other, covering eastern heaven

Thus was the Covering Cherub reveald majestic image Of Selfhood, Body put off, the Antichrist accursed Coverd with precious stones, a Human Dragon terrible And bright, stretchd over Europe \& Asia gorgeous In three nights he devourd the rejected corse of death

His Head dark, deadly, in its Brain incloses a reflexion
Of Eden all perverted; Egypt on the Gihon many tongued And many mouthd: Ethiopia, Lybia, the Sea of Rephaim Minute Particulars in slavery I behold among the brick-kilns Disorganizd, \& there is Pharoh in his iron Court:

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And the Dragon of the River \& the Furnaces of iron. Outwoven from Thames \& Tweed \& Severn awful streams Twelve ridges of Stone frown over all the Earth in tyrant pride Frown over each River stupendous Works of Albions Druid Sons And Albions Forests of Oaks coverd the Earth from Pole to Pole

His Bosom wide reflects Moab \& Ammon on the River Pison, since calld Arnon, there is Heshbon beautiful The flocks of Rabbath on the Arnon \& the Fish-pools of Heshbon ${ }^{1331}$ Whose currents flow into the Dead Sea by Sodom \& Gomorra Above his Head high arching Wings black filld with Eyes Spring upon iron sinews from the Scapulae \& Os Humeri.
There Israel in bondage to his Generalizing Gods Molech \& Chemosh, \& in his left breast is Philistea In Druid Temples over the whole Earth with Victims Sacrifice, From Gaza to Damascus Tyre \& Sidon \& the Gods Of Javan thro the Isles of Grecia \& all Europes Kings Where Hiddekel pursues his course among the rocks Two Wings spring from his ribs of brass, starry, black as night But translucent their blackness as the dazling of gems

His Loins inclose Babylon on Euphrates beautiful And Rome in sweet Hesperia. there Israel scatterd abroad In martydoms \& slavery I behold: ah vision of sorrow! Inclosed by eyeless Wings, glowing with fire as the iron Heated in the Smiths forge, but cold the wind of their dread fury

But in the midst of a devouring Stomach, Jerusalem Hidden within the Covering Cherub as in a Tabernacle Of threefold workmanship in allegoric delusion \& woe There the Seven Kings of Canaan \& Five Baalim of Philistea Sihon \& Og the Anakim \& Emim, Nephilim \& Gibborim From Babylon to Rome \& the Wings spread from Japan Where the Red Sea terminates the World of Generation \& Death To Irelands farthest rocks where Giants builded their Causeway Into the Sea of Rephaim, but the Sea oerwhelmd them all.

A Double Female now appeard within the Tabernacle, Religion hid in War, a Dragon red \& hidden Harlot Each within other, but without a Warlike Mighty-one Of dreadful power, sitting upon Horeb pondering dire And mighty preparations mustering multitudes innumerable Of warlike sons among the sands of Midian \& Aram

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For multitudes of those who sleep in Alla descend Lured by his warlike symphonies of tabret pipe \& harp Burst the bottoms of the Graves \& Funeral Arks of Beulah[;] Wandering in that unknown Night beyond the silent Grave They become One with the Antichrist \& are absorbd in him

The Feminine separates from the Masculine \& both from Man, Ceasing to be His Emanations, Life to Themselves assuming! And while they circumscribe his Brain, \& while they circumscribe His Heart, \& while they circumscribe his Loins! a Veil \& Net Of Veins of red Blood grows around them like a scarlet robe. Covering them from the sight of Man like the woven Veil of Sleep Such as the Flowers of Beulah weave to be their Funeral Mantles But dark opake! tender to touch, \& painful! \& agonizing To the embrace of love, \& to the mingling of soft fibres Of tender affection. that no more the Masculine mingles With the Feminine. but the Sublime is shut out from the Pathos In howling torment, to build stone walls of separation, compelling The Pathos, to weave curtains of hiding secresy from the torment.

Bowen \& Conwenna stood on Skiddaw cutting the Fibres Of Benjamin from Chesters River: loud the River; loud the Mersey And the Ribble. thunder into the Irish sea, as the Twelve Sons Of Albion drank \& imbibed the Life \& eternal Form of Luvah Cheshire \& Lancashire \& Westmoreland groan in anguish As they cut the fibres from the Rivers he sears them with hot Iron of his Forge \& fixes them into Bones of chalk \& Rock Conwenna sat above: with solemn cadences she drew Fibres of life out from the Bones into her golden Loom Hand had his Furnace on Highgates heights \& it reachd

To Brockley Hills across the Thames: he with double Boadicea In cruel pride cut Reuben apart from the Hills of Surrey Comingling with Luvah \& with the Sepulcher of Luvah For the Male is a Furnace of beryll: the Female is a golden Loom

Los cries: No Individual ought to appropriate to Himself Or to his Emanation, any of the Universal Characteristics Of David or of Eve, of the Woman, or of the Lord.
Of Reuben or of Benjamin, of Joseph or Judah or Levi Those who dare appropriate to themselves Universal Attributes Are the Blasphemous Selfhoods \& must be broken asunder A Vegetated Christ \& a Virgin Eve, are the Hermaphroditic

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Blasphemy, by his Maternal Birth he is that Evil-One And his Maternal Humanity must be put off Eternally Lest the Sexual Generation swallow up Regeneration Come Lord Jesus take on thee the Satanic Body of Holiness

So Los cried in the Valleys of Middlesex in the Spirit of Prophecy
While in Selfhood Hand \& Hyle \& Bowen \& Skofeld appropriate
The Divine Names: seeking to Vegetate the Divine Vision In a corporeal \& ever dying Vegetation \& Corruption Mingling with Luvah in One. they become One Great Satan

Loud scream the Daughters of Albion beneath the Tongs \& Hammer
Dolorous are their lamentations in the burning Forge
They drink Reuben \& Benjamin as the iron drinks the fire
They are red hot with cruelty: raving along the Banks of Thames And on Tyburns Brook among the howling Victims in loveliness
While Hand \& Hyle condense the Little-ones \& erect them into
A mighty Temple even to the stars: but they Vegetate Beneath Los's Hammer, that Life may not be blotted out.

For Los said: When the Individual appropriates Universality He divides into Male \& Female: \& when the Male \& Female, Appropriate Individuality, they become an Eternal Death. Hermaphroditic worshippers of a God of cruelty \& law! Your Slaves \& Captives; you compell to worship a God of Mercy. These are the Demonstrations of Los, \& the blows of my mighty Hammer

So Los spoke. And the Giants of Albion terrified \& ashamed ${ }^{1332}$ With Los's thunderous Words, began to build trembling rocking Stones For his Words roll in thunders \& lightnings among the Temples Terrified rocking to \& fro upon the earth, \& sometimes Resting in a Circle in Maiden or in Strathness or Dura. Plotting to devour Albion \& Los the friend of Albion Denying in private: mocking God \& Eternal Life: \& in Public Collusion, calling themselves Deists, Worshipping the Maternal Humanity; calling it Nature, and Natural Religion

But still the thunder of Los peals loud \& thus the thunder's cry ${ }^{1333}$

These beautiful Witchcrafts of Albion, are gratifyd by Cruelty

It is easier to forgive an Enemy than to forgive a Friend:
The man who permits you to injure him, deserves your vengeance:
He also will recieve it; go Spectre! obey my most secret desire:
Which thou knowest without my speaking: Go to these Fiends of Righteousness
Tell them to obey their Humanities, \& not pretend Holiness;
When they are murderers: as far as my Hammer \& Anvil permit Go, tell them that the Worship of God, is honouring his gifts In other men: \& loving the greatest men best, each according To his Genius: which is the Holy Ghost in Man; there is no other God, than that God who is the intellectual fountain of Humanity; He who envies or calumniates: which is murder \& cruelty, Murders the Holy-one: Go tell them this \& overthrow their cup, Their bread, their altar-table, their incense \& their oath:
Their marriage \& their baptism, their burial \& consecration: I have tried to make friends by corporeal gifts but have only Made enemies: I never made friends but by spiritual gifts; By severe contentions of friendship \& the burning fire of thought. He who would see the Divinity must see him in his Children One first, in friendship \& love; then a Divine Family, \& in the midst Jesus will appear; so he who wishes to see a Vision; a perfect Whole Must see it in its Minute Particulars; Organized \& not as thou O Fiend of Righteousness pretendest; thine is a Disorganized And snowy cloud: brooder of tempests \& destructive War You smile with pomp \& rigor: you talk of benevolence \& virtue! I act with benevolence \& virtue \& get murderd time after time: You accumulate Particulars, \& murder by analyzing, that you May take the aggregate; \& you call the aggregate Moral Law: And you call that Swelld \& bloated Form; a Minute Particular. But General Forms have their vitality in Particulars: \& every Particular is a Man; a Divine Member of the Divine Jesus.

So Los cried at his Anvil in the horrible darkness weeping!

The Spectre builded stupendous Works, taking the Starry Heavens Like to a curtain \& folding them according to his will Repeating the Smaragdine Table of Hermes to draw Los down Into the Indefinite, refusing to believe without demonstration[.] Los reads the Stars of Albion! the Spectre reads the Voids Between the Stars; among the arches of Albions Tomb sublime Rolling the Sea in rocky paths: forming Leviathan And Behemoth: the War by Sea enormous \& the War By Land astounding: erecting pillars in the deepest Hell, To reach the heavenly arches; Los beheld undaunted furious

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His heavd Hammer; he swung it round \& at one blow, In unpitying ruin driving down the pyramids of pride Smiting the Spectre on his Anvil \& the integuments of his Eye And Ear unbinding in dire pain, with many blows, Of strict severity self-subduing, \& with many tears labouring.

Then he sent forth the Spectre all his pyramids were grains Of sand \& his pillars: dust on the flys wing: \& his starry Heavens; a moth of gold \& silver mocking his anxious grasp Thus Los alterd his Spectre \& every Ratio of his Reason He alterd time after time, with dire pain \& many tears Till he had completely divided him into a separate space.

Terrified Los sat to behold trembling \& weeping \& howling I care not whether a Man is Good or Evil; all that I care Is whether he is a Wise Man or a Fool. Go! put off Holiness And put on Intellect: or my thundrous Hammer shall drive thee To wrath which thou condemnest: till thou obey my voice

So Los terrified cries: trembling \& weeping \& howling! Beholding

What do I see? The Briton Saxon Roman Norman amalgamating
In my Furnaces into One Nation the English: \& taking refuge In the Loins of Albion. The Canaanite united with the fugitive Hebrew, whom she divided into Twelve, \& sold into Egypt Then scatterd the Egyptian \& Hebrew to the four Winds! This sinful Nation Created in our Furnaces \& Looms is Albion So Los spoke. Enitharmon answerd in great terror in Lambeths Vale

The Poets Song draws to its period \& Enitharmon is no more. For if he be that Albion I can never weave him in my Looms But when he touches the first fibrous thread, like filmy dew My Looms will be no more \& I annihilate vanish for ever Then thou wilt Create another Female according to thy Will.

Los answerd swift as the shuttle of gold. Sexes must vanish \& cease To be, when Albion arises from his dread repose O lovely Enitharmon: When all their Crimes, their Punishments their Accusations of Sin: All their Jealousies Revenges. Murders. hidings of Cruelty in Deceit Appear only in the Outward Spheres of Visionary Space and Time. In the shadows of Possibility by Mutual Forgiveness forevermore And in the Vision \& in the Prophecy, that we may Foresee \& Avoid

The terrors of Creation \& Redemption \& Judgment. Beholding them Displayd in the Emanative Visions of Canaan in Jerusalem \& in Shiloh And in the Shadows of Remembrance, \& in the Chaos of the Spectre Amalek, Edom, Egypt, Moab, Ammon, Ashur, Philistea, around Jerusalem

Where the Druids reard their Rocky Circles to make permanent Remembrance Of Sin. \& the Tree of Good \& Evil sprang from the Rocky Circle \& Snake Of the Druid, along the Valley of Rephaim from Camberwell to Golgotha And framed the Mundane Shell Cavernous in Length Bredth \& Highth
[<image, inscribed> Anytus Melitus \& Lycon thought Socrates a Very Pernicious Man So Caiphas thought Jesus</image>]

Enitharmon heard. She raisd her head like the mild Moon

O Rintrah! O Palamabron! What are your dire \& awful purposes Enitharmons name is nothing before you: you forget all my Love! The Mothers love of obedience is forgotten \& you seek a Love Of the pride of dominion, that will Divorce Ocalythron \& Elynittria Upon East Moor in Derbyshire \& along the Valleys of Cheviot Could you Love me Rintrah, if you Pride not in my Love As Reuben found Mandrakes in the field \& gave them to his Mother Pride meets with Pride upon the Mountains in the stormy day In that terrible Day of Rintrahs Plow \& of Satans driving the Team. Ah! then I heard my little ones weeping along the Valley! Ah! then I saw my beloved ones fleeing from my Tent Merlin was like thee Rintrah among the Giants of Albion Judah was like Palamabron: O Simeon! O Levi! ye fled away How can I hear my little ones weeping along the Valley Or how upon the distant Hills see my beloveds Tents.

Then Los again took up his speech as Enitharmon ceast

Fear not my Sons this Waking Death. he is become One with me Behold him here! We shall not Die! we shall be united in Jesus. Will you suffer this Satan this Body of Doubt that Seems but Is Not To occupy the very threshold of Eternal Life. if Bacon, Newton, Locke,

Deny a Conscience in Man \& the Communion of Saints \& Angels Contemning the Divine Vision \& Fruition, Worshiping the Deus
Of the Heathen, The God of This World, \& the Goddess Nature

Mystery Babylon the Great, The Druid Dragon \& hidden Harlot Is it not that Signal of the Morning which was told us in the Beginning

Thus they converse upon Mam-Tor. the Graves thunder under their feet

Albion cold lays on his Rock: storms \& snows beat round him. Beneath the Furnaces \& the starry Wheels \& the Immortal Tomb Howling winds cover him: roaring seas dash furious against him In the deep darkness broad lightnings glare long thunders roll

The weeds of Death inwrap his hands \& feet blown incessant And washd incessant by the for-ever restless sea-waves foaming abroad Upon the white Rock. England a Female Shadow as deadly damps Of the Mines of Cornwall \& Derbyshire lays upon his bosom heavy Moved by the wind in volumes of thick cloud returning folding round His loins \& bosom unremovable by swelling storms \& loud rending Of enraged thunders. Around them the Starry Wheels of their Giant Sons Revolve: \& over them the Furnaces of Los \& the Immortal Tomb around Erin sitting in the Tomb, to watch them unceasing night and day And the Body of Albion was closed apart from all Nations.

Over them the famishd Eagle screams on boney Wings and around Them howls the Wolf of famine deep heaves the Ocean black thundering Around the wormy Garments of Albion: then pausing in deathlike silence

Time was Finished! The Breath Divine Breathed over Albion Beneath the Furnaces \& starry Wheels and in the Immortal Tomb And England who is Brittannia awoke from Death on Albions bosom She awoke pale \& cold she fainted seven times on the Body of Albion

O pitious Sleep O pitious Dream! O God O God awake I have slain In Dreams of Chastity \& Moral Law I have Murdered Albion! Ah! In Stone-henge \& on London Stone \& in the Oak Groves of Malden I have Slain him in my Sleep with the Knife of the Druid O England O all ye Nations of the Earth behold ye the Jealous Wife The Eagle \& the Wolf \& Monkey \& Owl \& the King \& Priest were there ${ }^{1336}$

Her voice pierc'd Albions clay cold ear. he moved upon the Rock The Breath Divine went forth upon the morning hills, Albion mov'd

Upon the Rock, he opend his eyelids in pain; in pain he mov'd

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His stony members, he saw England. Ah! shall the Dead live again

The Breath Divine went forth over the morning hills Albion rose In anger: the wrath of God breaking bright flaming on all sides around His awful limbs: into the Heavens he walked clothed in flames Loud thundring, with broad flashes of flaming lightning \& pillars Of fire, speaking the Words of Eternity in Human Forms, in direful Revolutions of Action \& Passion, thro the Four Elements on all sides Surrounding his awful Members. Thou seest the Sun in heavy clouds Struggling to rise above the Mountains. in his burning hand He takes his Bow, then chooses out his arrows of flaming gold Murmuring the Bowstring breathes with ardor! clouds roll around the Horns of the wide Bow, loud sounding winds sport on the mountain brows Compelling Urizen to his Furrow; \& Tharmas to his Sheepfold; And Luvah to his Loom: Urthona he beheld mighty labouring at His Anvil, in the Great Spectre Los unwearied labouring \& weeping Therefore the Sons of Eden praise Urthonas Spectre in songs Because he kept the Divine Vision in time of trouble.

As the Sun \& Moon lead forward the Visions of Heaven \& Earth England who is Brittannia enterd Albions bosom rejoicing, Rejoicing in his indignation! adoring his wrathful rebuke. She who adores not your frowns will only loathe your smiles

As the Sun \& Moon lead forward the Visions of Heaven \& Earth England who is Brittannia entered Albions bosom rejoicing

Then Jesus appeared standing by Albion as the Good Shepherd By the lost Sheep that he hath found \& Albion knew that it Was the Lord the Universal Humanity, \& Albion saw his Form A Man. \& they conversed as Man with Man, in Ages of Eternity And the Divine Appearance was the likeness \& similitude of Los

Albion said. O Lord what can I do! my Selfhood cruel Marches against thee deceitful from Sinai \& from Edom Into the Wilderness of Judah to meet thee in his pride I behold the Visions of my deadly Sleep of Six Thousand Years Dazling around thy skirts like a Serpent of precious stones \& gold I know it is my Self. O my Divine Creator \& Redeemer

Jesus replied Fear not Albion unless I die thou canst not live But if I die I shall arise again \& thou with me

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So Jesus spoke! the Covering Cherub coming on in darkness Overshadowd them \& Jesus said Thus do Men in Eternity One for another to put off by forgiveness, every sin

Albion replyd. Cannot Man exist without Mysterious Offering of Self for Another, is this Friendship \& Brotherhood I see thee in the likeness \& similitude of Los my Friend

Jesus said. Wouldest thou love one who never died For thee or ever die for one who had not died for thee And if God dieth not for Man \& giveth not himself Eternally for Man Man could not exist. for Man is Love: As God is Love: every kindness to another is a little Death In the Divine Image nor can Man exist but by Brotherhood

So saying. the Cloud overshadowing divided them asunder Albion stood in terror: not for himself but for his Friend Divine, \& Self was lost in the contemplation of faith And wonder at the Divine Mercy \& at Los's sublime honour

Do I sleep amidst danger to Friends! O my Cities \& Counties Do you sleep! rouze up! rouze up. Eternal Death is abroad

So Albion spoke \& threw himself into the Furnaces of affliction All was a Vision, all a Dream: the Furnaces became Fountains of Living Waters Howing from the Humanity Divine And all the Cities of Albion rose from their Slumbers, and All The Sons \& Daughters of Albion on soft clouds Waking from Sleep Soon all around remote the Heavens burnt with flaming fires And Urizen \& Luvah \& Tharmas \& Urthona arose into Albions Bosom: Then Albion stood before Jesus in the Clouds Of Heaven Fourfold among the Visions of God in Eternity

Awake! Awake Jerusalem! O lovely Emanation of Albion Awake and overspread all Nations as in Ancient Time For lo! the Night of Death is past and the Eternal Day Appears upon our Hills: Awake Jerusalem, and come away

So spake the Vision of Albion \& in him so spake in my hearing

The Universal Father. Then Albion stretchd his hand into Infinitude. And took his Bow. Fourfold the Vision for bright beaming Urizen Layd his hand on the South \& took a breathing Bow of carved Gold Luvah his hand stretch'd to the East \& bore a Silver Bow bright shining Tharmas Westward a Bow of Brass pure flaming richly wrought Urthona Northward in thick storms a Bow of Iron terrible thundering.

And the Bow is a Male \& Female \& the Quiver of the Arrows of Love, Are the Children of this Bow: a Bow of Mercy \& Loving-kindness: laying Open the hidden Heart in Wars of mutual Benevolence Wars of Love And the Hand of Man grasps firm between the Male \& Female Loves And he Clothed himself in Bow \& Arrows in awful state Fourfold In the midst of his Twenty-eight Cities each with his Bow breathing

Then each an Arrow flaming from his Quiver fitted carefully They drew fourfold the unreprovable String, bending thro the wide Heavens The horned Bow Fourfold, loud sounding flew the flaming Arrow fourfold

Murmuring the Bow-string breathes with ardor. Clouds roll round the horns Of the wide Bow, loud sounding Winds sport on the Mountains brows: The Druid Spectre was Annihilate loud thundring rejoicing terrific vanishing

Fourfold Annihilation \& at the clangor of the Arrows of Intellect The innumerable Chariots of the Almighty appeard in Heaven And Bacon \& Newton \& Locke, \& Milton \& Shakspear \& Chaucer A Sun of blood red wrath surrounding heaven on all sides around Glorious incompreh[en]sible by Mortal Man \& each Chariot was Sexual Threefold

And every Man stood Fourfold, each Four Faces had. One to the West One toward the East One to the South One to the North. the Horses Fourfold And the dim Chaos brightend beneath, above, around! Eyed as the Peacock According to the Human Nerves of Sensation, the Four Rivers of the Water of Life

South stood the Nerves of the Eye. East in Rivers of bliss the Nerves of the Expansive Nostrils West, flowd the Parent Sense the Tongue. North stood The labyrinthine Ear. Circumscribing \& Circumcising the excrementitious Husk \& Covering into Vacuum evaporating revealing the lineaments of Man Driving outward the Body of Death in an Eternal Death \& Resurrection Awaking it to Life among the Flowers of Beulah rejoicing in Unity In the Four Senses in the Outline the Circumference \& Form, for ever In Forgiveness of Sins which is Self Annihilation. it is the Covenant of Jehovah

The Four Living Creatures Chariots of Humanity Divine Incomprehensible In beautiful Paradises expand These are the Four Rivers of Paradise And the Four Faces of Humanity fronting the Four Cardinal Points Of Heaven going forward forward irresistible from Eternity to Eternity

And they conversed together in Visionary forms dramatic which bright Redounded from their Tongues in thunderous majesty, in Visions

In new Expanses, creating exemplars of Memory and of Intellect Creating Space, Creating Time according to the wonders Divine Of Human Imagination, throughout all the Three Regions immense Of Childhood, Manhood \& Old Age[;] \& the all tremendous unfathomable Non Ens Of Death was seen in regenerations terrific or complacent varying ${ }^{1339}$ According to the subject of discourse \& every Word \& Every Character Was Human according to the Expansion or Contraction, the Translucence or Opakeness of Nervous fibres such was the variation of Time \& Space Which vary according as the Organs of Perception vary \& they walked To \& fro in Eternity as One Man reflecting each in each \& clearly seen And seeing: according to fitness \& order. And I heard Jehovah speak Terrific from his Holy Place \& saw the Words of the Mutual Covenant Divine On Chariots of gold \& jewels with Living Creatures starry \& flaming With every Colour, Lion, Tyger, Horse, Elephant, Eagle Dove, Fly, Worm, And the all wondrous Serpent clothed in gems \& rich array Humanize In the Forgiveness of Sins according to the Covenant of Jehovah. They Cry ${ }^{1340}$

Where is the Covenant of Priam, the Moral Virtues of the Heathen Where is the Tree of Good \& Evil that rooted beneath the cruel heel Of Albions Spectre the Patriarch Druid! where are all his Human Sacrifices ${ }^{\text {t341 }}$ For Sin in War \& in the Druid Temples of the Accuser of Sin: beneath The Oak Groves of Albion that coverd the whole Earth beneath his Spectre Where are the Kingdoms of the World \& all their glory that grew on Desolation The Fruit of Albions Poverty Tree when the Triple Headed Gog-Magog Giant Of Albion Taxed the Nations into Desolation \& then gave the Spectrous Oath

Such is the Cry from all the Earth from the Living Creatures of the Earth And from the great City of Golgonooza in the Shadowy Generation And from the Thirty-two Nations of the Earth among the Living Creatures

All Human Forms identified even Tree Metal Earth \& Stone. all Human Forms identified, living going forth \& returning wearied Into the Planetary lives of Years Months Days \& Hours reposing

And I heard the Name of their Emanations they are named Jerusalem

The End of The Song of Jerusalem

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ED; E144 [Above the archway:]

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J1.2; E144 Englobes itself \& becomes a Womb, such was Albions Couch
J1.3; E144| A pleasant Shadow of Repose calld Albions lovely Land

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His Sublime \& Pathos become Two Rocks fixd in the Earth
J1.5; E144| His Reason his Spectrous Power, covers them above Jerusalem his Emanation is a Stone laying beneath
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J1.7; E144] O [Albion behold Pitying] behold the Vision of Albion ${ }^{t 256}$

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J1.8; E144 Half Friendship is the bitterest Enmity said Los
J1.9; E144 As he enterd the Door of Death for Albions sake Inspired J1.10; E144 The long sufferings of God are not for ever there is a Judgment

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J1.11; E144 Every Thing has its Vermin O Spectre of the Sleeping Dead!

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To the Public

After my three years slumber on the banks of the Ocean, I again display my Giant forms to the Public: My former Giants \& Fairies having reciev'd the highest reward possible: the [love] and [friendship] of those with whom to be connected, is to be [blessed]: I cannot doubt that this more consolidated \& extended Work, will be as kindly recieved The Enthusiasm of the following Poem, the Author hopes ${ }^{t 25}$ [no Reader will think presumptuousness or arroganc[e] when he is reminded that the Ancients acknowledge their love to their Deities, to the full as Enthusiastically as I have who Acknowledge mine for my Saviour and Lord, for they were wholly absorb'd in their Gods.] I also hope the Reader will
be with me, wholly One in Jesus our Lord, who is the God [of Fire] and Lord [of Love] to whom the Ancients look'd and saw his day afar off, with trembling \& amazement. The Spirit of Jesus is continual forgiveness of Sin: he who waits to be righteous before he enters into the Saviours kingdom, the Divine Body; will never enter there. I am perhaps the most sinful of men! I pretend not to holiness! yet I pretend to love, to see, to converse with daily, as man with man, \& the more to have an interest in the Friend of Sinners. Therefore [Dear] Reader, [forgive] what you do not approve, \& [love] me for this energetic exertion of my talent.

Reader! [lover] of books! [lover] of heaven, And of that God from whom [all books are given,]
Who in mysterious Sinais awful cave
To Man the wond'rous art of writing gave, Again he speaks in thunder and in fire!
Thunder of Thought, \& flames of fierce desire:
Even from the depths of Hell his voice I hear, Within the unfathomd caverns of my Ear.
Therefore I print; nor vain my types shall be:
Heaven, Earth \& Hell, henceforth shall live in harmony

J3prose; E145| Of the Measure, in which
J3prose; E145| the following Poem is written

J3prose; E145| We who dwell on Earth can do nothing of ourselves, every J3prose; E145| thing is conducted by Spirits, no less than Digestion or Sleep.
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[to Note the last words of Jesus, <Greek>Edotha moi pasa exousia en ouranon kai epi ges</Greek>] When this Verse was first dictated to me I consider'd a Monotonous Cadence like that used by Milton \& Shakspeare \& all writers of English Blank Verse, derived from the modern bondage of Rhyming; to be a necessary and indispensible part of Verse. But I soon found that
in the mouth of a true Orator such monotony was not only awkward, but as much a bondage as rhyme itself. I therefore have produced a variety in every line, both of cadences \& number of syllables. Every word and every letter is studied and put into its fit place: the terrific numbers are reserved for the terrific parts--the mild \& gentle, for the mild \& gentle parts, and the prosaic, for inferior parts: all are necessary to each other. Poetry Fetter'd, Fetters the Human Race! Nations are Destroy'd, or Flourish, in proportion as Their Poetry Painting and Music, are Destroy'd or Flourish! The Primeval State of Man, was Wisdom, Art, and Science.
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Of the Sleep of Ulro! and of the passage through
Eternal Death! and of the awaking to Eternal Life.

This theme calls me in sleep night after night, \& ev'ry morn Awakes me at sun-rise, then I see the Saviour over me Spreading his beams of love, \& dictating the words of this mild song.

Awake! awake O sleeper of the land of shadows, wake! expand!
I am in you and you in me, mutual in love divine:
Fibres of love from man to man thro Albions pleasant land.
In all the dark Atlantic vale down from the hills of Surrey
A black water accumulates, return Albion! return!
Thy brethren call thee, and thy fathers, and thy sons,
Thy nurses and thy mothers, thy sisters and thy daughters
Weep at thy souls disease, and the Divine Vision is darkend:
Thy Emanation that was wont to play before thy face,
Beaming forth with her daughters into the Divine bosom [Where!!]
Where hast thou hidden thy Emanation lovely Jerusalem
From the vision and fruition of the Holy-one?
I am not a God afar off, I am a brother and friend;
Within your bosoms I reside, and you reside in me:
Lo! we are One; forgiving all Evil; Not seeking recompense!
Ye are my members O ye sleepers of Beulah, land of shades!

But the perturbed Man away turns down the valleys dark;
[Saying. We are not One: we are Many, thou most simulative]
Phantom of the over heated brain! shadow of immortality!
Seeking to keep my soul a victim to thy Love! which binds

Man the enemy of man into deceitful friendships:

Jerusalem is not! her daughters are indefinite:
By demonstration, man alone can live, and not by faith.
My mountains are my own, and I will keep them to myself!
The Malvern and the Cheviot, the Wolds Plinlimmon \& Snowdon Are mine. here will I build my Laws of Moral Virtue!
Humanity shall be no more: but war \& princedom \& victory!

So spoke Albion in jealous fears, hiding his Emanation Upon the Thames and Medway, rivers of Beulah: dissembling His jealousy before the throne divine, darkening, cold!

The banks of the Thames are clouded! the ancient porches of Albion are
Darken'd! they are drawn thro' unbounded space, scatter'd upon
The Void in incoherent despair! Cambridge \& Oxford \& London, Are driven among the starry Wheels, rent away and dissipated, In Chasms \& Abysses of sorrow, enlarg'd without dimension, terrible[.]
Albions mountains run with blood, the cries of war \& of tumult Resound into the unbounded night, every Human perfection Of mountain \& river \& city, are small \& wither'd \& darken'd Cam is a little stream! Ely is almost swallowd up!
Lincoln \& Norwich stand trembling on the brink of Udan-Adan!
Wales and Scotland shrink themselves to the west and to the north!
Mourning for fear of the warriors in the Vale of Entuthon-Benython
Jerusalem is scatterd abroad like a cloud of smoke thro' non-entity:
Moab \& Ammon \& Amalek \& Canaan \& Egypt \& Aram Recieve her little-ones for sacrifices and the delights of cruelty

Trembling I sit day and night, my friends are astonish'd at me. Yet they forgive my wanderings, I rest not from my great task!
To open the Eternal Worlds, to open the immortal Eyes Of Man inwards into the Worlds of Thought: into Eternity Ever expanding in the Bosom of God. the Human Imagination O Saviour pour upon me thy Spirit of meekness \& love: Annihilate the Selfhood in me, be thou all my life! Guide thou my hand which trembles exceedingly upon the rock of ages, While I write of the building of Golgonooza, \& of the terrors of Entuthon: Of Hand \& Hyle \& Coban, of Kwantok, Peachey, Brereton, Slayd \& Hutton: Of the terrible sons \& daughters of Albion. and their Generations.

Scofield! Kox, Kotope and Bowen, revolve most mightily upon The Furnace of Los: before the eastern gate bending their fury. They war, to destroy the Furnaces, to desolate Golgonooza:
And to devour the Sleeping Humanity of Albion in rage \& hunger.

They revolve into the Furnaces Southward \& are driven forth Northward Divided into Male and Female forms time after time.
From these Twelve all the Families of England spread abroad.

The Male is a Furnace of beryll; the Female is a golden Loom; I behold them and their rushing fires overwhelm my Soul, In Londons darkness; and my tears fall day and night, Upon the Emanations of Albions Sons! the Daughters of Albion Names anciently rememberd, but now contemn'd as fictions! Although in every bosom they controll our Vegetative powers.

These are united into Tirzah and her Sisters, on Mount Gilead, Cambel \& Gwendolen \& Conwenna \& Cordella \& Ignoge. And these united into Rahab in the Covering Cherub on Euphrates Gwiniverra \& Gwinefred, \& Gonorill \& Sabrina beautiful, Estrild, Mehetabel \& Ragan, lovely Daughters of Albion They are the beautiful Emanations of the Twelve Sons of Albion

The Starry Wheels revolv'd heavily over the Furnaces; Drawing Jerusalem in anguish of maternal love, Eastward a pillar of a cloud with Vala upon the mountains Howling in pain, redounding from the arms of Beulahs Daughters, Out from the Furnaces of Los above the head of Los. A pillar of smoke writhing afar into Non-Entity, redounding Till the cloud reaches afar outstretch'd among the Starry Wheels Which revolve heavily in the mighty Void above the Furnaces

O what avail the loves \& tears of Beulahs lovely Daughters They hold the Immortal Form in gentle bands \& tender tears But all within is open'd into the deeps of Entuthon Benython A dark and unknown night, indefinite, unmeasurable, without end. Abstract Philosophy warring in enmity against Imagination (Which is the Divine Body of the Lord Jesus. blessed for ever). ${ }^{2259}$ And there Jerusalem wanders with Vala upon the mountains, Attracted by the revolutions of those Wheels the Cloud of smoke Immense, and Jerusalem \& Vala weeping in the Cloud Wander away into the Chaotic Void, lamenting with her Shadow Among the Daughters of Albion, among the Starry Wheels; Lamenting for her children, for the sons \& daughters of Albion

Los heard her lamentations in the deeps afar! his tears fall

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Incessant before the Furnaces, and his Emanation divided in pain, Eastward toward the Starry Wheels. But Westward, a black Horror,

His spectre driv'n by the Starry Wheels of Albions sons, black and Opake divided from his back; he labours and he mourns!

For as his Emanation divided, his Spectre also divided In terror of those starry wheels: and the Spectre stood over Los Howling in pain: a blackning Shadow, blackning dark \& opake Cursing the terrible Los: bitterly cursing him for his friendship To Albion, suggesting murderous thoughts against Albion.

Los rag'd and stamp'd the earth in his might \& terrible wrath!
He stood and stampd the earth! then he threw down his hammer in rage \& In fury: then he sat down and wept, terrified! Then arose And chaunted his song, labouring with the tongs and hammer:
But still the Spectre divided, and still his pain increas'd!

In pain the Spectre divided: in pain of hunger and thirst:
To devour Los's Human Perfection, but when he saw that Los

Was living: panting like a frighted wolf, and howling
He stood over the Immortal, in the solitude and darkness: Upon the darkning Thames, across the whole Island westward. A horrible Shadow of Death, among the Furnaces: beneath The pillar of folding smoke; and he sought by other means, To lure Los: by tears, by arguments of science \& by terrors: Terrors in every Nerve, by spasms \& extended pains: While Los answer'd unterrified to the opake blackening Fiend

And thus the Spectre spoke: Wilt thou still go on to destruction? Till thy life is all taken away by this deceitful Friendship? He drinks thee up like water! like wine he pours thee Into his tuns: thy Daughters are trodden in his vintage He makes thy Sons the trampling of his bulls, they are plow'd And harrowd for his profit, lo! thy stolen Emanation Is his garden of pleasure! all the Spectres of his Sons mock thee Look how they scorn thy once admired palaces! now in ruins Because of Albion! because of deceit and friendship! For Lo! Hand has peopled Babel \& Nineveh: Hyle, Ashur \& Aram: Cobans son is Nimrod: his son Cush is adjoind to Aram, By the Daughter of Babel, in a woven mantle of pestilence \& war.

They put forth their spectrous cloudy sails; which drive their immense Constellations over the deadly deeps of indefinite Udan-Adan Kox is the Father of Shem \& Ham \& Japheth, he is the Noah Of the Flood of Udan-Adan. Hutn is the Father of the Seven From Enoch to Adam; Schofield is Adam who was NewCreated in Edom. I saw it indignant, \& thou art not moved! This has divided thee in sunder: and wilt thou still forgive? O! thou seest not what I see! what is done in the Furnaces. Listen, I will tell thee what is done in moments to thee unknown:

Luvah was cast into the Furnaces of affliction and sealed, And Vala fed in cruel delight, the Furnaces with fire:
Stern Urizen beheld; urgd by necessity to keep The evil day afar, and if perchance with iron power He might avert his own despair: in woe \& fear he saw Vala incircle round the Furnaces where Luvah was clos'd: With joy she heard his howlings, \& forgot he was her Luvah, With whom she liv'd in bliss in times of innocence \& youth! Vala comes from the Furnace in a cloud, but wretched Luvah Is howling in the Furnaces, in flames among Albions Spectres, To prepare the Spectre of Albion to reign over thee O Los, Forming the Spectres of Albion according to his rage: To prepare the Spectre sons of Adam, who is Scofield: the Ninth Of Albions sons, \& the father of all his brethren in the Shadowy Generation. Cambel \& Gwendolen wove webs of war \& of Religion, to involve all Albions sons, and when they had Involv'd Eight; their webs roll'd outwards into darkness And Scofield the Ninth remaind on the outside of the Eight And Kox, Kotope, \& Bowen, One in him, a Fourfold Wonder Involv'd the Eight--Such are the Generations of the Giant Albion, To separate a Law of Sin, to punish thee in thy members.

Los answer'd. Altho' I know not this! I know far worse than this:
I know that Albion hath divided me, and that thou O my Spectre, Hast just cause to be irritated: but look stedfastly upon me: Comfort thyself in my strength the time will arrive, When all Albions injuries shall cease, and when we shall Embrace him tenfold bright, rising from his tomb in immortality. They have divided themselves by Wrath. they must be united by Pity: let us therefore take example \& warning O my Spectre, $O$ that I could abstain from wrath! O that the Lamb Of God would look upon me and pity me in my fury. In anguish of regeneration! in terrors of self annihilation:
Pity must join together those whom wrath has torn in sunder,

And the Religion of Generation which was meant for the destruction Of Jerusalem, become her covering, till the time of the End.
O holy Generation! [Image] of regeneration! ${ }^{2260}$
O point of mutual forgiveness between Enemies!
Birthplace of the Lamb of God incomprehensible!
The Dead despise \& scorn thee, \& cast thee out as accursed:
Seeing the Lamb of God in thy gardens \& thy palaces:
Where they desire to place the Abomination of Desolation.
Hand sits before his furnace: scorn of others \& furious pride:
Freeze round him to bars of steel \& to iron rocks beneath His feet: indignant self-righteousness like whirlwinds of the north:

Rose up against me thundering from the Brook of Albions River

From Ranelagh \& Strumbolo, from Cromwells gardens \& Chelsea
The place of wounded Soldiers. but when he saw my Mace
Whirld round from heaven to earth, trembling he sat: his cold
Poisons rose up: \& his sweet deceits coverd them all over
With a tender cloud. As thou art now; such was he O Spectre I know thy deceit \& thy revenges, and unless thou desist I will certainly create an eternal Hell for thee. Listen!
Be attentive! be obedient! Lo the Furnaces are ready to recieve thee.
I will break thee into shivers! \& melt thee in the furnaces of death;
I will cast thee into forms of abhorrence \& torment if thou
Desist not from thine own will, \& obey not my stern command!
I am closd up from my children: my Emanation is dividing
And thou my Spectre art divided against me. But mark
I will compell thee to assist me in my terrible labours. To beat
These hypocritic Selfhoods on the Anvils of bitter Death
I am inspired: I act not for myself: for Albions sake
I now am what I am: a horror and an astonishment
Shuddring the heavens to look upon me: Behold what cruelties
Are practised in Babel \& Shinar, \& have approachd to Zions Hill

While Los spoke, the terrible Spectre fell shuddring before him Watching his time with glowing eyes to leap upon his prey Los opend the Furnaces in fear. the Spectre saw to Babel \& Shinar Across all Europe \& Asia. he saw the tortures of the Victims. He saw now from the ou[t]side what he before saw \& felt from within He saw that Los was the sole, uncontrolld Lord of the Furnaces Groaning he kneeld before Los's iron-shod feet on London Stone, Hungring \& thirsting for Los's life yet pretending obedience. While Los pursud his speech in threatnings loud \& fierce.

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Thou art my Pride \& Self-righteousness: I have found thee out:
Thou art reveald before me in all thy magnitude \& power
Thy Uncircumcised pretences to Chastity must be cut in sunder!
Thy holy wrath \& deep deceit cannot avail against me
Nor shalt thou ever assume the triple-form of Albions Spectre
For I am one of the living: dare not to mock my inspired fury
If thou wast cast forth from my life! if I was dead upon the mountains
Thou mightest be pitied \& lovd: but now I am living; unless
Thou abstain ravening I will create an eternal Hell for thee.
Take thou this Hammer \& in patience heave the thundering Bellows
Take thou these Tongs: strike thou alternate with me: labour obedient
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Hand \& Hyle \& Koban: Skofeld, Kox \& Kotope, labour mightily
In the Wars of Babel \& Shinar, all their Emanations were
Condensd. Hand has absorbd all his Brethren in his might
All the infant Loves \& Graces were lost, for the mighty Hand

Condens'd his Emanations into hard opake substances;
And his infant thoughts \& desires, into cold, dark, cliffs of death.
His hammer of gold he siezd; and his anvil of adamant.
He siez'd the bars of condens'd thoughts, to forge them:
Into the sword of war: into the bow and arrow:
Into the thundering cannon and into the murdering gun
I saw the limbs form'd for exercise, contemn'd: \& the beauty of
Eternity, look'd upon as deformity \& loveliness as a dry tree:
I saw disease forming a Body of Death around the Lamb
Of God, to destroy Jerusalem, \& to devour the body of Albion
By war and stratagem to win the labour of the husbandman:
Awkwardness arm'd in steel: folly in a helmet of gold:
Weakness with horns \& talons: ignorance with a rav'ning beak!
Every Emanative joy forbidden as a Crime:
And the Emanations buried alive in the earth with pomp of religion:
Inspiration deny'd; Genius forbidden by laws of punishment:
I saw terrified; I took the sighs \& tears, \& bitter groans:
I lifted them into my Furnaces; to form the spiritual sword.
That lays open the hidden heart: I drew forth the pang
Of sorrow red hot: I workd it on my resolute anvil:
I heated it in the flames of Hand, \& Hyle, \& Coban
Nine times; Gwendolen \& Cambel \& Gwineverra
Are melted into the gold, the silver, the liquid ruby,
The crysolite, the topaz, the jacinth, \& every precious stone.
Loud roar my Furnaces and loud my hammer is heard:
I labour day and night, I behold the soft affections
Condense beneath my hammer into forms of cruelty
But still I labour in hope, tho' still my tears flow down.

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That he who will not defend Truth, may be compelld to defend A Lie: that he may be snared and caught and snared and taken That Enthusiasm and Life may not cease: arise Spectre arise!

Thus they contended among the Furnaces with groans \& tears; Groaning the Spectre heavd the bellows, obeying Los's frowns; Till the Spaces of Erin were perfected in the furnaces Of affliction, and Los drew them forth, compelling the harsh Spectre.

Into the Furnaces \& into the valleys of the Anvils of Death And into the mountains of the Anvils \& of the heavy Hammers Till he should bring the Sons \& Daughters of Jerusalem to be The Sons \& Daughters of Los that he might protect them from Albions dread Spectres; storming, loud, thunderous \& mighty The Bellows \& the Hammers move compell'd by Los's hand.

And this is the manner of the Sons of Albion in their strength They take the Two Contraries which are calld Qualities, with which

Every Substance is clothed, they name them Good \& Evil From them they make an Abstract, which is a Negation
Not only of the Substance from which it is derived
A murderer of its own Body: but also a murderer
Of every Divine Member: it is the Reasoning Power An Abstract objecting power, that Negatives every thing This is the Spectre of Man: the Holy Reasoning Power And in its Holiness is closed the Abomination of Desolation

Therefore Los stands in London building Golgonooza Compelling his Spectre to labours mighty; trembling in fear The Spectre weeps, but Los unmovd by tears or threats remains

I must Create a System, or be enslav'd by another Mans I will not Reason \& Compare: my business is to Create

So Los, in fury \& strength: in indignation \& burning wrath Shuddring the Spectre howls. his howlings terrify the night He stamps around the Anvil, beating blows of stern despair He curses Heaven \& Earth, Day \& Night \& Sun \& Moon He curses Forest Spring \& River, Desart \& sandy Waste Cities \& Nations, Families \& Peoples, Tongues \& Laws

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Los cries, Obey my voice \& never deviate from my will And I will be merciful to thee: be thou invisible to all To whom I make thee invisible, but chief to my own Children O Spectre of Urthona: Reason not against their dear approach Nor them obstruct with thy temptations of doubt \& despair O Shame O strong \& mighty Shame I break thy brazen fetters If thou refuse, thy present torments will seem southern breezes To what thou shalt endure if thou obey not my great will.

The Spectre answer'd. Art thou not ashamd of those thy Sins That thou callest thy Children? lo the Law of God commands That they be offered upon his Altar: O cruelty \& torment For thine are also mine! I have kept silent hitherto, Concerning my chief delight: but thou hast broken silence Now I will speak my mind! Where is my lovely Enitharmon O thou my enemy, where is my Great Sin? She is also thine I said: Now is my grief at worst: incapable of being Surpassed: but every moment it accumulates more \& more It continues accumulating to eternity! the joys of God advance For he is Righteous: he is not a Being of Pity \& Compassion ${ }^{1263}$ He cannot feel Distress: he feeds on Sacrifice \& Offering: Delighting in cries \& tears \& clothed in Holiness \& solitude But my griefs advance also, for ever \& ever without end O that I could cease to be! Despair! I am Despair

Created to be the great example of horror \& agony: also my Prayer is vain I called for compassion: compassion mockd Mercy \& pity threw the grave stone over me \& with lead And iron, bound it over me for ever: Life lives on my Consuming: \& the Almighty hath made me his Contrary To be all evil, all reversed \& for ever dead: knowing And seeing life, yet living not; how can I then behold And not tremble; how can I be beheld \& not abhorrd

So spoke the Spectre shuddring, \& dark tears ran down his shadowy face Which Los wiped off, but comfort none could give! or beam of hope Yet ceasd he not from labouring at the roarings of his Forge With iron \& brass Building Golgonooza in great contendings Till his Sons \& Daughters came forth from the Furnaces At the sublime Labours for Los. compelld the invisible Spectre

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To labours mighty, with vast strength, with his mighty chains, In pulsations of time, \& extensions of space, like Urns of Beulah With great labour upon his anvils, \& in his ladles the Ore ${ }^{1264}$ He lifted, pouring it into the clay ground prepar'd with art; Striving with Systems to deliver Individuals from those Systems; That whenever any Spectre began to devour the Dead, He might feel the pain as if a man gnawd his own tender nerves.

Then Erin came forth from the Furnaces, \& all the Daughters of Beulah Came from the Furnaces, by Los's mighty power for Jerusalems
Sake: walking up and down among the Spaces of Erin:
And the Sons and Daughters of Los came forth in perfection lovely!
And the Spaces of Erin reach'd from the starry heighth, to the starry depth.

Los wept with exceeding joy \& all wept with joy together!
They feard they never more should see their Father, who Was built in from Eternity, in the Cliffs of Albion.

But when the joy of meeting was exhausted in loving embrace;
Again they lament. O what shall we do for lovely Jerusalem?
To protect the Emanations of Albions mighty ones from cruelty?
Sabrina \& Ignoge begin to sharpen their beamy spears
Of light and love: their little children stand with arrows of gold:
Ragan is wholly cruel Scofield is bound in iron armour!
He is like a mandrake in the earth before Reubens gate:
He shoots beneath Jerusalems walls to undermine her foundations!
Vala is but they Shadow, O thou loveliest among women!
A shadow animated by thy tears O mournful Jerusalem!

Why wilt thou give to her a Body whose life is but a Shade?.
Her joy and love, a shade: a shade of sweet repose:
But animated and vegetated, she is a devouring worm:
What shall we do for thee O lovely mild Jerusalem?

And Los said. I behold the finger of God in terrors!
Albion is dead! his Emanation is divided from him!
But I am living! yet I feel my Emanation also dividing
Such thing was never known! O pity me, thou all-piteous-one!
What shall I do! or how exist, divided from Enitharmon?
Yet why despair! I saw the finger of God go forth
Upon my Furnaces, from within the Wheels of Albions Sons:

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Fixing their Systems, permanent: by mathematic power Giving a body to Falshood that it may be cast off for ever. With Demonstrative Science piercing Apollyon with his own bow! God is within, \& without! he is even in the depths of Hell!

Such were the lamentations of the Labourers in the Furnaces!

And they appeard within \& without incircling on both sides The Starry Wheels of Albions Sons, with Spaces for Jerusalem: And for Vala the shadow of Jerusalem: the ever mourning shade: On both sides, within \& without beaming gloriously!

Terrified at the sublime Wonder, Los stood before his Furnaces. And they stood around, terrified with admiration at Erins Spaces For the Spaces reachd fro the starry heighth, to the starry depth; And they builded Golgonooza: terrible eternal labour!

What are those golden builders doing? where was the burying-place Of soft Ethinthus? near Tyburns fatal Tree? is that Mild Zions hills most ancient promontory; near mournful Ever weeping Paddington? is that Calvary and Golgotha? Becoming a building of pity and compassion? Lo! The stones are pity, and the bricks, well wrought affections: Enameld with love \& kindness, \& the tiles engraven gold Labour of merciful hands: the beams \& rafters are forgiveness: The mortar \& cement of the work, tears of honesty: the nails, And the screws \& iron braces, are well wrought blandishments, And well contrived words, firm fixing, never forgotten, Always comforting the remembrance: the floors, humility, The cielings, devotion: the hearths, thanksgiving: Prepare the furniture O Lambeth in thy pitying looms! The curtains, woven tears \& sighs, wrought into lovely forms For comfort. there the secret furniture of Jerusalems chamber Is wrought: Lambeth! the Bride the Lambs Wife loveth thee: Thou art one with her \& knowest not of self in thy supreme joy.

Go on, builders in hope: tho Jerusalem wanders far away, Without the gate of Los: among the dark Satanic wheels.

Fourfold the Sons of Los in their divisions: and fourfold, The great City of Golgonooza: fourfold toward the north And toward the south fourfold, \& fourfold toward the east \& west

Each within other toward the four points: that toward Eden, and that toward the World of Generation, And that toward Beulah, and that toward Ulro: Ulro is the space of the terrible starry wheels of Albions sons: But that toward Eden is walled up, till time of renovation: Yet it is perfect in its building, ornaments \& perfection.

And the Four Points are thus beheld in Great Eternity West, the Circumference: South, the Zenith: North, The Nadir: East, the Center, unapproachable for ever. These are the four Faces towards the Four Worlds of Humanity In every Man. Ezekiel saw them by Chebars flood.
And the Eyes are the South, and the Nostrils are the East. And the Tongue is the West, and the Ear is the North.

And the North Gate of Golgonooza toward Generation; Has four sculpturd Bulls terrible before the Gate of iron. And iron, the Bulls: and that which looks toward Ulro, Clay bak'd \& enamel'd, eternal glowing as four furnaces: Turning upon the Wheels of Albions sons with enormous power. And that toward Beulah four, gold, silver, brass, \& iron:

And that toward Eden, four, form'd of gold, silver, brass, \& iron.

The South, a golden Gate, has four Lions terrible, living!
That toward Generation, four, of iron carv'd wondrous:
That toward Ulro, four, clay bak'd, laborious workmanship
That toward Eden, four; immortal gold, silver, brass \& iron.

The Western Gate fourfold, is closd: having four Cherubim Its guards, living, the work of elemental hands, laborious task!
Like Men, hermaphroditic, each winged with eight wings That towards Generation, iron; that toward Beulah, stone; That toward Ulro, clay: that toward Eden, metals. But all clos'd up till the last day, when the graves shall yield their dead

The Eastern Gate, fourfold: terrible \& deadly its ornaments: Taking their forms from the Wheels of Albions sons; as cogs Are formd in a wheel, to fit the cogs of the adverse wheel.

That toward Eden, eternal ice, frozen in seven folds

Of forms of death: and that toward Beulah, stone:
The seven diseases of the earth are carved terrible.

And that toward Ulro, forms of war: seven enormities: And that toward Generation, seven generative forms.

And every part of the City is fourfold; \& every inhabitant, fourfold.
And every pot \& vessel \& garment \& utensil of the houses, And every house, fourfold; but the third Gate in every one Is closd as with a threefold curtain of ivory \& fine linen \& ermine. And Luban stands in middle of the City. a moat of fire, Surrounds Luban, Los's Palace \& the golden Looms of Cathedron.

And sixty-four thousand Genii, guard the Eastern Gate: And sixty-four thousand Gnomes, guard the Northern Gate: And sixty-four thousand Nymphs, guard the Western Gate: And sixty-four thousand Fairies, guard the Southern Gate:

Around Golgonooza lies the land of death eternal; a Land Of pain and misery and despair and ever brooding melancholy: In all the Twenty-seven Heavens, numberd from Adam to Luther; From the blue Mundane Shell, reaching to the Vegetative Earth.

The Vegetative Universe, opens like a flower from the Earths center: In which is Eternity. It expands in Stars to the Mundane Shell And there it meets Eternity again, both within and without, And the abstract Voids between the Stars are the Satanic Wheels.

There is the Cave; the Rock; the Tree; the Lake of Udan Adan; The Forest, and the Marsh, and the Pits of bitumen deadly:
The Rocks of solid fire: the Ice valleys: the Plains
Of burning sand: the rivers, cataract \& Lakes of Fire:
The Islands of the fiery Lakes: the Trees of Malice: Revenge:
And black Anxiety; and the Cities of the Salamandrine men:
(But whatever is visible to the Generated Man,
Is a Creation of mercy \& love, from the Satanic Void.)
The land of darkness flamed but no light, \& no repose:
The land of snows of trembling, \& of iron hail incessant:
The land of earthquakes: and the land of woven labyrinths:
The land of snares \& traps \& wheels \& pit-falls \& dire mills:
The Voids, the Solids, \& the land of clouds \& regions of waters:
With their inhabitants: in the Twenty-seven Heavens beneath Beulah:

Self-righteousnesses conglomerating against the Divine Vision:
A Concave Earth wondrous, Chasmal, Abyssal, Incoherent!
Forming the Mundane Shell: above; beneath: on all sides surrounding Golgonooza: Los walks round the walls night and day.

He views the City of Golgonooza, \& its smaller Cities: The Looms \& Mills \& Prisons \& Work-houses of Og \& Anak:
The Amalekite: the Canaanite: the Moabite: the Egyptian:
And all that has existed in the space of six thousand years:
Permanent, \& not lost not lost nor vanishd, \& every little act,

Word, work, \& wish, that has existed, all remaining still In those Churches ever consuming \& ever building by the Spectres Of all the inhabitants of Earth wailing to be Created: Shadowy to those who dwell not in them, meer possibilities: But to those who enter into them they seem the only substances For every thing exists \& not one sigh nor smile nor tear,

One hair nor particle of dust, not one can pass away.

He views the Cherub at the Tree of Life, also the Serpent, Orc the first born coild in the south: the Dragon Urizen: Tharmas the Vegetated Tongue even the Devouring Tongue: A threefold region, a false brain: a false heart: And false bowels: altogether composing the False Tongue, Beneath Beulah: as a watry flame revolving every way And as dark roots and stems: a Forest of affliction, growing In seas of sorrow. Los also views the Four Females: Ahania, and Enion, and Vala, and Enitharmon lovely. And from them all the lovely beaming Daughters of Albion, Ahania \& Enion \& Vala, are three evanescent shades: Enitharmon is a vegetated mortal Wife of Los: His Emanation, yet his Wife till the sleep of death is past.

Such are the Buildings of Los! \& such are the Woofs of Enitharmon!

And Los beheld his Sons, and he beheld his Daughters: Every one a translucent Wonder: a Universe within, Increasing inwards, into length and breadth, and heighth: Starry \& glorious: and they every one in their bright loins: Have a beautiful golden gate which opens into the vegetative world: And every one a gate of rubies \& all sorts of precious stones

In their translucent hearts, which opens into the vegetative world:
And every one a gate of iron dreadful and wonderful, In their translucent heads, which opens into the vegetative world And every one has the three regions Childhood: Manhood: \& Age: But the gate of the tongue: the western gate in them is clos'd, Having a wall builded against it: and thereby the gates Eastward \& Southward \& Northward, are incircled with flaming fires. And the North is Breadth, the South is Heighth \& Depth: The East is Inwards: \& the West is Outwards every way.

And Los beheld the mild Emanation Jerusalem eastward bending Her revolutions toward the Starry Wheels in maternal anguish Like a pale cloud arising from the arms of Beulahs Daughters: In Entuthon Benythons deep Vales beneath Golgonooza. ${ }^{265}$

And Hand \& Hyle rooted into Jerusalem by a fibre Of strong revenge \& Skofeld Vegetated by Reubens Gate

In every Nation of the Earth till the Twelve Sons of Albion Enrooted into every Nation: a mighty Polypus growing From Albion over the whole Earth: such is my awful Vision.

I see the Four-fold Man. The Humanity in deadly sleep And its fallen Emanation. The Spectre \& its cruel Shadow. I see the Past, Present \& Future, existing all at once Before me; O Divine Spirit sustain me on thy wings! That I may awake Albion from his long \& cold repose. For Bacon \& Newton sheathd in dismal steel, their terrors hang Like iron scourges over Albion, Reasonings like vast Serpents Infold around my limbs, bruising my minute articulations

I turn my eyes to the Schools \& Universities of Europe And there behold the Loom of Locke whose Woof rages dire Washd by the Water-wheels of Newton. black the cloth In heavy wreathes folds over every Nation; cruel Works Of many Wheels I view, wheel without wheel, with cogs tyrannic Moving by compulsion each other: not as those in Eden: which Wheel within Wheel in freedom revolve in harmony \& peace.

I see in deadly fear in London Los raging round his Anvil Of death: forming an Ax of gold: the Four Sons of Los
Stand round him cutting the Fibres from Albions hills

That Albions Sons may roll apart over the Nations While Reuben enroots his brethren in the narrow Canaanite From the Limit Noah to the Limit Abram in whose Loins Reuben in his Twelve-fold majesty \& beauty shall take refuge As Abraham flees from Chaldea shaking his goary locks But first Albion must sleep, divided from the Nations

I see Albion sitting upon his Rock in the first Winter And thence I see the Chaos of Satan \& the World of Adam When the Divine Hand went forth on Albion in the mid Winter And at the place of Death when Albion sat in Eternal Death Among the Furnaces of Los in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom

Hampstead Highgate Finchley Hendon Muswell hill: rage loud Before Bromions iron Tongs \& glowing Poker reddening fierce Hertfordshire glows with fierce Vegetation! in the Forests The Oak frowns terrible, the Beech \& Ash \& Elm enroot Among the Spiritual fires; loud the Corn fields thunder along The Soldiers fife; the Harlots shriek; the Virgins dismal groan The Parents fear: the Brothers jealousy: the Sisters curse Beneath the Storms of Theotormon \& the thundring Bellows Heaves in the hand of Palamabron who in Londons darkness Before the Anvil, watches the bellowing flames: thundering The Hammer loud rages in Rintrahs strong grasp swinging loud

Round from heaven to earth down falling with heavy blow Dead on the Anvil, where the red hot wedge groans in pain He quenches it in the black trough of his Forge; Londons River Feeds the dread Forge, trembling \& shuddering along the Valleys

Humber \& Trent roll dreadful before the Seventh Furnace And Tweed \& Tyne anxious give up their Souls for Albions sake Lincolnshire Derbyshire Nottinghamshire Leicestershire From Oxfordshire to Norfolk on the Lake of Udan Adan Labour within the Furnaces, walking among the Fires With Ladles huge \& iron Pokers over the Island white.

Scotland pours out his Sons to labour at the Furnaces Wales gives his Daughters to the Looms; England: nursing Mothers Gives to the Children of Albion \& to the Children of Jerusalem From the blue Mundane Shell even to the Earth of Vegetation Throughout the whole Creation which groans to be deliverd.

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Albion groans in the deep slumbers of Death upon his Rock.

Here Los fixd down the Fifty-two Counties of England \& Wales
The Thirty-six of Scotland, \& the Thirty-four of Ireland With mighty power, when they fled out at Jerusalems Gates Away from the Conflict of Luvah \& Urizen, fixing the Gates In the Twelve Counties of Wales \& thence Gates looking every way To the Four Points: conduct to England \& Scotland \& Ireland And thence to all the Kingdoms \& Nations \& Families of the Earth The Gate of Reuben in Carmarthenshire: the Gate of Simeon in Cardiganshire: \& the Gate of Levi in Montgomeryshire The Gate of Judah Merionethshire: the Gate of Dan Flintshire The Gate of Napthali, Radnorshire: the Gate of Gad Pembrokeshire The Gate of Asher, Carnarvonshire the Gate of Issachar Brecknokshire The Gate of Zebulun, in Anglesea \& Sodor. so is Wales divided. The Gate of Joseph, Denbighshire: the Gate of Benjamin Glamorganshire For the protection of the Twelve Emanations of Albions Sons

And the Forty Counties of England are thus divided in the Gates Of Reuben Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex. Simeon Lincoln, York Lancashire Levi. Middlesex Kent Surrey. Judah Somerset Glouster Wiltshire. Dan. Cornwal Devon Dorset, Napthali, Warwick Leicester Worcester Gad. Oxford Bucks Harford. Asher, Sussex Hampshire Berkshire Issachar, Northampton Rutland Nottgham. Zebulun Bedford Huntgn Camb Joseph Stafford Shrops Heref. Benjamin, Derby Cheshire Monmouth And Cumberland Northumberland Westmoreland \& Durham are Divided in the Gates of Reuben, Judah Dan \& Joseph

And the Thirty-six Counties of Scotland, divided in the Gates Of Reuben Kincard Haddntn Forfar, Simeon Ayr Argyll Banff

Levi Edinburh Roxbro Ross. Judah, Abrdeen Berwik Dumfries Dan Bute Caitnes Clakmanan. Napthali Nairn Invernes Linlithgo Gad Peebles Perth Renfru. Asher Sutherlan Sterling Wigtoun Issachar Selkirk Dumbartn Glasgo. Zebulun Orkney Shetland Skye Joseph Elgin Lanerk Kinros. Benjamin Kromarty Murra Kirkubriht Governing all by the sweet delights of secret amorous glances In Enitharmons Halls builded by Los \& his mighty Children

All things acted on Earth are seen in the bright Sculptures of Los's Halls \& every Age renews its powers from these Works With every pathetic story possible to happen from Hate or

Wayward Love \& every sorrow \& distress is carved here Every Affinity of Parents Marriages \& Friendships are here In all their various combinations wrought with wondrous Art All that can happen to Man in his pilgrimage of seventy years Such is the Divine Written Law of Horeb \& Sinai: And such the Holy Gospel of Mount Olivet \& Calvary:

His Spectre divides \& Los in fury compells it to divide:
To labour in the fire, in the water, in the earth, in the air, To follow the Daughters of Albion as the hound follows the scent Of the wild inhabitant of the forest, to drive them from his own: To make a way for the Children of Los to come from the Furnaces But Los himself against Albions Sons his fury bends, for he Dare not approach the Daughters openly lest he be consumed In the fires of their beauty \& perfection \& be Vegetated beneath Their Looms, in a Generation of death \& resurrection to forgetfulness They wooe Los continually to subdue his strength: he continually Shews them his Spectre: sending him abroad over the four points of heaven In the fierce desires of beauty \& in the tortures of repulse! He is The Spectre of the Living pursuing the Emanations of the Dead. Shuddring they flee: they hide in the Druid Temples in cold chastity: Subdued by the Spectre of the Living \& terrified by undisguisd desire.

For Los said: Tho my Spectre is divided: as I am a Living Man I must compell him to obey me wholly: that Enitharmon may not Be lost: \& lest he should devour Enitharmon: Ah me! Piteous image of my soft desires \& loves: O Enitharmon! I will compell my Spectre to obey: I will restore to thee thy Children. No one bruises or starves himself to make himself fit for labour! ${ }^{2266}$

Tormented with sweet desire for these beauties of Albion They would never love my power if they did not seek to destroy Enitharmon: Vala would never have sought \& loved Albion If she had not sought to destroy Jerusalem; such is that false And Generating Love: a pretence of love to destroy love:

Cruel hipocrisy unlike the lovely delusions of Beulah:
And cruel forms, unlike the merciful forms of Beulahs Night

They know not why they love nor wherefore they sicken \& die Calling that Holy Love: which is Envy Revenge \& Cruelty Which separated the stars from the mountains: the mountains from Man

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And left Man, a little grovelling Root, outside of Himself. Negations are not Contraries: Contraries mutually Exist: But Negations Exist Not: Exceptions \& Objections \& Unbeliefs Exist not: nor shall they ever be Organized for ever \& ever: If thou separate from me, thou art a Negation: a meer Reasoning \& Derogation from Me, an Objecting \& cruel Spite And Malice \& Envy: but my Emanation, Alas! will become My Contrary: O thou Negation, I will continually compell Thee to be invisible to any but whom I please, \& when And where \& how I please, and never! never! shalt thou be Organized But as a distorted \& reversed Reflexion in the Darkness And in the Non Entity: nor shall that which is above Ever descend into thee: but thou shalt be a Non Entity for ever And if any enter into thee, thou shalt be an Unquenchable Fire And he shall be a never dying Worm, mutually tormented by Those that thou tormentest, a Hell \& Despair for ever \& ever.

So Los in secret with himself communed \& Enitharmon heard In her darkness \& was comforted: yet still she divided away In gnawing pain from Los's bosom in the deadly Night; First as a red Globe of blood trembling beneath his bosom[.] Suspended over her he hung: he infolded her in his garments Of wool: he hid her from the Spectre, in shame \& confusion of Face; in terrors \& pains of Hell \& Eternal Death, the Trembling Globe shot forth Self-living \& Los howld over it: Feeding it with his groans \& tears day \& night without ceasing: And the Spectrous Darkness from his back divided in temptations, And in grinding agonies in threats! stiflings! \& direful strugglings.

Go thou to Skofield: ask him if he is Bath or if he is Canterbury Tell him to be no more dubious: demand explicit words Tell him: I will dash him into shivers, where \& at what time I please: tell Hand \& Skofield they are my ministers of evil To those I hate: for I can hate also as well as they!

From every-one of the Four Regions of Human Majesty, There is an Outside spread Without, \& an Outside spread Within Beyond the Outline of Identity both ways, which meet in One: An orbed Void of doubt, despair, hunger, \& thirst \& sorrow. Here the Twelve Sons of Albion, join'd in dark Assembly,

Jealous of Jerusalems children, asham'd of her little-ones (For Vala produc'd the Bodies. Jerusalem gave the Souls)

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Became as Three Immense Wheels, turning upon one-another Into Non-Entity, and their thunders hoarse appall the Dead To murder their own Souls, to build a Kingdom among the Dead

Cast! Cast ye Jerusalem forth! The Shadow of delusions! The Harlot daughter! Mother of pity and dishonourable forgiveness Our Father Albions sin and shame! But father now no more! Nor sons! nor hateful peace \& love, nor soft complacencies With transgressors meeting in brotherhood around the table, Or in the porch or garden. No more the sinful delights Of age and youth and boy and girl and animal and herb, And river and mountain, and city \& village, and house \& family. Beneath the Oak \& Palm, beneath the Vine and Fig-tree. In self-denial!--But War and deadly contention, Between Father and Son, and light and love! All bold asperities Of Haters met in deadly strife, rending the house \& garden The unforgiving porches, the tables of enmity, and beds And chambers of trembling \& suspition, hatreds of age \& youth And boy \& girl, \& animal \& herb, \& river \& mountain And city \& village, and house \& family. That the Perfect, May live in glory, redeem'd by Sacrifice of the Lamb And of his children, before sinful Jerusalem. To build Babylon the City of Vala, the Goddess Virgin-Mother. She is our Mother! Nature! Jerusalem is our Harlot-Sister Return'd with Children of pollution, to defile our House, With Sin and Shame. Cast! Cast her into the Potters field. Her little-ones, She must slay upon our Altars: and her aged Parents must be carried into captivity, to redeem her Soul To be for a Shame \& a Curse, and to be our Slaves for ever

So cry Hand \& Hyle the eldest of the fathers of Albions ${ }^{1267}$ Little-ones; to destroy the Divine Saviour; the Friend of Sinners, Building Castles in desolated places, and strong Fortifications. Soon Hand mightily devour'd \& absorb'd Albions Twelve Sons. Out from his bosom a mighty Polypus, vegetating in darkness, And Hyle \& Coban were his two chosen ones, for Emissaries In War: forth from his bosom they went and return'd. Like Wheels from a great Wheel reflected in the Deep. Hoarse turn'd the Starry Wheels, rending a way in Albions Loins Beyond the Night of Beulah. In a dark \& unknown Night, Outstretch'd his Giant beauty on the ground in pain \& tears:

His Children exil'd from his breast pass to and fro before him His birds are silent on his hills, flocks die beneath his branches

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His tents are fall'n! his trumpets, and the sweet sound of his harp Are silent on his clouded hills, that belch forth storms \& fire. His milk of Cows, \& honey of Bees, \& fruit of golden harvest, Is gather'd in the scorching heat, $\&$ in the driving rain:
Where once he sat he weary walks in misery and pain: His giant beauty and perfection fallen into dust:
Till from within his witherd breast grown narrow with his woes:
The corn is turn'd to thistles \& the apples into poison:
The birds of song to murderous crows, his joys to bitter groans!
The voices of children in his tents, to cries of helpless infants!
And self-exiled from the face of light $\&$ shine of morning, In the dark world a narrow house! he wanders up and down, Seeking for rest and finding none! and hidden far within, His Eon weeping in the cold and desolated Earth.

All his Affections now appear withoutside: all his Sons, Hand, Hyle \& Coban, Guantok, Peachey, Brereton, Slayd \& Hutton, Scofeld, Kox, Kotope \& Bowen; his Twelve Sons: Satanic Mill!
Who are the Spectres of the Twentyfour, each Double-form'd:
Revolve upon his mountains groaning in pain: beneath
The dark incessant sky, seeking for rest and finding none:
Raging against their Human natures, ravning to gormandize
The Human majesty and beauty of the Twentyfour.
Condensing them into solid rocks with cruelty and abhorrence
Suspition \& revenge, \& the seven diseases of the Soul
Settled around Albion and around Luvah in his secret cloud[.]
Willing the Friends endur'd, for Albions sake, and for Jerusalem his Emanation shut within his bosom;
Which hardend against them more and more; as he builded onwards
On the Gulph of Death in self-righteousness, that roll'd Before his awful feet, in pride of virtue for victory: And Los was roofd in from Eternity in Albions Cliffs Which stand upon the ends of Beulah, and withoutside, all Appear'd a rocky form against the Divine Humanity.

Albions Circumference was clos'd: his Center began darkning Into the Night of Beulah, and the Moon of Beulah rose Clouded with storms: Los his strong Guard walkd round beneath the Moon And Albion flee inward among the currents of his rivers.

He found Jerusalem upon the River of his City soft repos'd In the arms of Vala, assimilating in one with Vala The Lilly of Havilah: and they sang soft thro' Lambeths vales,

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In a sweet moony night \& silence that they had created With a blue sky spread over with wings and a mild moon, Dividing \& uniting into many female forms: Jerusalem

Trembling! then in one comingling in eternal tears, Sighing to melt his Giant beauty, on the moony river.

But when they saw Albion fall'n upon mild Lambeths vale: Astonish'd! Terrified! they hover'd over his Giant limbs. Then thus Jerusalem spoke, while Vala wove the veil of tears: Weeping in pleadings of Love, in the web of despair.

Wherefore hast thou shut me into the winter of human life And clos'd up the sweet regions of youth and virgin innocence: Where we live, forgetting error, not pondering on evil: Among my lambs \& brooks of water, among my warbling birds: Where we delight in innocence before the face of the Lamb: Going in and out before him in his love and sweet affection.

Vala replied weeping \& trembling, hiding in her veil.

When winter rends the hungry family and the snow falls: Upon the ways of men hiding the paths of man and beast, Then mourns the wanderer: then he repents his wanderings \& eyes The distant forest; then the slave groans in the dungeon of stone. The captive in the mill of the stranger, sold for scanty hire. They view their former life: they number moments over and over; Stringing them on their remembrance as on a thread of sorrow. Thou art my sister and my daughter! thy shame is mine also! Ask me not of my griefs! thou knowest all my griefs.

Jerusalem answer'd with soft tears over the valleys.

O Vala what is Sin? that thou shudderest and weepest At sight of thy once lov'd Jerusalem! What is Sin but a little Error \& fault that is soon forgiven; but mercy is not a Sin Nor pity nor love nor kind forgiveness! O! if I have Sinned Forgive \& pity me! O! unfold thy Veil in mercy \& love! Slay not my little ones, beloved Virgin daughter of Babylon Slay not my infant loves \& graces, beautiful daughter of Moab I cannot put off the human form I strive but strive in vain

When Albion rent thy beautiful net of gold and silver twine; Thou hadst woven it with art, thou hadst caught me in the bands Of love; thou refusedst to let me go: Albion beheld thy beauty Beautiful thro' our Love's comeliness, beautiful thro' pity. The Veil shone with thy brightness in the eyes of Albion, Because it inclosd pity \& love; because we lov'd one-another! Albion lov'd thee! he rent thy Veil! he embrac'd thee! he lov'd thee! Astonish'd at his beauty \& perfection, thou forgavest his furious love: I redounded from Albions bosom in my virgin loveliness. The Lamb of God reciev'd me in his arms he smil'd upon us:

He made me his Bride \& Wife: he gave thee to Albion. Then was a time of love: O why is it passed away!

Then Albion broke silence and with groans reply'd

O Vala! O Jerusalem! do you delight in my groans
You O lovely forms, you have prepared my death-cup:
The disease of Shame covers me from head to feet: I have no hope
Every boil upon my body is a separate \& deadly Sin.
Doubt first assaild me, then Shame took possession of me Shame divides Families. Shame hath divided Albion in sunder!
First fled my Sons, \& then my Daughters, then my Wild Animations
My Cattle next, last ev'n the Dog of my Gate. the Forests fled
The Corn-fields, \& the breathing Gardens outside separated The Sea; the Stars: the Sun: the Moon: drivn forth by my disease All is Eternal Death unless you can weave a chaste Body over an unchaste Mind! Vala! O that thou wert pure! That the deep wound of Sin might be clos'd up with the Needle, And with the Loom: to cover Gwendolen \& Ragan with costly Robes
Of Natural Virtue, for their Spiritual forms without a Veil
Wither in Luvahs Sepulcher. I thrust him from my presence
And all my Children followd his loud howlings into the Deep.
Jerusalem! dissembler Jerusalem! I look into thy bosom:
I discover thy secret places: Cordella! I behold
Thee whom I thought pure as the heavens in innocence \& fear:
Thy Tabernacle taken down, thy secret Cherubim disclosed
Art thou broken? Ah me Sabrina, running by my side:
In childhood what wert thou? unutterable anguish! Conwenna
Thy cradled infancy is most piteous. O hide, O hide!
Their secret gardens were made paths to the traveller:
I knew not of their secret loves with those I hated most,
Nor that their every thought was Sin \& secret appetite
Hyle sees in fear, he howls in fury over them, Hand sees

In jealous fear: in stern accusation with cruel stripes He drives them thro' the Streets of Babylon before my face: Because they taught Luvah to rise into my clouded heavens Battersea and Chelsea mourn for Cambel \& Gwendolen! Hackney and Holloway sicken for Estrild \& Ignoge! Because the Peak, Malvern \& Cheviot Reason in Cruelty Penmaenmawr \& Dhinas-bran Demonstrate in Unbelief Manchester \& Liverpool are in tortures of Doubt \& Despair Malden \& Colchester Demonstrate: I hear my Childrens voices ${ }^{1268}$ I see their piteous faces gleam out upon the cruel winds From Lincoln \& Norwich, from Edinburgh \& Monmouth: I see them distant from my bosom scoured along the roads Then lost in clouds; I hear their tender voices! clouds divide

I see them die beneth the whips of the Captains! they are taken In solemn pomp into Chaldea across the bredths of Europe Six months they lie embalmd in Silent death: warshipped 1269 Carried in Arks of Oak before the armies in the spring Bursting their Arks they rise again to life: they play before The Armies: I hear their loud cymbals \& their deadly cries Are the Dead cruel? are those who are infolded in moral Law Revengeful? O that Death \& Annihilation were the same! Then Vala answerd spreading her scarlet Veil over Albion

Albion thy fear has made me tremble; thy terrors have surrounded me Thy Sons have naild me on the Gates piercing my hands \& feet:
Till Skofields Nimrod the mighty Huntsman Jehovah came, With Cush his Son \& took me down. He in a golden Ark, Bears me before his Armies tho my shadow hovers here The flesh of multitudes fed \& nouris[h]d me in my childhood My morn \& evening food were prepard in Battles of Men Great is the cry of the Hounds of Nimrod along the Valley Of Vision, they scent the odor of War in the Valley of Vision. All Love is lost! terror succeeds \& Hatred instead of Love ${ }^{1270}$
And stern demands of Right \& Duty instead of Liberty Once thou wast to me the loveliest Son of heaven; but now Where shall I hide from thy dread countenance \& searching eyes I have looked into the secret Soul of him I loved And in the dark recesses found Sin \& can never return.

Albion again utterd his voice beneath the silent Moon

I brought Love into light of day to pride in chaste beauty

I brought Love into light \& fancied Innocence is no more

Then spoke Jerusalem O Albion! my Father Albion Why wilt thou number every little fibre of my Soul Spreading them out before the Sun like stalks of flax to dry?
The Infant Joy is beautiful, but its anatomy
Horrible hast \& deadly! nought shalt thou find in it But dark despair \& everlasting brooding melancholy!

Then Albion turnd his face toward Jerusalem \& spoke

Hide thou Jerusalem in impalpable voidness, not to be Touchd by the hand nor seen with the eye: O Jerusalem Would thou wert not \& that thy place might never be found But come O Vala with knife \& cup: drain my blood To the last drop! then hide me in thy Scarlet Tabernacle

21:44 warshipped] perhaps a scribal error for "worshipped"; but see textual note.

For I see Luvah whom I slew. I behold him in my Spectre As I behold Jerusalem in thee O Vala dark and cold

Jerusalem then stretchd her hand toward the Moon \& spoke

Why should Punishment Weave the Veil with Iron Wheels of War When Forgiveness might it Weave with Wings of Cherubim

Loud groand Albion from mountain to mountain \& replied

Jerusalem! Jerusalem! deluding shadow of Albion!
Daughter of my phantasy! unlawful pleasure! Albions curse!
I came here with intention to annihilate thee! But
My soul is melted away, inwoven within the Veil
Hast thou again knitted the Veil of Vala, which I for thee
Pitying rent in ancient times. I see it whole and more
Perfect, and shining with beauty! But thou! O wretched Father!
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Jerusalem reply'd, like a voice heard from a sepulcher:

Father! once piteous! Is Pity. a Sin? Embalm'd in Vala's bosom In an Eternal Death for. Albions sake, our best beloved. Thou art my Father \& my Brother: Why hast thou hidden me, Remote from the divine Vision: my Lord and Saviour.

Trembling stood Albion at her words in jealous dark despair: He felt that Love and Pity are the same; a soft repose! Inward complacency of Soul: a Self-annihilation!

I have erred! I am ashamed! and will never return more:
I have taught my children sacrifices of cruelty: what shall I answer?
I will hide it from Eternals! I will give myself for my Children!
Which way soever I turn, I behold Humanity and Pity!

He recoil'd: he rush'd outwards; he bore the Veil whole away His fires redound from his Dragon Altars in Errors returning. He drew the Veil of Moral Virtue, woven for Cruel Laws, And cast it into the Atlantic Deep, to catch the Souls of the Dead. He stood between the Palm tree \& the Oak of weeping Which stand upon the edge of Beulah; and there Albion sunk Down in sick pallid languor! These were his last words, relapsing! Hoarse from his rocks, from caverns of Derbyshire \& Wales And Scotland, utter'd from the Circumference into Eternity.

Blasphemous Sons of Feminine delusion! God in the dreary Void Dwells from Eternity, wide separated from the Human Soul But thou deluding Image by whom imbu'd the Veil I rent Lo here is Valas Veil whole, for a Law, a Terror \& a Curse! And therefore God takes vengeance on me: from my clay-cold bosom My children wander trembling victims of his Moral Justice.

His snows fall on me and cover me, while in the Veil I fold My dying limbs. Therefore O Manhood, if thou art aught But a meer Phantasy, hear dying Albions Curse!
May God who dwells in this dark Ulro \& voidness, vengeance take, And draw thee down into this Abyss of sorrow and torture, Like me thy Victim. O that Death \& Annihilation were the same!

What have I said? What have I done? O all-powerful Human Words! You recoil back upon me in the blood of the Lamb slain in his Children. Two bleeding Contraries equally true, are his Witnesses against me We reared mighty Stones: we danced naked around them:

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Thinking to bring Love into light of day, to Jerusalems shame: Displaying our Giant limbs to all the winds of heaven! Sudden Shame siezd us, we could not look on one-another for abhorrence: the Blue Of our immortal Veins \& all their Hosts fled from our Limbs, And wanderd distant in a dismal Night clouded \& dark:
The Sun fled from the Britons forehead: the Moon from his mighty loins: Scandinavia fled with all his mountains filld with groans.

O what is Life \& what is Man. O what is Death? Wherefore Are you my Children, natives in the Grave to where I go
Or are you born to feed the hungry ravenings of Destruction To be the sport of Accident! to waste in Wrath \& Love, a weary Life, in brooding cares \& anxious labours, that prove but chaff. O Jerusalem Jerusalem I have forsaken thy Courts Thy Pillars of ivory \& gold: thy Curtains of silk \& fine Linen: thy Pavements of precious stones: thy Walls of pearl And gold, thy Gates of Thanksgiving thy Windows of Praise: Thy Clouds of Blessing; thy Cherubims of Tender-mercy Stretching their Wings sublime over the Little-ones of Albion O Human Imagination O Divine Body I have Crucified I have turned my back upon thee into the Wastes of Moral Law: There Babylon is builded in the Waste, founded in Human desolation. O Babylon thy Watchman stands over thee in the night Thy severe Judge all the day long proves thee O Babylon With provings of destruction, with giving thee thy hearts desire. But Albion is cast forth to the Potter his Children to the Builders To build Babylon because they have forsaken Jerusalem The Walls of Babylon are Souls of Men: her Gates the Groans Of Nations: her Towers are the Miseries of once happy Families. Her Streets are paved with Destruction, her Houses built with Death Her Palaces with Hell \& the Grave; her Synagogues with Torments Of ever-hardening Despair squard \& polishd with cruel skill

Yet thou wast lovely as the summer cloud upon my hills When Jerusalem was thy hearts desire in times of youth \& love. Thy Sons came to Jerusalem with gifts, she sent them away With blessings on their hands \& on their feet, blessings of gold, And pearl \& diamond: thy Daughters sang in her Courts: They came up to Jerusalem; they walked before Albion In the Exchanges of London every Nation walkd And London walkd in every Nation mutual in love \& harmony Albion coverd the whole Earth, England encompassd the Nations, Mutual each within others bosom in Visions of Regeneration; Jerusalem coverd the Atlantic Mountains \& the Erythrean,

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From bright Japan \& China to Hesperia France \& England. Mount Zion lifted his head in every Nation under heaven: And the Mount of Olives was beheld over the whole Earth: The footsteps of the Lamb of God were there: but now no more No more shall I behold him, he is closd in Luvahs Sepulcher. Yet why these smitings of Luvah, the gentlest mildest Zoa? If God was Merciful this could not be: O Lamb of God Thou art a delusion and Jerusalem is my Sin! O my Children I have educated you in the crucifying cruelties of Demonstration Till you have assum'd the Providence of God \& slain your Father Dost thou appear before me who liest dead in Luvahs Sepulcher Dost thou forgive me! thou who wast Dead \& art Alive? ${ }^{272}$ Look not so Merciful upon me O thou Slain Lamb of God I die! I die in thy arms tho Hope is banishd from me. ${ }^{2273}$

Thundring the Veil rushes from his hand Vegetating Knot by Knot, Day by Day, Night by Night; loud roll the indignant Atlantic Waves \& the Erythrean, turning up the bottoms of the Deeps

And there was heard a great lamenting in Beulah: all the Regions Of Beulah were moved as the tender bowels are moved: \& they said:

Why did you take Vengeance O ye Sons of the mighty Albion? Planting these Oaken Groves: Erecting these Dragon Temples Injury the Lord heals but Vengeance cannot be healed: As the Sons of Albion have done to Luvah: so they have in him Done to the Divine Lord \& Saviour, who suffers with those that suffer: For not one sparrow can suffer, \& the whole Universe not suffer also, In all its Regions, \& its Father \& Saviour not pity and weep. But Vengeance is the destroyer of Grace \& Repentance in the bosom Of the Injurer: in which the Divine Lamb is cruelly slain:
Descend O Lamb of God \& take away the imputation of Sin By the Creation of States \& the deliverance of Individuals Evermore Amen

Thus wept they in Beulah over the Four Regions of Albion But many doubted \& despaird \& imputed Sin \& Righteousness To Individuals \& not to States, and these Slept in Ulro.
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Jerusalem the Emanation of the Giant Albion! Can it be? Is it a Truth that the Learned have explored? Was Britain the Primitive Seat of the Patriarchal Religion? If it is true: my title-page is also True, that Jerusalem was \& is the Emanation of the Giant Albion. It is True, and cannot be controverted. Ye are united O ye Inhabitants of Earth in One Religion. The Religion of Jesus: the most Ancient, the Eternal: \& the Everlasting Gospel--The Wicked will turn it to Wickedness, the Righteous to Righteousness. Amen! Huzza! Selah! "All things Begin \& End in Albions Ancient Druid Rocky Shore."

Your Ancestors derived their origin from Abraham, Heber, Shem, and Noah, who were Druids: as the Druid Temples (which are the Patriarchal Pillars \& Oak Groves) over the whole Earth witness to this day.
You have a tradition, that Man anciently containd in his mighty limbs all things in Heaven \& Earth: this you recieved from the Druids.
"But now the Starry Heavens are fled from the mighty limbs of Albion"

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The fields from Islington to Marybone, To Primrose Hill and Saint Johns Wood: Were builded over with pillars of gold, And there Jerusalems pillars stood.

Her Little-ones ran on the fields The Lamb of God among them seen And fair Jerusalem his Bride:
Among the little meadows green.

Pancrass \& Kentish-town repose Among her golden pillars high: Among her golden arches which Shine upon the starry sky.

The Jews-harp-house \& the Green Man; The Ponds where Boys to bathe delight: The fields of Cows by Willans farm: 2275 Shine in Jerusalems pleasant sight.

She walks upon our meadows green:
The Lamb of God walks by her side:
And every English Child is seen, Children of Jesus \& his Bride,

Forgiving trespasses and sins
Lest Babylon with cruel Og,
With Moral \& Self-righteous Law Should Crucify in Satans Synagogue!

What are those golden Builders doing
Near mournful ever-weeping Paddington
Standing above that mighty Ruin
Where Satan the first victory won.

Where Albion slept beneath the Fatal Tree
And the Druids golden Knife,

Rioted in human gore, In Offerings of Human Life

They groan'd aloud on London Stone They groand aloud on Tyburns Brook Albion gave his deadly groan, And all the Atlantic Mountains shook

Albions Spectre from his Loins
Tore forth in all the pomp of War!
Satan his name: in flames of fire
He stretch'd his Druid Pillars far.

Jerusalem fell from Lambeth's Vale, Down thro Poplar \& Old Bow; Thro Malden \& acros the Sea, In War \& howling death \& woe.

The Rhine was red with human blood:
The Danube rolld a purple tide:
On the Euphrates Satan stood:
And over Asia stretch'd his pride.

He witherd up sweet Zions Hill, From every Nation of the Earth: He witherd up Jerusalems Gates, And in a dark Land gave her birth.

He witherd up the Human Form, By laws of sacrifice for sin:
Till it became a Mortal Worm:
But O! translucent all within.

The Divine Vision still was seen
Still was the Human Form, Divine
Weeping in weak \& mortal clay O Jesus still the Form was thine.

And thine the Human Face \& thine The Human Hands \& Feet \& Breath Entering thro' the Gates of Birth

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And passing thro' the Gates of Death

And O thou Lamb of God, whom I
Slew in my dark self-righteous pride:
Art thou return'd to Albions Land!
And is Jerusalem thy Bride?

Come to my arms \& never more
Depart; but dwell for ever here:
Create my Spirit to thy Love:
Subdue my Spectre to thy Fear,

Spectre of Albion! warlike Fiend!
In clouds of blood \& ruin roll'd:
I here reclaim thee as my own My Selfhood! Satan! armd in gold.

Is this thy soft Family-Love Thy cruel Patriarchal pride Planting thy Family alone Destroying all the World beside.

A mans worst enemies are those Of his own house \& family; And he who makes his law a curse, By his own law shall surely die.

In my Exchanges every Land Shall walk, \& mine in every Land, Mutual shall build Jerusalem: Both heart in heart \& hand in hand.

If Humility is Christianity; you O Jews are the true Christians; If your tradition that Man contained in his Limbs, all Animals, is True \& they were separated from him by cruel Sacrifices: and when compulsory cruel Sacrifices had brought Humanity into a Feminine Tabernacle, in the loins of Abraham \& David: the Lamb of God, the Saviour became apparent on Earth as the Prophets had foretold? The Return of Israel is a Return to Mental Sacrifice \& War. Take up the Cross O Israel \& follow Jesus.
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Every ornament of perfection, and every labour of love, In all the Garden of Eden, \& in all the golden mountains Was become an envied horror, and a remembrance of jealousy: And every Act a Crime, and Albion the punisher \& judge.

And Albion spoke from his secret seat and said

All these ornaments are crimes, they are made by the labours Of loves: of unnatural consanguinities and friendships Horrid to think of when enquired deeply into; and all These hills \& valleys are accursed witnesses of Sin I therefore condense them into solid rocks, stedfast! A foundation and certainty and demonstrative truth: That Man be separate from Man, \& here I plant my seat.

Cold snows drifted around him: ice coverd his loins around He sat by Tyburns brook, and underneath his heel, shot up! A deadly Tree, he nam'd it Moral Virtue, and the Law Of God who dwells in Chaos hidden from the human sight.

The Tree spread over him its cold shadows, (Albion groand) They bent don, they felt the earth and again enrooting Shot into many a Tree! an endless labyrinth of woe!

From willing sacrifice of Self, to sacrifice of (miscall'd) Enemies
For Atonement: Albion began to erect twelve Altars, Of rough unhewn rocks, before the Potters Furnace He nam'd them Justice, and Truth. And Albions Sons Must have become the first Victims, being the first transgressors But they fled to the mountains to seek ransom: building A Strong Fortification against the Divine Humanity and Mercy, In Shame \& Jealousy to annihilate Jerusalem!

Turning his back to the Divine Vision, his Spectrous

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Chaos before his face appeard: an Unformed Memory.

Then spoke the Spectrous Chaos to Albion darkning cold From the back \& loins where dwell the Spectrous Dead

I am your Rational Power O Albion \& that Human Form You call Divine, is but a Worm seventy inches long That creeps forth in a night $\&$ is dried in the morning sun In fortuitous concourse of memorys accumulated \& lost It plows the Earth in its own conceit, it overwhelms the Hills Beneath its winding labyrinths, till a stone of the brook Stops it in midst of its pride among its hills \& rivers[.] Battersea \& Chelsea mourn, London \& Canterbury tremble Their place shall not be found as the wind passes over[.] The ancient Cities of the Earth remove as a traveller And shall Albions Cities remain when I pass over them With my deluge of forgotten remembrances over the tablet

So spoke the Spectre to Albion. he is the Great Selfhood Satan: Worshipd as God by the Mighty Ones of the Earth Having a white Dot calld a Center from which branches out A Circle in continual gyrations. this became a Heart From which sprang numerous branches varying their motions Producing many Heads three or seven or ten, \& hands \& feet Innumerable at will of the unfortunate contemplator Who becomes his food[:] such is the way of the Devouring Power

And this is the cause of the appearance in the frowning Chaos[.] Albions Emanation which he had hidden in Jealousy Appeard now in the frowning Chaos prolific upon the Chaos Reflecting back to Albion in Sexual Reasoning Hermaphroditic

Albion spoke. Who art thou that appearest in gloomy pomp Involving the Divine Vision in colours of autumn ripeness I never saw thee till this time, nor beheld life abstracted Nor darkness immingled with light on my furrowd field Whence camest thou! who art thou O loveliest? the Divine Vision Is as nothing before thee, faded is all life and joy

Vala replied in clouds of tears Albions garment embracing

I was a City \& a Temple built by Albions Children.
I was a Garden planted with beauty I allured on hill \& valley The River of Life to flow against my walls \& among my trees Vala was Albions Bride \& Wife in great Eternity The loveliest of the daughters of Eternity when in day-break

I emanated from Luvah over the Towers of Jerusalem And in her Courts among her little Children offering up The Sacrifice of fanatic love! why loved I Jerusalem! Why was I one with her embracing in the Vision of Jesus Wherefore did I loving create love, which never yet Immingled God \& Man, when thou \& I, hid the Divine Vision In cloud of secret gloom which behold involve me round about ${ }^{1278}$ Know me now Albion: look upon me I alone am Beauty The Imaginative Human Form is but a breathing of Vala I breathe him forth into the Heaven from my secret Cave Born of the Woman to obey the Woman O Albion the mighty For the Divine appearance is Brotherhood, but I am Love

Elevate into the Region of Brotherhood with my red fires

Art thou Vala? replied Albion, image of my repose O how I tremble! how my members pour down milky fear! A dewy garment covers me all over, all manhood is gone!
At thy word \& at thy look death enrobes me about From head to feet, a garment of death \& eternal fear Is not that Sun thy husband \& that Moon thy glimmering Veil? Are not the Stars of heaven thy Children! art thou not Babylon? Art thou Nature Mother of all! is Jerusalem thy Daughter Why have thou elevate inward: O dweller of outward chambers From grot \& cave beneath the Moon dim region of death Where I laid my Plow in the hot noon, where my hot team fed Where implements of War are forged, the Plow to go over the Nations In pain girding me round like a rib of iron in heaven! O Vala In Eternity they neither marry nor are given in marriage Albion the high Cliff of the Atlantic is become a barren Land

Los stood at his Anvil: he heard the contentions of Vala-He heavd his thundring Bellows upon the valleys of Middlesex He opend his Furnaces before Vala, then Albion frownd in anger On his Rock: ere yet the Starry Heavens were fled away From his awful Members, and thus Los cried aloud To the Sons of Albion \& to Hand the eldest Son of Albion

I hear the screech of Childbirth loud pealing, \& the groans Of Death, in Albions clouds dreadful utterd over all the Earth
What may Man be? who can tell! but what may Woman be?
To have power over Man from Cradle to corruptible Grave.
There is a Throne in every Man, it is the Throne of God This Woman has claimd as her own \& Man is no more! Albion is the Tabernacle of Vala \& her Temple And not the Tabernacle \& Temple of the Most High O Albion why wilt thou Create a Female Will?

To hide the most evident God in a hidden covert, even In the shadows of a Woman \& a secluded Holy Place That we may pry after him as after a stolen treasure Hidden among the Dead \& mured up from the paths of life Hand! art thou not Reuben enrooting thyself into Bashan Till thou remainest a vaporous Shadow in a Void! O Merlin! Unknown among the Dead where never before Existence came Is this the Female Will O ye lovely Daughters of Albion. To Converse concerning Weight \& Distance in the Wilds of Newton \& Locke

So Los spoke standing on Mam-Tor looking over Europe \& Asia The Graves thunder beneath his feet from Ireland to Japan

Reuben slept in Bashan like one dead in the valley Cut off from Albions mountains \& from all the Earths summits Between Succoth \& Zaretan beside the Stone of Bohan While the Daughters of Albion divided Luvah into three Bodies Los bended his Nostrils down to the Earth, then sent him over Jordan to the Land of the Hittite: every-one that saw him Fled! they fled at his horrible Form: they hid in caves And dens, they looked on one-another \& became what they beheld

Reuben return'd to Bashan, in despair he slept on the Stone. Then Gwendolen divided into Rahab \& Tirza in Twelve Portions[.] Los rolled, his Eyes into two narrow circles, then sent him Over Jordan; all terrified fled: they became what they beheld.

If Perceptive Organs vary: Objects of Perception seem to vary: If the Perceptive Organs close: their Objects seem to close also: Consider this O mortal Man! O worm of sixty winters said Los Consider Sexual Organization \& hide thee in the dust.

Then the Divine hand found the Two Limits, Satan and Adam, In Albions bosom: for in every Human bosom those Limits stand. And the Divine voice came from the Furnaces, as multitudes without Number! the voices of the innumerable multitudes of Eternity. And the appearance of a Man was seen in the Furnaces; Saving those who have sinned from the punishment of the Law, (In pity of the punisher whose state is eternal death,) And keeping them from Sin by the mild counsels of his love.

Albion goes to Eternal Death: In Me all Eternity. Must pass thro' condemnation, and awake beyond the Grave! No individual can keep these Laws, for they are death To every energy of man, and forbid the springs of life; Albion hath enterd the State Satan! Be permanent O State! And be thou for ever accursed! that Albion may arise again:

And be thou created into a State! I go forth to Create States: to deliver Individuals evermore! Amen.

So spoke the voice from the Furnaces, descending into Non-Entity [To Govern the Evil by Good: and States abolish Systems.] 2279

Reuben return'd to his place, in vain he sought beautiful Tirzah For his Eyelids were narrowd, \& his Nostrils scented the ground And Sixty Winters Los raged in the Divisions of Reuben: Building the Moon of Ulro, plank by plank \& rib by rib Reuben slept in the Cave of Adam, and Los folded his Tongue Between Lips of mire \& clay, then sent him forth over Jordan In the love of Tirzah he said Doubt is my food day \& night-All that beheld him fled howling and gnawed their tongues For pain: they became what they beheld[.] In reasonings Reuben returned To Heshbon. disconsolate he walkd thro Moab \& he stood Before the Furnaces of Los in a horrible dreamful slumber, On Mount Gilead looking toward Gilgal: and Los bended His Ear in a spiral circle outward; then sent him over Jordan.

The Seven Nations fled before him they became what they beheld Hand, Hyle \& Coban fled: they became what they beheld Gwantock \& Peachy hid in Damascus beneath Mount Lebanon Brereton \& Slade in Egypt. Hutton \& Skofeld \& Kox Fled over Chaldea in terror in pains in every nerve

Kotope \& Bowen became what they beheld, fleeing over the Earth And the Twelve Female Emanations fled with them agonizing.

Jerusalem trembled seeing her Children drivn by Los's Hammer In the visions of the dreams of Beulah on the edge of Non-Entity Hand stood between Reuben \& Merlin, as the Reasoning Spectre Stands between the Vegetative Man \& his Immortal Imagination

And the Four Zoa's clouded rage East \& West \& North \& South They change their situations, in the Universal Man. Albion groans, he sees the Elements divide before his face. And England who is Brittannia divided into Jerusalem \& Vala And Urizen assumes the East, Luvah assumes the South In his dark Spectre ravening from his open Sepulcher

And the Four Zoa's who are the Four Eternal Senses of Man Became Four Elements separating from the Limbs of Albion These are their names in the Vegetative Generation [West Weighing East \& North dividing Generation South bounding] ${ }^{1280}$ And Accident \& Chance were found hidden in Length Bredth \& Highth And they divided into Four ravening deathlike Forms Fairies \& Genii \& Nymphs \& Gnomes of the Elements. These are States Permanently Fixed by the Divine Power

The Atlantic Continent sunk round Albions cliffy shore And the Sea poured in amain upon the Giants of Albion As Los bended the Senses of Reuben Reuben is Merlin Exploring the Three States of Ulro; Creation; Redemption. \& Judgment

And many of the Eternal Ones laughed after their manner

Have you known the judgment that is arisen among the Zoa's of Albion? where a Man dare hardly to embrace His own Wife, for the terrors of Chastity that they call By the name of Morality. their Daughters govern all I hidden deceit! they are Vegetable only fit for burning Art \& Science cannot exist but by Naked Beauty displayd

Then those in Great Eternity who contemplate on Death Said thus. What seems to Be: Is: To those to whom It seems to $\mathrm{Be}, \&$ is productive of the most dreadful

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Consequences to those to whom it seems to Be: even of Torments, Despair, Eternal Death; but the Divine Mercy Steps beyond and Redeems Man in the Body of Jesus Amen And Length Bredth Highth again Obey the Divine Vision Hallelujah

And One stood forth from the Divine Family \& said ${ }^{1281}$

I feel my Spectre rising upon me! Albion! arouze thyself! Why dost thou thunder with frozen Spectrous wrath against us?
The Spectre is, in Giant Man; insane, and most deform'd. Thou wilt certainly provoke my Spectre against thine in fury! He has a Sepulcher hewn out of a Rock ready for thee: And a Death of Eight thousand years forg'd by thyself, upon The point of his Spear! if thou persistest to forbid with Laws Our Emanations, and to attack our secret supreme delights

So Los spoke: But when he saw blue death in Albions feet, ${ }^{1282}$ Again he join'd the Divine Body, following merciful;
While Albion fled more indignant! revengeful covering

His face and bosom with petrific hardness, and his hands
And feet, lest any should enter his bosom \& embrace His hidden heart; his Emanation wept \& trembled within him: Uttering not his jealousy, but hiding it as with Iron and steel, dark and opake, with clouds \& tempests brooding:
His strong limbs shudderd upon his mountains high and dark.

Turning from Universal Love petrific as he went, His cold against the warmth of Eden rag'd with loud Thunders of deadly war (the fever of the human soul) Fires and clouds of rolling smoke! but mild the Saviour follow'd him,

Displaying the Eternal Vision! the Divine Similitude!
In loves and tears of brothers, sisters, sons, fathers, and friends
Which if Man ceases to behold, he ceases to exist:

Saying. Albion! Our wars are wars of life, \& wounds of love, With intellectual spears, \& long winged arrows of thought:
Mutual in one anothers love and wrath all renewing
We live as One Man; for contracting our infinite senses
We behold multitude; or expanding: we behold as one,

As One Man all the Universal Family; and that One Man We call Jesus the Christ: and he in us, and we in him, Live in perfect harmony in Eden the land of life, Giving, recieving, and forgiving each others trespasses. He is the Good shepherd, he is the Lord and master: He is the Shepherd of Albion, he is all in all, In Eden: in the garden of God: and in heavenly Jerusalem. If we have offended, forgive us, take not vengeance against us.

Thus speaking; the Divine Family follow Albion: I see them in the Vision of God upon my pleasant valleys.

I behold London; a Human awful wonder of God!
He says: Return, Albion, return! I give myself for thee:
My Streets are my, Ideas of Imagination.
Awake Albion, awake! and let us awake up together.
My Houses are Thoughts: my Inhabitants; Affections, The children of my thoughts, walking within my blood-vessels, Shut from my nervous form which sleeps upon the verge of Beulah In dreams of darkness, while my vegetating blood in veiny pipes, Rolls dreadful thro' the Furnaces of Los, and the Mills of Satan. For Albions sake, and for Jerusalem thy Emanation
I give myself, and these my brethren give themselves for Albion.

So spoke London, immortal Guardian! I heard in Lambeths shades:
In Felpham I heard and saw the Visions of Albion
I write in South Molton Street what I both see and hear In regions of Humanity, in Londons opening streets.

I see thee awful Parent Land in light, behold I see!
Verulam! Canterbury! venerable parent of men,
Generous immortal Guardian golden clad! for Cities
Are Men, fathers of multitudes, and Rivers \& Mount[a]ins
Are also Men; every thing is Human, mighty! sublime!
In every bosom a Universe expands, as wings
Let down at will around, and call'd the Universal Tent. York, crown'd with loving kindness. Edinburgh, cloth'd
With fortitude as with a garment of immortal texture
Woven in looms of Eden, in spiritual deaths of mighty men

Who give themselves, in Golgotha, Victims to Justice; where There is in Albion a Gate of precious stones and gold

Seen only by Emanations, by vegetations viewless, Bending across the road of Oxford Street; it from Hyde Park To Tyburns deathful shades, admits the wandering souls Of multitudes who die from Earth: this Gate cannot be found

By Satans Watch-fiends tho' they search numbering every grain Of sand on Earth every night, they never find this Gate. It is the Gate of Los. Withoutside is the Mill, intricate, dreadful And fill'd with cruel tortures; but no mortal man can find the Mill Of Satan, in his mortal pilgrimage of seventy years

For Human beauty knows it not: nor can Mercy find it! But ${ }^{283}$ In the Fourth region of Humanity, Urthona namd[,] Mortality begins to roll the billows of Eternal Death Before the Gate of Los. Urthona here is named Los. And here begins the System of Moral Virtue, named Rahab. ${ }^{1284}$ Albion fled thro' the Gate of Los, and he stood in the Gate.

Los was the friend of Albion who most lov'd him. In Cambridgeshire His eternal station, he is the twenty-eighth, \& is four-fold. Seeing Albion had turn'd his back aginst the Divine Vision, Los said to Albion, Whither fleest thou? Albion reply'd.

I die! I go to Eternal Death! the shades of death Hover within me \& beneath, and spreading themselves outside Like rocky clouds, build me a gloomy monument of woe: Will none accompany me in my death? or be a Ransom for me In that dark Valley? I have girded round my cloke, and on my feet Bound these black shoes of death, \& on my hands, death's iron gloves: God hath forsaken me, \& my friends are become a burden A weariness to me, \& the human footstep is a terror to me.

Los answerd, troubled: and his soul was rent in twain:
Must the Wise die for an Atonement? does Mercy endure Atonement?
No! It is Moral Severity, \& destroys Mercy in its Victim.
So speaking, not yet infected with the Error \& Illusion,

Los shudder'd at beholding Albion, for his disease
Arose upon him pale and ghastly: and he call'd around
The Friends of Albion: trembling at the sight of Eternal Death
The four appear'd with their Emanations in fiery
Chariots: black their fires roll beholding Albions House of Eternity

Damp couch the flames beneath and silent, sick, stand shuddering Before the Porch of sixteen pillars: weeping every one Descended and fell down upon their knees round Albions knees, Swearing the Oath of God! with awful voice of thunders round Upon the hills \& valleys, and the cloudy Oath roll'd far and wide

Albion is sick! said every Valley, every mournful Hill And every River: our brother Albion is sick to death. He hath leagued himself with robbers! he hath studied the arts Of unbelief! Envy hovers over him! his Friends are his abhorrence!
Those who give their lives for him are despised!
Those who devour his soul, are taken into his bosom!
To destroy his Emanation is their intention:
Arise! awake O Friends of the Giant Albion
They have perswaded him of horrible falshoods!
They have sown errors over all his fruitful fields!

The Twenty-four heard! they came trembling on watry chariots. Borne by the Living Creatures of the third procession Of Human Majesty, the Living Creatures wept aloud as they Went along Albions roads, till they arriv'd at Albions House.

O! how the torments of Eternal Death, waited on Man: And the loud-rending bars of the Creation ready to burst: That the wide world might fly from its hinges, \& the immortal mansion Of Man, for ever be possess'd by monsters of the deeps: And Man himself become a Fiend, wrap'd in an endless curse, Consuming and consum'd for-ever in flames of Moral Justice.

For had the Body of Albion fall'n down, and from its dreadful ruins Let loose the enormous Spectre on the darkness of the deep, At enmity with the Merciful \& fill'd with devouring fire, A nether-world must have recievd the foul enormous spirit, Under pretence of Moral Virtue, fill'd with Revenge and Law. There to eternity chain'd down, and issuing in red flames And curses, with his mighty arms brandish'd against the heavens Breathing cruelty blood \& vengeance, gnashing his teeth with pain Torn with black storms, \& ceaseless torrents of his own consuming fire: Within his breast his mighty Sons chaind down \& fill'd with cursings: And his dark Eon, that once fair crystal form divinely clear:
Within his ribs producing serpents whose souls are flames of fire. But, glory to the Merciful-One, for he is of tender mercies! And the Divine Family wept over him as One Man.

And these the Twenty-four in whom the Divine Family Appear'd; and they were One in Him. A Human Vision! Human Divine, Jesus the Saviour, blessed for ever and ever.

Selsey, true friend! who afterwards submitted to be devourd By the waves of Despair, whose Emanation rose above The flood, and was nam'd Chichester, lovely mild \& gentle! Lo! Her lambs bleat to the sea-fowls cry, lamenting still for Albion.

Submitting to be call'd the son of Los the terrible vision:
Winchester stood devoting himself for Albion: his tents

Outspread with abundant riches, and his Emanations Submitting to be call'd Enitharmons daughters, and be born In vegetable mould: created by the Hammer and Loom In Bowlahoola \& Allamanda where the Dead wail night \& day.
(I call them by their English names: English, the rough basement. Los built the stubborn structure of the Language, acting against Albions melancholy, who must else have been a Dumb despair.)

Gloucester and Exeter and Salisbury and Bristol: and benevolent

Bath who is Legions: he is the Seventh, the physician and
The poisoner: the best and worst in Heaven and Hell:
Whose Spectre first assimilated with Luvah in Albions mountains
A triple octave he took, to reduce Jerusalem to twelve
To cast Jerusalem forth upon the wilds to Poplar \& Bow:
To Malden \& Canterbury in the delights of cruelty:
The Shuttles of death sing in the sky to Islington \& Pancrass Round Marybone to Tyburns River, weaving black melancholy as a net, And despair as meshes closely wove over the west of London, Where mild Jerusalem sought to repose in death \& be no more. She fled to Lambeths mild Vale and hid herself beneath The Surrey Hills where Rephaim terminates: her Sons are siez'd For victims of sacrifice; but Jerusalem cannot be found! Hid By the Daughters of Beulah: gently snatch'd away: and hid in Beulah

There is a Grain of Sand in Lambeth that Satan cannot find Nor can his Watch Fiends find it: tis translucent \& has many Angles

But he ho finds it will find Oothoons palace, for within Opening into Beulah every angle is a lovely heaven But should the Watch Fiends find it, they would call it Sin And lay its Heavens \& their inhabitants in blood of punishment Here Jerusalem \& Vala were hid in soft slumberous repose Hid from the terrible East, shut up in the South \& West.

The Twenty-eight trembled in Deaths dark caves, in cold despair They kneeld around the Couch of Death in deep humiliation And tortures of self condemnation while their Spectres ragd within.
The Four Zoa's in terrible combustion clouded rage
Drinking the shuddering fears \& loves of Albions Families
Destroying by selfish affections the things that they most admire Drinking \& eating, \& pitying \& weeping, as at a trajic scene. The soul drinks murder \& revenge, \& applauds its own holiness

They saw Albion endeavouring to destroy their Emanations.
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[illustration, with inscription, reversed: "Each Man is in / his Spectre's power / Untill the arrival / of that hour, / When his Humanity / awake / And cast his Spectre / into the Lake"]

They saw their Wheels rising up poisonous against Albion Urizen, cold \& scientific: Luvah, pitying \& weeping Tharmas, indolent \& sullen: Urthona, doubting \& despairing Victims to one another \& dreadfully plotting against each other To prevent Albion walking about in the Four Complexions.

They saw America clos'd out by the Oaks of the western shore; And Tharmas dash'd on the Rocks of the Altars of Victims in Mexico. If we are wrathful Albion will destroy Jerusalem with rooty Groves If we are merciful, ourselves must suffer destruction on his Oaks! Why should we enter into our Spectres, to behold our own corruptions O God of Albion descend! deliver Jerusalem from the Oaken Groves!

Then Los grew furious raging: Why stand we here trembling around Calling on God for help; and not ourselves in whom God dwells Stretching a hand to save the falling Man: are we not Four Beholding Albion upon the Precipice ready to fall into Non-Entity: Seeing these Heavens \& Hells conglobing in the Void. Heavens over Hells Brooding in holy hypocritic lust, drinking the cries of pain

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From howling victims of Law: building Heavens Twenty-seven-fold.
Swelld \& bloated General Forms, repugnant to the Divine-
Humanity, who is the Only General and Universal Form
To which all Lineaments tend \& seek with love \& sympathy
All broad \& general principles belong to benevolence
Who protects minute particulars, every one in their own identity.
But here the affectionate touch of the tongue is closd in by deadly teeth
And the soft smile of friendship \& the open dawn of benevolence
Become a net \& a trap, \& every energy renderd cruel,
Till the existence of friendship \& benevolence is denied:
The wine of the Spirit \& the vineyards of the Holy-One.
Here: turn into poisonous stupor \& deadly intoxication:
That they may be condemnd by Law \& the Lamb of God be slain!
And the two Sources of Life in Eternity[,] Hunting and War,
Are become the Sources of dark \& bitter Death \& of corroding Hell:
The open heart is shut up in integuments of frozen silence
That the spear that lights it forth may shatter the ribs \& bosom
A pretence of Art, to destroy Art: a pretence of Liberty
To destroy Liberty. a pretence of Religion to destroy Religion
Oshea and Caleb fight: they contend in the valleys of Peor
In the terrible Family Contentions of those who love each other:
The Armies of Balaam weep---no women come to the field Dead corses lay before them, \& not as in Wars of old.
For the Soldier who fights for Truth, calls his enemy is brother:
They fight \& contend for life, \& not for eternal death!
But here the Soldier strikes, \& a dead corse falls at his feet
Nor Daughter nor Sister nor Mother come forth to embosom the Slain!
But Death! Eternal Death! remains in the Valleys of Peor.
The English are scatterd over the face of the Nations: are these Jerusalems children? Hark! hear the Giants of Albion cry at night We smell the blood of the English! we delight in their blood on our Altars!
The living \& the dead shall be ground in our rumbling Mills For bread of the Sons of Albion: of the Giants Hand \& Scofield Scofeld \& Kox are let loose upon my Saxons! they accumulate A World in which Man is by his Nature the Enemy of Man, In pride of Selfhood unwieldy stretching out into Non Entity Generalizing Art \& Science till Art \& Science is lost.
Bristol \& Bath, listen to my words, \& ye Seventeen: give ear!
It is easy to acknowledge a man to be great \& good while we
Derogate from him in the trifles \& small articles of that goodness:
Those alone are his friends, who admire his minutest powers[.] Instead of Albions lovely mountains \& the curtains of Jerusalem I see a Cave, a Rock, a Tree deadly and poisonous, unimaginative: Instead of the Mutual Forgivenesses, the Minute Particulars, I see Pits of bitumen ever burning: artificial Riches of the Canaanite

Like Lakes of liquid lead: instead of heavenly Chapels, built By our dear Lord: I see Worlds crusted with snows \& ice; I see a Wicker Idol woven round Jerusalems children. I see The Canaanite, the Amalekite, the Moabite, the Egyptian: By Demonstrations the cruel Sons of Quality \& Negation. Driven on the Void in incoherent despair into Non Entity I see America closd apart, \& Jerusalem driven in terror Away from Albions mountains, far away from Londons spires! I will not endure this thing! I alone withstand to death, This outrage! Ah me! how sick \& pale you all stand round me! Ah me! pitiable ones! do you also go to deaths vale? All you my Friends \& Brothers! all you my beloved Companions! Have you also caught the infection of Sin \& stern Repentance? I see Disease arise upon you! yet speak to me and give Me some comfort: why do you all stand silent? I alone Remain in permanent strength. Or is all this goodness \& pity, only That you may take the greater vengeance in your Sepulcher.

So Los spoke. Pale they stood around the House of Death: In the midst of temptations \& despair: among the rooted Oaks: Among reared Rocks of Albions Sons, at length they rose

With one accord in love sublime, \& as on Cherubs wings They Albion surround with kindest violence to bear him back Against his will thro Los's Gate to Eden: Four-fold; loud! Their Wings waving over the bottomless Immense: to bear Their awful charge back to his native home: but Albion dark, Repugnant; rolld his Wheels backward into Non-Entity Loud roll the Starry Wheels of Albion into the World of Death And all the Gate of Los, clouded with clouds redounding from Albions dread Wheels, stretching out spaces immense between That every little particle of light \& air, became Opake Black \& immense, a Rock of difficulty \& a Cliff
Of black despair; that the immortal Wings labourd against Cliff after cliff, \& over Valleys of despair \& death: The narrow Sea between Albion \& the Atlantic Continent: Its waves of pearl became a boundless Ocean bottomless, Of grey obscurity, filld with clouds \& rocks \& whirling waters And Albions Sons ascending \& descending in the horrid Void.

But as the Will must not be bended but in the day of Divine Power: silent calm \& motionless, in the mid-air sublime, The Family Divine hover around the darkend Albion.

Such is the nature of the Ulro: that whatever enters: Becomes Sexual, \& is Created, and Vegetated, and Born. From Hyde Park spread their vegetating roots beneath Albion In dreadful pain the Spectrous Uncircumcised Vegetation.

Forming a Sexual Machine: an Aged Virgin Form. In Erins Land toward the north, joint after joint \& burning In love \& jealousy immingled \& calling it Religion And feeling the damps of death they with one accord delegated Los Conjuring him by the Highest that he should Watch over them Till Jesus shall appear: \& they gave their power to Los Naming him the Spirit of Prophecy, calling him Elijah

Strucken with Albions disease they become what they behold;
They assimilate with Albion in pity \& compassion;
Their Emanations return not: their Spectres rage in the Deep The Slumbers of Death came over them around the Couch of Death Before the Gate of Los \& in the depths of Non Entity Among the Furnaces of Los: among the Oaks of Albion.

Man is adjoind to Man by his Emanative portion:
Who is Jerusalem in every individual Man: and her Shadow is Vala, builded by the Reasoning power in Man O search \& see: turn your eyes inward: open O thou World Of Love \& Harmony in Man: expand thy ever lovely Gates.

They wept into the deeps a little space at length was heard The voice of Bath, faint as the voice of the Dead in the House of Death

Bath, healing City! whose wisdom in midst of Poetic
Fervor: mild spoke thro' the Western Porch, in soft gentle tears

O Albion mildest Son of Eden! clos'd is thy Western Gate
Brothers of Eternity! this Man whose great example
We all admir'd \& lov'd, whose all benevolent countenance, seen
In Eden, in lovely Jerusalem, drew even from envy
The tear: and the confession of honesty, open \& undisguis'd From mistrust and suspition. The Man is himself become A piteous example of oblivion. To teach the Sons Of Eden, that however great and glorious; however loving And merciful the Individuality; however high

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Our palaces and cities, and however fruitful are our fields In Selfhood, we are nothing: but fade away in mornings breath, Our mildness is nothing: the greatest mildness we can use Is incapable and nothing! none but the Lamb of God can heal This dread disease: none but Jesus! O Lord descend and save! Albions Western Gate is clos'd: his death is coming apace! Jesus alone can save him; for alas we none can know How soon his lot may be our own. When Africa in sleep Rose in the night of Beulah, and bound down the Sun \& Moon His friends cut his strong chains, \& overwhelm'd his dark Machines in fury \& destruction, and the Man reviving repented He wept before his wrathful brethren, thankful \& considerate

For their well timed wrath. But Albions sleep is not Like Africa's: and his machines are woven with his life Nothing but mercy can save him! nothing but mercy interposing Lest he should slay Jerusalem in his fearful jealousy O God descend! gather our brethren, deliver Jerusalem But that we may omit no office of the friendly spirit Oxford take thou these leaves of the Tree of Life: with eloquence That thy immortal tongue inspires; present them to Albion: Perhaps he may recieve them, offerd from thy loved hands.

So spoke, unheard by Albion. the merciful Son of Heaven To those whose Western Gates were open, as they stood weeping Around Albion: but Albion heard him not; obdurate! hard! He frown'd on all his Friends, counting them enemies in his sorrow

And the Seventeen conjoining with Bath, the Seventh: In whom the other Ten shone manifest, a Divine Vision! Assimilated and embrac'd Eternal Death for Albions sake.

And these the names of the Eighteen combining with those Ten
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Bath, mild Physician of Eternity, mysterious power Whose springs are unsearchable \& knowledg infinite. Hereford, ancient Guardian of Wales, whose hands Builded the mountain palaces of Eden, stupendous works!
Lincoln, Durham \& Carlisle, Councellors of Los. And Ely, Scribe of Los, whose pen no other hand Dare touch! Oxford, immortal Bard! with eloquence Divine, he wept over Albion: speaking the words of God

In mild perswasion: bringing leaves of the Tree of Life.

Thou art in Error Albion, the Land of Ulro:
One Error not remov'd, will destroy a human Soul Repose in Beulahs night, till the Error is remov'd Reason not on both sides. Repose upon our bosoms Till the Plow of Jehovah, and the Harrow of Shaddai Have passed over the Dead, to awake the Dead to Judgment. But Albion turn'd away refusing comfort.

Oxford trembled while he spoke, then fainted in the arms Of Norwich, Peterboro, Rochester, Chester awful, Worcester, Litchfield, Saint Davids, Landaff, Asaph, Bangor, Sodor, Bowing their heads devoted: and the Furnaces of Los Began to rage, thundering loud the storms began to roar Upon the Furnaces, and loud the Furnaces rebellow beneath

And these the Four in whom the twenty-four appear'd four-fold:
Verulam, London, York, Edinburgh, mourning one towards another

Alas!--The time will come, when a mans worst enemies Shall be those of his own house and family: in a Religion Of Generation, to destroy by Sin and Atonement, happy Jerusalem, The Bride and Wife of the Lamb. O God thou art Not an Avenger!

Thus Albion sat, studious of others in his pale disease: Brooding on evil: but when Los opend the Furnaces before him: He saw that the accursed things were his own affections, And his own beloveds: then he turn'd sick! his soul died within him Also Los sick \& terrified beheld the Furnaces of Death And must have died, but the Divine Saviour descended Among the infant loves \& affections, and the Divine Vision wept Like evening dew on every herb upon the breathing ground

Albion spoke in his dismal dreams: O thou deceitful friend Worshipping mercy \& beholding thy friend in such affliction: Los! thou now discoverest thy turpitude to the heavens. I demand righteousness \& justice. O thou ingratitude! Give me my Emanations back[,] food for my dying soul! My daughters are harlots! my sons are accursed before me. Enitharmon is my daughter: accursed with a fathers curse! O! I have utterly been wasted! I have given my daughters to devils

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So spoke Albion in gloomy majesty, and deepest night Of Ulro rolld round his skirts from Dover to Cornwall.

Los answerd. Righteousness \& justice I give thee in return For thy righteousness! but I add mercy also, and bind Thee from destroying these little ones: am I to be only Merciful to thee and cruel to all that thou hatest[?] Thou wast the Image of God surrounded by the Four Zoa's Three thou hast slain! I am the Fourth: thou canst not destroy me. Thou art in Error; trouble me not with thy righteousness. I have innocence to defend and ignorance to instruct: I have no time for seeming; and little arts of compliment, In morality and virtue: in self-glorying and pride. There is a limit of Opakeness, and a limit of Contraction; In every Individual Man, and the limit of Opakeness, Is named Satan: and the limit of Contraction is named Adam. But when Man sleeps in Beulah, the Saviour in mercy takes Contractions Limit, and of the Limit he forms Woman: That Himself may in process of time be born Man to redeem But there is no Limit of Expansion! there is no Limit of Translucence. In the bosom of Man for ever from eternity to eternity. Therefore I break thy bonds of righteousness; I crush thy messengers! That they may not crush me and mine: do thou be righteous, And I will return it; otherwise I defy thy worst revenge:

Consider me as thine enemy: on me turn all thy fury But destroy not these little ones, nor mock the Lords anointed: Destroy not by Moral Virtue, the little ones whom he hath chosen! The little ones whom he hath chosen in preference to thee. He hath cast thee off for ever; the little ones he hath anointed! Thy Selfhood is for ever accursed from the Divine presence

So Los spoke: then turn'd his face \& wept for Albion.

Albion replied. Go! Hand \& Hyle! sieze the abhorred friend: ${ }^{2287}$
As you Have siezd the Twenty-four rebellious ingratitudes;
To atone for you, for spiritual death! Man lives by deaths of Men
Bring him to justice before heaven here upon London stone, Between Blackheath \& Hounslow, between Norwood \& Finchley All that they have is mine: from my free genrous gift, They now hold all they have: ingratitude to me! To me their benefactor calls aloud for vengeance deep.

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Los stood before his Furnaces awaiting the fury of the Dead:
And the Divine hand was upon him, strengthening him mightily.

The Spectres of the Dead cry out from the deeps beneath Upon the hills of Albion; Oxford groans in his iron furnace Winchester in his den \& cavern; they lament against Albion: they curse their human kindness \& affection They rage like wild beasts in the forests of affliction In the dreams of Ulro they repent of their human kindness.

Come up, build Babylon, Rahab is ours \& all her multitudes
With her in pomp and glory of victory. Depart
Ye twenty-four into the deeps! let us depart to glory!

Their Human majestic forms sit up upon their Couches Of death: they curb their Spectres as with iron curbs They enquire after Jerusalem in the regions of the dead, With the voices of dead men, low, scarcely articulate, And with tears cold on their cheeks they weary repose.

O when shall the morning of the grave appear, and when Shall our salvation come? we sleep upon our watch We cannot awake! and our Spectres rage in the forests O God of Albion where art thou! pity the watchers!

Thus mourn they. Loud the Furnaces of Los thunder upon The clouds of Europe \& Asia, among the Serpent Temples!

And Los drew his Seven Furnaces around Albions Altars And as Albion built his frozen Altars, Los built the Mundane Shell, In the Four Regions of Humanity East \& West \& North \& South,

Till Norwood \& Finchley \& Blackheath \& Hounslow, coverd the whole Earth. This is the Net \& Veil of Vala, among the Souls of the Dead.

Then the Divine Vision like a silent Sun appeard above Albions dark rocks: setting behind the Gardens of Kensington On Tyburns River, in clouds of blood: where was mild Zion Hills Most ancient promontory, and in the Sun, a Human Form appeard And thus the Voice Divine went forth upon the rocks of Albion

I elected Albion for my glory; I gave to him the Nations, Of the whole Earth. he was the Angel of my Presence: and all The Sons of God were Albions Sons: and Jerusalem was my joy. The Reactor hath hid himself thro envy. I behold him. But you cannot behold him till he be reveald in his System Albions Reactor must have a Place prepard: Albion must Sleep The Sleep of Death, till the Man of Sin \& Repentance be reveald. Hidden in Albions Forests he lurks: he admits of no Reply From Albion: but hath founded his Reaction into a Law Of Action, for Obedience to destroy the Contraries of Man[.] He hath compelld Albion to become a Punisher \& hath possessd Himself of Albions Forests \& Wilds! and Jerusalem is taken!
The City of the Woods in the Forest of Ephratah is taken! London is a stone of her ruins; Oxford is the dust of her walls! Sussex \& Kent are her scatterd garments: Ireland her holy place! And the murderd bodies of her little ones are Scotland and Wales The Cities of the Nations are the smoke of her consummation The Nations are her dust! ground by the chariot wheels Of her lordly conquerors, her palaces levelld with the dust I come that I may find a way for my banished ones to return Fear not O little Flock I come! Albion shall rise again.

So saying, the mild Sun inclosd the Human Family.

Forthwith from Albions darkning [r]ocks came two Immortal forms ${ }^{1288}$
Saying We alone are escaped. O merciful Lord and Saviour, We flee from the interiors of Albions hills and mountains! From his Valleys Eastward: from Amalek Canaan \& Moab: Beneath his vast ranges of hills surrounding Jerusalem.

Albion walkd on the steps of fire before his Halls And Vala walkd with him in dreams of soft deluding slumber. He looked up \& saw the Prince of Light with splendor faded Then Albion ascended mourning into the porches of his Palace Above him rose a Shadow from his wearied intellect: Of living gold, pure, perfect, holy: in white linen pure he hoverd

A sweet entrancing self-delusion a watry vision of Albion Soft exulting in existence; all the Man absorbing!

Albion fell upon his face prostrate before the watry Shadow

Saying O Lord whence is this change! thou knowest I am nothing!
And Vala trembled \& coverd her face! \& her locks were spread on the pavement

We heard astonishd at the Vision \& our heart trembled within us:
We heard the voice of slumberous Albion, and thus he spake, Idolatrous to his own Shadow words of eternity uttering:

O I am nothing when I enter into judgment with thee!
If thou withdraw thy breath I die \& vanish into Hades
If thou dost lay thine hand upon me behold I am silent:
If thou withhold thine hand; I perish like a fallen leaf:
O I am nothing: and to nothing must return again:
If thou withdraw thy breath. Behold I am oblivion.

He ceasd: the shadowy voice was silent: but the cloud hoverd over their heads In golden wreathes, the sorrow of Man; \& the balmy drops fell down.
And lo! that son of Man that Shadowy Spirit of mild Albion:
Luvah descended from the cloud; in terror Albion rose:
Indignant rose the awful Man, \& turnd his back on Vala.

We heard the voice of Albion starting from his sleep:

Whence is this voice crying Enion! that soundeth in my ears?
O cruel pity! O dark deceit! can love seek for dominion?

And Luvah strove to gain dominion over Albion They strove together above the Body where Vala was inclosd And the dark Body of Albion left prostrate upon the crystal pavement, Coverd with boils from head to foot: the terrible smitings of Luvah.

Then frownd the fallen Man, and put forth Luvah from his presence Saying. Go and Die the Death of Man, for Vala the sweet wanderer. I will turn the volutions of your ears outward, and bend your nostrils Downward, and your fluxile eyes englob'd roll round in fear:
Your withring lips and tongue shrink up into a narrow circle, Till into narrow forms you creep: go take your fiery way: And learn what tis to absorb the Man you Spirits of Pity \& Love.

They heard the voice and fled swift as the winters setting sun. And now the human blood foamd high, the Spirits Luvah \& Vala, Went down the Human Heart where Paradise \& its joys abounded,

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In jealous fears \& fury \& rage, \& flames roll round their fervid feet:
And the vast form of Nature like a serpent playd before them
And as they fled in folding fires \& thunders of the deep:

Vala shrunk in like the dark sea that leaves its slimy banks.
And from her bosom Luvah fell far as the east and west. And the vast form of Nature like a serpent rolld between, Whether of Jerusalems or Valas ruins congenerated, we know not: All is confusion: all is tumult, \& we alone are escaped.
So spoke the fugitives; they joind the Divine Family, trembling ${ }^{1289}$

And the Two that escaped; were the Emanation of Los \& his
Spectre: for whereever the Emanation goes, the Spectre Attends her as her Guard, \& Los's Emanation is named Enitharmon, \& his Spectre is named Urthona: they knew Not where to flee: they had been on a visit to Albions Children And they strove to weave a Shadow of the Emanation To hide themselves: weeping \& lamenting for the Vegetation Of Albions Children; fleeing thro Albions vales in streams of gore

Being not irritated by insult bearing insulting benevolences They percieved that corporeal friends are spiritual enemies They saw the Sexual Religion in its embryon Uncircumcision And the Divine hand was upon them bearing them thro darkness Back safe to their Humanity as doves to their windows: Therefore the Sons of Eden praise Urthonas Spectre in Songs Because he kept the Divine Vision in time of trouble.

They wept \& trembled: \& Los put forth his hand \& took them in Into his Bosom: from which Albion shrunk in dismal pain; Rending the fibres of Brotherhood \& in Feminine Allegories Inclosing Los: but the Divine Vision appeard with Los Following Albion into his Central Void among his Oaks.

And Los prayed and said. O Divine Saviour arise Upon the Mountains of Albion as in ancient time. Behold! The Cities of Albion seek thy face, London groans in pain From Hill to Hill \& the Thames laments along the Valleys The little Villages of Middlesex \& Surrey hunger \& thirst The Twenty-eight Cities of Albion stretch their hands to thee: Because of the Opressors of Albion in every City \& Village: They mock at the Labourers limbs! they mock at his starvd Children.

They buy his Daughters that they may have power to sell his Sons:
They compell the Poor to live upon a crust of bread by soft mild arts:
They reduce the Man to want: then give with pomp \& ceremony.
The praise of Jehovah is chaunted from lips of hunger \& thirst!
Humanity knows not of Sex: wherefore are Sexes in Beulah?
In Beulah the Female lets down her beautiful Tabernacle;
Which the Male enters magnificent between her Cherubim: And becomes One with her mingling condensing in Self-love The Rocky Law of Condemnation \& double Generation, \& Death.

Albion hath enterd the Loins the place of the Last Judgment: And Luvah hath drawn the Curtains around Albion in Vala's bosom The Dead awake to Generation! Arise O Lord, \& rend the Veil!

So Los in lamentations followd Albion, Albion coverd,

His western heaven with rocky clouds of death \& despair.

Fearing that Albion should turn his back against the Divine Vision Los took his globe of fire to search the interiors of Albions Bosom, in all the terrors of friendship, entering the caves Of despair \& death, to search the tempters out, walking among Albions rocks \& precipices! caves of solitude \& dark despair, And saw every Minute Particular of Albion degraded \& murderd But saw not by whom; they were hidden within in the minute particulars Of which they had possessd themselves; and there they take up The articulations of a mans soul, and laughing throw it down Into the frame, then knock it out upon the plank, \& souls are bak'd In bricks to build the pyramids of Heber \& Terah. But Los Searchd in vain: closd from the minutia he walkd, difficult. He came down from Highgate thro Hackney \& Holloway towards London Till he came to old Stratford \& thence to Stepney \& the Isle Of Leuthas Dogs, thence thro the narrows of the Rivers side And saw every minute particular, the jewels of Albion, running down The kennels of the streets \& lanes as if they were abhorrd. Every Universal Form, was become barren mountains of Moral Virtue: and every Minute Particular hardend into grains of sand: And all the tendernesses of the soul cast forth as filth \& mire, Among the winding places of deep contemplation intricate To where the Tower of London frownd dreadful over Jerusalem: A building of Luvah builded in Jerusalems eastern gate to be His secluded Court: thence to Bethlehem where was builded Dens of despair in the house of bread: enquiring in vain

Of stones and rocks he took his way, for human form was none: And thus he spoke, looking on Albions City with many tears

What shall I do! what could I do, if I could find these Criminals I could not dare to take vengeance; for all things are so constructed And builded by the Divine hand, that the sinner shall always escape, And he who takes vengeance alone is the criminal of Providence; If I should dare to lay my finger on a grain of sand In way of vengeance; I punish the already punishd: O whom Should I pity if I pity not the sinner who is gone astray! O Albion, if thou takest vengeance; if thou revengest thy wrongs Thou art for ever lost! What can I do to hinder the Sons Of Albion from taking vengeance? or how shall I them perswade.

So spoke Los, travelling thro darkness \& horrid solitude: And he beheld Jerusalem in Westminster \& Marybone, Among the ruins of the Temple: and Vala who is her Shadow, Jerusalems Shadow bent northward over the Island white. At length he sat on London Stone, \& heard Jerusalems voice.

Albion I cannot be thy Wife. thine own Minute Particulars, Belong to God alone. and all thy little ones are holy They are of Faith \& not of Demonstration: wherefore is Vala Clothd in black mourning upon my rivers currents, Vala awake! I hear thy shuttles sing in the sky, and round my limbs I feel the iron threads of love \& jealousy \& despair.

Vala reply'd. Albion is mine! Luvah gave me to Albion And now recieves reproach \& hate. Was it not said of old Set your Son before a man \& he shall take you \& your sons For slaves: but set your Daughter before a man \& She Shall make him \& his sons \& daughters your slaves for ever! And is this Faith? Behold the strife of Albion, \& Luvah Is great in the east, their spears of blood rage in the eastern heaven Urizen is the champion of Albion, they will slay my Luvah: And thou O harlot daughter! daughter of despair art all This cause of these shakings of my towers on Euphrates. Here is the House of Albion, \& here is thy secluded place And here we have found thy sins: \& hence we turn thee forth, For all to avoid thee: to be astonishd at thee for thy sins: Because thou art the impurity \& the harlot: \& thy children! Children of whoredoms: born for Sacrifice: for the meat \& drink Offering: to sustain the glorious combat \& the battle \& war

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That Man may be purified by the death of thy delusions.

So saying she her dark threads cast over the trembling River: And over the valleys; from the hills of Hertfordshire to the hills Of Surrey across Middlesex \& across Albions House Of Eternity! pale stood Albion at his eastern gate,

Leaning against the pillars, \& his disease rose from his skirts Upon the Precipice he stood! ready to fall into Non-Entity.

Los was all astonishment \& terror: he trembled sitting on the Stone Of London: but the interiors of Albions fibres \& nerves were hidden From Los; astonishd be beheld only the petrified surfaces:
And saw his Furnaces in ruins, for Los is the Demon of the Furnaces; He saw also the Four Points of Albion reversd inwards He siezd his Hammer \& Tongs, his iron Poker \& his Bellows, Upon the valleys of Middlesex, Shouting loud for aid Divine.

In stern defiance came from Albions bosom Hand, Hyle, Koban, Gwantok, Peachy, Brertun, Slaid, Huttn, Skofeld, Kock, Kotope

Bowen: Albions Sons: they bore him a golden couch into the porch And on the Couch reposd his limbs, trembling from the bloody field. Rearing their Druid Patriarchal rocky Temples around his limbs. (All things begin \& end, in Albions Ancient Druid Rocky Shore.)
[When Albion utterd his last words Hope is banishd from me] ${ }^{2} 20$
From Camberwell to Highgate where the mighty Thames shudders along, Where Los's Furnaces stand, where Jerusalem \& Vala howl: Luvah tore forth from Albions Loins, in fibrous veins, in rivers Of blood over Europe: a Vegetating Root in grinding pain. Animating the Dragon Temples, soon to become that Holy Fiend The Wicker Man of Scandinavia in which cruelly consumed The Captives reard to heaven howl in flames among the stars Loud the cries of War on the Rhine \& Danube, with Albions Sons, Away from Beulahs hills \& vales break forth the Souls of the Dead, With cymbal, trumpet, clarion; \& the scythed chariots of Britain.

And the Veil of Vala, is composed of the Spectres of the Dead

Hark! the mingling cries of Luvah with the Sons of Albion

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Hark! \& Record the terrible wonder! that the Punisher Mingles with his Victims Spectre, enslaved and tormented To him whom he has murderd, bound in vengeance \& enmity Shudder not, but Write, \& the hand of God will assist you! Therefore I write Albions last words. Hope is banish'd from me.

These were his last words, and the merciful Saviour in his arms Reciev'd him, in the arms of tender mercy and repos'd The pale limbs of his Eternal Individuality Upon the Rock of Ages. Then, surrounded with a Cloud: In silence the Divine Lord builded with immortal labour, Of gold \& jewels a sublime Ornament, a Couch of repose, With Sixteen pillars: canopied with emblems \& written verse. Spiritual Verse, order'd \& measur'd, from whence, time shall reveal. The Five books of the Decalogue, the books of Joshua \& Judges, Samuel, a double book \& Kings, a double book, the Psalms \& Prophets The Four-fold Gospel, and the Revelations everlasting Eternity groan'd \& was troubled, at the image of Eternal Death!

Beneath the bottoms of the Graves, which is Earths central joint, There is a place where Contrarieties are equally true: (To protect from the Giant blows in the sports of intellect, Thunder in the midst of kindness, \& love that kills its beloved: Because Death is for a period, and they renew tenfold.) From this sweet Place Maternal Love awoke Jerusalem

With pangs she forsook Beulah's pleasant lovely shadowy Universe Where no dispute can come; created for those who Sleep.

Weeping was in all Beulah, and all the Daughters of Beulah Wept for their Sister the Daughter of Albion, Jerusalem: When out of Beulah the Emanation of the Sleeper descended With solemn mourning out of Beulahs moony shades and hills: Within the Human Heart, whose Gates closed with solemn sound.

And this the manner of the terrible Separation The Emanations of the grievously afflicted Friends of Albion Concenter in one Female form an Aged pensive Woman. Astonish'd! lovely! embracing the sublime shade: the Daughters of Beulah Beheld her with wonder! With awful hands she took A Moment of Time, drawing it out with many tears \& afflictions And many sorrows: oblique across the Atlantic Vale

Which is the Vale of Rephaim dreadful from East to West, Where the Human Harvest waves abundant in the beams of Eden Into a Rainbow of jewels and gold, a mild Reflection from Albions dread Tomb. Eight thousand and five hundred years In its extension. Every two hundred years has a door to Eden She also took an Atom of Space, with dire pain opening it a Center Into Beulah: trembling the Daughters of Beulah dried Her tears. she ardent embrac'd her sorrows. occupied in labours Of sublime mercy in Rephaims Vale. Perusing Albions Tomb She sat: she walk'd among the ornaments solemn mourning. The Daughters attended her shudderings, wiping the death sweat Los also saw her in his seventh Furnace, he also terrified Saw the finger of God go forth upon his seventh Furnace: Away from the Starry Wheels to prepare Jerusalem a place. When with a dreadful groan the Emanation mild of Albion. Burst from his bosom in the Tomb like a pale snowy cloud, Female and lovely, struggling to put off the Human form Writhing in pain. The Daughters of Beulah in kind arms reciev'd Jerusalem: weeping over her among the Spaces of Erin, In the Ends of Beulah, where the Dead wail night \& day.

And thus Erin spoke to the Daughters of Beulah, in soft tears

Albion the Vortex of the Dead!Albion the Generous! Albion the mildest son of Heaven! The Place of Holy Sacrifice!
Where Friends Die for each other: will become the Place, Of Murder, \& Unforgiving, Never-awaking Sacrifice of Enemies The Children must be sacrific'd! (a horror never known Till now in Beulah.) unless a Refuge can be found To hide them from the wrath of Albions Law that freezes sore Upon his Sons \& Daughters, self-exiled from his bosom

Draw ye Jerusalem away from Albions Mountains
To give a Place for Redemption, let Sihon and Og
Remove Eastward to Bashan and Gilead, and leave

The secret coverts of Albion \& the hidden places of America Jerusalem Jerusalem! why wilt thou turn away Come ye O Daughters of Beulah, lament for Og \& Sihon Upon the Lakes of Ireland from Rathlin to Baltimore: Stand ye upon the Dargle from Wicklow to Drogheda Come \& mourn over Albion the White Cliff of the Atlantic The Mountain of Giants: all the Giants of Albion are become

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Weak! witherd! darkend! \& Jerusalem is cast forth from Albion. They deny that they ever knew Jerusalem, or ever dwelt in Shiloh The Gigantic roots \& twigs of the vegetating Sons of Albion Filld with the little-ones are consumed in the Fires of their Altars
The vegetating Cities are burned \& consumed from the Earth:
And the Bodies in which all Animals \& Vegetations, the Earth \& Heaven Were containd in the All Glorious Imagination are witherd \& darkend;
The golden Gate of Havilah, and all the Garden of God, Was caught up with the Sun in one day of fury and war: The Lungs, the Heart, the Liver, shrunk away far distant from Man And left a little slimy substance floating upon the tides. In one night the Atlantic Continent was caught up with the Moon, And became an Opake Globe far distant clad with moony beams.
The Visions of Eternity, by reason of narrowed perceptions, Are become weak Visions of Time \& Space, fix'd into furrows of death; Till deep dissimulation is the only defence an honest man has left O Polypus of Death O Spectre over Europe and Asia Withering the Human Form by Laws of Sacrifice for Sin By Laws of Chastity \& Abhorrence I am witherd up. Striving to Create a Heaven in which all shall be pure \& holy In their Own Selfhoods, in Natural Selfish Chastity to banish Pity And dear Mutual Forgiveness; \& to become One Great Satan Inslavd to the most powerful Selfhood: to murder the Divine Humanity In whose sight all are as the dust \& who chargeth his Angels with folly! Ah! weak \& wide astray! Ah shut in narrow doleful form! Creeping in reptile flesh upon the bosom of the ground! The Eye of Man, a little narrow orb, closd up \& dark, Scarcely beholding the Great Light; conversing with the [Void]: ${ }^{2291}$ The Ear, a little shell, in small volutions shutting out True Harmonies, \& comprehending great, as very small: The Nostrils, bent down to the earth \& clos'd with senseless flesh. That odours cannot them expand, nor joy on them exult: The Tongue, a little moisture fills, a little food it cloys, A little sound it utters, \& its cries are faintly heard.

Therefore they are removed: therefore they have taken root In Egypt \& Philistea: in Moab \& Edom \& Aram:
In the Erythrean Sea their Uncircu[m]cision in Heart \& Loins Be lost for ever \& ever. then they shall arise from Self, By Self Annihilation into Jerusalems Courts \& into Shiloh Shiloh the Masculine Emanation among the Flowers of Beulah Lo Shiloh dwells over France, as Jerusalem dwells over Albion Build \& prepare a Wall \& Curtain for Americas shore! Rush on: Rush on! Rush on! ye vegetating Sons of Albion The Sun shall go before you in Day: the Moon shall go

Before you in Night. Come on! Come on! Come on! The Lord Jehovah is before, behind, above, beneath, around He has builded the arches of Albions Tomb binding the Stars In merciful Order, bending the Laws of Cruelty to Peace. He hath placed Og \& Anak, the Giants of Albion for their Guards: Building the Body of Moses in the Valley of Peor: the Body Of Divine Analogy; and Og \& Sihon in the tears of Balaam The Son of Beor, have given their power to Joshua \& Caleb. Remove from Albion, far remove these terrible surfaces. They are beginning to form Heavens \& Hells in immense Circles: the Hells for food to the Heavens: food of torment, Food of despair: they drink the condemnd Soul \& rejoice In cruel holiness, in their Heavens of Chastity \& Uncircumcision Yet they are blameless \& Iniquity must be imputed only To the State they are enterd into that they may be deliverd: Satan is the State of Death, \& not a Human existence: But Luvah is named Satan, because he has enterd that State. A World where Man is by Nature the enemy of Man Because the Evil is Created into a State. that Men May be deliverd time after time evermore. Amen. Learn therefore O Sisters to distinguish the Eternal Human That walks about among the stones of fire in bliss \& woe Alternate! from those States or Worlds in which the Spirit travels: This is the only means to Forgiveness of Enemies[.] Therefore remove from Albion these terrible Surfaces And let wild seas \& rocks close up Jerusalem away from

The Atlantic Mountains where Giants dwelt in Intellect; Now given to stony Druids, and Allegoric Generation To the Twelve Gods of Asia, the Spectres of those who Sleep: Sway'd by a Providence oppos'd to the Divine Lord Jesus: A murderous Providence! A Creation that groans, living on Death. Where Fish \& Bird \& Beast \& Man \& Tree \& Metal \& Stone Live by Devouring, going into Eternal Death continually: Albion is now possess'd by the War of Blood! the Sacrifice Of envy Albion is become, and his Emanation cast out:

Come Lord Jesus, Lamb of God descend! for if; O Lord! If thou hadst been here, our brother Albion had not died.
Arise sisters! Go ye \& meet the Lord, while I remain--
Behold the foggy mornings of the Dead on Albions cliffs!
Ye know that if the Emanation remains in them:
She will become an Eternal Death, an Avenger of Sin
A Self-righteousness: the proud Virgin-Harlot! Mother of War!

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Come O thou Lamb of God and take away the remembrance of Sin To Sin \& to hide the Sin in sweet deceit. is lovely!!
To Sin in the open face of day is cruel \& pitiless! But To record the Sin for a reproach: to let the Sun go down In a remembrance of the Sin: is a Woe \& a Horror! A brooder of an Evil Day, and a Sun rising in blood Come then O Lamb of God and take away the remembrance of Sin End of Chap. 2d. ${ }^{1292}$
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He never can be a Friend to the Human Race who is the Preacher of Natural Morality or Natural Religion. he is a flatterer who means to betray, to perpetuate Tyrant Pride \& the Laws of that Babylon which he foresees shall shortly be destroyed, with the Spiritual and not the Natural Sword: He is in the State named Rahab: which State must be put off before he can be the Friend of Man.
You O Deists profess yourselves the Enemies of Christianity: and you are so: you are also the Enemies of the Human Race \& of Universal Nature. Man is born a Spectre or Satan \& is altogether an Evil, \& requires a New Selfhood continually \& must continually be changed into his direct Contrary. But your Greek Philosophy (which is a remnant of Druidism) teaches that Man is Righteous in his Vegetated Spectre: an Opinion of fatal \& accursed consequence to Man, as the Ancients saw plainly by Revelation to the intire abrogation of

Experimental Theory. and many believed what they saw, and Prophecied of Jesus. Man must \& will have Some Religion; if he has not the Religion of Jesus, he will have the Religion of Satan, \& will erect the Synagogue of Satan. calling the Prince of this World, God; and destroying all who do not worship Satan under the Name of God. Will any one say: Where are those who worship Satan under the Name of God! Where are they? Listen! Every Religion that Preaches Vengeance for Sins the Religion of the Enemy \& Avenger; and not the Forgiver of Sin, and their God is Satan, Named by the Divine Name Your Religion O Deists: Deism, is the Worship of the God of this World by the means of what you call Natural Religion and Natural Philosophy, and of Natural Morality or Self-Righteousness, the Selfish Virtues of the Natural Heart. This was the Religion of the Pharises who murderd Jesus. Deism is the same \& ends in the same.
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with Hypocrisy! but how a Monk or a Methodist either, can be a Hypocrite: I cannot concieve. We are Men of like passions with others \& pretend not to be holier than others: therefore, when a Religious Man falls into Sin, he ought not to be calld a Hypocrite: this title is more properly to be given to a Player who falls into Sin; whose profession is Virtue \& Morality \& the making Men Self-Righteous. Foote in calling Whitefield, Hypocrite: was himself one: for Whitefield pretended not to be holier than others: but confessed his Sins before all the World; Voltaire! Rousseau! You cannot escape my charge that you are Pharisees \& Hypocrites, for you are constantly talking of the Virtues of the Human Heart, and particularly of your own, that you may accuse others \& especially the Religious, whose errors, you by this display of pretended Virtue, chiefly design to expose. Rousseau thought Men Good by Nature; he found them Evil \& found no friend. Friendship cannot exist without Forgiveness of Sins continually. The Book written by Rousseau calld his Confessions is an apology \& cloke for his sin \& not a confession. But you also charge the poor Monks \& Religious with being the causes of War: while you acquit \& flatter the Alexanders \& Caesars, the Lewis's \& Fredericks: who alone are its causes \& its actors. But the Religion of Jesus, Forgiveness of Sin, can never be the cause of a War nor of a single Martyrdom.
Those who Martyr others or who cause War are Deists, but never can be Forgivers of Sin. The Glory of Christianity is, To Conquer by Forgiveness. All the Destruction therefore, in Christian Europe as arisen from Deism, which is Natural Religion.
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Wept vehemently over Albion where Thames currents spring
From the rivers of Beulah; pleasant river! soft, mild, parent stream
And the roots of Albions Tree enterd the Soul of Los
As he sat before his Furnaces clothd in sackcloth of hair
In gnawing pain dividing him from his Emanation;
Inclosing all the Children of Los time after time.
Their Giant forms condensing into Nations \& Peoples \& Tongues
Translucent the Furnaces, of Beryll \& Emerald immortal:
And Seven-fold each within other: incomprehensible
To the Vegetated Mortal Eye's perverted \& single vision
The Bellows are the Animal Lungs. the hammers, the Animal Heart
The Furnaces, the Stomach for Digestion; terrible their fury
Like seven burning heavens rang'd from South to North

Here on the banks of the Thames, Los builded Golgonooza, Outside of the Gates of the Human Heart, beneath Beulah In the midst of the rocks of the Altars of Albion. In fears He builded it, in rage \& in fury. It is the Spiritual Fourfold London: continually building \& continually decaying desolate! In eternal labours: loud the Furnaces \& loud the Anvils Of Death thunder incessant around the flaming Couches of The Twentyfour Friends of Albion and round the awful Four For the protection of the Twelve Emanations of Albions Sons The Mystic Union of the Emanation in the Lord; Because ${ }^{1306}$ Man divided from his Emanation is a dark Spectre His Emanation is an ever-weeping melancholy Shadow But she is made receptive of Generation thro' mercy In the Potters Furnace, among the Funeral Urns of Beulah From Surrey hills, thro' Italy and Greece, to Hinnoms vale.

In Great Eternity, every particular Form gives forth or Emanates Its own peculiar Light, \& the Form is the Divine Vision And the Light is his Garment This is Jerusalem in every Man A Tent \& Tabernacle of Mutual Forgiveness Male \& Female Clothings.

And Jerusalem is called Liberty among the Children of Albion

But Albion fell down a Rocky fragment from Eternity hurld By his own Spectre, who is the Reasoning Power in every Man Into his own Chaos which is the Memory between Man \& Man

The silent broodings of deadly revenge springing from the All powerful parental affection, fills Albion from head to foot Seeing his Sons assimilate with Luvah, bound in the bonds Of spiritual Hate, from which springs Sexual Love as iron chains: He tosses like a Cloud outstretchd among Jerusalems Ruins Which overspread all the Earth, he groans among his ruind porches [<image, inscribed:>
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But the Spectre like a hoar frost \& a Mildew rose over Albion Saying, I am God O Sons of Men! I am your Rational Power! Am I not Bacon \& Newton \& Locke who teach Humility to Man!
Who teach Doubt \& Experiment \& my two Wings Voltaire: Rousseau.
Where is that Friend of Sinners! that Rebel against my Laws!

Who teaches Belief to the Nations, \& an unknown Eternal Life Come hither into the Desart \& turn these stones to bread.
Vain foolish Man! wilt thou believe without Experiment?
And build a World of Phantasy upon my Great Abyss!
A World of Shapes in craving lust \& devouring appetite

So spoke the hard cold constrictive Spectre he is named Arthur Constricting into Druid Rocks round Canaan Agag \& Aram \& Pharoh

Then Albion drew England into his bosom in groans \& tears But she stretchd out her starry Night in Spaces against him. like A long Serpent, in the Abyss of the Spectre which augmented The Night with Dragon wings coverd with stars \& in the Wings Jerusalem \& Vala appeard: \& above between the Wings magnificent The Divine Vision dimly appeard in clouds of blood weeping.

When those who disregard all Mortal Things, saw a Mighty-One Among the Flowers of Beulah still retain his awful strength They wonderd; checking their wild flames \& Many gathering Together into an Assembly; they said, let us go down And see these changes! Others said, If you do so prepare For being driven from our fields, what have we to do with the Dead? To be their inferiors or superiors we equally abhor; Superior, none we know: inferior none: all equal share Divine Benevolence \& joy, for the Eternal Man Walketh among us, calling us his Brothers \& his Friends: Forbidding us that Veil which Satan puts between Eve \& Adam By which the Princes of the Dead enslave their Votaries Teaching them to form the Serpent of precious stones \& gold To sieze the Sons of Jerusalem \& plant them in One Mans Loins To make One Family of Contraries: that Joseph may be sold Into Egypt: for Negation; a Veil the Saviour born \& dying rends.

But others said: Let us to him who only Is, \& who Walketh among us, give decision. bring forth all your fires!

So saying, an eternal deed was done: in fiery flames The Universal Conc[1]ave raged, such thunderous sounds as never ${ }^{1307}$ Were sounded from a mortal cloud, nor on Mount Sinai old Nor in Havilah where the Cherub rolld his redounding flame.

Loud! loud! the Mountains lifted up their voices, loud the Forests Rivers thunderd against their banks, loud Winds furious fought Cities \& Nations contended in fires \& clouds \& tempests. The Seas raisd up their voices \& lifted their hands on high The Stars in their courses fought. the Sun! Moon! Heaven! Earth. Contending for Albion \& for Jerusalem his Emanation And for Shiloh, the Emanation of France \& for lovely Vala.

Then far the greatest number were about to make a Separation And they Elected Seven, calld the Seven Eyes of God; Lucifer, Molech, Elohim, Shaddai, Pahad, Jehovah, Jesus. They namd the Eighth. he came not, he hid in Albions Forests But first they said: (\& their Words stood in Chariots in array Curbing their Tygers with golden bits \& bridles of silver \& ivory)

Let the Human Organs be kept in their perfect Integrity

At will Contracting into Worms, or Expanding into Gods And then behold! what are these Ulro Visions of Chastity[!] Then as the moss upon the tree: or dust upon the plow: Or as the sweat upon the labouring shoulder: or as the chaff Of the wheat-floor or as the dregs of the sweet wine-press Such are these Ulro Visions, for tho we sit down within The plowed furrow, listning to the weeping clods till we Contract or Expand Space at will: or if we raise ourselves Upon the chariots of the morning. Contracting or Expanding Time! Every one knows, we are One Family! One Man blessed for ever

Silence remaind \& every one resumd his Human Majesty And many conversed on these things as they labourd at the furrow Saying: It is better to prevent misery, than to release from misery It is better to prevent error, than to forgive the criminal: Labour well the Minute Particulars, attend to the Little-ones: And those who are in misery cannot remain so long If we do but our duty: labour well the teeming Earth.

They Plow'd in tears, the trumpets sounded before the golden Plow And the voices of the Living Creatures were heard in the clouds of heaven Crying: Compell the Reasoner to Demonstrate with unhewn Demonstrations Let the Indefinite be explored. and let every Man be judged By his own Works, Let all Indefinites be thrown into Demonstrations To be pounded to dust \& melted in the Furnaces of Affliction: He who would do good to another, must do it in Minute Particulars General Good is the plea of the scoundrel hypocrite flatterer:
For Art \& Science cannot exist but in minutely organized Particulars And not in generalizing Demonstrations of the Rational Power. The Infinite alone resides in Definite \& Determinate Identity Establishment of Truth depends on destruction of Falshood continually On Circumcision: not on Virginity, O Reasoners of Albion

So cried they at the Plow. Albions Rock frowned above And the Great Voice of Eternity rolled above terrible in clouds Saying Who will go forth for us! \& Who shall we send before our face?

Then Los heaved his thund'ring Bellows on the Valley of Middlesex And thus he chaunted his Song: the Daughters of Albion reply.

What may Man be? who can tell! But what may Woman be?
To have power over Man from Cradle to corruptible Grave.

He who is an Infant, and whose Cradle is a Manger Knoweth the Infant sorrow: whence it came, and where it goeth: And who weave it a Cradle of the grass that withereth away. This World is all a Cradle for the erred wandering Phantom: Rock'd by Year, Month, Day \& Hour; and every two Moments Between, dwells a Daughter of Beulah, to feed the Human Vegetable Entune: Daughters of Albion. your hymning Chorus mildly! Cord of affection thrilling extatic on the iron Reel: To the golden Loom of Love! to the moth-labourd Woof A Garment and Cradle weaving for the infantine Terror: For fear; at entering the gate into our World of cruel Lamentation: it flee back \& hide in Non-Entitys dark wild Where dwells the Spectre of Albion: destroyer of Definite Form. The Sun shall be a Scythed Chariot of Britain: the Moon; a Ship In the British Ocean! Created by Los's Hammer; measured out Into Days \& Nights \& Years \& Months. to travel with my feet Over these desolate rocks of Albion: O daughters of despair! Rock the Cradle, and in mild melodies tell me where found What you have enwoven with so much tears \& care? so much Tender artifice: to laugh: to weep: to learn: to know; Remember! recollect! what dark befel in wintry days

O it was lost for ever! and we found it not: it came And wept at our wintry Door: Look! look! behold! Gwendolen Is become a Clod of Clay! Merlin is a Worm of the Valley!

Then Los uttered with Hammer \& Anvil: Chaunt! revoice! I mind not your laugh: and your frown I not fear! and You must my dictate obey from your gold-beam'd Looms; trill Gentle to Albions Watchman, on Albions mountains; reeccho And rock the Cradle while! Ah me! Of that Eternal Man And of the cradled Infancy in his bowels of compassion: Who fell beneath his instruments of husbandry \& became Subservient to the clods of the furrow! the cattle and even The emmet and earth-Worm are his superiors \& his lords. ${ }^{1308}$

Then the response came warbling from trilling Looms in Albion

We Women tremble at the light therefore: hiding fearful The Divine Vision with Curtain \& Veil \& fleshly Tabernacle

Los utter'd: swift as the rattling thunder upon the mountains[:]

Look back into the Church Paul! Look! Three Women around The Cross! O Albion why didst thou a Female Will Create?

And the voices of Bath \& Canterbury \& York \& Edinburgh. Cry Over the Plow of Nations in the strong hand of Albion thundering along Among the Fires of the Druid \& the deep black rethundering Waters Of the Atlantic which poured in impetuous loud loud. louder \& louder. And the Great Voice of the Atlantic howled over the Druid Altars: Weeping over his Children in Stone-henge in Maiden \& Colchester. Round the Rocky Peak of Derbyshire London Stone \& Rosamonds Bower

What is a Wife \& what is a Harlot? What is a Church? \& What Is a Theatre? are they Two \& not One? can they Exist Separate? Are not Religion \& Politics the Same Thing? Brotherhood is Religion O Demonstrations of Reason Dividing Families in Cruelty \& Pride!

But Albion fled from the Divine Vision, with the Plow of Nations enflaming The Living Creatures maddend and Albion fell into the Furrow, and The Plow went over him \& the Living was Plowed in among the Dead But his Spectre rose over the starry Plow. Albion fled beneath the Plow Till he came to the Rock of Ages. \& he took his Seat upon the Rock.

Wonder siezd all in Eternity! to behold the Divine Vision. open The Center into an Expanse, \& the Center rolled out into an Expanse.

In beauty the Daughters of Albion divide \& unite at will
Naked \& drunk with blood Gwendolen dancing to the timbrel
Of War: reeling up the Street of London she divides in twain ${ }^{1310}$

Among the Inhabitants of Albion. the People fall around. The Daughters of Albion. divide \& unite in jealousy \& cruelty The Inhabitants of Albion at the Harvest \& the Vintage Feel their Brain cut round beneath the temples shrieking Bonifying into a Scull, the Marrow exuding in dismal pain They flee over the rocks bonifying: Horses: Oxen: feel the knife. And while the Sons of Albion by severe War \& Judgment, bonify The Hermaphroditic Condensations are divided by the Knife The obdurate Forms are cut asunder by jealousy \& Pity.

Rational Philosophy and Mathematic Demonstration Is divided in the intoxications of pleasure \& affection

Two Contraries War against each other in fury \& blood, And Los fixes them on his Anvil, incessant his blows: He fixes them with strong blows. placing the stones \& timbers. To Create a World of Generation from the World of Death: Dividing the Masculine \& Feminine: for the comingling Of Albions \& Luvahs Spectres was Hermaphroditic

Urizen wrathful strode above directing the awful Building: As a Mighty Temple; delivering Form out of confusion[.]

Jordan sprang beneath its threshold bubbling from beneath Its pillars: Euphrates ran under its arches: white sails And silver oars reflect on its pillars, \& sound on its ecchoing Pavements: where walk the Sons of Jerusalem who remain Ungenerate But the revolving Sun and Moon pass thro its porticoes, Day \& night, in sublime majesty \& silence they revolve And shine glorious within! Hand \& Koban archd over the Sun In the hot noon, as he traveld thro his journey; Hyle \& Skofield Archd over the Moon at midnight \& Los Fixd them there, With his thunderous Hammer; terrified the Spectres rage \& flee Canaan is his portico; Jordan is a fountain in his porch; A fountain of milk \& wine to relieve the traveller: Egypt is the eight steps within. Ethiopia supports his pillars; Lybia \& the Lands unknown. are the ascent without; Within is Asia \& Greece, ornamented with exquisite art: Persia \& Media are his halls: his inmost hall is Great Tartary. China \& India \& Siberia are his temples for entertainment Poland \& Russia \& Sweden, his soft retired chambers France \& Spain \& Italy \& Denmark \& Holland \& Germany Are the temples among his pillars. Britain is Los's Forge; America North \& South are his baths of living waters.

Such is the Ancient World of Urizen in the Satanic Void Created from the Valley of Middlesex by Londons River From Stone-henge and from London Stone, from Cornwall to Cathnes The Four Zoa's rush around on all sides in dire ruin Furious in pride of Selfhood the terrible Spectres of Albion Rear their dark Rocks among the Stars of God: stupendous Works! A World of Generation continually Creating; out of The Hermaphroditic Satanic World of rocky destiny.

And formed into Four precious stones. for enterance from Beulah

For the Veil of Vala which Albion cast into the Atlantic Deep To catch the Souls of the Dead: began to Vegetate \& Petrify Around the Earth of Albion. among the Roots of his Tree This Los formed into the Gates \& mighty Wall, between the Oak Of Weeping \& the Palm of Suffering beneath Albions Tomb, Thus in process of time it became the beautiful Mundane Shell, The Habitation of the Spectres of the Dead \& the Place Of Redemption \& of awaking again into Eternity

For Four Universes round the Mundane Egg remain Chaotic One to the North; Urthona: One to the South; Urizen: One to the East: Luvah: One to the West, Tharmas; They are the Four Zoas that stood around the Throne Divine Verulam: London: York \& Edinburgh: their English names But when Luvah assumed the World of Urizen Southward

And Albion was slain upon his Mountains \& in his Tent. All fell towards the Center, sinking downwards in dire ruin, In the South remains a burning Fire: in the East. a Void In the West, a World of raging Waters: in the North; solid Darkness Unfathomable without end: but in the midst of these Is Built eternally the sublime Universe of Los \& Enitharmon

And in the North Gate, in the West of the North. toward Beulah Cathedrons Looms are builded. and Los's Furnaces in the South A wondrous golden Building immense with ornaments sublime Is bright Cathedrons golden Hall, its Courts Towers \& Pinnacles

And one Daughter of Los sat at the fiery Reel \& another Sat at the shining Loom with her Sisters attending round Terrible their distress \& their sorrow cannot be utterd And another Daughter of Los sat at the Spinning Wheel Endless their labour, with bitter food. void of sleep, Tho hungry they labour: they rouze themselves anxious Hour after hour labouring at the whirling Wheel Many Wheels \& as many lovely Daughters sit weeping

Yet the intoxicating delight that they take in their work Obliterates every other evil; none pities their tears Yet they regard not pity \& they expect no one to pity For they labour for life \& love, regardless of any one

But the poor Spectres that they work for, always incessantly

They are mockd, by every one that passes by. they regard not They labour; \& when their Wheels are broken by scorn \& malice They mend them sorrowing with many tears \& afflictions.

Other Daughters Weave on the Cushion \& Pillow, Network fine That Rahab \& Tirzah may exist \& live \& breathe \& love Ah, that it could be as the Daughters of Beulah wish!

Other Daughters of Los, labouring at Looms less fine Create the Silk-worm \& the Spider \& the Catterpiller To assist in their most grievous work of pity \& compassion And others Create the wooly Lamb \& the downy Fowl To assist in the work: the Lamb bleats: the Sea-fowl cries Men understand not the distress \& the labour \& sorrow That in the Interior Worlds is carried on in fear \& trembling Weaving the shuddring fears \& loves of Albions Families Thunderous rage the Spindles of iron. \& the iron Distaff Maddens in the fury of their hands, Weaving in bitter tears The Veil of Goats-hair \& Purple \& Scarlet \& fine twined Linen

The clouds of Albions Druid Temples rage in the eastern heaven While Los sat terrified beholding Albions Spectre who is Luvah

Spreading in bloody veins in torments over Europe \& Asia; Not yet formed but a wretched torment unformed \& abyssal In flaming fire; within the Furnaces the Divine Vision appeard On Albions hills: often walking from the Furnaces in clouds And flames among the Druid Temples \& the Starry Wheels Gatherd Jerusalems Children in his arms \& bore them like A Shepherd in the night of Albion which overspread all the Earth

I gave thee liberty and life O lovely Jerusalem
And thou hast bound me down upon the Stems of Vegetation
I gave thee Sheep-walks upon the Spanish Mountains Jerusalem
I gave thee Priams City and the Isles of Grecia lovely!
I gave thee Hand \& Scofield \& the Counties of Albion:
They spread forth like a lovely root into the Garden of God:
They were as Adam before me: united into One Man,
They stood in innocence \& their skiey tent reachd over Asia
To Nimrods Tower to Ham \& Canaan walking with Mizraim

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Upon the Egyptian Nile, with solemn songs to Grecia And sweet Hesperia even to Great Chaldea \& Tesshina Following thee as a Shepherd by the Four Rivers of Eden Why wilt thou rend thyself apart, Jerusalem?
And build this Babylon \& sacrifice in secret Groves, Among the Gods of Asia: among the fountains of pitch \& nitre Therefore thy Mountains are become barren Jerusalem! Thy Valleys, Plains of burning sand. thy Rivers: waters of death Thy Villages die of the Famine and thy Cities Beg bread from house to house, lovely Jerusalem Why wilt thou deface thy beauty \& the beauty of thy little-ones To please thy Idols, in the pretended chastities of Uncircumcision[?] Thy Sons are lovelier than Egypt or Assyria; wherefore Dost thou blacken their beauty by a Secluded place of rest. And a peculiar Tabernacle, to cut the integuments of beauty Into veils of tears and sorrows O lovely Jerusalem! They have perswaded thee to this, therefore their end shall come And I will lead thee thro the Wilderness in shadow of my cloud And in my love I will lead thee, lovely Shadow of Sleeping Albion.

This is the Song of the Lamb, sung by Slaves in evening time.

But Jerusalem faintly saw him, closd in the Dungeons of Babylon Her Form was held by Beulahs Daughters. but all within unseen She sat at the Mills, her hair unbound her feet naked Cut with the flints: her tears run down, her reason grows like The Wheel of Hand. incessant turning day \& night without rest Insane she raves upon the winds hoarse, inarticulate: All night Vala hears. she triumphs in pride of holiness To see Jerusalem deface her lineaments with bitter blows

Of despair. while the Satanic Holiness triumphd in Vala In a Religion of Chastity \& Uncircumcised Selfishness Both of the Head \& Heart \& Loins, closd up in Moral Pride.

But the Divine Lamb stood beside Jerusalem. oft she saw The lineaments Divine \& oft the Voice heard, \& oft she said:

O Lord \& Saviour, have the Gods of the Heathen pierced thee? Or hast thou been pierced in the House of thy Friends? Art thou alive! \& livest thou for-evermore? or art thou Not: but a delusive shadow, a thought that liveth not. ${ }^{1311}$

Babel mocks saying, there is no God nor Son of God That thou O Human Imagination, O Divine Body art all A delusion. but I know thee O Lord when thou arisest upon My weary eyes even in this dungeon \& this iron mill.
The Stars of Albion cruel rise; thou bindest to sweet influences: For thou also sufferest with me altho I behold thee not; And altho I $\sin \&$ blaspheme thy holy name, thou pitiest me; Because thou knowest I am deluded by the turning mills. And by these visions of pity \& love because of Albions death.

Thus spake Jerusalem, \& thus the Divine Voice replied.

Mild Shade of Man, pitiest thou these Visions of terror \& woe!
Give forth thy pity \& love. fear not! lo I am with thee always.
Only believe in me that I have power to raise from death
Thy Brother who Sleepeth in Albion: fear not trembling Shade

Behold: in the Visions of Elohim Jehovah, behold Joseph \& Mary And be comforted O Jerusalem in the Visions of Jehovah Elohim

She looked \& saw Joseph the Carpenter in Nazareth \& Mary His espoused Wife. And Mary said, If thou put me away from thee Dost thou not murder me? Joseph spoke in anger \& fury. Should I Marry a Harlot \& an Adulteress? Mary answerd, Art thou more pure Than thy Maker who forgiveth Sins \& calls again Her that is Lost Tho She hates. he calls her again in love. I love my dear Joseph But he driveth me away from his presence. yet I hear the voice of God In the voice of my Husband. tho he is angry for a moment, he will not Utterly cast me away. if I were pure, never could I taste the sweets Of the Forgive[ne]ss of Sins! if I were holy! I never could behold the tears Of love! of him who loves me in the midst of his anger in furnace of fire.

Ah my Mary: said Joseph: weeping over \& embracing her closely in His arms: Doth he forgive Jerusalem \& not exact Purity from her who is Polluted. I heard his voice in my sleep O his Angel in my dream:

Saying, Doth Jehovah Forgive a Debt only on condition that it shall Be Payed? Doth he Forgive Pollution only on conditions of Purity That Debt is not Forgiven! That Pollution is not Forgiven Such is the Forgiveness of the Gods, the Moral Virtues of the Heathen, whose tender Mercies are Cruelty. But Jehovahs Salvation Is without Money \& without Price, in the Continual Forgiveness of Sins

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In the Perpetual Mutual Sacrifice in Great Eternity! for behold! There is none that liveth \& Sinneth not! And this is the Covenant Of Jehovah: If you Forgive one-another, so shall Jehovah Forgive You: That He Himself may Dwell among You. Fear not then to take To thee Mary thy Wife, for she is with Child by the Holy Ghost

Then Mary burst forth into a Song! she flowed like a River of Many Streams in the arms of Joseph \& gave forth her tears of joy Like many waters, and Emanating into gardens \& palaces upon Euphrates \& to forests \& floods \& animals wild \& tame from Gihon to Hiddekel, \& to corn fields \& villages \& inhabitants Upon Pison \& Arnon \& Jordan. And I heard the voice among The Reapers Saying, Am I Jerusalem the lost Adulteress? or am I Babylon come up to Jerusalem? And another voice answerd Saying

Does the voice of my Lord call me again? am I pure thro his Mercy And Pity. Am I become lovely as a Virgin in his sight who am Indeed a Harlot drunken with the Sacrifice of Idols does he Call her pure as he did in the days of her Infancy when She Was cast out to the loathing of her person. The Chaldean took Me from my Cradle. The Amalekite stole me away upon his Camels Before I had ever beheld with love the Face of Jehovah; or known That there was a God of Mercy: O Mercy O Divine Humanity! O Forgiveness \& Pity \& Compassion! If I were Pure I should never Have known Thee; If I were Unpolluted I should never have Glorified thy Holiness, or rejoiced in thy great Salvation.

Mary leaned her side against Jerusalem, Jerusalem recieved The Infant into her hands in the Visions of Jehovah. Times passed on Jerusalem fainted over the Cross \& Sepulcher She heard the voice Wilt thou make Rome thy Patriarch Druid \& the Kings of Europe his Horsemen? Man in the Resurrection changes his Sexual Garments at will Every Harlot was once a Virgin: every Criminal an Infant Love!

Repose on me till the morning of the Grave. I am thy life.

Jerusalem replied. I am an outcast: Albion is dead! I am left to the trampling foot \& the spurning heel!
A Harlot I am calld. I am sold from street to street!
I am defaced with blows \& with the dirt of the Prison!

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Shall Vala bring thee forth! shall the Chaste be ashamed also?
I see the Maternal Line, I behold the Seed of the Woman! Cainah, \& Ada \& Zillah \& Naamah Wife of Noah. Shuahs daughter \& Tamar \& Rahab the Canaanites:
Ruth the Moabite \& Bathsheba of the daughters of Heth Naamah the Ammonite, Zibeah the Philistine, \& Mary These are the Daughters of Vala, Mother of the Body of death But I thy Magdalen behold thy Spiritual Risen Body Shall Albion arise? I know he shall arise at the Last Day!
I know that in my flesh I shall see God: but Emanations Are weak. they know not whence they are, nor whither tend.

Jesus replied. I am the Resurrection \& the Life.
I Die \& pass the limits of possibility, as it appears
To individual perception. Luvah must be Created And Vala; for I cannot leave them in the gnawing Grave. But will prepare a way for my banished-ones to return Come now with me into the villages. walk thro all the cities. Tho thou art taken to prison \& judgment, starved in the streets I will command the cloud to give thee food \& the hard rock
To flow with milk \& wine, tho thou seest me not a season Even a long season \& a hard journey \& a howling wilderness! Tho Valas cloud hide thee \& Luvahs fires follow thee! Only believe \& trust in me, Lo. I am always with thee!

So spoke the Lamb of God while Luvahs Cloud reddening above Burst forth in streams of blood upon the heavens \& dark night Involvd Jerusalem. \& the Wheels of Albions Sons turnd hoarse Over the Mountains \& the fires blaz'd on Druid Altars And the Sun set in Tyburns Brook where Victims howl \& cry.

But Los beheld the Divine Vision among the flames of the Furnaces Therefore he lived \& breathed in hope. but his tears fell incessant Because his Children were closd from him apart: \& Enitharmon Dividing in fierce pain: also the Vision of God was closd in clouds Of Albions Spectres, that Los in despair oft sat, \& often ponderd On Death Eternal in fierce shudders upon the mountains of Albion Walking: \& in the vales in howlings fierce, then to his Anvils Turning, anew began his labours, tho in terrible pains!

Jehovah stood among the Druids in the Valley of Annandale When the Four Zoas of Albion, the Four Living Creatures, the Cherubim Of Albion tremble before the Spectre, in the starry likeness of the Plow

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Luvah slew Tharmas the Angel of the Tongue \& Albion brought him ${ }^{1312}$
To Justice in his own City of Paris, denying the Resurrection Then Vala the Wife of Albion, who is the Daughter of Luvah Took vengeance Twelve-fold among the Chaotic Rocks of the Druids Where the Human Victims howl to the Moon \& Thor \& Friga Dance the dance of death contending with Jehovah among the Cherubim. The Chariot Wheels filled with Eyes rage along the howling Valley In the Dividing of Reuben \& Benjamin bleeding from Chesters River

The Giants \& the Witches \& the Ghosts of Albion dance with Thor \& Friga, \& the Fairies lead the Moon along the Valley of Cherubim Bleeding in torrents from Mountain to Mountain, a lovely Victim And Jehovah stood in the Gates of the Victim, \& he appeared A weeping Infant in the Gates of Birth in the midst of Heaven

The Cities \& Villages of Albion became Rock \& Sand Unhumanized The Druid Sons of Albion \& the Heavens a Void around unfathomable No Human Form but Sexual \& a little weeping Infant pale reflected Multitudinous in the Looking Glass of Enitharmon, on all sides Around in the clouds of the Female, on Albions Cliffs of the Dead

Such the appearance in Cheviot: in the Divisions of Reuben When the Cherubim hid their heads under their wings in deep slumbers When the Druids demanded Chastity from Woman \& all was lost.

How can the Female be Chaste O thou stupid Druid Cried Los Without the Forgiveness of Sins in the merciful clouds of Jehovah And without the Baptism of Repentance to wash away Calumnies. and The Accusations of Sin that each may be Pure in their Neighbours sight O when shall Jehovah give us Victims from his Flocks \& Herds Instead of Human Victims by the Daughters of Albion \& Canaan

Then laugh'd Gwendolen \& her laughter shook the Nations \& Familys of The Dead beneath Beulah from Tyburn to Golgotha, and from Ireland to Japan. furious her Lions \& Tygers \& Wolves sport before Los on the Thames \& Medway. London \& Canterbury groan in pain

Los knew not yet what was done: he thought it was all in Vision In Visions of the Dreams of Beulah among the Daughters of Albion

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Therefore the Murder was put apart in the Looking-Glass of Enitharmon

He saw in Vala's hand the Druid Knife of Revenge \& the Poison Cup

Of Jealousy, and thought it a Poetic Vision of the Atmospheres Till Canaan rolld apart from Albion across the Rhine: along the Danube

And all the Land of Canaan suspended over the Valley of Cheviot From Bashan to Tyre \& from Troy to Gaza of the Amalekite And Reuben fled with his head downwards among the Caverns

Of the Mundane Shell which froze on all sides round Canaan on The vast Expanse: where the Daughters of Albion Weave the Web Of Ages \& Generations, folding \& unfolding it, like a Veil of Cherubim And sometimes it touches the Earths summits, \& sometimes spreads Abroad into the Indefinite Spectre, who is the Rational Power.

Then All the Daughters of Albion became One before Los: even Vala! And she put forth her hand upon the Looms in dreadful howlings Till she vegetated into a hungry Stomach \& a devouring Tongue. Her Hand is a Court of Justice, her Feet: two Armies in Battle Storms \& Pestilence: in her Locks: \& in her Loins Earthquake. And Fire. \& the Ruin of Cities \& Nations \& Families \& Tongues

She cries: The Human is but a Worm, \& thou O Male: Thou art Thyself Female, a Male: a breeder of Seed: a Son \& Husband: \& Lo. The Human Divine is Womans Shadow, a Vapor in the summers heat Go assume Papal dignity thou Spectre, thou Male Harlot! Arthur Divide into the Kings of Europe in times remote O Woman-born And Woman-nourishd \& Woman-educated \& Woman-scorn'd!

Wherefore art thou living? said Los, \& Man cannot live in thy presence Art thou Vala the Wife of Albion O thou lovely Daughter of Luvah All Quarrels arise from Reasoning. the secret Murder, and The violent Man-slaughter. these are the Spectres double Cave The Sexual Death living on accusation of Sin \& judgment To freeze Love \& Innocence into the gold \& silver of the Merchant Without Forgiveness of Sin Love is Itself Eternal Death

Then the Spectre drew Vala into his bosom magnificent terrific Glittering with precious stones \& gold, with Garments of blood \& fire

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He wept in deadly wrath of the Spectre, in self-contradicting agony Crimson with Wrath \& green with jealousy dazling with Love And jealousy immingled \& the purple of the violet darkend deep Over the Plow of Nations thundring in the hand of Albions Spectre

A dark Hermaphrodite they stood frowning upon Londons River And the Distaff \& Spindle in the hands of Vala with the Flax of Human Miseries turnd fierce with the Lives of Men along the Valley As Reuben fled before the Daughters of Albion Taxing the Nations

Derby Peak yawnd a horrid Chasm at the Cries of Gwendolen, \& at The stamping feet of Ragan upon the flaming Treddles of her Loom That drop with crimson gore with the Loves of Albion \& Canaan Opening along the Valley of Rephaim, weaving over the Caves of Machpelah

To decide Two Worlds with a great decision: a World of Mercy, and A World of Justice: the World of Mercy for Salvation To cast Luvah into the Wrath, and Albion into the Pity In the Two Contraries of Humanity \& in the Four Regions.

For in the depths of Albions bosom in the eastern heaven, They sound the clarions strong! they chain the howling Captives! They cast the lots into the helmet: they give the oath of blood in Lambeth They vote the death of Luvah, \& they naild him to Albions Tree in Bath: They staind him with poisonous blue, they inwove him in cruel roots To die a death of Six thousand years bound round with vegetation The sun was black \& the moon rolld a useless globe thro Britain!

Then left the Sons of Urizen the plow \& harrow, the loom
The hammer \& the chisel, \& the rule \& compasses; from London fleeing They forg'd the sword on Cheviot, the chariot of war \& the battle-ax, The trumpet fitted to mortal battle, \& the flute of summer in Annandale And all the Arts of Life. they changd into the Arts of Death in Albion. The hour-glass contemnd because its simple workmanship. Was like the workmanship of the plowman, \& the water wheel, That raises water into cisterns: broken \& burnd with fire: Because its workmanship. was like the workmanship of the shepherd. And in their stead, intricate wheels invented, wheel without wheel: To perplex youth in their outgoings, \& to bind to labours in Albion Of day \& night the myriads of eternity that they may grind And polish brass \& iron hour after hour laborious task!
Kept ignorant of its use, that they might spend the days of wisdom

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In sorrowful drudgery, to obtain a scanty pittance of bread:
In ignorance to view a small portion \& think that All,
And call it Demonstration: blind to all the simple rules of life.

Now: now the battle rages round thy tender limbs O Vala Now smile among thy bitter tears: now put on all thy beauty Is not the wound of the sword sweet! \& the broken bone delightful?
Wilt thou now smile among the scythes when the wounded groan in the field[?]
We were carried away in thousands from London; \& in tens
Of thousands from Westminster \& Marybone in ships closd up:

Chaind hand \& foot, compelld to fight under the iron whips Of our captains; fearing our officers more than the enemy. Lift up thy blue eyes Vala \& put on thy sapphire shoes:
O melancholy Magdalen behold the morning over Malden break;
Gird on thy flaming zone, descend into the sepulcher of Canterbury. Scatter the blood from thy golden brow, the tears from thy silver locks:
Shake off the waters from thy wings! \& the dust from thy white garments
Remember all thy feigned terrors on the secret couch of Lambeths Vale
When the sun rose in glowing morn, with arms of mighty hosts
Marching to battle who was wont to rise with Urizens harps
Girt as a sower with his seed to scatter life abroad over Albion:
Arise O Vala! bring the bow of Urizen: bring the swift arrows of light.
How rag'd the golden horses of Urizen, compelld to the chariot of love!
Compelld to leave the plow to the ox, to snuff up the winds of desolation
To trample the corn fields in boastful neighings: this is no gentle harp
This is no warbling brook, nor shadow of a mirtle tree:
But blood and wounds and dismal cries, and shadows of the oak:
And hearts laid open to the light, by the broad grizly sword:
And bowels hid in hammerd steel rip'd quivering on the ground.
Call forth thy smiles of soft deceit: call forth thy cloudy tears:
We hear thy sighs in trumpets shrill when morn shall blood renew.

So sang the Spectre Sons of Albion round Luvahs Stone of Trial:
Mocking and deriding at the writhings of their Victim on Salisbury:
Drinking his Emanation in intoxicating bliss rejoicing in Giant dance;
For a Spectre has no Emanation but what he imbibes from decieving A Victim! Then he becomes her Priest \& she his Tabernacle.
And his Oak Grove, till the Victim rend the woven Veil.
In the end of his sleep when Jesus calls him from his grave ${ }^{t 313}$

Howling the Victims on the Druid Altars yield their souls
To the stern Warriors: lovely sport the Daughters round their Victims;

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Drinking their lives in sweet intoxication. hence arose from Bath Soft deluding odours, in spiral volutions intricately winding Over Albions mountains, a feminine indefinite cruel delusion. Astonishd: terrified \& in pain \& torment. Sudden they behold Their own Parent the Emanation of their murderd Enemy Become their Emanation and their Temple and Tabernacle They knew not. this Vala was their beloved Mother Vala Albions Wife.

Terrified at the sight of the Victim: at his distorted sinews! The tremblings of Vala vibrate thro' the limbs of Albions Sons: While they rejoice over Luvah in mockery \& bitter scorn: Sudden they become like what they behold in howlings \& deadly pain. Spasms smite their features, sinews \& limbs: pale they look on one another.

They turn, contorted: their iron necks bend unwilling towards Luvah: their lips tremble: their muscular fibres are crampd \& smitten They become like what they behold! Yet immense in strength \& power,

In awful pomp \& gold, in all the precious unhewn stones of Eden They build a stupendous Building on the Plain of Salisbury; with chains Of rocks round London Stone: of Reasonings: of unhewn Demonstrations In labyrinthine arches. (Mighty Urizen the Architect.) thro which The Heavens might revolve \& Eternity be bound in their chain. Labour unparallelld! a wondrous rocky World of cruel destiny Rocks piled on rocks reaching the stars: stretching from pole to pole. The Building is Natural Religion \& its Altars Natural Morality A building of eternal death: whose proportions are eternal despair Here Vala stood turning the iron Spindle of destruction From heaven to earth: howling! invisible! but not invisible Her Two Covering Cherubs afterwards named Voltaire \& Rousseau: Two frowning Rocks: on each side of the Cove \& Stone of Torture: Frozen Sons of the feminine Tabernacle of Bacon, Newton \& Locke. For Luvah is France: the Victim of the Spectres of Albion.

Los beheld in terror: he pour'd his loud storms on the Furnaces: The Daughters of Albion clothed in garments of needle work Strip them off from their shoulders and bosoms, they lay aside Their garments; they sit naked upon the Stone of trial. The Knife of flint passes over the howling Victim: his blood Gushes \& stains the fair side of the fair Daug[h]ters of Albion. They put aside his curls; they divide his seven locks upon His forehead: they bind his forehead with thorns of iron They put into his hand a reed, they mock: Saying: Behold

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The King of Canaan whose are seven hundred chariots of iron!
They take off his vesture whole with their Knives of flint:
But they cut asunder his inner garments: searching with Their cruel fingers for his heart, \& there they enter in pomp, In many tears; \& there they erect a temple \& an altar: They pour cold water on his brain in front, to cause. Lids to grow over his eyes in veils of tears: and caverns To freeze over his nostrils, while they feed his tongue from cups And dishes of painted clay. Glowing with beauty \& cruelty: They obscure the sun \& the moon; no eye can look upon them.

Ah! alas! at the sight of the Victim, \& at sight of those who are smitten, All who see. become what they behold. their eyes are coverd With veils of tears and their nostrils \& tongues shrunk up
Their ear bent outwards. as their Victim, so are they in the pangs Of unconquerable fear! amidst delights of revenge Earth-shaking!

And as their eye \& ear shrunk, the heavens shrunk away The Divine Vision became First a burning flame, then a column Of fire, then an awful fiery wheel surrounding earth \& heaven: And then a globe of blood wandering distant in all unknown night: Afar into the unknown night the mountains fled away:
Six months of mortality; a summer: \& six months of mortality; a winter:
The Human form began to be alterd by the Daughters of Albion And the perceptions to be dissipated into the Indefinite. Becoming
A mighty Polypus nam'd Albions Tree: they tie the Veins And Nerves into two knots: \& the Seed into a double knot:
They look forth: the Sun is shrunk: the Heavens are shrunk Away into the far remote: and the Trees \& Mountains witherd Into indefinite cloudy shadows in darkness \& separation. By Invisible hatreds adjoind, they seem remote and separate From each other; and yet are a Mighty Polypus in the Deep! As the Misletoe grows on the Oak, so Albions Tree on Eternity: Lo! He who will not comingle in Love, must be adjoind by Hate

They look forth from Stone-henge! from the Cove round London Stone They look on one another: the mountain calls out to the mountain: Plinlimmon shrunk away: Snowdon trembled: the mountains Of Wales \& Scotland beheld the descending War: the routed flying: Red run the streams of Albion: Thames is drunk with blood: As Gwendolen cast the shuttle of war: as Cambel returnd the beam. The Humber \& the Severn: are drunk with the blood of the slain: London feels his brain cut round: Edinburghs heart is circumscribed! York \& Lincoln hide among the flocks, because of the griding Knife.

Worcester \& Hereford: Oxford \& Cambridge reel \& stagger, Overwearied with howling: Wales \& Scotland alone sustain the fight! The inhabitants are sick to death: they labour to divide into Days And Nights, the uncertain Periods: and into Weeks \& Months. In vain They send the Dove \& Raven: \& in vain the Serpent over the mountains. And in vain the Eagle \& Lion over the four-fold wilderness. They return not: but generate in rocky places desolate. They return not; but build a habitation separate from Man. The Sun forgets his course like a drunken man; he hesitates, Upon the Cheselden hills, thinking to sleep on the Severn In vain: he is hurried afar into an unknown Night He bleeds in torrents of blood as he rolls thro heaven above He chokes up the paths of the sky; the Moon is leprous as snow: Trembling \& descending down seeking to rest upon high Mona: Scattering her leprous snows in flakes of disease over Albion. The Stars flee remote: the heaven is iron, the earth is sulphur, And all the mountains \& hills shrink up like a withering gourd, As the Senses of Men shrink together under the Knife of flint, In the hands of Albions Daughters, among the Druid Temples.

By those who drink their blood \& the blood of their Covenant

And the Twelve Daughters of Albion united in Rahab \& Tirzah
A Double Female: and they drew out from the Rocky Stones
Fibres of Life to Weave[,] for every Female is a Golden Loom
The Rocks are opake hardnesses covering all Vegetated things And as they Wove \& Cut from the Looms in various divisions
Stretching over Europe \& Asia from Ireland to Japan
They divided into many lovely Daughters to be counterparts
To those they Wove, for when they Wove a Male, they divided Into a Female to the Woven Male. in opake hardness
They cut the Fibres from the Rocks groaning in pain they Weave; Calling the Rocks Atomic Origins of Existence; denying Eternity
By the Atheistical Epicurean Philosophy of Albions Tree Such are the Feminine \& Masculine when separated from Man They call the Rocks Parents of Men, \& adore the frowning Chaos Dancing around in howling pain clothed in the bloody Veil. Hiding Albions Sons within the Veil, closing Jerusalems Sons without; to feed with their Souls the Spectres of Albion Ashamed to give Love openly to the piteous \& merciful Man Counting him an imbecile mockery: but the Warrior They adore: \& his revenge cherish with the blood of the Innocent They drink up Dan \& Gad, to feed with milk Skofeld \& Kotope They strip off Josephs Coat \& dip it in the blood of battle

Tirzah sits weeping to hear the shrieks of the dying: her Knife Of flint is in her hand: she passes it over the howling Victim The Daughters Weave their Work in loud cries over the Rock Of Horeb! still eyeing Albions Cliffs eagerly siezing \& twisting The threads of Vala \& Jerusalem running from mountain to mountain Over the whole Earth: loud the Warriors rage in Beth Peor Beneath the iron whips of their Captains \& consecrated banners Loud the Sun \& Moon rage in the conflict: loud the Stars Shout in the night of battle \& their spears grow to their hands With blood, weaving the deaths of the Mighty into a Tabernacle For Rahab \& Tirzah; till the Great Polypus of Generation coverd the Earth

In Verulam the Polypus's Head, winding around his bulk Thro Rochester, and Chichester, \& Exeter \& Salisbury, To Bristol: \& his Heart beat strong on Salisbury Plain Shooting out Fibres round the Earth, thro Gaul \& Italy And Greece, \& along the Sea of Rephaim into Judea To Sodom \& Gomorrha: thence to India, China \& Japan

The Twelve Daughters in Rahab \& Tirzah have circumscribd the Brain Beneath \& pierced it thro the midst with a golden pin. Blood hath staind her fair side beneath her bosom.

O thou poor Human Form! said she. O thou poor child of woe!
Why wilt thou wander away from Tirzah: why me compel to bind thee[!]
If thou dost go away from me I shall consume upon these Rocks
These fibres of thine eyes that used to beam in distant heavens
Away from me: I have bound down with a hot iron.
These nostrils that expanded with delight in morning skies
I have bent downward with lead melted in my roaring furnaces
Of affliction; of love; of sweet despair; of torment unendurable
My soul is seven furnaces, incessant roars the bellows
Upon my terribly flaming heart, the molten metal runs In channels thro my fiery limbs: O love! O pity! O fear!
O pain! O the pangs, the bitter pangs of love forsaken Ephraim was a wilderness of joy where all my wild beasts ran The River Kanah wanderd by my sweet Manassehs side To see the boy spring into heavens sounding from my sight! Go Noah fetch the girdle of strong brass, heat it red-hot:
Press it around the loins of this ever expanding cruelty
Shriek not so my only love! I refuse thy joys: I drink
Thy shrieks because Hand \& Hyle are cruel \& obdurate to me

O Skofield why art thou cruel? Lo Joseph is thine! to make You One: to weave you both in the same mantle of skin Bind him down Sisters bind him down on Ebal. Mount of cursing: Malah come forth from Lebanon: \& Hoglah from Mount Sinai: Come circumscribe this tongue of sweets \& with a screw of iron Fasten this ear into the rock! Milcah the task is thine Weep not so Sisters! weep not so! our life depends on this Or mercy \& truth are fled away from Shechem \& Mount Gilead Unless my beloved is bound upon the Stems of Vegetation

> And thus the Warriors cry, in the hot day of Victory, in Songs.

Look: the beautiful Daughter of Albion sits naked upon the Stone Her panting Victim beside her: her heart is drunk with blood Tho her brain is not drunk with wine: she goes forth from Albion In pride of beauty: in cruelty of holiness: in the brightness Of her tabernacle, \& her ark \& secret place, the beautiful Daughter Of Albion, delights the eyes of the Kings. their hearts \& the Hearts of their Warriors glow hot before Thor \& Friga. O Molech!
O Chemosh! O Bacchus! O Venus! O Double God of Generation The Heavens are cut like a mantle around from the Cliffs of Albion Across Europe; across Africa; in howlings \& deadly War A sheet \& veil \& curtain of blood is let down from Heaven Across the hills of Ephraim \& down Mount Olivet to The Valley of the Jebusite: Molech rejoices in heaven He sees the Twelve Daughters naked upon the Twelve Stones

Themselves condensing to rocks \& into the Ribs of a Man Lo they shoot forth in tender Nerves across Europe \& Asia Lo they rest upon the Tribes, where their panting Victims lie Molech rushes into the Kings in love to the beautiful Daughters But they frown \& delight in cruelty, refusing all other joy Bring your Offerings, your first begotten: pamperd with milk \& blood Your first born of seven years old: be they Males or Females: To the beautiful Daughters of Albion! they sport before the Kings Clothed in the sin of the Victim! blood! human blood! is the life And delightful food of the Warrior: the well fed Warriors flesh Of him who is slain in War: fills the Valleys of Ephraim with Breeding Women walking in pride \& bringing forth under green trees With pleasure, without pain, for their food is. blood of the Captive Molech rejoices thro the Land from Havilah to Shur: he rejoices In moral law \& its severe penalties: loud Shaddai \& Jehovah Thunder above: when they see the Twelve panting Victims

On the Twelve Stones of Power, \& the beautiful Daughters of Albion If you dare rend their Veil with your Spear; you are healed of Love! From the Hills of Camberwell \& Wimbledon: from the Valleys Of Walton \& Esher: from Stone-henge \& from Maldens Cove Jerusalems Pillars fall in the rendings of fierce War Over France \& Germany: upon the Rhine \& Danube Reuben \& Benjamin flee; they hide in the Valley of Rephaim Why trembles the Warriors limbs when he beholds thy beauty Spotted with Victims blood: by the fires of thy secret tabernacle And thy ark \& holy place: at thy frowns: at thy dire revenge Smitten as Uzzah of old: his armour is softend; his spear And sword faint in his hand, from Albion across Great Tartary O beautiful Daughter of Albion: cruelty is thy delight O Virgin of terrible eyes, who dwellest by Valleys of springs Beneath the Mountains of Lebanon, in the City of Rehob in Hamath Taught to touch the harp: to dance in the Circle of Warriors Before the Kings of Canaan: to cut the flesh from the Victim To roast the flesh in fire: to examine the Infants limbs In cruelties of holiness: to refuse the joys of love: to bring The Spies from Egypt, to raise jealousy in the bosoms of the Twelve Kings of Canaan: then to let the Spies depart to Meribah Kadesh To the place of the Amalekite; I am drunk with unsatiated love I must rush again to War: for the Virgin has frownd \& refusd Sometimes I curse \& sometimes bless thy fascinating beauty Once Man was occupied in intellectual pleasures \& energies But now my soul is harrowd with grief \& fear \& love \& desire And now I hate \& now I love \& Intellect is no more:
There is no time for any thing but the torments of love \& desire The Feminine \& Masculine Shadows soft, mild \& ever varying In beauty: are Shadows now no more, but Rocks in Horeb

Then all the Males combined into One Male \& every one ${ }^{1314}$ Became a ravening eating Cancer growing in the Female A Polypus of Roots of Reasoning Doubt Despair \& Death. Going forth \& returning from Albions Rocks to Canaan: Devouring Jerusalem from every Nation of the Earth.

Envying stood the enormous Form at variance with Itself In all its Members: in eternal torment of love \& jealousy: Drivn forth by Los time after time from Albions cliffy shore, Drawing the free loves of Jerusalem into infernal bondage; That they might be born in contentions of Chastity \& in Deadly Hate between Leah \& Rachel, Daughters of Deceit \& Fraud Bearing the Images of various Species of Contention

And Jealousy \& Abhorrence \& Revenge \& deadly Murder.
Till they refuse liberty to the male; \& not like Beulah Where every Female delights to give her maiden to her husband The Female searches sea \& land for gratification to the Male Genius: who in return clothes her in gems \& gold And feeds her with the food of Eden. hence all her beauty beams She Creates at her will a little moony night \& silence With Spaces of sweet gardens \& a tent of elegant beauty: Closed in by a sandy desart \& a night of stars shining. And a little tender moon \& hovering angels on the wing. And the Male gives a Time \& Revolution to her Space Till the time of love is passed in ever varying delights For All Things Exist in the Human Imagination And thence in Beulah they are stolen by secret amorous theft, Till they have had Punishment enough to make them commit Crimes Hence rose the Tabernacle in the Wilderness \& all its Offerings, From Male \& Female Loves in Beulah \& their Jealousies But no one can consummate Female bliss in Los's World without Becoming a Generated Mortal, a Vegetating Death

And now the Spectres of the Dead awake in Beulah: all The Jealousies become Murderous: uniting together in Rahab A Religion of Chastity, forming a Commerce to sell Loves With Moral Law, an Equal Balance, not going down with decision Therefore the Male severe \& cruel filld with stern Revenge: Mutual Hate returns \& mutual Deceit \& mutual Fear.

Hence the Infernal Veil grows in the disobedient Female:
Which Jesus rends \& the whole Druid Law removes away From the Inner Sanctuary: a False Holiness hid within the Center, For the Sanctuary of Eden. is in the Camp: in the Outline, In the Circumference: \& every Minute Particular is Holy: Embraces are Cominglings: from the Head even to the Feet; And not a pompous High Priest entering by a Secret Place.

Jerusalem pined in her inmost soul over Wandering Reuben As she slept in Beulahs Night hid by the Daughters of Beulah

And this the form of mighty Hand sitting on Albions cliffs Before the face of Albion, a mighty threatning Form.

His bosom wide \& shoulders huge overspreading wondrous

Bear Three strong sinewy Necks \& Three awful \& terrible Heads Three Brains in contradictory council brooding incessantly. Neither daring to put in act its councils, fearing each-other, Therefore rejecting Ideas as nothing \& holding all Wisdom To consist. in the agreements \& disagree[me]nts of Ideas. Plotting to devour Albions Body of Humanity \& Love.

Such Form the aggregate of the Twelve Sons of Albion took; \& such Their appearance when combind: but often by birth-pangs \& loud groans They divide to Twelve: the key-bones \& the chest dividing in pain Disclose a hideous orifice; thence issuing the Giant-brood Arise as the smoke of the furnace, shaking the rocks from sea to sea. And there they combine into Three Forms, named Bacon \& Newton \& Locke, In the Oak Groves of Albion which overspread all the Earth.

Imputing Sin \& Righteousness to Individuals; Rahab Sat deep within him hid: his Feminine Power unreveal'd Brooding Abstract Philosophy. to destroy Imagination, the Divine--Humanity A Three-fold Wonder: feminine: most beautiful: Three-fold Each within other. On her white marble \& even Neck, her Heart Inorb'd and bonified: with locks of shadowing modesty, shining Over her beautiful Female features, soft flourishing in beauty Beams mild, all love and all perfection, that when the lips Recieve a kiss from Gods or Men, a threefold kiss returns From the pressd loveliness: so her whole immortal form three-fold Three-fold embrace returns: consuming lives of Gods \& Men In fires of beauty melting them as gold \& silver in the furnace Her Brain enlabyrinths the whole heaven of her bosom \& loins To put in act what her Heart wills; O who can withstand her power Her name is Vala in Eternity: in Time her name is Rahab

The Starry Heavens all were fled from the mighty limbs of Albion

And above Albions Land was seen the Heavenly Canaan As the Substance is to the Shadow: and above Albions Twelve Sons Were seen Jerusalems Sons: and all the Twelve Tribes spreading Over Albion. As the Soul is to the Body, so Jerusalems Sons, Are to the Sons of Albion: and Jerusalem is Albions Emanation

What is Above is Within, for every-thing in Eternity is translucent: The Circumference is Within: Without, is formed the Selfish Center And the Circumference still expands going forward to Eternity.

And the Center has Eternal States! these States we now explore.

> And these the Names of Albions Twelve Sons, \& of his Twelve Daughters With their Districts. Hand dwelt in Selsey \& had Sussex \& Surrey And Kent \& Middlesex: all their Rivers \& their Hills, of flocks \& herds: Their Villages Towns Cities Sea-Ports Temples sublime Cathedrals; All were his Friends \& their Sons \& Daughters intermarry in Beulah For all are Men in Eternity. Rivers Mountains Cities Villages, All are Human \& when you enter into their Bosoms you walk In Heavens \& Earths; as in your own Bosom you bear your Heaven And Earth, \& all you behold, tho it appears Without it is Within In your Imagination of which this World of Mortality is but a Shadow.

Hyle dwelt in Winchester comprehending Hants Dorset Devon Cornwall. Their Villages Cities SeaPorts, their Corn fields \& Gardens spacious Palaces, Rivers \& Mountains, and between Hand \& Hyle arose Gwendolen \& Cambel who is Boadicea: they go abroad \& return Like lovely beams of light from the mingled affections of the Brothers The Inhabitants of the whole Earth rejoice in their beautiful light.

Coban dwelt in Bath. Somerset Wiltshire Gloucestershire, Obeyd his awful voice Ignoge is his lovely Emanation; She adjoind with Gwantokes Children, soon lovely Cordella arose. Gwantoke forgave \& joyd over South Wales \& all its Mountains.

Peachey had North Wales Shropshire Cheshire \& the Isle of Man. His Emanation is Mehetabel terrible \& lovely upon the Mountains

Brertun had Yorkshire Durham Westmoreland \& his Emanation Is Ragan, she adjoind to Slade, \& produced Gonorill far beaming.

Slade had Lincoln Stafford Derby Nottingham \& his lovely Emanation Gonorill rejoices over hills \& rocks \& woods \& rivers.

Huttn had Warwick Northampton Bedford Buckingham
Leicester \& Berkshire: \& his Emanation is Gwinefred beautiful

Skofeld had Ely Rutland Cambridge Huntingdon Norfolk
Suffolk Hartford \& Essex: \& his Emanation is Gwinevera
Beautiful, she beams towards the east, all kinds of precious stones
And pearl, with instruments Of music in holy Jerusalem

Kox had Oxford Warwick Wilts: his Emanation is Estrild: Joind with Cordella she shines southward over the Atlantic.

Kotope had Hereford Stafford Worcester, \& his Emanation Is Sabrina joind with Mehetabel she shines west over America

Bowen had all Scotland, the Isles, Northumberland \& Cumberland His Emanation is Conwenna, she shines a triple form Over the north with pearly beams gorgeous \& terrible Jerusalem \& Vala rejoice in Bowen \& Conwenna.

But the Four Sons of Jerusalem that never were Generated Are Rintrah and Palamabron and Theotormon and Bromion. They Dwell over the Four Provinces of Ireland in heavenly light The Four Universities of Scotland, \& in Oxford \& Cambridge \& Winchester

But now Albion is darkened \& Jerusalem lies in ruins: Above the Mountains of Albion, above the head of Los.

And Los shouted with ceaseless shoutings \& his tears poured down His immortal cheeks, rearing his hands to heaven for aid Divine! But he spoke not to Albion: fearing lest Albion should turn his Back Against the Divine Vision: \& fall over the Precipice of Eternal Death. But he receded before Albion \& before Vala weaving the Veil With the iron shuttle of War among the rooted Oaks of Albion; Weeping \& shouting to the Lord day \& night; and his Children Wept round him as a flock silent Seven Days of Eternity

> And the Thirty-two Counties of the Four Provinces of Ireland Are thus divided: The Four Counties are in the Four Camps Munster South in Reubens Gate, Connaut West in Josephs Gate Ulster North in Dans Gate, Leinster East in Judahs Gate

For Albion in Eternity has Sixteen Gates among his Pillars But the Four towards the West were Walled up \& the Twelve That front the Four other Points were turned Four Square By Los for Jerusalems sake \& called the Gates of Jerusalem Because Twelve Sons of Jerusalem fled successive thro the Gates But the Four Sons of Jerusalem who fled not but remaind Are Rintrah \& Palamabron \& Theotormon \& Bromion

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The Four that remain with Los to guard the Western Wall And these Four remain to guard the Four Walls of Jerusalem Whose foundations remain in the Thirty-two Counties of Ireland And in Twelve Counties of Wales, \& in the Forty Counties Of England \& in the Thirty-six Counties of Scotland

And the names of the Thirty-two Counties of Ireland are these Under Judah \& Issachar \& Zebulun are Lowth Longford Eastmeath Westmeath Dublin Kildare Kings County Queens County Wicklow Catherloh Wexford Kilkenny

And those under Reuben \& Simeon \& Levi are these Waterford Tipperary Cork Limerick Kerry Clare And those under Ephraim Manasseh \& Benjamin are these Galway Roscommon Mayo Sligo Leitrim And those under Dan Asher \& Napthali are these Donnegal Antrim Tyrone Fermanagh Armagh Londonderry Down Managhan Cavan. These are the Land of Erin

All these Center in London \& in Golgonooza. from whence They are Created continually East \& West \& North \& South And from them are Created all the Nations of the Earth Europe \& Asia \& Africa \& America, in fury Fourfold!
[<image>Continually Building. Continually Decaying because of
Love \& Jealousy</image]
And Thirty-two the Nations: to dwell in Jerusalems Gates
O Come ye Nations Come ye People Come up to Jerusalem
Return Jerusalem \& dwell together as of old! Return
Return! O Albion let Jerusalem overspread all Nations
As in the times of old! O Albion awake! Reuben wanders
The Nations wait for Jerusalem. they look up for the Bride

France Spain Italy Germany Poland Russia Sweden Turkey Arabia Palestine Persia Hindostan China Tartary Siberia Egypt Lybia Ethiopia Guinea Caffraria Negroland Morocco Congo Zaara Canada Greenland Carolina Mexico Peru Patagonia Amazonia Brazil. Thirty-two Nations And under these Thirty-two Classes of Islands in the Ocean All the Nations Peoples \& Tongues throughout all the Earth

Without; \& whatever is visible in the Vegetable Earth, the same Is visible in the Mundane Shell; reversd in mountain \& vale And a Son of Eden was set over each Daughter of Beulah to guard In Albions Tomb the wondrous Creation: \& the Four-fold Gate Towards Beulah is to the South[.] Fenelon, Guion, Teresa, Whitefield \& Hervey, guard that Gate; with all the gentle Souls Who guide the great Wine-press of Love; Four precious stones that Gate:
[<image><reversed writing>Women the comforters of Men become the Tormentors \& Punishers</reversed writing></image>] ${ }^{1315}$

Such are Cathedrons golden Halls: in the City of Golgonooza

And Los's Furnaces howl loud; living: self-moving: lamenting
With fury \& despair, \& they stretch from South to North
Thro all the Four Points: Lo! the Labourers at the Furnaces
Rintrah \& Palamabron, Theotormon \& Bromion, loud labring With the innumerable multitudes of Golgonooza, round the Anvils Of Death. But how they came forth from the Furnaces \& how long Vast \& severe the anguish eer they knew their Father; were Long to tell \& of the iron rollers, golden axle-trees \& yokes Of brass, iron chains \& braces \& the gold, silver \& brass Mingled or separate: for swords; arrows; cannons; mortars The terrible ball: the wedge: the loud sounding hammer of destruction The sounding flail to thresh: the winnow: to winnow kingdoms The water wheel \& mill of many innumerable wheels resistless Over the Four fold Monarchy from Earth to the Mundane Shell.

Perusing Albions Tomb in the starry characters of Og \& Anak:
To Create the lion \& wolf the bear: the tyger \& ounce:
To Create the wooly lamb \& downy fowl \& scaly serpent The summer \& winter: day \& night: the sun \& moon \& stars The tree: the plant: the flower: the rock: the stone: the metal: Of Vegetative Nature: by their hard restricting condensations.

Where Luvahs World of Opakeness grew to a period: It Became a Limit, a Rocky hardness without form \& void Accumulating without end: here Los. who is of the Elohim Opens the Furnaces of affliction in the Emanation Fixing The Sexual into an ever-prolific Generation
Naming the Limit of Opakeness Satan \& the Limit of Contraction Adam, who is Peleg \& Joktan: \& Esau \& Jacob: \& Saul \& David

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Voltaire insinuates that these Limits are the cruel work of God Mocking the Remover of Limits \& the Resurrection of the Dead Setting up Kings in wrath: in holiness of Natural Religion Which Los with his mighty Hammer demolishes time on time In miracles \& wonders in the Four-fold Desart of Albion Permanently Creating to be in Time Reveald \& Demolishd Satan Cain Tubal Nimrod Pharoh Priam Bladud Belin Arthur Alfred the Norman Conqueror Richard John [Edward Henry Elizabeth James Charles William George] ${ }^{1316}$ And all the Kings \& Nobles of the Earth \& all their Glories These are Created by Rahab \& Tirzah in Ulro: but around

These, to preserve them from Eternal Death Los Creates Adam Noah Abraham Moses Samuel David Ezekiel [Pythagoras Socrates Euripedes Virgil Dante Milton] ${ }^{1317}$ Dissipating the rocky forms of Death, by his thunderous Hammer As the Pilgrim passes while the Country permanent remains So Men pass on: but States remain permanent for ever

The Spectres of the Dead howl round the porches of Los In the terrible Family feuds of Albions cities \& villages To devour the Body of Albion, hungring \& thirsting \& ravning The Sons of Los clothe them \& feed, \& provide houses \& gardens And every Human Vegetated Form in its inward recesses Is a house of ple[as]antness \& a garden of delight Built by the Sons \& Daughters of Los in Bowlahoola \& in Cathedron

From London to York \& Edinburgh the Furnaces rage terrible Primrose Hill is the mouth of the Furnace \& the Iron Door;

The Four Zoa's clouded rage; Urizen stood by Albion With Rintrah and Palamabron and Theotormon and Bromion These Four are Verulam \& London \& York \& Edinburgh And the Four Zoa's are Urizen \& Luvah \& Tharmas \& Urthona In opposition deadly, and their Wheels in poisonous And deadly stupor turn'd against each other loud \& fierce Entering into the Reasoning Power, forsaking Imagination They became Spectres; \& their Human Bodies were reposed In Beulah, by the Daughters of Beulah with tears \& lamentations The Spectre is the Reasoning Power in Man; \& when separated From Imagination, and closing itself as in steel, in a Ratio Of the Things of Memory. It thence frames Laws \& Moralities

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To destroy Imagination! the Divine Body, by Martyrdoms \& Wars

Teach me O Holy Spirit the Testimony of Jesus! let me Comprehend wonderous things out of the Divine Law I behold Babylon in the opening Street of London, I behold Jerusalem in ruins wandering about from house to house This I behold the shudderings of death attend my steps I walk up and down in Six Thousand Years: their Events are present before me To tell how Los in grief \& anger, whirling round his Hammer on high Drave the Sons \& Daughters of Albion from their ancient mountains They became the Twelve Gods of Asia Opposing the Divine Vision

The Sons of Albion are Twelve: the Sons of Jerusalem Sixteen I tell how Albions Sons by Harmonies of Concords \& Discords Opposed to Melody, and by Lights \& Shades, opposed to Outline And by Abstraction opposed to the Visions of Imagination

By cruel Laws divided Sixteen into Twelve Divisions How Hyle roofd Los in Albions Cliffs by the Affections rent Asunder \& opposed to Thought, to draw Jerusalems Sons Into the Vortex of his Wheels. therefore Hyle is called Gog Age after age drawing them away towards Babylon Babylon, the Rational Morality deluding to death the little ones In strong temptations of stolen beauty; I tell how Reuben slept On London Stone \& the Daughters of Albion ran around admiring His awful beauty: with Moral Virtue the fair deciever; offspring Of Good \& Evil, they divided him in love upon the Thames \& sent Him over Europe in streams of gore out of Cathedrons Looms How Los drave them from Albion \& they became Daughters of Canaan Hence Albion was calld the Canaanite \& all his Giant Sons. Hence is my Theme. O Lord my Saviour open thou the Gates And I will lead forth thy Words, telling how the Daughters Cut the Fibres of Reuben, how he rolld apart \& took Root In Bashan, terror-struck Albions Sons look toward Bashan They have divided Simeon he also rolld apart in blood Over the Nations till he took Root beneath the shining Looms Of Albions Daughters in Philistea by the side of Amalek They have divided Levi: he hath shot out into Forty eight Roots Over the Land of Canaan: they have divided Judah He hath took Root in Hebron, in the Land of Hand \& Hyle Dan: Napthali: Gad: Asher: Issachar: Zebulun: roll apart From all the Nations of the Earth to dissipate into Non Entity

I see a Feminine Form arise from the Four terrible Zoas Beautiful but terrible struggling to take a form of beauty Rooted in Shechem: this is Dinah, the youthful form of Erin The Wound I see in South Molton S[t]reet \& Stratford place Whence Joseph \& Benjamin rolld apart away from the Nations In vain they rolld apart; they are fixd into the Land of Cabul

And Rahab Babylon the Great hath destroyed Jerusalem Bath stood upon the Severn with Merlin \& Bladud \& Arthur The Cup of Rahab in his hand: her Poisons Twenty-seven-fold

And all her Twenty-seven Heavens now hid \& now reveal'd Appear in strong delusive light of Time \& Space drawn out In shadowy pomp by the Eternal Prophet created evermore

For Los in Six Thousand Years walks up \& down continually That not one Moment of Time be lost \& every revolution Of Space he makes permanent in Bowlahoola \& Cathedron.

And these the names of the Twenty-seven Heavens \& their Churches Adam, Seth, Enos, Cainan, Mahalaleel, Jared, Enoch,

Methuselah, Lamech; these are the Giants mighty, Hermaphroditic
Noah, Shem, Arphaxad, Cainan the Second, Salah, Heber, Peleg, Reu, Serug, Nahor, Terah: these are the Female Males: A Male within a Female hid as in an Ark \& Curtains. Abraham, Moses, Solomon, Paul, Constantine, Charlemaine, Luther. these Seven are the Male Females: the Dragon Forms The Female hid within a Male: thus Rahab is reveald Mystery Babylon the Great: the Abomination of Desolation Religion hid in War: a Dragon red, \& hidden Harlot But Jesus breaking thro' the Central Zones of Death \& Hell Opens Eternity in Time \& Space; triumphant in Mercy

Thus are the Heavens formd by Los within the Mundane Shell And where Luther ends Adam begins again in Eternal Circle To awake the Prisoners of Death; to bring Albion again With Luvah into light eternal, in his eternal day.

But now the Starry Heavens are fled from the mighty limbs of Albion

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Devils are I give you the end of a golden string, ${ }^{t 319}$ False Religions Only wind it into a ball:
"Saul Saul" It will lead you in at Heavens gate,
"Why persecutest thou me." Built in Jerusalems wall.

We are told to abstain from fleshly desires that we may lose no time from the Work of the Lord. Every moment lost, is a moment that cannot be redeemed every pleasure that intermingles with the duty of our station is a folly unredeemable \& is planted like the seed of a wild flower among our wheat. All the tortures of repentance. are tortures of self-reproach on account of our leaving the Divine Harvest to the Enemy, the struggles of intanglement with incoherent roots. I know of no other Christianity and of no other Gospel than the liberty both of body \& mind to exercise the Divine Arts of Imagination.
Imagination the real \& eternal World of which this Vegetable Universe is but a faint shadow \& in which we shall live in our Eternal or Imaginative Bodies, when these Vegetable Mortal Bodies are no more. The Apostles knew of no other Gospel. What were all their spiritual gifts? What is the Divine Spirit? is the Holy Ghost an other than an Intellectual Fountain? What is the Harvest of the Gospel \& its Labours? What is that Talent which it is a curse to hide? What are the Treasures of Heaven which we are to lay up for ourselves, are they any other than Mental Studies \& Performances? What are all the Gifts. of the Gospel, are they not all Mental Gifts? Is God a Spirit who must be worshipped in Spirit \& in Truth and are not the Gifts of the Spirit Every-thing to Man? O ye Religious discountenance every one among
you who shall pretend to despise Art \& Science! I call upon you in the Name of Jesus! What is the Life of Man but Art \& Science? is it Meat \& Drink? is not the Body more than Raiment? What is Mortality but the things relating to the Body, which Dies? What is Immortality but the things relating to the Spirit, which Lives Eternally! What is the joy of Heaven but Improvement in the things of the Spirit? What are the Pains of Hell but Ignorance, Bodily Lust, Idleness \& devastation of the things of the Spirit[?]

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Answer this to yourselves, \& expel from among you those who pretend to despise the labours of Art \& Science, which alone are the labours of the Gospel: Is not this plain \& manifest to the thought? Can you think at all \& not pronounce heartily! That to Labour in Knowledge. is to Build up Jerusalem: and to Despise Knowledge, is to Despise Jerusalem \& her Builders.
And remember: He who despises \& mocks a Mental Gift in another; calling it pride \& selfishness \& sin; mocks Jesus the giver of every Mental Gift, which always appear to the ignorance-loving Hypocrite, as Sins. but that which is a Sin in the sight of cruel Man, is not so in the sight of our kind God.
Let every Christian as much as in him lies engage himself openly \& publicly before all the World in some Mental pursuit for the Building up of Jerusalem
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I stood among my valleys of the south And saw a flame of fire, even as a Wheel Of fire surrounding all the heavens: it went From west to cast against the current of Creation and devourd all things in its loud Fury \& thundering course round heaven \& earth By it the Sun was rolld into an orb: By it the Moon faded into a globe,

Travelling thro the night: for from its dire And restless fury, Man himself shrunk up Into a little root a fathom long. And I asked a Watcher \& a Holy-One Its Name? he answerd. It is the Wheel of Religion
I wept \& said. Is this the law of Jesus
This terrible devouring sword turning every way He answerd; Jesus died because he strove
Against the current of this Wheel: its Name Is Caiaphas, the dark Preacher of Death Of sin, of sorrow, \& of punishment; Opposing Nature! It is Natural Religion But Jesus is the bright Preacher of Life Creating Nature from this fiery Law, By self-denial \& forgiveness of Sin.

Go therefore, cast out devils in Christs name Heal thou the sick of spiritual disease Pity the evil, for thou art not sent
To smite with terror \& with punishments
Those that are sick, like the Pharisees
Crucifying \&,encompassing sea \& land
For proselytes to tyranny \& wrath,
But to the Publicans \& Harlots go!
Teach them True Happiness, but let no curse Go forth out of thy mouth to blight their peace For Hell is opend to heaven; thine eyes beheld The dungeons burst \& the Prisoners set free.

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Thy hills \& valleys felt her feet, Gently upon their bosoms move:
Thy gates beheld sweet Zions ways; Then was a time of joy and love.

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The Spectres of Albions Twelve Sons revolve mightily Over the Tomb \& over the Body: ravning to devour The Sleeping Humanity. Los with his mace of iron Walks round: loud his threats, loud his blows fall On the rocky Spectres, as the Potter breaks the potsherds; Dashing in pieces Self-righteousnesses: driving them from Albions Cliffs: dividing them into Male \& Female forms in his Furnaces And on his Anvils: lest they destroy the Feminine Affections They are broken. Loud howl the Spectres in his iron Furnace

While Los laments at his dire labours, viewing Jerusalem, Sitting before his Furnaces clothed in sackcloth of hair; Albions Twelve Sons surround the Forty-two Gates of Erin,

In terrible armour, raging against the Lamb \& against Jerusalem, Surrounding them with armies to destroy the Lamb of God. They took their Mother Vala, and they crown'd her with gold: They namd her Rahab, \& gave her power over the Earth The Concave Earth round Golgonooza in Entuthon Benython, Even to the stars exalting her Throne, to build beyond the Throne Of God and the Lamb, to destroy the Lamb \& usurp the Throne of God Drawing their Ulro Voidness round the Four-fold Humanity

Naked Jerusalem lay before the Gates upon Mount Zion The Hill of Giants, all her foundations levelld with the dust!

Her Twelve Gates thrown down: her children carried into captivity Herself in chains: this from within was seen in a dismal night Outside, unknown before in Beulah, \& the twelve gates were fill'd With blood; from Japan eastward to the Giants causway, west In Erins Continent: and Jerusalem wept upon Euphrates banks Disorganizd; an evanescent shade, scarce seen or heard among Her childrens Druid Temples dropping with blood wanderd weeping! And thus her voice went forth in the darkness of Philisthea.

My brother \& my father are no more! God hath forsaken me The arrows of the Almighty pour upon me \& my children

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I have sinned and am an outcast from the Divine Presence!

My tents are fall'n! My pillars are in ruins! my children dashd Upon Egypts iron floors, \& the marble pavements of Assyria; I melt my soul in reasonings among the towers of Heshbon; Mount Zion is become a cruel rock \& no more dew
Nor rain: no more the spring of the rock appears: but cold Hard \& obdurate are the furrows of the mountain of wine $\&$ oil:
The mountain of blessing is itself a curse $\&$ an astonishment: The hills of Judea are fallen with me into the deepest hell Away from the Nations of the Earth, \& from the Cities of the Nations; I walk to Ephraim. I seek for Shiloh: I walk like a lost sheep Among precipices of despair: in Goshen I seek for light In vain: and in Gilead for a physician and a comforter. Goshen hath followd Philistea: Gilead hath joind with Og ! They are become narrow places in a little and dark land: How distant far from Albion! his hills \& his valleys no more Recieve the feet of Jerusalem: they have cast me quite away: And Albion is himself shrunk to a narrow rock in the midst of the sea! The plains of Sussex \& Surrey, their hills of flocks \& herds No more seek to Jerusalem nor to the sound of my Holy-ones. The Fifty-two Counties of England are hardend against me As if I was not their Mother, they despise me \& cast me out London coverd the whole Earth. England encompassd the Nations:

And all the Nations of the Earth were seen in the Cities of Albion:
My pillars reachd from sea to sea: London beheld me come From my east \& from my west; he blessed me and gave His children to my breasts, his sons \& daughters to my knees His aged parents sought me out in every city \& village:
They discernd my countenance with joy! they shewd me to their sons Saying Lo Jerusalem is here! she sitteth in our secret chambers Levi and Judah \& Issachar: Ephra[i]m, Manesseh, Gad and Dan Are seen in our hills \& valleys: they keep our flocks \& herds:
They watch them in the night: and the Lamb of God appears among us.
The river Severn stayd his course at my command:
Thames poured his waters into my basons and baths:
Medway mingled with Kishon: Thames recievd the heavenly Jordan Albion gave me to the whole Earth to walk up \& down; to pour Joy upon every mountain; to teach songs to the shepherd \& plowman I taught the ships of the sea to sing the songs of Zion.
Italy saw me, in sublime astonishment: France was wholly mine: As my garden \& as my secret bath; Spain was my heavenly couch: I slept in his golden hills: the Lamb of God met me there.

There we walked as in our secret chamber among our little ones They looked upon our loves with joy: they beheld our secret joys: With holy raptures of adoration rapd sublime in the Visions of God: Germany; Poland \& the North wooed my footsteps they found My gates in all their mountains \& my curtains in all their vales The furniture of their houses was the furniture of my chamber Turkey \& Grecia saw my instr[u]ments of music, they arose They siezd the harp: the flute: the mellow horn of Jerusalems joy They sounded thanksgivings in my courts: Egypt \& Lybia heard The swarthy sons of Ethiopia stood round the Lamb of God Enquiring for Jerusalem: he led them up my steps to my altar: And thou America! I once beheld thee but now behold no more Thy golden mountains where my Cherubim \& Seraphim rejoicd Together among my little-ones. But now, my Altars run with blood! My fires are corrupt! my incense is a cloudy pestilence Of seven diseases! Once a continual cloud of salvation. rose From all my myriads; once the Four-fold World rejoicd among The pillars of Jerusalem, between my winged Cherubim: But now I am closd out from them in the narrow passages Of the valleys of destruction, into a dark land of pitch \& bitumen. From Albions Tomb afar and from the four-fold wonders of God Shrunk to a narrow doleful form in the dark land of Cabul; There is Reuben \& Gad \& Joseph \& Judah \& Levi, closd up In narrow vales: I walk \& count the bones of my beloveds Along the Valley of Destruction, among these Druid Temples Which overspread all the Earth in patriarchal pomp \& cruel pride

Tell me O Vala thy purposes; tell me wherefore thy shuttles Drop with the gore of the slain; why Euphrates is red with blood Wherefore in dreadful majesty \& beauty outside appears Thy Masculine from thy Feminine hardening against the heavens To devour the Human! Why dost thou weep upon the wind among These cruel Druid Temples: O Vala! Humanity is far above Sexual organization; \& the Visions of the Night of Beulah Where Sexes wander in dreams of bliss among the Emanations Where the Masculine \& Feminine are nurs'd into Youth \& Maiden By the tears \& smiles of Beulahs Daughters till the time of Sleep is past. Wherefore then do you realize these nets of beauty \& delusion In open day to draw the souls of the Dead into the light. Till Albion is shut out from every Nation under Heaven.

Encompassd by the frozen Net and by the rooted Tree I walk weeping in pangs of a Mothers torment for her Children:
I walk in affliction: I am a worm, and no living soul!

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A worm going to eternal torment! raisd up in a night To an eternal night of pain, lost! lost! lost! for ever!

Beside her Vala howld upon the winds in pride of beauty Lamenting among the timbrels of the Warriors: among the Captives In cruel holiness, and her lamenting songs were from Arnon And Jordan to Euphrates. Jerusalem followd trembling Her children in captivity. listening to Valas lamentation In the thick cloud \& darkness. \& the voice went forth from The cloud. O rent in sunder from Jerusalem the Harlot daughter! In an eternal condemnation in fierce burning flames Of torment unendurable: and if once a Delusion be found Woman must perish \& the Heavens of Heavens remain no more

My Father gave to me command to murder Albion In unreviving Death; my Love, my Luvah orderd me in night To murder Albion the King of Men. he fought in battles fierce He conquerd Luvah my beloved: he took me and my Father He slew them: I revived them to life in my warm bosom He saw them issue from my bosom, dark in Jealousy He burnd before me: Luvah framd the Knife \& Luvah gave The Knife into his daughters hand! such thing was never known Before in Albions land, that one should die a death never to be reviv'd! For in our battles we the Slain men view with pity and love:
We soon revive them in the secret of our tabernacles
But I Vala, Luvahs daughter, keep his body embalmd in moral laws
With spices of sweet odours of lovely jealous stupefaction:
Within my bosom, lest he arise to life \& slay my Luvah
Pity me then O Lamb of God! O Jesus pity me!
Come into Luvahs Tents, and seek not to revive the Dead!

So sang she: and the Spindle turnd furious as she sang:
The Children of Jerusalem the Souls of those who sleep Were caught into the flax of her Distaff, \& in her Cloud To weave Jerusalem a body according to her will A Dragon form on Zion Hills most ancient promontory

The Spindle turnd in blood \& fire: loud sound the trumpets Of war: the cymbals play loud before the Captains
With Cambel \& Gwendolen in dance and solemn song The Cloud of Rahab vibrating with the Daughters of Albion Los saw terrified, melted with pity \& divided in wrath He sent them over the narrow seas in pity and love

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Among the Four Forests of Albion which overspread all the Earth They go forth \& return swift as a flash of lightning. Among the tribes of warriors: among the Stones of power! Against Jerusalem they rage thro all the Nations of Europe Thro Italy \& Grecia, to Lebanon \& Persia \& India.

The Serpent Temples thro the Earth, from the wide Plain of Salisbury Resound with cries of Victims, shouts \& songs \& dying groans And flames of dusky fire, to Amalek, Canaan and Moab[.] And Rahab like a dismal and indefinite hovering Cloud Refusd to take a definite form. she hoverd over all the Earth Calling the definite, sin: defacing every definite form; Invisible, or Visible, stretch'd out in length or spread in breadth: Over the Temples drinking groans of victims weeping in pity, And joying in the pity, howling over Jerusalems walls.

Hand slept on Skiddaws top: drawn by the love of beautiful Cambel: his bright beaming Counterpart, divided from him And her delusive light beamd fierce above the Mountain, Soft: invisible: drinking his sighs in sweet intoxication:
Drawing out fibre by fibre: returning to Albions Tree
At night: and in the morning to Skiddaw; she sent him over Mountainous Wales into the Loom of Cathedron fibre by fibre: He ran in tender nerves across Europe to Jerusalems Shade, To weave Jerusalem a Body repugnant to the Lamb.

Hyle on East Moor in rocky Derbyshire, rav'd to the Moon For Gwendolen: she took up in bitter tears his anguishd heart, That apparent to all in Eternity, glows like the Sun in the breast: She hid it his his ribs \& back: she hid his tongue with teeth In terrible convulsions pitying \& gratified drunk with pity Glowing with loveliness before him, becoming apparent According to his changes: she roll'd his kidneys round Into two irregular forms: and looking on Albions dread Tree, She wove two vessels of seed, beautiful as Skiddaws snow; Giving them bends of self interest \& selfish natural virtue:

She hid them in his loins; raving he ran among the rocks, Compelld into a shape of Moral Virtue against the Lamb. The invisible lovely one giving him a form according to His Law a form against the Lamb of God opposd to Mercy And playing in the thunderous Loom in sweet intoxication Filling cups of silver \& crystal with shrieks \& cries, with groans

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And dolorous sobs: the wine of lovers in the Wine-press of Luvah

O sister Cambel said Gwendolen, as their long beaming light Mingled above the Mountain[:] what shall we do to keep These awful forms in our soft bands: distracted with trembling

I have mockd those who refused cruelty \& I have admired The cruel Warrior. I have refused to give love to Merlin the piteous. He brings to me the Images of his Love \& I reject in chastity And turn them out into the streets for Harlots to be food To the stern Warrior. I am become perfect in beauty over my Warrior For Men are caught by Love: Woman is caught by Pride That Love may only be obtaind in the passages of Death. [<image><reversed writing>In Heaven the only Art of Living / Is Forgetting \& Forgiving / Especially to the Female / But if you on Earth Forgive / You shall not find where to Live</reversed writing>] ${ }^{1321}$

Let us look! let us examine! is the Cruel become an Infant Or is he still a cruel Warrior? look Sisters, look! O piteous I have destroyd Wandring Reuben who strove to bind my Will I have stripd off Josephs beautiful integument for my Beloved, The Cruel-one of Albion: to clothe him in gems of my Zone I have Named him Jehovah of Hosts. Humanity is become A weeping Infant in ruind lovely Jerusalems folding Cloud: In Heaven Love begets Love! but Fear is the Parent of Earthly Love! ${ }^{1322}$ And he who will not bend to Love must be subdud by Fear,

I have heard Jerusalems groans; from Valas cries \& lamentations
I gather our eternal fate: Outcasts from life and love:
Unless we find a way to bind these awful Forms to our
Embrace we shall perish annihilate, discoverd our Delusions. Look I have wrought without delusion: Look! I have wept! And given soft milk mingled together with the spirits of flocks Of lambs and doves, mingled together in cups and dishes Of painted clay; the mighty Hyle is become a weeping infant; Soon shall the Spectres of the Dead follow my weaving threads.

The Twelve Daughters of Albion attentive listen in secret shades On Cambridge and Oxford beaming soft uniting with Rahabs cloud While Gwendolen spoke to Cambel turning soft the spinning reel: Or throwing the wingd shuttle; or drawing the cords with softest songs

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The golden cords of the Looms animate beneath their touches soft, Along the Island white, among the Druid Temples, while Gwendolen Spoke to the Daughters of Albion standing on Skiddaws top.

So saying she took a Falshood \& hid it in her left hand:
To entice her Sisters away to Babylon on Euphrates. And thus she closed her left hand and utterd her Falshood: Forgetting that Falshood is prophetic, she hid her hand behind her, Upon her back behind her loins \& thus utterd her Deceit.

I heard Enitharmon say to Los: Let the Daughters of Albion Be scatterd abroad and let the name of Albion be forgotten: Divide them into three; name them Amalek Canaan \& Moab: Let Albion remain a desolation without an inhabitant: And let the Looms of Enitharmon \& the Furnaces of Los Create Jerusalem, \& Babylon \& Egypt \& Moab \& Amalek, And Helle \& Hesperia \& Hindostan \& China \& Japan. But hide America, for a Curse an Altar of Victims \& a Holy Place. See Sisters Canaan is pleasant, Egypt is as the Garden of Eden:
Babylon is our chief desire, Moab our bath in summer:
Let us lead the stems of this Tree let us plant it before Jerusalem
To judge the Friend of Sinners to death without the Veil:
To cut her off from America, to close up her secret Ark:
And the fury of Man exhaust in War! Woman permanent remain

See how the fires of our loins point eastward to Babylon Look. Hyle is become an infant Love: look! behold! see him lie! Upon my bosom. look! here is the lovely wayward form That gave me sweet delight by his torments beneath my Veil; By the fruit of Albions Tree I have fed him with sweet milk By contentions of the mighty for Sacrifice of Captives; Humanity the Great Delusion: is changd to War \& Sacrifice: I have naild his hands on Beth Rabbim \& his [feet] on Heshbons Wall: ${ }^{1324}$ $O$ that I could live in his sight: $O$ that I could bin him to my arm. So saying: She drew aside her Veil from Mam-Tor to Dovedale Discovering her own perfect beauty to the Daughters of Albion And Hyle a winding Worm beneath [her Loom upon the scales. Hyle was become a winding Worm:] \& not a weeping Infant. Trembling \& pitying she screamd \& fled upon the wind: Hyle was a winding Worm and herself perfect in beauty:
The desarts tremble at his wrath: they shrink themselves in fear.

Cambel trembled with jealousy: she trembled! she envied!

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The envy ran thro Cathedrons Looms into the Heart Of mild Jerusalem, to destroy the Lamb of God. Jerusalem Languishd upon Mount Olivet, East of mild Zions Hill.

Los saw the envious blight above his Seventh Furnace On Londons Tower on the Thames: he drew Cambel in wrath, Into his thundering Bellows, heaving it for a loud blast! And with the blast of his Furnace upon fishy Billingsgate, Beneath Albions fatal Tree, before the Gate of Los: Shewd her the fibres of her beloved to ameliorate The envy; loud she labourd in the Furnace of fire, To form the mighty form of Hand according to her will. In the Furnaces of Los \& in the Wine-press treading day \& night Naked among the human clusters: bringing wine of anguish To feed the afflicted in the Furnaces: she minded not The raging flames, tho she returnd [consumd day after day A redning skeleton in howling woe:] instead of beauty Defo[r]mity: she gave her beauty to another: bearing abroad Her struggling torment in her iron arms: and like a chain, Binding his wrists \& ankles with the iron arms of love.

Gwendolen saw the Infant in her siste[r]s arms; she howld Over the forests with bitter tears, and over the winding Worm Repentant: and she also in the eddying wind of Los's Bellows Began her dolorous task of love in the Wine-press of Luvah o form the Worm into a form of love by tears \& pain. The Sisters saw! trembling ran thro their Looms! soften[in]g mild Towards London: then they saw the Furna[c]es opend, \& in tears Began to give their souls away in the Furna[c]es of affliction.

Los saw \& was comforted at his Furnaces uttering thus his voice.

I know I am Urthona keeper of the Gates of Heaven, And that I can at will expatiate in the Gardens of bliss; But pangs of love draw me down to my loins which are Become a fountain of veiny pipes: O Albion! my brother!

Corruptibility appears upon thy limbs, and never more ${ }^{1325}$
Can I arise and leave thy side, but labour here incessant Till thy awaking! yet alas I shall forget Eternity! Against the Patriarchal pomp and cruelty, labouring incessant I shall become an Infant horror. Enion! Tharmas! friends

Absorb me not in such dire grief: O Albion, my brother! Jerusalem hungers in the desart! affection to her children! The scorn'd and contemnd youthful girl, where shall she fly? Sussex shuts up her Villages. Hants, Devon \& Wilts Surrounded with masses of stone in orderd forms, determine then A form for Vala and a form for Luvah, here on the Thames Where the Victim nightly howls beneath the Druids knife: A Form of Vegetation, nail them down on the stems of Mystery:
O when shall the Saxon return with the English his redeemed brother!
O when shall the Lamb of God descend among the Reprobate!
I woo to Amalek to protect my fugitives[.] Amalek trembles:
I call to Canaan \& Moab in my night watches, they mourn:
They listen not to my cry, they rejo[i]ce among their warriors
Woden and Thor and Friga wholly consume my Saxons:
On their enormous Altars built in the terrible north:
From Irelands rocks to Scandinavia Persia and Tartary:
From the Atlantic Sea to the universal Erythrean.
Found ye London! enormous City! weeps thy River?
Upon his parent bosom lay thy little ones O Land
Forsaken. Surrey and Sussex are Enitharmons Chamber.
Where I will build her a Couch of repose \& my pillars
Shall surround her in beautiful labyrinths: Oothoon?
Where hides my child? in Oxford hidest thou with Antamon?
In graceful hidings of error: in merciful deceit
Lest Hand the terrible destroy his Affection. thou hidest her: ${ }^{t 326}$
In chaste appearances for sweet deceits of love \& modesty Immingled, interwoven, glistening to the sickening sight. Let Cambel and her Sisters sit within the Mundane Shell: Forming the fluctuating Globe according to their will. According as they weave the little embryon nerves \& veins The Eye, the little Nostrils, \& the delicate Tongue \& Ears Of labyrinthine intricacy: so shall they fold the World That whatever is seen upon the Mundane Shell, the same Be seen upon the Fluctuating Earth woven by the Sisters.

And sometimes the Earth shall roll in the Abyss \& sometimes Stand in the Center \& sometimes stretch flat in the Expanse, According to the will of the lovely Daughters of Albion. Sometimes it shall assimilate with mighty Golgonooza: Touching its summits: \& sometimes divided roll apart. As a beautiful Veil so these Females shall fold \& unfold According to their will the outside surface of the Earth An outside shadowy Surface superadded to the real Surface; Which is unchangeable for ever \& ever Amen: so be it! Separate Albions Sons gently from their Emanations,

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Weaving bowers of delight on the current of infant Thames Where the old Parent still retains his youth as I alas! Retain my youth eight thousand and five hundred years. The labourer of ages in the Valleys of Despair!
The land is markd for desolation \& unless we plant The seeds of Cities \& of Villages in the Human bosom Albion must be a rock of blood: mark ye the points Where Cities shall remain \& where Villages[;] for the rest! It must lie in confusion till Albions time of awaking. Place the Tribes of Llewellyn in America for a hiding place! Till sweet Jerusalem emanates again into Eternity The night falls thick: I go upon my watch: be attentive: The Sons of Albion go forth; I follow from my Furnaces: That they return no more: that a place be prepard on Euphrates Listen to your Watchmans voice: sleep not before the Furnaces Eternal Death stands at the door. O God pity our labours.

So Los spoke. to the Daughters of Beulah while his Emanation Like a faint rainbow waved before him in the awful gloom Of London City on the Thames from Surrey Hills to Highgate: Swift turn the silver spindles, \& the golden weights play soft And lulling harmonies beneath the Looms, from Caithness in the north To Lizard-point \& Dover in the south: his Emanation Joy'd in the many weaving threads in bright Cathedrons Dome Weaving the Web of life for Jerusalem. the Web of life Down flowing into Entuthons Vales glistens with soft affections.

While Los arose upon his Watch, and down from Golgonooza Putting on his golden sandals to walk from mountain to mountain, He takes his way, girding himself with gold \& in his hand Holding his iron mace: The Spectre remains attentive Alternate they watch in night: alternate labour in day Before the Furnaces labouring, while Los all night watches The stars rising \& setting, \& the meteors \& terrors of night! With him went down the Dogs of Leutha, at his feet They lap the water of the trembling Thames then follow swift And thus he heard the voice of Albions daughters on Euphrates,

Our Father Albions land: O it was a lovely land! \& the Daughters of Beulah Walked up and down in its green mountains: but Hand is fled Away: \& mighty Hyle: \& after them Jerusalem is gone: Awake[...] ${ }^{t 327}$

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To Islington \& Paddington \& the Brook of Albions River
We builded Jerusalem as a City \& a Temple; from Lambeth
We began our Foundations; lovely Lambeth! O lovely Hills
Of Camberwell, we shall behold you no more in glory \& pride
For Jerusalem lies in ruins \& the Furnaces of Los are builded there
You are now shrunk up to a narrow Rock in the midst of the Sea
But here we build Babylon on Euphrates, compelld to build And to inhabit, our Little-ones to clothe in armour of the gold
Of Jerusalems Cherubims \& to forge them swords of her Altars
I see London blind \& age-bent begging thro the Streets
Of Babylon, led by a child. his tears run down his beard The voice of Wandering Reuben ecchoes from street to street In all the Cities of the Nations Paris Madrid Amsterdam
The Corner of Broad Street weeps; Poland Street languishes
To Great Queen Street \& Lincolns Inn, all is distress \& woe. [three lines gouged out irrecoverably]
The night falls thick Hand comes from Albion in his strength He combines into a Mighty-one the Double Molech \& Chemosh Marching thro Egypt in his fury the East is pale at his course The Nations of India, the Wild Tartar that never knew Man Starts from his lofty places \& casts down his tents \& flees away But we woo him all the night ill songs, O Los come forth O Los Divide us from these terrors \& give us power them to subdue Arise upon thy Watches let us see thy Globe of fire On Albions Rocks \& let thy voice be heard upon Euphrates.

Thus sang the Daughters in lamentation, uniting into One With Rahab as she turnd the iron Spindle of destruction. Terrified at the Sons of Albion they took the Falshood which Gwendolen hid in her left hand. it grew \& , grew till it

Became a Space \& an Allegory around the Winding Worm They namd it Canaan \& built for it a tender Moon Los smild with joy thinking on Enitharmon \& he brought Reuben from his twelvefold wandrings \& led him into it Planting the Seeds of the Twelve Tribes \& Moses \& David And gave a Time \& Revolution to the Space Six Thousand Years He calld it Divine Analogy, for in Beulah the Feminine Emanations Create Space. the Masculine Create Time, \& plant The Seeds of beauty in the Space: listning to their lamentation

Los walks upon his ancient Mountains in the deadly darkness Among his Furnaces directing his laborious Myriads watchful $t 328$ Looking to the East: \& his voice is heard over the whole Earth

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As he watches the Furnaces by night, \& directs the labourers
And thus Los replies upon his Watch: the Valleys listen silent:
The Stars stand still to hear: Jerusalem \& Vala cease to mourn:
His voice is heard from Albion: the Alps \& Appenines
Listen: Hermon \& Lebanon bow their crowned heads
Babel \& Shinar look toward the Western Gate, they sit down
Silent at his voice: they view the red Globe of fire in Los's hand
As he walks from Furnace to Furnace directing the Labourers
And this is the Song of Los, the Song that he sings on his Watch
O lovely mild Jerusalem! O Shiloh of Mount Ephraim!
I see thy Gates of precious stones: thy Walls of gold \& silver
Thou art the soft reflected Image of the Sleeping Man
Who stretchd on Albions rocks reposes amidst his Twenty-eight
Cities: where Beulah lovely terminates, in the hills \& valleys of Albion
Cities not yet embodied in Time and Space: plant ye
The Seeds O Sisters in he bosom of Time \& Spaces womb
To spring up for Jerusalem: lovely Shadow of Sleeping Albion
Why wilt thou rend thyself apart \& build an Earthly Kingdom
To reign in pride \& to opress \& to mix the Cup of Delusion
O thou that dwellest with Babylon! Come forth O lovely-one

I see thy Form O lovely mild Jerusalem, Wingd with Six Wings
In the opacous Bosom of the Sleeper, lovely Three-fold In Head \& Heart \& Reins, three Universes of love \& beauty Thy forehead bright: Holiness to the Lord, with Gates of pearl Reflects Eternity beneath thy azure wings of feathery down Ribbd delicate \& clothd with featherd gold \& azure \& purple From thy white shoulders shadowing, purity in holiness!
Thence featherd with soft crimson of the ruby bright as fire Spreading into the azure Wings which like a canopy Bends over thy immortal Head in which Eternity dwells Albion beloved Land; I see thy mountains \& thy hills And valleys \& thy pleasant Cities Holiness to the Lord I see the Spectres of thy Dead O Emanation of Albion.

Thy Bosom white, translucent coverd with immortal gems A sublime ornament not obscuring the outlines of beauty Terrible to behold for thy extreme beauty \& perfection
Twelve-fold here all the Tribes of Israel I behold Upon the Holy Land: I see the River of Life \& Tree of Life I see the New Jerusalem descending out of Heaven

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Between thy Wings of gold \& silver featherd immortal Clear as the rainbow, as the cloud of the Suns tabernacle

Thy Reins coverd with Wings translucent sometimes covering And sometimes spread abroad reveal the flames of holiness Which like a robe covers: \& like a Veil of Seraphim In flaming fire unceasing burns from Eternity to Eternity Twelvefold I there behold Israel in her Tents A Pillar of a Cloud by day: a Pillar of fire by night Guides them: there I behold Moab \& Ammon \& Amalek There Bells of silver round thy knees living articulate Comforting sounds of love \& harmony \& on thy feet Sandals of gold \& pearl, \& Egypt \& Assyria before me The Isles of Javan, Philistea, Tyre and Lebanon

Thus Los sings upon his Watch walking from Furnace to Furnace. He siezes his Hammer every hour, flames surround him as He beats: seas roll beneath his feet, tempests muster Arou[n]d his head. the thick hail stones stand ready to obey His voice in the black cloud, his Sons labour in thunders At his Furnaces; his Daughters at their Looms sing woes His Emanation separates in milky fibres agonizing Among the golden Looms of Cathedron sending fibres of love From Golgonooza with sweet visions for Jerusalem, wanderer.

Nor can any consummate bliss without being Generated On Earth; of those whose Emanations weave the loves Of Beulah for Jerusalem \& Shiloh, in immortal Golgonooza Concentering in the majestic form of Erin in eternal tears Viewing the Winding Worm on the Desarts of Great Tartary Viewing Los in his shudderings, pouring balm on his sorrows So dread is Los's fury, that none dare him to approach Without becoming his Children in the Furnaces of affliction

And Enitharmon like a faint rainbow waved before him Filling with Fibres from his loins which reddend with desire Into a Globe of blood beneath his bosom trembling in darkness Of Albions clouds. he fed it, with his tears \& bitter groans Hiding his Spectre in invisibility from the timorous Shade Till it became a separated cloud of beauty grace \& love Among the darkness of his Furnaces dividing asunder till She separated stood before him a lovely Female weeping

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Even Enitharmon separated outside, \& his Loins closed And heal'd after the separation: his pains he soon forgot: Lured by her beauty outside of himself in shadowy grief. Two Wills they had; Two Intellects: \& not as in times of old.

Silent they wanderd hand in hand like two Infants wandring From Enion in the desarts, terrified at each others beauty Envying each other yet desiring, in all devouring Love,

Repelling weeping Enion blind \& age-bent into the fourfold Desarts. Los first broke silence \& began to utter his love

O lovely Enitharmon: I behold thy graceful forms Moving beside me till intoxicated with the woven labyrinth Of beauty \& perfection my wild fibres shoot in veins Of blood thro all my nervous limbs. soon overgrown in roots I shall be closed from thy sight. sieze therefore in thy hand The small fibres as they shoot around me draw out in pity And let them run on the winds of thy bosom: I will fix them With pulsations. we will divide them into Sons \& Daughters To live in thy Bosoms translucence as in an eternal morning

Enitharmon answerd. No! I will sieze thy Fibres \& weave Them: not as thou wilt but as I will, for I will Create A round Womb beneath my bosom lest I also be overwoven With Love; be thou assured I never will be thy slave Let Mans delight be Love; but Womans delight be Pride In Eden our loves were the same here they are opposite I have Loves of my own I will weave them in Albions Spectre Cast thou in Jerusalems shadows thy Loves! silk of liquid Rubies Jacinths Crysolites: issuing from thy Furnaces. While Jerusalem divides thy care: while thou carest for Jerusalem Know that I never will be thine: also thou hidest Vala From her these fibres shoot to shut me in a Grave. You are Albions Victim, he has set his Daughter in your path

Los answerd sighing like the Bellows of his Furnaces

I care not! the swing of my Hammer shall measure the starry round[.] When in Eternity Man converses with Man they enter Into each others Bosom (which are Universes of delight) In mutual interchange. and first their Emanations meet

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Surrounded by their Children. if they embrace \& comingle The Human Four-fold Forms mingle also in thunders of Intellect But if the Emanations mingle not; with storms \& agitations Of earthquakes \& consuming fires they roll apart in fear For Man cannot unite with Man but by their Emanations Which stand both Male \& Female at the Gates of each Humanity How then can I ever again be united as Man with Man While thou my Emanation refusest my Fibres of dominion. When Souls mingle \& join thro all the Fibres of Brotherhood Can there be any secret joy on Earth greater than this?

Enitharmon answerd: This is Womans World, nor need she any Spectre to defend her from Man. I will Create secret places And the masculine names of the places Merlin \& Arthur. A triple Female Tabernacle for Moral Law I weave That he who loves Jesus may loathe terrified Female love Till God himself become a Male subservient to the Female.

She spoke in scorn \& jealousy, alternate torments; and So speaking she sat down on Sussex shore singing lulling Cadences, \& playing in sweet intoxication among the glistening Fibres of Los: sending them over the Ocean eastward into The realms of dark death; O perverse to thyself, contrarious To thy own purposes; for when she began to weave Shooting out in sweet pleasure her bosom in milky Love Flowd into the aching fibres of Los. yet contending against him In pride sending his Fibres over to her objects of jealousy ${ }^{1329}$ In the little lovely Allegoric Night of Albions Daughters Which stretchd abroad, expanding east \& west \& north \& south Thro' all the World of Erin \& of Los \& all their Children

A sullen Smile broke from the Spectre in mockery \& scorn Knowing himself the author of their divisions \& shrinkings, gratified At their contentions, he wiped his tears he washd his visage.

The Man who respects Woman shall be despised by Woman And deadly cunning \& mean abjectness only, shall enjoy them For I will make their places of joy \& love, excrementitious[.] Continually building, continually destroying in Family feuds While you are under the dominion of a jealous Female Unpermanent for ever because of love \& jealousy.
You shall want all the Minute Particulars of Life

Thus joyd the Spectre in the dusky fires of Los's Forge, eyeing Enitharmon who at her shining Looms sings lulling cadences While Los stood at his Anvil in wrath the victim of their love And hate; dividing the Space of Love with brazen Compasses In Golgonooza \& in Udan-Adan \& in Entuthon of Urizen.

The blow of his Hammer is Justice. the swing of his Hammer: Mercy. The force of Los's Hammer is eternal Forgiveness; but His rage or his mildness were vain, she scatterd his love on the wind Eastward into her own Center, creating the Female Womb In mild Jerusalem around the Lamb of God. Loud howl The Furnaces of Los! loud roll the Wheels of Enitharmon The Four Zoa's in all their faded majesty burst out in fury And fire. Jerusalem took the Cup which foamd in Vala's hand Like the red Sun upon the mountains in the bloody day Upon the Hermaphroditic Wine-presses of Love \& Wrath.

Tho divided by the Cross \& Nails \& Thorns \& Spear In cruelties of Rahab \& Tirzah[,] permanent endure ${ }^{1330}$
A terrible indefinite Hermaphroditic form
A Wine-press of Love \& Wrath double Hermaph[r]oditic
Twelvefold in Allegoric pomp in selfish holiness
The Pharisaion, the Grammateis, the Presbuterion, The Archiereus, the Iereus, the Saddusaion, double Each withoutside of the other, covering eastern heaven

Thus was the Covering Cherub reveald majestic image Of Selfhood, Body put off, the Antichrist accursed Coverd with precious stones, a Human Dragon terrible And bright, stretchd over Europe \& Asia gorgeous In three nights he devourd the rejected corse of death

His Head dark, deadly, in its Brain incloses a reflexion
Of Eden all perverted; Egypt on the Gihon many tongued And many mouthd: Ethiopia, Lybia, the Sea of Rephaim Minute Particulars in slavery I behold among the brick-kilns Disorganizd, \& there is Pharoh in his iron Court: And the Dragon of the River \& the Furnaces of iron. Outwoven from Thames \& Tweed \& Severn awful streams Twelve ridges of Stone frown over all the Earth in tyrant pride Frown over each River stupendous Works of Albions Druid Sons And Albions Forests of Oaks coverd the Earth from Pole to Pole

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His Bosom wide reflects Moab \& Ammon on the River Pison, since calld Arnon, there is Heshbon beautiful
The flocks of Rabbath on the Arnon \& the Fish-pools of Heshbon ${ }^{1331}$
Whose currents flow into the Dead Sea by Sodom \& Gomorra Above his Head high arching Wings black filld with Eyes
Spring upon iron sinews from the Scapulae \& Os Humeri.
There Israel in bondage to his Generalizing Gods Molech \& Chemosh, \& in his left breast is Philistea In Druid Temples over the whole Earth with Victims Sacrifice, From Gaza to Damascus Tyre \& Sidon \& the Gods Of Javan thro the Isles of Grecia \& all Europes Kings Where Hiddekel pursues his course among the rocks Two Wings spring from his ribs of brass, starry, black as night But translucent their blackness as the dazling of gems

His Loins inclose Babylon on Euphrates beautiful And Rome in sweet Hesperia. there Israel scatterd abroad In martydoms \& slavery I behold: ah vision of sorrow! Inclosed by eyeless Wings, glowing with fire as the iron Heated in the Smiths forge, but cold the wind of their dread fury

But in the midst of a devouring Stomach, Jerusalem Hidden within the Covering Cherub as in a Tabernacle Of threefold workmanship in allegoric delusion \& woe There the Seven Kings of Canaan \& Five Baalim of Philistea Sihon \& Og the Anakim \& Emim, Nephilim \& Gibborim From Babylon to Rome \& the Wings spread from Japan Where the Red Sea terminates the World of Generation \& Death To Irelands farthest rocks where Giants builded their Causeway Into the Sea of Rephaim, but the Sea oerwhelmd them all.

A Double Female now appeard within the Tabernacle, Religion hid in War, a Dragon red \& hidden Harlot Each within other, but without a Warlike Mighty-one Of dreadful power, sitting upon Horeb pondering dire And mighty preparations mustering multitudes innumerable
Of warlike sons among the sands of Midian \& Aram
For multitudes of those who sleep in Alla descend Lured by his warlike symphonies of tabret pipe \& harp Burst the bottoms of the Graves \& Funeral Arks of Beulah[;] Wandering in that unknown Night beyond the silent Grave They become One with the Antichrist \& are absorbd in him

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The Feminine separates from the Masculine \& both from Man, Ceasing to be His Emanations, Life to Themselves assuming! And while they circumscribe his Brain, \& while they circumscribe His Heart, \& while they circumscribe his Loins! a Veil \& Net Of Veins of red Blood grows around them like a scarlet robe. Covering them from the sight of Man like the woven Veil of Sleep Such as the Flowers of Beulah weave to be their Funeral Mantles But dark opake! tender to touch, \& painful! \& agonizing To the embrace of love, \& to the mingling of soft fibres Of tender affection. that no more the Masculine mingles With the Feminine. but the Sublime is shut out from the Pathos In howling torment, to build stone walls of separation, compelling The Pathos, to weave curtains of hiding secresy from the torment.

Bowen \& Conwenna stood on Skiddaw cutting the Fibres Of Benjamin from Chesters River: loud the River; loud the Mersey And the Ribble. thunder into the Irish sea, as the Twelve Sons Of Albion drank \& imbibed the Life \& eternal Form of Luvah Cheshire \& Lancashire \& Westmoreland groan in anguish As they cut the fibres from the Rivers he sears them with hot Iron of his Forge \& fixes them into Bones of chalk \& Rock Conwenna sat above: with solemn cadences she drew Fibres of life out from the Bones into her golden Loom Hand had his Furnace on Highgates heights \& it reachd

To Brockley Hills across the Thames: he with double Boadicea In cruel pride cut Reuben apart from the Hills of Surrey Comingling with Luvah \& with the Sepulcher of Luvah For the Male is a Furnace of beryll: the Female is a golden Loom

Los cries: No Individual ought to appropriate to Himself Or to his Emanation, any of the Universal Characteristics Of David or of Eve, of the Woman, or of the Lord. Of Reuben or of Benjamin, of Joseph or Judah or Levi Those who dare appropriate to themselves Universal Attributes Are the Blasphemous Selfhoods \& must be broken asunder A Vegetated Christ \& a Virgin Eve, are the Hermaphroditic Blasphemy, by his Maternal Birth he is that Evil-One And his Maternal Humanity must be put off Eternally Lest the Sexual Generation swallow up Regeneration Come Lord Jesus take on thee the Satanic Body of Holiness

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So Los cried in the Valleys of Middlesex in the Spirit of Prophecy While in Selfhood Hand \& Hyle \& Bowen \& Skofeld appropriate The Divine Names: seeking to Vegetate the Divine Vision In a corporeal \& ever dying Vegetation \& Corruption Mingling with Luvah in One. they become One Great Satan

Loud scream the Daughters of Albion beneath the Tongs \& Hammer Dolorous are their lamentations in the burning Forge They drink Reuben \& Benjamin as the iron drinks the fire They are red hot with cruelty: raving along the Banks of Thames And on Tyburns Brook among the howling Victims in loveliness While Hand \& Hyle condense the Little-ones \& erect them into A mighty Temple even to the stars: but they Vegetate Beneath Los's Hammer, that Life may not be blotted out.

For Los said: When the Individual appropriates Universality He divides into Male \& Female: \& when the Male \& Female, Appropriate Individuality, they become an Eternal Death. Hermaphroditic worshippers of a God of cruelty \& law! Your Slaves \& Captives; you compell to worship a God of Mercy. These are the Demonstrations of Los, \& the blows of my mighty Hammer

So Los spoke. And the Giants of Albion terrified \& ashamed ${ }^{1332}$
With Los's thunderous Words, began to build trembling rocking Stones
For his Words roll in thunders \& lightnings among the Temples
Terrified rocking to \& fro upon the earth, \& sometimes
Resting in a Circle in Maiden or in Strathness or Dura.
Plotting to devour Albion \& Los the friend of Albion
Denying in private: mocking God \& Eternal Life: \& in Public Collusion, calling themselves Deists, Worshipping the Maternal Humanity; calling it Nature, and Natural Religion

But still the thunder of Los peals loud \& thus the thunder's cry ${ }^{1333}$

These beautiful Witchcrafts of Albion, are gratifyd by Cruelty

It is easier to forgive an Enemy than to forgive a Friend:
The man who permits you to injure him, deserves your vengeance:
He also will recieve it; go Spectre! obey my most secret desire:
Which thou knowest without my speaking: Go to these Fiends of Righteousness Tell them to obey their Humanities, \& not pretend Holiness;
When they are murderers: as far as my Hammer \& Anvil permit

Go, tell them that the Worship of God, is honouring his gifts In other men: \& loving the greatest men best, each according To his Genius: which is the Holy Ghost in Man; there is no other God, than that God who is the intellectual fountain of Humanity; He who envies or calumniates: which is murder \& cruelty, Murders the Holy-one: Go tell them this \& overthrow their cup, Their bread, their altar-table, their incense \& their oath: Their marriage \& their baptism, their burial \& consecration: I have tried to make friends by corporeal gifts but have only Made enemies: I never made friends but by spiritual gifts; By severe contentions of friendship \& the burning fire of thought. He who would see the Divinity must see him in his Children One first, in friendship \& love; then a Divine Family, \& in the midst Jesus will appear; so he who wishes to see a Vision; a perfect Whole Must see it in its Minute Particulars; Organized \& not as thou O Fiend of Righteousness pretendest; thine is a Disorganized And snowy cloud: brooder of tempests \& destructive War You smile with pomp \& rigor: you talk of benevolence \& virtue! I act with benevolence \& virtue \& get murderd time after time: You accumulate Particulars, \& murder by analyzing, that you May take the aggregate; \& you call the aggregate Moral Law: And you call that Swelld \& bloated Form; a Minute Particular. But General Forms have their vitality in Particulars: \& every Particular is a Man; a Divine Member of the Divine Jesus.

So Los cried at his Anvil in the horrible darkness weeping!

The Spectre builded stupendous Works, taking the Starry Heavens Like to a curtain \& folding them according to his will Repeating the Smaragdine Table of Hermes to draw Los down Into the Indefinite, refusing to believe without demonstration[.] Los reads the Stars of Albion! the Spectre reads the Voids Between the Stars; among the arches of Albions Tomb sublime Rolling the Sea in rocky paths: forming Leviathan And Behemoth: the War by Sea enormous \& the War By Land astounding: erecting pillars in the deepest Hell, To reach the heavenly arches; Los beheld undaunted furious

His heavd Hammer; he swung it round \& at one blow, In unpitying ruin driving down the pyramids of pride Smiting the Spectre on his Anvil \& the integuments of his Eye And Ear unbinding in dire pain, with many blows, Of strict severity self-subduing, \& with many tears labouring.

Then he sent forth the Spectre all his pyramids were grains Of sand \& his pillars: dust on the flys wing: \& his starry Heavens; a moth of gold \& silver mocking his anxious grasp Thus Los alterd his Spectre \& every Ratio of his Reason He alterd time after time, with dire pain \& many tears Till he had completely divided him into a separate space.

Terrified Los sat to behold trembling \& weeping \& howling I care not whether a Man is Good or Evil; all that I care Is whether he is a Wise Man or a Fool. Go! put off Holiness And put on Intellect: or my thundrous Hammer shall drive thee To wrath which thou condemnest: till thou obey my voice

So Los terrified cries: trembling \& weeping \& howling! Beholding

What do I see? The Briton Saxon Roman Norman amalgamating
In my Furnaces into One Nation the English: \& taking refuge In the Loins of Albion. The Canaanite united with the fugitive Hebrew, whom she divided into Twelve, \& sold into Egypt Then scatterd the Egyptian \& Hebrew to the four Winds! This sinful Nation Created in our Furnaces \& Looms is Albion So Los spoke. Enitharmon answerd in great terror in Lambeths Vale

The Poets Song draws to its period \& Enitharmon is no more. For if he be that Albion I can never weave him in my Looms But when he touches the first fibrous thread, like filmy dew My Looms will be no more \& I annihilate vanish for ever Then thou wilt Create another Female according to thy Will.

Los answerd swift as the shuttle of gold. Sexes must vanish \& cease To be, when Albion arises from his dread repose O lovely Enitharmon: When all their Crimes, their Punishments their Accusations of Sin: All their Jealousies Revenges. Murders. hidings of Cruelty in Deceit Appear only in the Outward Spheres of Visionary Space and Time. In the shadows of Possibility by Mutual Forgiveness forevermore And in the Vision \& in the Prophecy, that we may Foresee \& Avoid The terrors of Creation \& Redemption \& Judgment. Beholding them Displayd in the Emanative Visions of Canaan in Jerusalem \& in Shiloh And in the Shadows of Remembrance, \& in the Chaos of the Spectre Amalek, Edom, Egypt, Moab, Ammon, Ashur, Philistea, around Jerusalem

Where the Druids reard their Rocky Circles to make permanent Remembrance Of Sin. \& the Tree of Good \& Evil sprang from the Rocky Circle \& Snake Of the Druid, along the Valley of Rephaim from Camberwell to Golgotha And framed the Mundane Shell Cavernous in Length Bredth \& Highth
[<image, inscribed> Anytus Melitus \& Lycon thought Socrates a Very Pernicious Man So Caiphas thought Jesus</image>]

Enitharmon heard. She raisd her head like the mild Moon

O Rintrah! O Palamabron! What are your dire \& awful purposes Enitharmons name is nothing before you: you forget all my Love! The Mothers love of obedience is forgotten \& you seek a Love Of the pride of dominion, that will Divorce Ocalythron \& Elynittria Upon East Moor in Derbyshire \& along the Valleys of Cheviot Could you Love me Rintrah, if you Pride not in my Love As Reuben found Mandrakes in the field \& gave them to his Mother Pride meets with Pride upon the Mountains in the stormy day In that terrible Day of Rintrahs Plow \& of Satans driving the Team. Ah! then I heard my little ones weeping along the Valley! Ah! then I saw my beloved ones fleeing from my Tent Merlin was like thee Rintrah among the Giants of Albion Judah was like Palamabron: O Simeon! O Levi! ye fled away How can I hear my little ones weeping along the Valley Or how upon the distant Hills see my beloveds Tents.

Then Los again took up his speech as Enitharmon ceast

Fear not my Sons this Waking Death. he is become One with me Behold him here! We shall not Die! we shall be united in Jesus. Will you suffer this Satan this Body of Doubt that Seems but Is Not To occupy the very threshold of Eternal Life. if Bacon, Newton, Locke,

Deny a Conscience in Man \& the Communion of Saints \& Angels Contemning the Divine Vision \& Fruition, Worshiping the Deus Of the Heathen, The God of This World, \& the Goddess Nature Mystery Babylon the Great, The Druid Dragon \& hidden Harlot Is it not that Signal of the Morning which was told us in the Beginning

Thus they converse upon Mam-Tor. the Graves thunder under their feet

Albion cold lays on his Rock: storms \& snows beat round him. Beneath the Furnaces \& the starry Wheels \& the Immortal Tomb Howling winds cover him: roaring seas dash furious against him In the deep darkness broad lightnings glare long thunders roll

The weeds of Death inwrap his hands \& feet blown incessant And washd incessant by the for-ever restless sea-waves foaming abroad Upon the white Rock. England a Female Shadow as deadly damps Of the Mines of Cornwall \& Derbyshire lays upon his bosom heavy Moved by the wind in volumes of thick cloud returning folding round His loins \& bosom unremovable by swelling storms \& loud rending Of enraged thunders. Around them the Starry Wheels of their Giant Sons Revolve: \& over them the Furnaces of Los \& the Immortal Tomb around Erin sitting in the Tomb, to watch them unceasing night and day And the Body of Albion was closed apart from all Nations.

Over them the famishd Eagle screams on boney Wings and around Them howls the Wolf of famine deep heaves the Ocean black thundering Around the wormy Garments of Albion: then pausing in deathlike silence

Time was Finished! The Breath Divine Breathed over Albion Beneath the Furnaces \& starry Wheels and in the Immortal Tomb And England who is Brittannia awoke from Death on Albions bosom She awoke pale \& cold she fainted seven times on the Body of Albion

O pitious Sleep O pitious Dream! O God O God awake I have slain In Dreams of Chastity \& Moral Law I have Murdered Albion! Ah! In Stone-henge \& on London Stone \& in the Oak Groves of Malden I have Slain him in my Sleep with the Knife of the Druid O England O all ye Nations of the Earth behold ye the Jealous Wife
The Eagle \& the Wolf \& Monkey \& Owl \& the King \& Priest were there ${ }^{1336}$

Her voice pierc'd Albions clay cold ear. he moved upon the Rock The Breath Divine went forth upon the morning hills, Albion mov'd

Upon the Rock, he opend his eyelids in pain; in pain he mov'd His stony members, he saw England. Ah! shall the Dead live again

The Breath Divine went forth over the morning hills Albion rose In anger: the wrath of God breaking bright flaming on all sides around His awful limbs: into the Heavens he walked clothed in flames

Loud thundring, with broad flashes of flaming lightning \& pillars Of fire, speaking the Words of Eternity in Human Forms, in direful Revolutions of Action \& Passion, thro the Four Elements on all sides Surrounding his awful Members. Thou seest the Sun in heavy clouds Struggling to rise above the Mountains. in his burning hand He takes his Bow, then chooses out his arrows of flaming gold Murmuring the Bowstring breathes with ardor! clouds roll around the Horns of the wide Bow, loud sounding winds sport on the mountain brows Compelling Urizen to his Furrow; \& Tharmas to his Sheepfold; And Luvah to his Loom: Urthona he beheld mighty labouring at His Anvil, in the Great Spectre Los unwearied labouring \& weeping Therefore the Sons of Eden praise Urthonas Spectre in songs Because he kept the Divine Vision in time of trouble.

As the Sun \& Moon lead forward the Visions of Heaven \& Earth England who is Brittannia enterd Albions bosom rejoicing, Rejoicing in his indignation! adoring his wrathful rebuke. She who adores not your frowns will only loathe your smiles

As the Sun \& Moon lead forward the Visions of Heaven \& Earth England who is Brittannia entered Albions bosom rejoicing

Then Jesus appeared standing by Albion as the Good Shepherd By the lost Sheep that he hath found \& Albion knew that it Was the Lord the Universal Humanity, \& Albion saw his Form A Man. \& they conversed as Man with Man, in Ages of Eternity And the Divine Appearance was the likeness \& similitude of Los

Albion said. O Lord what can I do! my Selfhood cruel Marches against thee deceitful from Sinai \& from Edom Into the Wilderness of Judah to meet thee in his pride I behold the Visions of my deadly Sleep of Six Thousand Years Dazling around thy skirts like a Serpent of precious stones \& gold I know it is my Self. O my Divine Creator \& Redeemer

Jesus replied Fear not Albion unless I die thou canst not live But if I die I shall arise again \& thou with me This is Friendship \& Brotherhood without it Man Is Not

So Jesus spoke! the Covering Cherub coming on in darkness Overshadowd them \& Jesus said Thus do Men in Eternity One for another to put off by forgiveness, every sin

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Albion replyd. Cannot Man exist without Mysterious Offering of Self for Another, is this Friendship \& Brotherhood I see thee in the likeness \& similitude of Los my Friend

Jesus said. Wouldest thou love one who never died For thee or ever die for one who had not died for thee And if God dieth not for Man \& giveth not himself Eternally for Man Man could not exist. for Man is Love: As God is Love: every kindness to another is a little Death In the Divine Image nor can Man exist but by Brotherhood

So saying. the Cloud overshadowing divided them asunder Albion stood in terror: not for himself but for his Friend Divine, \& Self was lost in the contemplation of faith And wonder at the Divine Mercy \& at Los's sublime honour

Do I sleep amidst danger to Friends! O my Cities \& Counties Do you sleep! rouze up! rouze up. Eternal Death is abroad

So Albion spoke \& threw himself into the Furnaces of affliction All was a Vision, all a Dream: the Furnaces became Fountains of Living Waters Howing from the Humanity Divine And all the Cities of Albion rose from their Slumbers, and All The Sons \& Daughters of Albion on soft clouds Waking from Sleep Soon all around remote the Heavens burnt with flaming fires And Urizen \& Luvah \& Tharmas \& Urthona arose into Albions Bosom: Then Albion stood before Jesus in the Clouds
Of Heaven Fourfold among the Visions of God in Eternity

Awake! Awake Jerusalem! O lovely Emanation of Albion
Awake and overspread all Nations as in Ancient Time For lo! the Night of Death is past and the Eternal Day Appears upon our Hills: Awake Jerusalem, and come away

So spake the Vision of Albion \& in him so spake in my hearing The Universal Father. Then Albion stretchd his hand into Infinitude. And took his Bow. Fourfold the Vision for bright beaming Urizen Layd his hand on the South \& took a breathing Bow of carved Gold Luvah his hand stretch'd to the East \& bore a Silver Bow bright shining Tharmas Westward a Bow of Brass pure flaming richly wrought

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Urthona Northward in thick storms a Bow of Iron terrible thundering.

> And the Bow is a Male \& Female \& the Quiver of the Arrows of Love, Are the Children of this Bow: a Bow of Mercy \& Loving-kindness: laying Open the hidden Heart in Wars of mutual Benevolence Wars of Love And the Hand of Man grasps firm between the Male \& Female Loves And he Clothed himself in Bow \& Arrows in awful state Fourfold In the midst of his Twenty-eight Cities each with his Bow breathing

Then each an Arrow flaming from his Quiver fitted carefully They drew fourfold the unreprovable String, bending thro the wide Heavens The horned Bow Fourfold, loud sounding flew the flaming Arrow fourfold

Murmuring the Bow-string breathes with ardor. Clouds roll round the horns Of the wide Bow, loud sounding Winds sport on the Mountains brows: The Druid Spectre was Annihilate loud thundring rejoicing terrific vanishing

Fourfold Annihilation \& at the clangor of the Arrows of Intellect The innumerable Chariots of the Almighty appeard in Heaven And Bacon \& Newton \& Locke, \& Milton \& Shakspear \& Chaucer A Sun of blood red wrath surrounding heaven on all sides around Glorious incompreh[en]sible by Mortal Man \& each Chariot was Sexual Threefold

And every Man stood Fourfold, each Four Faces had. One to the West One toward the East One to the South One to the North. the Horses Fourfold And the dim Chaos brightend beneath, above, around! Eyed as the Peacock According to the Human Nerves of Sensation, the Four Rivers of the Water of Life

South stood the Nerves of the Eye. East in Rivers of bliss the Nerves of the Expansive Nostrils West, flowd the Parent Sense the Tongue. North stood The labyrinthine Ear. Circumscribing \& Circumcising the excrementitious Husk \& Covering into Vacuum evaporating revealing the lineaments of Man Driving outward the Body of Death in an Eternal Death \& Resurrection Awaking it to Life among the Flowers of Beulah rejoicing in Unity In the Four Senses in the Outline the Circumference \& Form, for ever In Forgiveness of Sins which is Self Annihilation. it is the Covenant of Jehovah

The Four Living Creatures Chariots of Humanity Divine Incomprehensible In beautiful Paradises expand These are the Four Rivers of Paradise And the Four Faces of Humanity fronting the Four Cardinal Points Of Heaven going forward forward irresistible from Eternity to Eternity

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And they conversed together in Visionary forms dramatic which bright Redounded from their Tongues in thunderous majesty, in Visions

In new Expanses, creating exemplars of Memory and of Intellect Creating Space, Creating Time according to the wonders Divine Of Human Imagination, throughout all the Three Regions immense Of Childhood, Manhood \& Old Age[;] \& the all tremendous unfathomable Non Ens Of Death was seen in regenerations terrific or complacent varying ${ }^{1339}$ According to the subject of discourse \& every Word \& Every Character Was Human according to the Expansion or Contraction, the Translucence or Opakeness of Nervous fibres such was the variation of Time \& Space Which vary according as the Organs of Perception vary \& they walked To \& fro in Eternity as One Man reflecting each in each \& clearly seen And seeing: according to fitness \& order. And I heard Jehovah speak Terrific from his Holy Place \& saw the Words of the Mutual Covenant Divine On Chariots of gold \& jewels with Living Creatures starry \& flaming With every Colour, Lion, Tyger, Horse, Elephant, Eagle Dove, Fly, Worm, And the all wondrous Serpent clothed in gems \& rich array Humanize In the Forgiveness of Sins according to the Covenant of Jehovah. They Cry ${ }^{1340}$

Where is the Covenant of Priam, the Moral Virtues of the Heathen Where is the Tree of Good \& Evil that rooted beneath the cruel heel Of Albions Spectre the Patriarch Druid! where are all his Human Sacrifices ${ }^{1341}$ For Sin in War \& in the Druid Temples of the Accuser of Sin: beneath The Oak Groves of Albion that coverd the whole Earth beneath his Spectre Where are the Kingdoms of the World \& all their glory that grew on Desolation The Fruit of Albions Poverty Tree when the Triple Headed Gog-Magog Giant Of Albion Taxed the Nations into Desolation \& then gave the Spectrous Oath

Such is the Cry from all the Earth from the Living Creatures of the Earth And from the great City of Golgonooza in the Shadowy Generation And from the Thirty-two Nations of the Earth among the Living Creatures

All Human Forms identified even Tree Metal Earth \& Stone. all Human Forms identified, living going forth \& returning wearied Into the Planetary lives of Years Months Days \& Hours reposing And then Awaking into his Bosom in the Life of Immortality.

And I heard the Name of their Emanations they are named Jerusalem

ED; E259| [Prologue]

| GP-SexesPrologue1; E259\| | Mutual Forgiveness of each Vice |
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| GP-SexesPrologue2; E259\| | Such are the Gates of Paradise |
| GP-SexesPrologue3; E259\| | Against the Accusers chief desire |
| GP-SexesPrologue4; E259\| | Who walkd among the Stones of Fire |
| GP-SexesPrologue5; E259\| | Jehovahs Finger Wrote the Law t344 |
| GP-SexesPrologue6; E259\| | Then Wept! then rose in Zeal \& Awe |
| GP-SexesPrologue7; E259\| | And the Dead Corpse from Sinais heat |
| GP-SexesPrologue8; E259\| | Buried beneath his Mercy Seat t346 |
| GP-SexesPrologue9; E259\| | O Christians Christians! tell me Why |
| GP-SexesPrologue 10; E259\| | You rear it on your Altars high |

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ED; E259 $\quad$ Frontispiece
[image]

GPSexesFrontispiece; E260| What is Man!

GPSexesFrontispiece; E260|
GPSexesFrontispiece; E260|
<The Suns Light when he unfolds it Depends on the Organ that beholds it>
ED; E260| [image]
GP-Sexes1; E260| 1
GP-Sexes1; E260| I found him beneath a Tree

| ED; E260\| | [image] |
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| GP-Sexes2; | E260\| |
| GP-Sexes2; | 2 |
| GP260\| | Water |
| GP-Sexes2; | E260\| |

ED; E261| [image]
GP-Sexes3; E261] 3
GP-Sexes3; E261 Earth
GP-Sexes3; E261| <He struggles into Life>
[image]

| ED; E261\| | [image] |
| :--- | :--- |
| GP-Sexes5; | E261\| |
| GP-Sexes5; | E261\| |
| GP-Sexes5; | F261\| |
| Fire | <That end in endless Strife> |

ED; E261| [image]
GP-Sexes6; E261| 6

GP-Sexes6; E261| At length for hatching ripe he breaks the shell

ED; E263| [image]
GP-Sexes7; E263|
GP-Sexes7; E263|

ED; E263| [image]
GP-Sexes8; E263| 8
GP-Sexes8; E263| My Son! my Son!

| ED; E264\| | [image |
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| GP-Sexes9; | E264\| |
| GP-Sexes9; | E264\| |


| ED; E264\| $\quad$ [image] |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| GP-Sexes $10 ;$ E264\| | 10 |
| GP-Sexes10; E264\| | Help! Help! |


| ED; E265\| $\quad$ [image] |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| GP-Sexes11; E265\| | 11 |
| GP-Sexes11; E265\| | Aged Ignorance |
| GP-Sexes11; E265\| | <Perceptive Organs closed their Objects close> |

ED; E265| [image]

| GP-Sexes $12 ;$ E265\| | 12 |
| :--- | :--- |
| GP-Sexes $12 ;$ E265\| | Does thy God O Priest take such vengeance as this? |

ED; E2671 [image]
GP-Sexes16; E267|
GP-Sexes1 16 E267| $\quad$ I have said to the Worm: Thou art my mother \& my sister

GP-SexesKeys; E268|

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GP-SexesKeys; E268|

GP-SexesKeys; E268|
GP-SexesKeys1; E268|
GP-SexesKeys2; E268|
GP-SexesKeys3; E268|
GP-SexesKeys4; E268|
GP-SexesKeys5; E268|
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GP-SexesKeys17; E268|
GP-SexesKeys18; E268|
GP-SexesKeys19; E268|
GP-SexesKeys20; E268|

THE KEYS

The Catterpiller on the Leaf Reminds thee of thy Mothers Grief
of the GATES
1 My Eternal Man set in Repose
The Female from his darkness rose
And She found me beneath a Tree
A Mandrake \& in her Veil hid me
Serpent Reasonings us entice
Of Good \& Evil: Virtue \& Vice
2 Doubt Self Jealous Watry folly
3 Struggling thro Earths Melancholy
4 Naked in Air in Shame \& Fear
5 Blind in Fire with shield \& spear
Two Hornd Reasoning Cloven Fiction
In Doubt which is Self contradiction
A dark Hermaphrodite We stood ${ }^{1347}$
Rational Truth Root of Evil \& Good
Round me flew the Flaming Sword
Round her snowy Whirlwinds roard
Freezing her Veil the Mundane Shell
6 I rent the Veil where the Dead dwell
When weary Man enters his Cave
He meets his Saviour in the Grave

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GP-SexesKeys22; E268|
GP-SexesKeys23; E268|
GP-SexesKeys24; E268|
GP-SexesKeys25; E268|
GP-SexesKeys26; E268|
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GP-SexesKeys29; E268|
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GP-SexesKeys36; E268|
GP-SexesKeys37; E268|
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GP-SexesKeys39; E269|
GP-SexesKeys40; E269|
GP-SexesKeys41; E269|
GP-SexesKeys42; E269|
GP-SexesKeys43; E269|
GP-SexesKeys44; E269|
GP-SexesKeys45; E269|
GP-SexesKeys46; E269|
GP-SexesKeys47; E269|
GP-SexesKeys48; E269|

Some find a Female Garment there
And some a Male, woven with care
Lest the Sexual Garments sweet Should grow a devouring Winding sheet
7 One Dies! Alas! the Living \& Dead
One is slain \& One is fled
8 In Vain-glory hatcht \& nurst
By double Spectres Self Accurst
My Son! my Son! thou treatest me
But as I have instructed thee
9 On the shadows of the Moon
Climbing thro Nights highest noon
10 In Times Ocean falling drownd
In Aged Ignorance profound
11 Holy \& cold I clipd the Wings
Of all Sublunary Things
12 And in depths of my Dungeons
Closed the Father \& the Sons

13 But when once I did descry
The Immortal Man that cannot Die
14 Thro evening shades I haste away
To close the Labours of my Day
15 The Door of Death I open found
And the Worm Weaving in the Ground
16 Thou'rt my Mother from the Womb
Wife, Sister, Daughter to the Tomb
Weaving to Dreams the Sexual strife
And weeping over the Web of Life

GP-Sexes; E269| [Epilogue]

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GP-.SexesEpilogue; E269|

GP-SexesEpilogue1; E269|
GP-SexesEpilogue2; E269|
GP-SexesEpilogue3; E269|
GP-SexesEpilogue4; E269|

GP-SexesEpilogue5; E269|
GP-SexesEpilogue6; E269|

To The Accuser Who is
The God of This World

And dost not know the Garment from the Man
Every Harlot was a Virgin once
Nor canst thou ever change Kate into Nan

Tho thou art Worshipd by the Names Divine Of Jesus \& Jehovah thou art still

The Son of Morn in weary Nights decline The lost Travellers Dream under the Hill

HomersPoetry-prose1; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose2; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose3; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose4; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose5; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose6; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose7; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose8; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose9; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose 10; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose 11; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose 12; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose 13; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose 14; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose 15; E269|
HomersPoetry-prose 16; E269|

HomersPoetry-prose17; E270|
HomersPoetry-prose 18; E270|
HomersPoetry-prose 19; E270|
HomersPoetry-prose20; E270|
HomersPoetry-prose21; E270|
HomersPoetry-prose22; E270|

Every Poem must necessarily be a perfect Unity, but why Homers is peculiarly so I cannot tell: he has told the story of Bellerophon \& omitted the Judgment of Paris which is not only a part, but a principal part of Homers subject But when a Work has Unity it is as much in a Part as in the Whole. the Torso is as much a Unity as the Laocoon As Unity is the cloke of folly so Goodness is the cloke of knavery Those who will have Unity exclusively in Homer come out with a Moral like a sting in the tail: Aristotle says Characters are either Good or Bad: now Goodness or Badness has nothing to do with Character. an Apple tree a Pear tree a Horse a Lion, are Characters but a Good Apple tree or a Bad, is an Apple tree still: a Horse is not more a Lion for being a Bad Horse. that is its Character; its Goodness or Badness is another consideration. It is the same with the Moral of a whole Poem as with the Moral Goodness
of its parts Unity \& Morality, are secondary considerations \& belong to Philosophy \& not to Poetry, to Exception \& not to Rule, to Accident \& not to Substance. the Ancients calld it eating of the tree of good \& evil.
The Classics, it is the Classics! \& not Goths nor Monks, that Desolate Europe with Wars.

OnVirgil-prose1; E270|
OnVirgil-prose2; E270|
OnVirgil-prose3; E270|
OnVirgil-prose4; E270|
OnVirgil-prose5; E270|
OnVirgil-prose6; E270|
OnVirgil-prose7; E270|
OnVirgil-prose8; E270|
OnVirgil-prose9; E270|
OnVirgil-prose10; E270|
OnVirgil-prose11; E270|
OnVirgil-prose12; E270|
OnVirgil-prose13; E270|
OnVirgil-prose14; E270|
OnVirgil-prose15; E270|

Sacred Truth has pronounced that Greece \& Rome as Babylon \& Egypt: so far from being parents of Arts \& Sciences as they pretend: were destroyers of all Art. Homer Virgil \& Ovid confirm this opinion \& make us reverence The Word of God, the only light of antiquity that remains unperverted by War. Virgil in the Eneid Book VI line 848 says Let others study Art: Rome has somewhat better to do, namely War \& Dominion
Rome \& Greece swept Art into their maw \& destroyd it a Warlike State never can produce Art. It will Rob \& Plunder \& accumulate into one place, \& Translate \& Copy \& Buy \& Sell \& Criticise, but not Make.
Mathematic Form is Eternal in the Reasoning Memory. Living Form is Eternal Existence. Grecian is Mathematic Form
Gothic is Living Form

Subtitle; E270| A Revelation In the Visions of Jehovah

GhostOfAbel; E270

To LORD BYRON in the Wilderness
What doest thou here Elijah?
Can a Poet doubt the Visions of Jehovah? Nature has no Outline: but Imagination has. Nature has no Tune: but Imagination has! Nature has no Supernatural \& dissolves: Imagination is Eternity

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GhostOfAbelepigraph; E270|

GhostOfAbel; E270|
GhostOfAbelstagedr; E270|
GhostOfAbelstagedr; E270|

GhostOfAbel1.1; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.1; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.2; E271|
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GhostOfAbel1.4; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.5; E271|

GhostOfAbel1stagedr; E271|

GhostOfAbel1.6; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.7; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.7; E271|

GhostOfAbel1stagedr; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.8; E271|

GhostOfAbel1stagedr; E271|

Scene. A rocky Country. Eve fainted over the dead body of Abel which lays near a Grave. Adam kneels by her Jehovah stands above

Jehovah-- Adam!
Adam-- I will not hear thee more thou Spiritual Voice
Is this Death?
Jehovah-- Adam!
Adam-- It is in vain: I will not hear thee
Henceforth! Is this thy Promise that the Womans Seed
Should bruise the Serpents head: Is this the Serpent? Ah!
Seven times, O Eve thou hast fainted over the Dead Ah! Ah!

Eve revives

Eve-- Is this the Promise of Jehovah! O it is all a vain delusion This Death \& this Life \& this Jehovah!
Jehovah-- Woman! lift thine eyes

A Voice is heard coming on
Voice-- O Earth cover not thou my Blood! cover not thou my Blood

Enter the Ghost of Abel

Eve-- Thou Visionary Phantasm thou art not the real Abel.

GhostOfAbel1.10; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.11; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.12; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.13; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.14; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.14; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.15; E271|

GhostOfAbel1.16; E271|
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GhostOfAbel1.21; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.22; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.23; E271|
GhostOfAbel1.24; E271|

GhostOfAbel2.1; E271|
GhostOfAbel2.2; E271|
GhostOfAbel2.3; E271|

GhostOfAbel2stagedr; E271|

GhostOfAbel2.4; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.5; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.6; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.7; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.8; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.9; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.10; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.11; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.12; E272|

GhostOfAbel2stagedr; E272|
GhostOfAbel2stagedr; E272|

GhostOfAbel2.12; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.14; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.15; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.16; E272|
GhostOfAbel2.17; E272|

Abel- Among the Elohim a Human Victim I wander I am their House Prince of the Air \& our dimensions compass Zenith \& Nadir Vain is thy Covenant O Jehovah I am the Accuser \& Avenger Of Blood O Earth Cover not thou the Blood of Abel
Jehovah-- What Vengeance dost thou require Abel-- Life for Life! Life for Life! ${ }^{1350}$
Jehovah-- He who shall take Cains life must also Die O Abel

And who is he? Adam wilt thou, or Eve thou do this Adam-- It is all a Vain delusion of the all creative Imagination Eve come away \& let us not believe these vain delusions Abel is dead \& Cain slew him! We shall also Die a Death And then! what then? be as poor Abel a Thought: or as This! O what shall I call thee Form Divine! Father of Mercies That appearest to my Spiritual Vision: Eve seest thou also. Eve-- I see him plainly with my Minds Eye. I see also Abel living: Tho terribly afflicted as We also are. yet Jehovah sees him

Alive \& not Dead: were it not better to believe Vision With all our might \& strength tho we are fallen \& lost Adam-- Eve thou hast spoken truly. let us kneel before his feet.

## The Kneel before Jehovah

Abel-- Are these the Sacrifices of Eternity O Jehovah, a Broken Spirit And a Contrite Heart. O I cannot Forgive! the Accuser hath Enterd into Me as into his House \& I loathe thy Tabernacles As thou hast said so is it come to pass: My desire is unto Cain And He doth rule over Me: therefore My Soul in fumes of Blood Cries for Vengeance: Sacrifice on Sacrifice Blood on Blood Jehovah-- Lo I have given you a Lamb for an Atonement instead Of the Transgres[s]or, or no Flesh or Spirit could ever Live Abel-- Compelled I cry O Earth cover not the Blood of Abel

## Abel sinks down into the Grave. from which arises Satan Armed in glittering scales with a Crown \& a Spear

Satan-- I will have Human Blood \& not the blood of Bulls or Goats And no Atonement O Jehovah the Elohim live on Sacrifice Of Men: hence I am God of Men: Thou Human O Jehovah. By the Rock \& Oak of the Druid creeping Mistletoe \& Thorn Cains City built with Human Blood, not Blood of Bulls \& Goats

LAOCOONprose; E273|

LAOCOONprose; E273|
LAOCOONprose; E273|
LAOCOONprose; E273|

Drawn \& Engraved by William Blake

ED; E273] [Above the father's head:]
Laocoonprose; E273| The Angel of the Divine Presence
LaOCOONprose; E273| <Hebrew>[Angel of Jehovah]
LAOCOONprose; E273|
LAOCOONprose; E273|
LAOCOONprose; E273|
LAOCOONprose; E273|
<Hebrew>[Jehovah] \& his two Sons Satan \& Adam as they were copied from the Cherubim Of Solomons Temple by three Rhodians \& applied to Natural Fact. or. History of Ilium


He repented that he had made Adam
(of the Female, the Adamah)
\& it grieved him at his heart

ED; E273| [About the serpent and figure (? Satan) to the right:]
LAOCOONprose; E273| Good
LaOCOONprose; E273] <Hebrew>[Lilith]
laocoonprose; E273| Satans Wife The Goddess Nature is War \& Misery \& Heroism a Miser

ED; E273| [About the serpent and figure (? Adam) to the left:]

LAOCOONprose; E273|
LAOCOONprose; E273|

LAOCOONprose; E273|
LAOCOONprose; E273|

Evil
Good \& Evil are

Riches \& Poverty a Tree of Misery
propagating Generation \& Death

ED; E273| [Remaining aphorisms, reading outward in thematic order:]

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LAOCOONprose; E273|

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LAOCOONprose; E273|
LAOCOONprose; E273|
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LAOCOONprose; E273|
LAOCOONprose; E273|
LAOCOONprose; E273|

What can be Created Can be Destroyed
Adam is only The Natural Man \& not the Soul or Imagination

The Eternal Body of Man is The IMAGINATION.
God himself |
that is $\langle<$ Hebrew $\rangle$ [Yeshua] JESUS We are his Members
The Divine Body|

It manifests itself in his Works of Art (In EternityAll is Vision)
All that we See is VISION from Generated Organs gone as soon as come Permanent in The Imagination; considered as Nothing by the NATURAL MAN

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HEBREW ART is called SIN by the Deist SCIENCE

The whole Business of Man Is The Arts \& All Things Common

Christianity is Art \& not Money Money is its Curse

The Old \& New Testaments are the Great Code of Art

Jesus \& his Apostles \& Disciples were all Artists
Their Works were destroyd by the Seven Angels of the Seven Churches in Asia. Antichrist Science

SCIENCE is the Tree of DEATH
ART is the Tree of LIFE GOD is JESUS

The Gods of Priam are the Cherubim of Moses \& Solomon The Hosts of Heaven

The Gods of Greece \& Egypt were Mathematical Diagrams See Plato's Works
There are States in which all Visionary Men are accounted Mad Men such are Greece \& Rome Such is Empire or Tax See Luke Ch 2 v I

Art Degraded Imagination Denied War Governed the Nations

Divine Union Deriding And Denying Immediate Communion with God The Spoilers say Where are his Works That he did in the Wilderness Lo what are these Whence came they These are not the Works Of Egypt nor Babylon Whose Gods are the Powers of this World. Goddess, Nature. Who first spoil \& then destroy Imaginative Art For their Glory is War and Dominion

Empire against Art See Virgils Eneid. Lib. VI. v 848

Spiritual War
Israel deliverd from Egypt is Art deliverd from Nature \& Imitation

What we call Antique Gems are the Gems of Aarons Breast Plate

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Prayer is the Study of Art
Praise is the Practise of Art
Fasting \&c. all relate to Art
The outward Ceremony is Antichrist
Without Unceasing Pracise nothing can be done

Practise is Art If you leave off you are Lost

A Poet a Painter a Musician an Architect: the Man
Or Woman who is not one of these is not a Christian
You must leave Fathers \& Mothers \& Houses \& Lands if they stand in the way of

The unproductive Man is not a Christian much less the Destroyer

The True Christian Charity not dependent on Money (the lifes blood of Poor Families) that is on Caesar or Empire or Natural Religion

For every Pleasure Money Is Useless

Money, which is The Great Satan or Reason the Root of Good \& Evil In The Accusation of Sin

Where any view of Money exists Art cannot be carried on, but War only (Read Matthew CX. 9 \& 10 v) by pretences to the Two Impossibilities Chastity \& Abstinence Gods of the Heathen

Is not every Vice possible to Man described in the Bible openly

All is not Sin that Satan calls so all the Loves \& Graces of Eternity.

If Morality was Christianity Socrates was the Saviour

Art can never exist without Naked Beauty displayed

No Secresy in Art

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Tiriel1.1; E276|
Tiriel1.2; E276|
Tiriel1.3; E276|
Tiriel1.4; E276|
Tiriel1.5; E276|

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And Aged Tiriel. stood before the Gates of his beautiful palace ${ }^{1356}$ With Myratana. once the Queen of all the western plains But now his eyes were darkned. \& his wife fading in death They stood before their once delightful palace. \& thus the Voice Of aged Tiriel. arose. that his sons might hear in their gates

Accursed race of Tiriel. behold your father ${ }^{1357}$
Come forth \& look on her that bore you. come you accursed sons. In my weak arms. I here have borne your dying mother ${ }^{1358}$ Come forth sons of the Curse come forth. see the death of Myratana

His sons ran from their gates. \& saw their aged parents stand And thus the eldest son of Tiriel raisd his mighty voice

Old man unworthy to be calld. the father of Tiriels race For evry one of those thy wrinkles. each of those grey hairs Are cruel as death. \& as obdurate as the devouring pit Why should thy sons care for thy curses thou accursed man Were we not slaves till we rebeld. Who cares for Tiriels curse His blessing was a cruel curse. His curse may be a blessing

He ceast the aged man raisd up his right hand to the heavens His left supported Myratana shrinking in pangs of death ${ }^{1359}$ The orbs of his large eyes he opend. \& thus his voice went forth

Serpents not sons. wreathing around the bones of Tiriel Ye worms of death feasting upon your aged parents flesh Listen \& hear your mothers groans. No more accursed Sons She bears. she groans not at the birth of Heuxos or Yuva These are the groans of death ye serpents These are the groans of death

Nourishd with milk ye serpents. nourishd with mothers tears \& cares Look at my eyes blind as the orbless scull among the stones Look at my bald head. Hark listen ye serpents listen ${ }^{1360}$ What Myratana. What my wife. O Soul O Spirit O fire What Myratana. art thou dead. Look here ye serpents look The serpents sprung from her own bowels have draind her dry as this[.]

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Curse on your ruthless heads. for I will bury her even here

So saying he began to dig a grave with his aged hands But Heuxos calld a son of Zazel. to dig their mother a grave

Old cruelty desist \& let us dig a grave for thee Thou hast refusd our charity thou hast refusd our food Thou hast refusd our clothes our beds our houses for thy dwelling Chusing to wander like a Son of Zazel in the rocks Why dost thou curse. is not the curse now come upon your head Was it not you enslavd the sons of Zazel. \& they have cursd And now you feel it. Dig a grave \& let us bury our mother

There take the body. cursed sons. \& may the heavens rain wrath As thick as northern fogs. around your gates. to choke you up That you may lie as now your mother lies. like dogs. cast out The stink. of your dead carcases. annoying man \& beast Till your white bones are bleachd with age for a memorial. No your remembrance shall perish. for when your carcases Lie stinking on the earth. the buriers shall arise from the east And. not a bone of all the soils of Tiriel remain Bury your mother but you cannot bury the curse of Tiriel

He ceast \& darkling oer the mountains sought his pathless way

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He wanderd day \& night to him both day \& night were dark The sun he felt but the bright moon was now a useless globe Oer mountains \& thro vales of woe. the blind \& aged man Wanderd till he that leadeth all. led him to the vales of Har

And Har \& Heva like two children sat beneath the Oak Mnetha now aged waited on them. \& brought them food \& clothing But they were as the shadow of Har. \& as the years forgotten Playing with flowers. \& running after birds they spent the day And in the night like infants slept delighted with infant dreams

Soon as the blind wanderer enterd the pleasant gardens of Har ${ }^{1361}$ They ran weeping like frighted infants for refuge in Mnethas arms The blind man felt his way \& cried peace to these open doors

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Let no one fear for poor blind Tiriel hurts none but himself Tell me O friends where am I now. \& in what pleasant place

This is the valley of Har said Mnetha \& this the tent of Har Who art thou poor blind man. that takest the name of Tiriel on thee Tiriel is king of all the west. who art thou I am Mnetha And this is Har \& Heva. trembling like infants by my side

I know Tiriel is king of the west \& there he lives in joy No matter who I am O Mnetha. if thou hast any food Give it me. for I cannot stay my journey is far from hence

Then Har said O my mother Mnetha venture not so near him For he is the king of rotten wood \& of the bones of death He wanders. without eyes. \& passes thro thick walls \& doors Thou shalt not smite my mother Mnetha O thou eyeless man $t 362$

A wanderer. I beg for food. you see I cannot weep ${ }^{1363}$ I cast away my staff the kind companion of my travel And I kneel down that you may see I am a harmless man

He kneeled down \& Mnetha said Come Har \& Heva rise He is an innocent old man \& hungry with his travel

Then Har arose \& laid his hand upon old Tiriels head

God bless thy poor bald pate. God bless. thy hollow winking eyes God bless thy shriveld beard. God. bless. thy many wrinkled forehead Thou hast no teeth old man \& thus I kiss thy sleek bald head Heva come kiss his bald head for he will not hurt us Heva

Then Heva came \& took old Tiriel in her mothers arms

Bless thy poor eyes old man. \& bless the old father of Tiriel Thou art my Tiriels old father. I know thee thro thy wrinkles Because thou smellest. like the figtree. thou smellest like ripe figs How didst thou lose thy eyes old Tiriel. bless thy wrinkled face ${ }^{1364}$

Mnetha said come in aged wanderer tell us of thy name

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Why shouldest thou conceal thyself from those of thine own flesh

I am not of this region. said Tiriel dissemblingly ${ }^{1365}$
I am an aged wanderer once father of a race
Far in the north. but they were wicked \& were all destroyd
And I their father sent an outcast. I have told you all
Ask me no more I pray for grief hath seald my precious sight

O Lord said Mnetha how I tremble are there then more people More human creatures on this earth beside the sons of Har

No more said Tiriel but I remain on all this globe
And I remain an outcast. hast thou any thing to drink

Then Mnetha gave him milk \& fruits. \& they sat down together

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They sat \& eat \& Har \& Heva smild on Tiriel

Thou art a very old old man but I am older than thou How came thine hair to leave thy forehead how came thy face so brown My hair is very long my beard. doth cover all my breast God bless thy piteous face. to count the wrinkles in thy face Would puzzle Mnetha. bless thy face for thou art Tiriel ${ }^{1366}$

Tiriel I never saw but once I sat with him \& eat He was as chearful as a prince \& gave me entertainment But long I staid not at his palace for I am forcd to wander

What wilt thou leave us too said Heva thou shalt not leave us too For we have many sports to shew thee \& many songs to sing And after dinner we will walk into the cage of Har And thou shalt help us to catch birds. \& gather them ripe cherries Then let thy name be Tiriel \& never leave us more If thou dost go said Har I wish thine eyes may see thy folly My sons have left me did thine leave thee O twas very cruel

No venerable man said Tiriel ask me not such things

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For thou dost make my heart to bleed my sons were not like thine But worse O never ask me more or I must flee away

Thou shalt not go said Heva till thou hast seen our singing birds And heard Har sing in the great cage \& slept upon our fleeces Go not for thou art so like Tiriel. that I love thine head Tho it is wrinkled like the earth parchd with the summer heat

Then Tiriel rose up from the seat \& said god bless these tents ${ }^{1367}$ My Journey is oer rocks \& mountains. not in pleasant vales I must not sleep nor rest because of madness \& dismay ${ }^{1368}$

And Mnetha said Thou must not go to wander dark. alone But dwell with us \& let us be to thee instead of eyes And I will bring thee food old man. till death shall call thee hence

Then Tiriel frownd \& answerd. Did I not command you saying Madness \& deep dismay posses[s] the heart of the blind man The wanderer who seeks the woods leaning upon his staff ${ }^{1369}$

Then Mnetha trembling at his frowns led him to the tent door And gave to him his staff \& blest him. he went on his way

But Har \& Heva stood \& watchd him till he enterd the wood And then they went \& wept to Mnetha. but they soon forgot their tears

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Over the weary hills the blind man took his lonely way To him the day \& night alike was dark \& desolate
But far he had not gone when Ijim from his woods come down Met him at entrance of the forest in a dark \& lonely way

Who art thou Eyeless wretch that thus obstructst the lions path Ijim shall rend thy feeble joints thou tempter of dark Ijim Thous hast the form of Tiriel but I know thee well enough Stand from my path foul fiend is this the las of thy deceits To be a hypocrite \& stand in shape of a blind beggar

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The blind man heard his brothers voice \& kneeld down on his knee

O brother Ijim if it is thy voice that speaks to me Smite not thy brother Tiriel tho weary of his life My sons have smitten me already. and if thou smitest me The curse that rolls over their heads will rest itself on thine Tis now seven years since in my palace I beheld thy face ${ }^{1370}$ Come thou dark fiend I dare thy cunning know that Ijim scorns To smite the[e] in the form of helpless age \& eyeless policy Rise up for I discern thee \& I dare thy eloquent tongue Come I will lead thee on thy way \& use thee as a scoff

O Brother Ijim thou beholdest wretched Tiriel Kiss me my brother \& then leave me to wander desolate

No artful fiend. but I will lead thee dost thou want to go Reply not lest I bind thee with the green flags of the brook Ay now thou art discoverd I will use thee like a slave

When Tiriel heard the words of Ijim he sought not to reply He knew twas vain for Ijims words were as the voice of Fate

And they went on together over hills thro woody dales Blind to the pleasures of the sight \& deaf to warbling birds All day they walkd \& all the night beneath the pleasant Moon Westwardly journeying till Tiriel grew weary with his travel

O Ijim I am faint \& weary for my knees forbid To bear me further. urge me not lest I should die with travel A little rest I crave a little water from a brook Or I shall soon discover that I am a mortal man And you will lose your once lovd Tiriel alas how fain I am

Impudent fiend said Ijim hold thy glib \& eloquent tongue Tiriel is a king. \& thou the tempter of dark Ijim Drink of this runing brook. \& I will bear thee on my shoulders ${ }^{1371}$ He drank \& Ijim raisd him up \& bore him on his shoulders

All day he bore him \& when evening drew her solemn curtain Enterd the gates of Tiriels palace. \& stood \& calld aloud

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Heuxos come forth I here have brought the fiend that troubles Ijim Look knowst thou aught of this grey beard. or of these blinded eyes

Heuxos \& Lotho ran forth at the sound of Ijims voice And saw their aged father borne upon his mighty shoulders Their eloquent tongues were dumb \& sweat stood on. their trembling limbs They knew twas vain to strive with Ijim they bowd \& silent stood

What Heuxos call thy father for I mean to sport to night ${ }^{1372}$
This is the Hypocritc that sometimes roars a dreadful lion Then I have rent his limbs \& left him rotting in the forest ${ }^{1373}$ For birds to eat but I have scarce departed from the place But like a tyger he would come \& so I rent him too Then like a river be would seek to drown me in his waves But soon I buffetted the torrent anon like to a cloud Fraught with the swords of lightning. but I bravd the vengeance too Then he would creep like a bright serpent till around my neck While I was Sleeping he would twine I squeezd his poisnous soul Then like a toad or like a newt. would whisper in my ears Or like a rock stood in my way. or like a poisnous shrub At last I caught him in the form of Tiriel blind \& old And so Ill keep him fetch your father fetch forth Myratana

They stood confounded. and Thus Tiriel raisd his silver voice

Serpents not sons why do you stand fetch hither Tiriel ${ }^{1374}$ Fetch hither Myratana \& delight yourselves with scoffs For poor blind Tiriel is returnd \& this much injurd head Is ready for your bitter taunts. come forth sons of the curse

Mean time the other sons of Tiriel ran around their father Confounded at the terrible strength of Ijim they knew twas vain Both spear \& shield were useless \& the coat of iron mail When Ijim stretchd his mighty arm. the arrow from his limbs Rebounded \& the piercing sword broke on his naked flesh ${ }^{1375}$

Then is it true Heuxos that thou hast turnd thy aged parent To be the sport of wintry winds. (said Ijim) is this true It is a lie \& I am like the tree torn by the wind ${ }^{1376}$ Thou eyeless fiend. \& you dissemblers. Is this Tiriels house It is as false [as] Matha. \& as dark as vacant Orcus ${ }^{1377}$

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Escape ye fiends for Ijim will not lift his hand against ye

So saying. Ijim gloomy turnd his back \& silent sought
The secret forests \& all night wanderd in desolate ways ${ }^{t 378}$

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And aged Tiriel stood \& said where does the thunder sleep Where doth he hide his terrible head \& his swift \& fiery daughters Where do they shroud their fiery wings \& the terrors of their hair Earth thus I stamp thy bosom rouse the earthquake from his den To raise his dark \& burning visage thro the cleaving ground ${ }^{1379}$ To thrust these towers with his shoulders. let his fiery dogs Rise from the center belching flames \& roarings. dark smoke Where art thou Pestilence that bathest in fogs \& standing lakes Rise up thy sluggish limbs. \& let the loathsomest of poisons Drop from thy garments as thou walkest. wrapt in yellow clouds Here take thy seat. in this wide court. let it be strewn with dead And sit \& smile upon these cursed sons of Tiriel Thunder \& fire \& pestilence. here you not Tiriels curse

He ceast the heavy clouds confusd rolld round the lofty towers Discharging their enormous voices. at the fathers curse The earth trembled fires belched from the yawning clefts And when the shaking ceast a fog possest the accursed clime

The cry was great in Tiriels palace his five daughters ran And caught him by the garments weeping with cries of bitter woe

Aye now you feel the curse you cry. but may all ears be deaf As Tiriels \& all eyes as blind as Tiriels to your woes May never stars shine on your roofs may never sun nor moon ${ }^{1380}$
Visit you but eternal fogs hover around your walls Hela my youngest daughter you shall lead me from this place ${ }^{1381}$ And let the curse fall on the rest \& wrap them up together

He ceast \& Hela led her father from the noisom place In haste they fled while all the sons \& daughters of Tiriel Chaind in thick darkness utterd cries of mourning all the night And in the morning Lo an hundred men in ghastly death The four daughters stretchd on the marble pavement silent all $\quad 1382$

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falln by the pestilence the rest moped round in guilty fears
$t 383$ And all the children in their beds were cut off in one night Thirty of Tiriels sons remaind. to wither in the palace Desolate. Loathed. Dumb Astonishd waiting for black death

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And Hela led her father thro the silent of the night Astonishd silent. till the morning beams began to spring

Now Hela I can go with pleasure \& dwell with Har \& Heva Now that the curse shall clean devour all those guilty sons

This is the right \& ready way I know it by the sound That our feet make. Remember Hela I have savd thee from death Then be obedient to thy father for the curse is taken off thee I dwelt with Myratana five years in the desolate rock And all that time we waited for the fire to fall from heaven Or for the torrents of the sea to overwhelm you all But now my wife is dead \& all the time of grace is past You see the parents curse. Now lead me where I have commanded

O Leagued with evil spirits thou accursed man of sin True I was born thy slave who askd thee to save me from death-- ${ }^{1384}$ Twas for thy self thou cruel man because thou wantest eyes

True Hela this is the desert of all those cruel ones Is Tiriel cruel look. his daughter \& his youngest daughter Laughs at affection glories in rebellion. scoffs at Love:-I have not eat these two days lead me to Har \& Hevas tent Or I will wrap the[e] up in such a terrible fathers curse That thou shalt feel worms in thy marrow creeping thro thy bones Yet thou shalt lead me. Lead me I command to Har \& Heva

O cruel O destroyer O consumer. O avenger
To Har \& Heva I will lead thee then would that they would curse Then would they curse as thou hast cursed but they are not like thee O they are holy. \& forgiving filld with loving mercy
Forgetting the offences of their most rebellious children
Or else thou wouldest not have livd to curse thy helpless children

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Look on my eyes Hela \& see for thou has eyes to see The tears swell from my stony fountains. wherefore do I weep Wherefore from my blind orbs art thou not siezd with poisnous stings Laugh serpent youngest venomous reptile of the flesh of Tiriel Laugh. for thy father Tiriel shall give the[e] cause to laugh Unless thou lead me to the tent of Har child of the curse

Silence thy evil tongue thou murderer of thy helpless children I lead thee to the tent of Har not that I mind thy curse But that I feel they will curse thee \& hang upon thy bones Fell shaking agonies. \& in each wrinkle of that face Plant worms of death to feast upon the tongue of terrible curses

Hela my daughter listen. thou art the daughter of Tiriel Thy father calls. Thy father lifts his hand unto the heavens ${ }^{t 385}$ For thou hast laughed at my tears. \& curst thy aged father Let snakes rise from thy bedded locks \& laugh among thy curls

He ceast her dark hair upright stood while snakes infolded round Her madding brows. her shrieks apalld the soul of Tiriel

What have I done Hela my daughter fearst thou now the curse Or wherefore dost thou cry Ah wretch to curse thy aged father Lead me to Har \& Heva \& the curse of Tiriel Shall fail. If thou refuse howl in the desolate mountains ${ }^{1386}$

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She howling led him over mountains \& thro frighted vales
Till to the caves of Zazel they approachd at even tide

Forth from their caves old Zazel \& his sons ran. when they saw Their tyrant prince blind \& his daughter howling \& leading him

They laughd \& mocked some threw dirt \& stones as they passd by But when Tiriel turnd around \& raisd his awful voice
Some fled away but Zazel stood still \& thus began ${ }^{1387}$

Bald tyrant. wrinkled cunning listen to Zazels chains ${ }^{1388}$
Twas thou that chaind thy brother Zazel where are now thine eyes

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Shout beautiful daughter of Tiriel. thou singest a sweet song Where are you going. come \& eat some roots \& drink some water Thy crown is bald old man. the sun will dry thy brains away And thou wilt be as foolish as thy foolish brother Zazel

The blind man heard. \& smote his breast \& trembling passed on They threw dirt after them. till to the covert of a wood The howling maiden led her father where wild beasts resort Hoping to end her woes. but from her cries the tygers fled 1389 All night they wanderd thro the wood \& when the sun arose They enterd on the mountains of Har at Noon the happy tents Were frighted by the dismal cries of Hela on the mountains

But Har \& Heva slept fearless as babes. on loving breasts Mnetha awoke she ran \& stood at the tent door \& saw The aged wanderer led towards the tents she took her bow And chose her arrows then advancd to meet the terrible pair

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And Mnetha hasted \& met them at the gate of the lower garden

Stand still or from my bow recieve a sharp \& winged death

Then Tiriel stood. saying what soft voice threatens such bitter things Lead me to Har \& Heva I am Tiriel King of the west ${ }^{1390}$

And Mnetha led them to the tent of Har. and Har \& Heva Ran to the door. when Tiriel felt the ankles of aged Har He said. O weak mistaken father of a lawless race

Thy laws O Har \& Tiriels wisdom end together in a curse ${ }^{1391}$ Why is one law given to the lion \& th patient Ox ${ }^{1392}$ And why men bound beneath the heavens in a reptile form ${ }^{t 393}$ A worm of sixty winters creeping on the dusky ground The child springs from the womb. the father ready stands to form The infant head while the mother idle plays with her dog on her couch The young bosom is cold for lack of mothers nourishment \& milk Is cut off from the weeping mouth with difficulty \& pain The little lids are lifted \& the little nostrils opend The father forms a whip to rouze the sluggish senses to act

And scourges off all youthful fancies from the newborn man
Then walks the weak infant in sorrow compelld to number footsteps ${ }^{1394}$
Upon the sand. \&c
And when the drone has reachd his crawling length ${ }^{1395}$
Black berries appear that poison all around him. Such was Tiriel ${ }^{t 336}$ Compelld to pray repugnant \& to humble the immortal spirit Till I am subtil as a serpent in a paradise Consuming all both flowers \& fruits insects \& warbling birds And now my paradise is falln \& a drear sandy plain Returns my thirsty hissings in a curse on thee O Har Mistaken father of a lawless race my voice is past

He ceast outstretchd at Har \& Hevas feet in awful death

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## THE FRENCH REVOLUTION.

## Book the First.

The dead brood over Europe, the cloud and vision descends over chearful France; O cloud well appointed! Sick, sick: the Prince on his couch, wreath'd in dim And appalling mist; his strong hand outstretch'd, from his shoulder down the bone Runs aching cold into the scepter too heavy for mortal grasp. No more To be swayed by visible hand, nor in cruelty bruise the mild flourishing mountains.

Sick the mountains, and all their vineyards weep, in the eyes of the kingly mourner; Pale is the morning cloud in his visage. Rise, Necker: the ancient dawn calls us To awake from slumbers of five thousands years. I awake, but my soul is in dreams; From my window I see the old mountains of France, like aged men, fading away.

Troubled, leaning on Necker, descends the King, to his chamber of council; shady
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In fear utter voices of thunder; the woods of France embosom the sound;
Clouds of wisdom prophetic reply, and roll over the palace roof heavy, Forty men: each conversing with woes in the infinite shadows of his soul, Like our ancient fathers in regions of twilight, walk, gathering round the King; Again the loud voice of France cries to the morning, the morning prophecies to its clouds.

For the Commons convene in the Hall of the Nation. France shakes! And the heavens of

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Perplex'd vibrate round each careful countenance! Darkness of old times around them Utters loud despair, shadowing Paris; her grey towers groan, and the Bastile trembles. In its terrible towers the Governor stood, in dark fogs list'ning the horror;

A thousand his soldiers, old veterans of France, breathing red clouds of power and
Sudden seiz'd with howlings, despair, and black night, he stalk'd like a lion from tower To tower, his howlings were heard in the Louvre; from court to court restless he dragg'd His strong limbs; from court to court curs'd the fierce torment unquell'd, Howling and giving the dark command; in his soul stood the purple plague, Tugging his iron manacles, and piercing through the seven towers dark and sickly, Panting over the prisoners like a wolf gorg'd; and the den nam'd Horror held a man Chain'd hand and foot, round his neck an iron band, bound to the impregnable wall. In his soul was the serpent coil'd round in his heart, hid from the light, as in a cleft rock; And the man was confin'd for a writing prophetic: in the tower nam'd Darkness, was a man Pinion'd down to the stone floor, his strong bones scarce cover'd with sinews; the iron rings Were forg'd smaller as the flesh decay'd, a mask of iron on his face hid the lineaments

Of ancient Kings, and the frown of the eternal lion was hid from the oppressed earth. In the tower named Bloody, a skeleton yellow remained in its chains on its couch Of stone, once a man who refus'd to sign papers of abhorrence; the eternal worm Crept in the skeleton. In the den nam'd Religion, a loathsome sick woman, bound down To a bed of straw; the seven diseases of earth, like birds of prey, stood on the couch, And fed on the body. She refus'd to be whore to the Minister, and with a knife smote him. In the tower nam'd Order, an old man, whose white beard cover'd the stone floor like weeds On margin of the sea, shrivel'd up by heat of day and cold of night; his den was short And narrow as a grave dug for a child, with spiders webs wove, and with slime Of ancient horrors cover'd, for snakes and scorpions are his companions; harmless they

His sorrowful breath: he, by conscience urg'd, in the city of Paris rais'd a pulpit,

And taught wonders to darken'd souls. In the den nam'd Destiny a strong man sat, His feet and hands cut off, and his eyes blinded; round his middle a chain and a band Fasten'd into the wall; fancy gave him to see an image of despair in his den, Eternally rushing round, like a man on his hands and knees, day and night without rest. He was friend to the favourite. In the seventh tower, nam'd the tower of God, was a man Mad, with chains loose, which he dragg'd up and down; fed with hopes year by year, he

For liberty; vain hopes: his reason decay'd, and the world of attraction in his bosom Center'd, and the rushing of chaos overwhelm'd his dark soul. He was confin'd For a letter of advice to a King, and his ravings in winds are heard over Versailles.
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But the dens shook and trembled, the prisoners look up and assay to shout; they listen, Then laugh in the dismal den, then are silent, and a light walks round the dark towers.

For the Commons convene in the Hall of the Nation; like spirits of fire in the beautiful Porches of the Sun, to plant beauty in the desart craving abyss, they gleam On the anxious city; all children new-born first behold them; tears are fled, And they nestle in earth-breathing bosoms. So the city of Paris, their wives and children, Look up to the morning Senate, and visions of sorrow leave pensive streets.

But heavy brow'd jealousies lower o'er the Louvre, and terrors of ancient Kings Descend from the gloom and wander thro' the palace, and weep round the King and his

While loud thunders roll, troubling the dead, Kings are sick throughout all the earth, The voice ceas'd: the Nation sat: And the triple forg'd fetters of times were unloos'd. The voice ceas'd: the Nation sat: but ancient darkness and trembling wander thro' the palace. As in day of havock and routed battle, among thick shades of discontent, words burst forth:

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The nerves of five thousand years ancestry tremble, shaking the heavens of France; Throbs of anguish beat on brazen war foreheads, they descend and look into their graves.

I see thro' darkness, thro' clouds rolling round me, the spirits of ancient Kings Shivering over their bleached bones; round them their counsellors look up from the dust, Crying: Hide from the living! Our b[a]nds and our prisoners shout in the open field, ${ }^{1398}$ Hide in the nether earth! Hide in the bones! Sit obscured in the hollow scull.
Our flesh is corrupted, and we [wear] away. We are not numbered among the living. Let us
In stones, among roots of trees. The prisoners have burst their dens,
Let us hide; let us hide in the dust; and plague and wrath and tempest shall cease.

He ceas'd, silent pond'ring, his brows folded heavy, his forehead was in affliction, Like the central fire: from the window he saw his vast armies spread over the hills,

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Breathing red fires from man to man, and from horse to horse; then his bosom Expanded like starry heaven, he sat down: his Nobles took their ancient seats.

Then the ancientest Peer, Duke of Burgundy, rose from the Monarch's right hand, red as
From his mountains, an odor of war, like a ripe vineyard, rose from his garments, And the chamber became as a clouded sky; o'er the council he stretch'd his red limbs,

Cloth'd in flames of crimson, as a ripe vineyard stretches over sheaves of corn, The fierce Duke hung over the council; around him croud, weeping in his burning robe, A bright cloud of infant souls; his words fall like purple autumn on the sheaves.

Shall this marble built heaven become a clay cottage, this earth an oak stool, and these
From the Atlantic mountains, mow down all this great starry harvest of six thousand years? And shall Necker, the hind of Geneva, stretch out his crook'd sickle o'er fertile France,

Till our purple and crimson is faded to russet, and the kingdoms of earth bound in sheaves, And the ancient forests of chivalry hewn, and the joys of the combat burnt for fuel; Till the power and dominion is rent from the pole, sword and scepter from sun and moon, The law and gospel from fire and air, and eternal reason and science From the deep and the solid, and man lay his faded head down on the rock Of eternity, where the eternal lion and eagle remain to devour? This to prevent, urg'd by cries in day, and prophetic dreams hovering in night, To enrich the lean earth that craves, furrow'd with plows; whose seed is departing from her; Thy Nobles have gather'd thy starry hosts round this rebellious city, To rouze up the ancient forests of Europe, with clarions of cloud breathing war; ${ }^{1399}$ To hear the horse neigh to the drum and trumpet, and the trumpet and war shout reply; Stretch the hand that beckons the eagles of heaven; they cry over Paris, and wait Till Fayette point his finger to Versailles; the eagles of heaven must have their prey. ${ }^{1400}$ The King lean'd on his mountains, then lifted his head and look'd on his armies, that shone Through heaven, tinging morning with beams of blood, then turning to Burgundy troubled:

Burgundy, thou wast born a lion! My soul is o'ergrown with distress

For the Nobles of France, and dark mists roll round me and blot the writing of God Written in my bosom. Necker rise, leave the kingdom, thy life is surrounded with snares; We have call'd an Assembly, but not to destroy; we have given gifts, not to the weak; I hear rushing of muskets, and bright'ning of swords, and visages redd'ning with war, ${ }^{1401}$ Frowning and looking up from brooding villages and every dark'ning city;
Ancient wonders frown over the kingdom, and cries of women and babes are heard, And tempests of doubt roll around me, and fierce sorrows, because of the Nobles of

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Depart, answer not, for the tempest must fall, as in years that are passed away.

He ceas'd, and burn'd silent, red clouds roll round Necker, a weeping is heard o'er the
Like a dark cloud Necker paus'd, and like thunder on the just man's burial day he paus'd; Silent sit the winds, silent the meadows, while the husbandman and woman of weakness And bright children look after him into the grave, and water his clay with love, Then turn towards pensive fields; so Necker paus'd, and his visage was cover'd with clouds.

Dropping a tear the old man his place left, and when he was gone out He set his face toward Geneva to flee, and the women and children of the city Kneel'd round him and kissed his garments and wept; he stood a short space in the street, Then fled; and the whole city knew he was fled to Geneva, and the Senate heard it.

But the Nobles burn'd wrathful at Necker's departure, and wreath'd their clouds and waters In dismal volumes; as risen from beneath the Archbishop of Paris arose, In the rushing of scales and hissing of flames and rolling of sulphurous smoke.

Hearken, Monarch of France, to the terrors of heaven, and let thy soul drink of my counsel;

Sleeping at midnight in my golden tower, the repose of the labours of men Wav'd its solemn cloud over my head. I awoke; a cold hand passed over my limbs, and

An aged form, white as snow, hov'ring in mist, weeping in the uncertain light,

Dim the form almost faded, tears fell down the shady cheeks; at his feet many cloth'd In white robes, strewn in air sensers and harps, silent they lay prostrated; Beneath, in the awful void, myriads descending and weeping thro' dismal winds, Endless the shady train shiv'ring descended, from the gloom where the aged form wept. At length, trembling, the vision sighing, in a low voice, like the voice of the grasshopper

My groaning is heard in the abbeys, and God, so long worshipp'd, departs as a lamp
Without oil; for a curse is heard hoarse thro' the land, from a godless race
Descending to beasts; they look downward and labour and forget my holy law; The sound of prayer fails from lips of flesh, and the holy hymn from thicken'd tongues; For the bars of Chaos are burst; her millions prepare their fiery way Thro' the orbed abode of the holy dead, to root up and pull down and remove, And Nobles and Clergy shall fail from before me, and my cloud and vision be no more; The mitre become black, the crown vanish, and the scepter and ivory staff Of the ruler wither among bones of death; thy shall consume from the thistly field, And the sound of the bell, and voice of the sabbath, and singing of the holy choir,

Is turn'd into songs of the harlot in day, and cries of the virgin in night.
They shall drop at the plow and faint at the harrow, unredeem'd, unconfess'd, unpardon'd;
The priest rot in his surplice by the lawless lover, the holy beside the accursed,
The King, frowning in purple, beside the grey plowman, and their worms embrace
The voice ceas'd, a groan shook my chamber; I slept, for the cloud of repose returned,

But morning dawn'd heavy upon me. I rose to bring my Prince heaven utter'd counsel. Hear my counsel, O King, and send forth thy Generals, the command of heaven is upon

Then do thou command, O King, to shut up this Assembly in their final home;

Let thy soldiers possess this city of rebels, that threaten to bathe their feet In the blood of Nobility; trampling the heart and the head; let the Bastile devour These rebellious seditious; seal them up, O Anointed, in everlasting chains. He sat down, a damp cold pervaded the Nobles, and monsters of worlds unknown Swam round them, watching to be delivered; When Aumont, whose chaos-born soul Eternally wand'ring a Comet and swift-failing fire, pale enter'd the chamber; Before the red Council he stood, like a man that returns from hollow graves.

Awe surrounded, alone thro' the army a fear ad a with'ring blight blown by the north; The Abbe de Seyes from the Nation's Assembly. O Princes and Generals of France Unquestioned, unhindered, awe-struck are the soldiers; a dark shadowy man in the form Of King Henry the Fourth walks before him in fires, the captains like men bound in chains Stood still as he pass'd, he is come to the Louvre, O King, with a message to thee; The strong soldiers tremble, the horses their manes bow, and the guards of thy palace are

Up rose awful in his majestic beams Bourbon's strong Duke; his proud sword from his
Drawn, he threw on the Earth! the Duke of Bretagne and the Earl of Borgogne Rose inflam'd, to and fro in the chamber, like thunder-clouds ready to burst.

What damp all our fires, O spectre of Henry, said Bourbon; and rend the flames From the head of our King! Rise, Monarch of France; command me, and I will lead

This army of superstition at large, that the ardor of noble souls quenchless, May yet burn in France, nor our shoulders be plow'd with the furrows of poverty.

Then Orleans generous as mountains arose, and unfolded his robe, and put forth His benevolent hand, looking on the Archbishop, who changed as pale as lead;

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Would have risen but could not, his voice issued harsh grating; instead of words harsh
Shook the chamber; he ceas'd abash'd. Then Orleans spoke, all was silent, He breath'd on them, and said, O princes of fire, whose flames are for growth not

Fear not dreams, fear not visions, nor be you dismay'd with sorrows which flee at the
Can the fires of Nobility ever be quench'd, or the stars by a stormy night? Is the body diseas'd when the members are healthful? can the man be bound in sorrow Whose ev'ry function is fill'd with its fiery desire? can the soul whose brain and heart Cast their rivers in equal tides thro' the great Paradise, languish because the feet Hands, head, bosom, and parts of love, follow their high breathing joy? And can Nobles be bound when the people are free, or God weep when his children are

Have you never seen Fayette's forehead, or Mirabeau's eyes, or the shoulders of Target, Or Bailly he strong foot of France, or Clermont the terrible voice, and your robes Still retain their own crimson? mine never yet faded, for fire delights in its form. But go, merciless man! enter into the infinite labyrinth of another's brain Ere thou measure the circle that he shall run. Go, thou cold recluse, into the fires Of another's high flaming rich bosom, and return unconsum'd, and write laws. If thou canst not do this, doubt thy theories, learn to consider all men as thy equals, Thy brethren, and not as thy foot or thy hand, unless thou first fearest to hurt them.

The Monarch stood up, the strong Duke his sword to its golden scabbard return'd, The Nobles sat round like clouds on the mountains, when the storm is passing away.

Let the Nation's Ambassador come among Nobles, like incense of the valley.

Aumont went out and stood in the hollow porch, his ivory wand in his hand; A cold orb of disdain revolv'd round him, and covered his soul with snows eternal. Great Henry's soul shuddered, a whirlwind and fire tore furious from his angry bosom; He indignant departed on horses of heav'n. Then the Abbe de Seyes rais'd his feet On the steps of the Louvre, like a voice of God following a storm, the Abbe follow'd The pale fires of Aumont into the chamber, as a father that bows to his son; Whose rich fields inheriting spread their old glory, so the voice of the people bowed Before the ancient seat of the kingdom and mountains to be renewed.

Hear, O Heavens of France, the voice of the people, arising from valley and hill, O'erclouded with power. Hear the voice of vallies, the voice of meek cities, Mourning oppressed on village and field, till the village and field is a waste. For the husbandman weeps at blights of the fife, and blasting of trumpets consume The souls of mild France; the pale mother nourishes her child to the deadly slaughter. When the heavens were seal'd with a stone, and the terrible sun clos'd in an orb, and the
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Rent from the nations, and each star appointed for watchers of night, The millions of spirits immortal were bound in the ruins of sulphur heaven To wander inslav'd; black, deprest in dark ignorance, kept in awe with the whip, To worship terrors, bred from the blood of revenge and breath of desire, In beastial forms; or more terrible men, till the dawn of our peaceful morning,

Till dawn, till morning, till the breaking of clouds, and swelling of winds, and the universal
Till man raise his darken'd limbs out of the caves of night, his eyes and his heart Expand: where is space! where O Sun is thy dwelling! where thy tent, O faint slumb'rous

Then the valleys of France shall cry to the soldier, throw down thy sword and musket, And run and embrace the meek peasant. Her nobles shall hear and shall weep, and put off The red robe of terror, the crown of oppression, the shoes of contempt, and unbuckle The girdle of war from the desolate earth; then the Priest in his thund'rous cloud Shall weep, bending to earth embracing the valleys, and putting his hand to the plow, Shall say, no more I curse thee; but now I will bless thee: No more in deadly black Devour thy labour; nor lift up a cloud in thy heavens, O laborious plow, That the wild raging millions, that wander in forests, and howl in law blasted wastes, Strength madden'd with slavery, honesty, bound in the dens of superstition, May sing in the village, and shout in the harvest, and woo in pleasant gardens, Their once savage loves, now beaming with knowledge, with gentle awe adorned; And the saw, and the hammer, the chisel, the pencil, the pen, and the instruments Of heavenly song sound in the wilds once forbidden, to teach the laborious plowman And shepherd deliver'd from clouds of war, from pestilence, from night-fear, from murder, From falling, from stifling, from hunger, from cold, from slander, discontent and sloth; That walk in beasts and birds of night, driven back by the sandy desart Like pestilent fogs round cities of men: and the happy earth sing in its course, The mild peaceable nations be opened to heav'n, and men walk with their fathers in bliss. Then hear the first voice of the morning: Depart, O clouds of night, and no more

Return; be withdrawn cloudy war, troops of warriors depart, nor around our peaceable city Breathe fires, but ten miles from Paris, let all be peace, nor a soldier be seen.

He ended; the wind of contention arose and the clouds cast their shadows, the Princes Like the mountains of France, whose aged trees utter an awful voice, and their branches Are shatter'd, till gradual a murmur is heard descending into the valley, Like a voice in the vineyards of Burgundy, when grapes are shaken on grass; Like the low voice of the labouring man, instead of the shout of joy;
And the palace appear'd like a cloud driven abroad; blood ran down, the ancient pillars, Thro' the cloud a deep thunder, the Duke of Burgundy, delivers the King's command.

Seest thou yonder dark castle, that moated around, keeps this city of Paris in awe. Go command yonder tower, saying, Bastile depart, and take thy shadowy course. Overstep the dark river, thou terrible tower, and get thee up into the country ten miles. And thou black southern prison, move along the dusky road to Versailles; there Frown on the gardens, and if it obey and depart, then the King will disband This war-breathing army; but if it refuse, let the Nation's Assembly thence learn, That this army of terrors, that prison of horrors, are the bands of the murmuring kingdom.

Like the morning star arising above the black waves, when a shipwreck'd soul sighs for
Thro' the ranks, silent, walk'd the Ambassador back to the Nation's Assembly, and told The unwelcome message; silent they heard; then a thunder roll'd round loud and louder, Like pillars of ancient halls, and ruins of times remote they sat.
Like a voice from the dim pillars Mirabeau rose; the thunders subsided away;

A rushing of wings around him was heard as he brighten'd, and cried out aloud,

Where is the General of the Nation? the walls reecho'd: Where is the General of the

Sudden as the bullet wrapp'd in his fire, when brazen cannons rage in the field, Fayette sprung from his seat saying, Ready! then bowing like clouds, man toward man, the

Like a council of ardors seated in clouds, bending over the cities of men, And over the armies of strife, where their children are marshall'd together to battle; They murmuring divide, while the wind sleeps beneath, and the numbers are counted in

While they vote the removal of War, and the pestilence weighs his red wings in the sky.

So Fayette stood silent among the Assembly, and the votes were given and the numbers
And the vote was, that Fayette should order the army to remove ten miles from Paris.

The aged sun rises appall'd from dark mountains, and gleams a dusky beam On Fayette, but on the whole army a shadow, for a cloud on the eastern hills Hover'd, and stretch'd across the city and across the army, and across the Louvre, Like a flame of fire he stood before dark ranks, and before expecting captains On pestilent vapours around him flow frequent spectres of religious men weeping In winds driven out of the abbeys, their naked souls shiver in keen open air, Driven out by the fiery cloud of Voltaire, and thund'rous rocks of Rousseau, They dash like foam against the ridges of the army, uttering a faint feeble cry.

Gleams of fire streak the heavens, and of sulpur the earth, from Fayette as he lifted his
But silent he stood, till all the officers rush round him like waves Round the shore of France, in day of the British flag, when heavy cannons Affright the coasts, and the peasant looks over the sea and wipes a tear; Over his head the soul of Voltaire shone fiery, and over the army Rousseau his white cloud

Unfolded, on souls of war-living terrors silent list'ning toward Fayette, ${ }^{402}$ His voice loud inspir'd by liberty, and by spirits of the dead, thus thunder'd.

The Nation's Assembly command, that the Army remove ten miles from Paris; Nor a soldier be seen in road or in field, till the Nation command return.

Rushing along iron ranks glittering the officers each to his station Depart, and the stern captain strokes his proud steed, and in front of his solid ranks Waits the sound of trumpet; captains of foot stand each by his cloudy drum; Then the drum beats, and the steely ranks move, and trumpets rejoice in the sky. Dark cavalry like clouds fraught with thunder ascend on the hills, and bright infantry, rank Behind rank, to the soul shaking drum and shrill fife along the roads glitter like fire. The noise of trampling, the wind of trumpets, smote the palace walls with a blast. Pale and cold sat the king in midst of his peers, and his noble heart stink, and his pulses Suspended their motion, a darkness crept over his eye-lids, and chill cold sweat Sat round his brows faded in faint death, his peers pale like mountains of the dead, Cover'd with dews of night, groaning, shaking forests and floods. The cold newt

And snake, and damp toad, on the kingly foot crawl, or croak on the awful knee, Shedding their slime, in folds of the robe the crown'd adder builds and hisses From stony brows; shaken the forests of France, sick the kings of the nations, And the bottoms of the world were open'd, and the graves of arch-angels unseal'd; The enormous dead, lift up their pale fires and look over the rocky cliffs.

A faint heat from their fires reviv'd the cold Louvre; the frozen blood reflow'd. Awful up rose the king, him the peers follow'd, they saw the courts of the Palace

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The torments of Love \& Jealousy in The Death and Judgement of Albion the Ancient Man
by William Blake 1797

Rest before Labour
<4 lines of Greek text; Ephesians 6: 12>

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<[For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. (King James version)]> ${ }^{1404}$

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The Song of the Aged Mother which shook the heavens with wrath ${ }^{4005}$ Hearing the march of long resounding strong heroic Verse Marshalld in order for the day of Intellectual Battle

Four Mighty Ones are in every Man; a Perfect Unity John XVII c. 21 \& 22 \& 23 v ${ }^{1406}$ Cannot Exist. but from the Universal Brotherhood of Eden John I c. 14. v
[What] are the Natures of those Living Creatures the Heavenly Father only [Knoweth] no Individual [Knoweth nor] Can know in all Eternity ${ }^{4} 407$

Los was the fourth immortal starry one, \& in the Earth Of a bright Universe Empery attended day \& night Days \& nights of revolving joy, Urthona was his name

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from the dead

In Eden; in the Auricular Nerves of Human life Which is the Earth of Eden, he his Emanations propagated Fairies of Albion afterwards Gods of the Heathen, Daughter of Beulah Sing His fall into Division \& his Resurrection to Unity
His fall into the Generation of Decay \& Death \& his Regeneration by the Resurrection 1409

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Begin with Tharmas Parent power. darkning in the West

Lost! Lost! Lost! are my Emanations Enion O Enion ${ }^{1410}$
We are become a Victim to the Living We hide in secret ${ }^{1411}$ I have hidden Jerusalem in Silent Contrition O Pity Me ${ }^{1412}$
I will build thee a Labyrinth also O pity me O Enion ${ }^{1413}$
Why hast thou taken sweet Jerusalem from my inmost Soul 1414
Let her Lay secret in the Soft recess of darkness \& silence It is not Love I bear to [Jerusalem] It is Pity ${ }^{1415}$
She hath taken refuge in my bosom \& I cannot cast her out.

The Men have recieved their death wounds \& their Emanations are fled To me for refuge \& I cannot turn them out for Pitys sake

Enion said--Thy fear has made me tremble thy terrors have surrounded me ${ }^{1416}$ All Love is lost Terror succeeds \& Hatred instead of Love And stern demands of Right \& Duty instead of Liberty. Once thou wast to Me the loveliest son of heaven--But now Why art thou Terrible and yet I love thee in thy terror till I am almost Extinct \& soon shall be a Shadow in Oblivion Unless some way can be found that I may look upon thee \& live Hide me some Shadowy semblance. secret whispring in my Ear In secret of soft wings. in mazes of delusive beauty I have lookd into the secret soul of him I lovd And in the Dark recesses found Sin \& cannot return

Trembling \& pale sat Tharmas weeping in his clouds

Why wilt thou Examine every little fibre of my soul Spreading them out before the Sun like Stalks of flax to dry The infant joy is beautiful but its anatomy Horrible Ghast \& Deadly nought shalt thou find in it But Death Despair \& Everlasting brooding Melancholy

Thou wilt go mad with horror if thou dost Examine thus Every moment of my secret hours Yea I know That I have sinnd \& that my Emanations are become harlots I am already distracted at their deeds \& if I look Upon them more Despair will bring self murder on my soul O Enion thou art thyself a root growing in hell Tho thus heavenly beautiful to draw me to destruction

Sometimes I think thou art a flower expanding Sometimes I think thou art fruit breaking from its bud In dreadful dolor \& pain \& I am like an atom A Nothing left in darkness yet I am an identity I wish \& feel \& weep \& groan Ah terrible terrible

In Eden Females sleep the winter in soft silken veils ${ }^{1418}$ Woven by their own hands to hide them in the darksom grave But Males immortal live renewd by female deaths. in soft Delight they die \& they revive in spring with music \& songs Enion said Farewell I die I hide from thy searching eyes

So saying--From her bosom weaving soft in Sinewy threads A tabernacle for Jerusalem she sat among the Rocks ${ }^{1419}$ Singing her lamentation. Tharmas groand among his Clouds Weeping, then bending from his Clouds he stoopd his innocent head ${ }^{1420}$ And stretching out his holy hand in the vast Deep sublime Turnd round the circle of Destiny with tears \& bitter sighs And said. Return O Wanderer when the Day of Clouds is oer

So saying he sunk down into the sea a pale white corse In torment he sunk down \& flowd among her filmy Woof ${ }^{1421}$ His Spectre issuing from his feet in flames of fire In gnawing pain drawn out by her lovd fingers every nerve ${ }^{1422}$ She counted. every vein \& lacteal threading them among Her woof of terror. Terrified \& drinking tears of woe Shuddring she wove--nine days \& nights Sleepless her food was tears Wondring she saw her woof begin to animate. \& not As Garments woven subservient to her hands but having a will Of its own perverse \& wayward Enion lovd \& wept

Nine days she labourd at her work. \& nine dark sleepless nights But on the tenth trembling morn the Circle of Destiny Complete ${ }^{1423}$

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Round rolld the Sea Englobing in a watry Globe self balancd

> | A Frowning Continent appeard Where Enion in the Desart |
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| Terrified in her own Creation viewing her woven shadow |
| Sat in a dread intoxication of Repentance \& Contrition |
| There is from Great Eternity a mild \& pleasant rest |
| Namd Beulah a Soft Moony Universe feminine lovely |
| Pure mild \& Gentle given in Mercy to those who sleep |
| Eternally. Created by the Lamb of God around |
| On all sides within \& without the Universal Man |
| The Daughters of Beulah follow sleepers in all their Dreams |
| Creating Spaces lest they fall into Eternal Death |
| The Circle of Destiny complete they gave to it a Space |
| And namd the Space Ulro \& brooded over it in care \& love |
| They said The Spectre is in every man insane \& most |
| Deformd Thro the three heavens descending in fury \& fire |
| We meet it with our Songs \& loving blandishments \& give |
| To it a form of vegetation But this Spectre of Tharmas |
| Is Eternal Death What shall we do O God pity \& help |
| So spoke they \& closd the Gate of the Tongue in trembling fear |
| 1427 |

What have I done! said Enion accursed wretch! What deed. ${ }^{428}$
Is this a deed of Love I know what I have done. I know
Too late now to repent. Love is changd to deadly Hate ${ }^{1429}$
A $[l l]$ life is blotted out \& I alone remain possessd with Fears ${ }^{1430}$
I see the Shadow of the dead within my Soul wandering ${ }^{1431}$
In darkness \& solitude forming Seas of Doubt \& rocks of Repentance ${ }^{1432}$
Already are my Eyes reverted. all that I behold
Within my Soul has lost its splendor \& a brooding Fear
Shadows me oer \& drives me outward to a world of woe
So waild she trembling before her own Created Phantasm ${ }^{1433}$

She drew the Spectre forth from Tharmas in her shining loom ${ }^{t 435}$ Of Vegetation weeping in wayward infancy \& sullen youth Listning to her soft lamentations soon his tongue began To Lisp out words \& soon in masculine strength augmenting he Reard up a form of gold \& stood upon the glittering rock A shadowy human form winged \& in his depths The dazzlings as of gems shone clear, rapturous in fury ${ }^{1436}$ Glorying in his own eyes Exalted in terrific Pride ${ }^{1437}$ The Spectre thus spoke. Who art thou Diminutive husk \& shell ${ }^{1438}$ If thou hast sinnd \& art polluted know that I am pure ${ }^{1439}$

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And unpolluted \& will bring to rigid strict account All thy past deeds [So] hear what I tell thee! mark it well! remember! This world is Thine in which thou dwellest that within thy soul ${ }^{1441}$ That dark \& dismal infinite where Thought roams up \& down

Is Mine \& there thou goest when with one Sting of my tongue ${ }^{1442}$ Envenomd thou rollst inwards to the place whence I emergd ${ }^{t 43}$

She trembling answerd Wherefore was I born \& what am I ${ }^{1444}$ I thought to weave a Covering for my Sins from wrath of Tharmas ${ }^{1445}$

## I thought Tharmas a Sinner \& I murderd his Emanations ${ }^{1447}$

His secret loves \& Graces Ah me wretched What have I done ${ }^{1448}$
For now I find that all those Emanations were my Childrens Souls ${ }^{1449}$ And I have murderd them with Cruelty above atonement ${ }^{1450}$ Those that remain have fled from my cruelty into the desarts And thou the delusive tempter to these deeds sittest before me ${ }^{1451}$ In this thy world not mine tho dark I feel my world within ${ }^{1452}$

Mingling his horrible brightness with her tender limbs then high she soard Above the ocean; a bright wonder that Nature shudder'd at ${ }^{1454}$ Half Woman \& half Spectre, all his lovely changing colours mix ${ }^{1455}$ With her fair crystal clearness; in her lips \& cheeks his poisons rose ${ }^{1456}$ In blushes like the morning, and his scaly armour softening ${ }^{1457}$ A monster lovely in the heavens or wandering on the earth, ${ }^{1458}$

Till with fierce pain she brought forth on the rocks her sorrow \& woe Behold two little Infants wept upon the desolate wind. ${ }^{4559}$ The first state weeping they began \& helpless as a wave Beaten along its sightless way growing enormous in its motion to Its utmost goal, till strength from Enion like richest summer shining ${ }^{4600}$ Raisd the bright boy \& girl with glories from their heads beaming ${ }^{4661}$ Drawing forth drooping mothers pity drooping mothers sorrow ${ }^{4662}$

They sulk upon her breast her hair became like snow on mountains ${ }^{t 463}$ Weaker \& weaker, weeping woful, wearier and wearier Faded \& her bright Eyes decayd melted with pity \& love

And then they wanderd far away she sought for them in vain ${ }^{1464}$ In weeping blindness stumbling she followd them oer rocks \& mountains Rehumanizing from the Spectre in pangs of maternal love

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Ingrate they wanderd scorning her drawing her Spectrous Life Repelling her away \& away by a dread repulsive power Into Non Entity revolving round in dark despair. And drawing in the Spectrous life in pride and haughty joy ${ }^{1465}$ Thus Enion gave them all her spectrous life ${ }^{1466}$

Then Eno a daughter of Beulah took a Moment of Time ${ }^{1467}$ And drew it out to Seven thousand years with much care \& affliction ${ }^{1468}$ And many tears \& in Every year made windows into Eden ${ }^{1469}$

She also took an atom of space \& opend its center
Into Infinitude \& ornamented it with wondrous art
Astonishd sat her Sisters of Beulah to see her soft affections
To Enion \& her children \& they ponderd these things wondring
And they Alternate kept watch over the Youthful terrors
They saw not yet the Hand Divine for it was not yet reveald
But they went on in Silent Hope \& Feminine repose
But Los \& Enitharmon delighted in the Moony spaces of Eno ${ }^{1470}$
Nine Times they livd among the forests, feeding n sweet fruits
And nine bright Spaces wanderd weaving mazes of delight Snaring the wild Goats for their milk they eat the flesh of Lambs A male \& female naked \& ruddy as the pride of summer Alternate Love \& Hate his breast; hers Scorn \& Jealousy In embryon passions. they kiss'd not nor embrac'd for shame \& fear ${ }^{1471}$ His head beamd light \& in his vigorous voice was prophecy He could controll the times \& seasons, \& the days \& years She could controll the spaces, regions, desart, flood \& forest
But had no power to weave a Veil of covering for her Sins
She drave the Females all away from Los
And Los drave all the Males from her away
They wanderd long, till they sat down upon the margind sea.
Conversing with the visions of Beulah in dark slumberous bliss ${ }^{1472}$$t 472$

But the two youthful wonders wanderd in the world of Tharmas ${ }^{1473}$
Thy name is Enitharmon; said the fierce prophetic boy ${ }^{1474}$ While thy mild voice fills all these Caverns with sweet harmony O how our Parents sit \& mourn in their silent secret bowers ${ }^{1475}$

But Enitharmon answerd with a dropping tear \& frowning ${ }^{1476}$
Dark as a dewy morning when the crimson light appears 1477
To make us happy let them weary their immortal powers ${ }^{1478}$
While we draw in their sweet delights while we return them scorn ${ }^{1479}$
On scorn to feed our discontent; for if we grateful prove

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They will withhold sweet love, whose food is thorns \& bitter roots. We hear the warlike clarions we view the turning spheres ${ }^{4480}$
Yet Thou in indolence reposest holding me in bonds
Hear! I will sing a Song of Death! it is a Song of Vala! ${ }^{1481}$
The Fallen Man takes his repose: Urizen sleeps in the porch ${ }^{1482}$
Luvah and Vala woke \& flew up from the Human Heart ${ }^{1483}$ Into the Brain; from thence upon the pillow Vala slumber'd. And Luvah siez'd the Horses of Light, \& rose into the Chariot of Day Sweet laughter siezd me in my sleep! silent \& close I laughd ${ }^{1484}$
For in the visions of Vala I walkd with the mighty Fallen One ${ }^{1485}$ I heard his voice among the branches, \& among sweet flowers. ${ }^{1486}$

Why is the light of Enitharmon darken'd in dewy morn ${ }^{t 487}$
Why is the silence of Enitharmon a terror \& her smile a whirlwind ${ }^{1488}$
Uttering this darkness in my halls, in the pillars of my Holy-ones
Why dost thou weep as Vala? \& wet thy veil with dewy tears, ${ }^{1489}$
In slumbers of my night-repose, infusing a false morning?
Driving the Female Emanations all away from Los 1490
I have refusd to look upon the Universal Vision
And wilt thou slay with death him who devotes himself to thee ${ }^{t 491}$
Once born for the sport \& amusement of Man now born to drink up all his Powers

I heard the sounding sea; I heard the voice weaker and weaker; The voice came \& went like a dream, I awoke in my sweet bliss. Then Los smote her upon the Earth twas long eer she revivd He answer'd, darkning more with indignation hid in smiles 1492

I die not Enitharmon tho thou singst thy Song of Death ${ }^{1493}$
Nor shalt thou me torment For I behold the Fallen Man ${ }^{1494}$ Seeking to comfort Vala, she will not be comforted ${ }^{4995}$ She rises from his throne and seeks the shadows of her garden Weeping for Luvah lost, in the bloody beams of your false morning Sickning lies the Fallen Man his head sick his heart faint ${ }^{1496}$ Mighty atchievement of your power! Beware the punishment I see, invisible decend into the Gardens of Vala
Luvah walking on the winds, I see the invisible knife I see the shower of blood: I see the swords \& spears of futurity Tho in the Brain of Man we live, \& in his circling Nerves. Tho' this bright world of all our joy is in the Human Brain. Where Urizen \& all his Hosts hang their immortal lamps
Thou neer shalt leave this cold expanse where watry Tharmas mourns

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Then Enitharmon reddning fierce stretchd her immortal hands ${ }^{1497}$

Descend O Urizen descend with horse \& chariots
Threaten not me O visionary thine the punishment
The Human Nature shall no more remain nor Human acts
Form the rebellious Spirits of Heaven. but War \& Princedom \& Victory \& Blood
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Night darkend as she spoke! a shuddring ran from East to West ${ }^{1500}$ A Groan was heard on high. The warlike clarions ceast. the Spirits Of Luvah \& Vala shudderd in their Orb: an orb of blood!

Eternity groand \& was troubled at the Image of Eternal Death The Wandering Man bow'd his faint head and Urizen descended And the one must have murderd the other if he had not descended ${ }^{t 501}$

Indignant muttering low thunders; Urizen descended
Gloomy sounding, Now I am God from Eternity to Eternity

Sullen sat Los plotting Revenge. Silent he eye'd the Prince ${ }^{1502}$
Of Light. Silent the prince of Light viewd Los. at length a brooded ${ }^{t 503}$
Smile broke from Urizen for Enitharmon brightend more \& more
Sullen he lowerd on Enitharmon but he smild on Los

Saying Thou art the Lord of Luvah into thine hands I give The prince of Love the murderer his soul is in thine hands
Pity not Vala for she pitied not the Eternal Man Nor pity thou the cries of Luvah. Lo these starry hosts They are thy servants if thou wilt obey my awful Law
Los answerd furious art thou one of those who when most complacent Mean mischief most. If you are such Lo! I am also such One must be master. try thy Arts I also will try mine For I percieve Thou hast Abundance which I claim as mine

Urizen startled stood but not Long soon he cried Obey my voice young Demon I am God from Eternity to Eternity

Thus Urizen spoke collected in himself in awful pride

Art thou a visionary of Jesus the soft delusion of Eternity
Lo I am God the terrible destroyer \& not the Saviour

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Why should the Divine Vision compell the sons of Eden to forego each his own delight to war against his Spectre ${ }^{1504}$ The Spectre is the Man the rest is only delusion \& fancy

So spoke the Prince of Light \& sat beside the Seat of Los Upon the sandy shore rested his chariot of fire

Ten thousand thousand were his hosts of spirits on the wind: Ten thousand thousand glittering Chariots shining in the sky: They pour upon the golden shore beside the silent ocean. Rejoicing in the Victory \& the heavens were filld with blood ${ }^{1505}$

The Earth spread forth her table wide. the Night a silver cup Fill'd with the wine of anguish waited at the golden feast But the bright Sun was not as yet; he filling all the expanse Slept as a bird in the blue shell that soon shall burst away

Los saw the wound of his blow he saw he pitied he wept ${ }^{5006}$ Los now repented that he had smitten Enitharmon he felt love Arise in all his Veins he threw his arms around her loins To heal the wound of his smiting

They eat the fleshly bread, they drank the nervous wine ${ }^{1507}$

They listend to the Elemental Harps \& Sphery Song They view'd the dancing Hours, quick sporting thro' the sky With winged radiance scattering joys thro the ever changing light

But Luvah \& Vala standing in the bloody sky ${ }^{t 508}$ On high remaind alone forsaken in fierce jealousy They stood above the heavens forsaken desolate suspended in blood Descend they could not. nor from Each other avert their eyes Eternity appeard above them as One Man infolded In Luvah[s] robes of blood \& bearing all his afflictions ${ }^{1509}$ As the sun shines down on the misty earth Such was the Vision

But purple night and crimson morning \& golden day descending ${ }^{1510}$ Thro' the clear changing atmosphere display'd green fields among The varying clouds, like paradises stretch'd in the expanse With towns \& villages and temples, tents sheep-folds and pastures Where dwell the children of the elemental worlds in harmony.

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Not long in harmony they dwell, their life is drawn away ${ }^{511}$ And wintry woes succeed; successive driven into the Void Where Enion craves: successive drawn into the golden feast

And Los \& Enitharmon sat in discontent \& scorn ${ }^{\text {t5 }} 12$
The Nuptial Song arose from all the thousand thousand spirits ${ }^{513}$
Over the joyful Earth \& Sea, and ascended into the Heavens
For Elemental Gods their thunderous Organs blew; creating Delicious Viands. Demons of Waves their watry Eccho's woke! Bright Souls of vegetative life, budding and blossoming ${ }^{1514}$

Stretch their immortal hands to smite the gold \& silver Wires And with immortal Voice soft warbling fill all Earth \& Heaven. With doubling Voices \& loud Horns wound round sounding Cavernous dwellers fill'd the enormous Revelry, Responsing! And Spirits of Flaming fire on high, govern'd the mighty Song.

And This the Song! sung at The Feast of Los \& Enitharmon

Ephraim calld out to Zion: Awake O Brother Mountain ${ }^{t 515}$ Let us refuse the Plow \& Spade, the heavy Roller \& spiked Harrow. burn all these Corn fields. throw down all these fences Fattend on Human blood \& drunk with wine of life is better far

Than all these labours of the harvest \& the vintage. See the river Red with the blood of Men. swells lustful round my rocky knees My clouds are not the clouds of verdant fields \& groves of fruit But Clouds of Human Souls. my nostrils drink the lives of Men ${ }^{t 516}$

The Villages Lament. they faint outstretchd upon the plain Wailing runs round the Valleys from the Mill \& from the Barn ${ }^{517}$

But most the polishd Palaces dark silent bow with dread ${ }^{1518}$ Hiding their books \& pictures. underneath the dens of Earth

The Cities send to one another saying My sons are Mad With wine of cruelty. Let us plat a Scourge O Sister City ${ }^{1519}$ Children are nourishd for the Slaughter; once the Child was fed With Milk; but wherefore now are Children fed with blood ${ }^{1520}$

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The Horse is of more value than the Man. The Tyger fierce Laughs at the Human form. the Lion mocks \& thirsts for blood They cry O Spider spread thy web! Enlarge thy bones \& fill'd With marrow. sinews \& flesh Exalt thyself attain a voice Call to thy dark armd hosts, for all the sons of Men muster together To desolate their cities! Man shall be no more! Awake O Hosts The bow string sang upon the hills! Luvah \& Vala ride Triumphant in the bloody sky. \& the Human form is no more ${ }^{t 521}$

The listning Stars heard, \& the first beam of the morning started back He cried out to his Father, depart! depart! but sudden Siez'd ${ }^{5522}$ And clad in steel. \& his Horse proudly neighd; he smelt the battle ${ }^{1523}$ Afar off, Rushing back, reddning with rage the Mighty Father ${ }^{5524}$

Siezd his bright Sheephook studded with gems \& gold, he Swung it round His head shrill sounding in the sky, down rushd the Sun with noise Of war, The Mountains fled away they sought a place beneath Vala remaind in desarts of dark solitude. nor Sun nor Moon

By night nor day to comfort her, she labourd in thick smoke ${ }^{t 525}$ Tharmas endurd not, he fled howling. then a barren waste sunk Conglobing in the dark confusion, Mean time Los was born And Thou O Enitharmon! Hark I hear the hammers of Los ${ }^{t 526}$

They melt the bones of Vala, \& the bones of Luvah into wedges The innumerable sons \& daughters of Luvah closd in furnaces Melt into furrows. winter blows his bellows: ice \& Snow Tend the dire anvils. Mountains mourn \& Rivers faint \& fail

There is no City nor Corn-field nor Orchard! all is Rock \& Sand There is no Sun nor Moon nor Star. but rugged wintry rocks Justling together in the void suspended by inward fires Impatience now no longer can endure. Distracted Luvah

Bursting forth from the loins of Enitharmon, Thou fierce Terror Go howl in vain, Smite Smite his fetters Smite O wintry hammers Smite Spectre of Urthona, mock the fiend who drew us down From heavens of joy into this Deep. Now rage but rage in vain

Thus Sang the Demons of the Deep. the Clarions of War blew loud The Feast redounds \& Crownd with roses \& the circling vine

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The Enormous Bride \& Bridegroom sat, beside them Urizen With faded radiance sighd, forgetful of the flowing wine And of Ahania his Pure Bride but She was distant far

But Los \& Enitharmon sat in discontent \& scorn
Craving the more the more enjoying, drawing out sweet bliss
From all the turning wheels of heaven \& the chariots of the Slain

At distance Far in Night repelld. in direful hunger craving Summers \& Winters round revolving in the frightful deep.

Enion blind \& age-bent wept upon the desolate wind ${ }^{1527}$

Why does the Raven cry aloud and no eye pities her?
Why fall the Sparrow \& the Robin in the foodless winter?
Faint! shivering they sit on leafless bush, or frozen stone ${ }^{t 528}$

Wearied with seeking food across the snowy waste; the little Heart, cold; and the little tongue consum'd, that once in thoughtless joy Gave songs of gratitude to waving corn fields round their nest. ${ }^{529}$

Why howl the Lion \& the Wolf? why do they roam abroad? ${ }^{5330}$ Deluded by summers heat they sport in enormous love ${ }^{t 531}$ And cast their young out to the hungry wilds \& sandy desarts

Why is the Sheep given to the knife? the Lamb plays in the Sun He starts! he hears the foot of Man! he says, Take thou my wool But spare my life, but he knows not that winter cometh fast. ${ }^{5532}$

The Spider sits in his labourd Web, eager watching for the Fly Presently comes a famishd Bird \& takes away the Spider His Web is left all desolate, that his little anxious heart So careful wove; \& spread it out with sighs and weariness.

This was the Lamentation of Enion round the golden Feast Eternity groand and was troubled at the image of Eternal Death Without the body of Man an Exudation from his sickning limbs

Now Man was come to the Palm tree \& to the Oak of Weeping

Which stand upon the Edge of Beulah \& he sunk down From the Supporting arms of the Eternal Saviour; who disposd The pale limbs of his Eternal Individuality Upon The Rock of Ages. Watching over him with Love \& Care ${ }^{t 534}$

Then those in Great Eternity met in the Council of God As one Man for contracting their Exalted Senses

They behold Multitude or Expanding they behold as one As One Man all the Universal family \& that one Man ${ }^{\text {t536 }}$ They call Jesus the Christ \& they in him \& he in them Live in Perfect harmony in Eden the land of life Consulting as One Man above the Mountain of Snowdon Sublime ${ }^{t 537}$

For messengers from Beulah come in tears \& darkning clouds Saying Shiloh is in ruins our brother is sick Albion He ${ }^{t 538}$ Whom thou lovest is sick he wanders from his house of Eternity The daughters of Beulah terrified have closd the Gate of the Tongue Luvah \& Urizen contend in war around the holy tent

So spoke the Ambassadors from Beulah \& with solemn mourning
$t 539$ They were introducd to the divine presence \& they kneeled down In Conways Vale thus recounting the Wars of Death Eternal ${ }^{5540}$

The Eternal Man wept in the holy tent Our Brother in Eternity Even Albion whom thou lovest wept in pain his family Slept round on hills \& valleys in the regions of his love But Urizen awoke \& Luvah woke \& thus conferrd

Thou Luvah said the Prince of Light behold our sons \& daughters Reposd on beds. let them sleep on. do thou alone depart Into thy wished Kingdom where in Majesty \& Power We may erect a throne. deep in the North I place my lot Thou in the South listen attentive. In silent of this night I will infold the Eternal tent in clouds opake while thou Siezing the chariots of the morning. Go oufleeting ride Afar into the Zenith high bending thy furious course Southward with half the tents of men inclosd in clouds Of Tharmas \& Urthona. I remaining in porches of the brain Will lay my scepter on Jerusalem the Emanation On all her sons \& on thy sons O Luvah \& on mine ${ }^{t 541}$ Till dawn was wont to wake them then my trumpet sounding loud

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Ravishd away in night my strong command shall be obeyd For I have placd my centinels in stations each tenth man Is bought \& sold \& in dim night my Word shall be their law

Luvah replied Dictate to thy Equals. am not I
The Prince of all the hosts of Men nor Equal know in Heaven
If I arise into the Zenith leaving thee to watch
The Emanation \& her Sons the Satan \& the Anak
Sihon and Og. wilt thou not rebel to my laws remain
In darkness building thy strong throne \& in my ancient night
Daring my power wilt arm my sons against me in the Atlantic ${ }^{5442}$
My deep My night which thou assuming hast assumed my Crown
I will remain as well as thou \& here with hands of blood
Smite this dark sleeper in his tent then try my strength with thee

While thus he spoke his fires reddend oer the holy tent ${ }^{t 543}$ Urizen cast deep darkness round him silent brooding death Eternal death to Luvah. raging Luvah pourd The Lances of Urizen from chariots. round the holy tent Discord began \& yells \& cries shook the wide firmament

Beside his anvil stood Urthona dark. a mass of iron Glowd furious on the anvil prepard for spades \& coulters All His sons fled from his side to join the conflict pale he heard The Eternal voice he stood the sweat chilld on his mighty limbs He dropd his hammer. dividing from his aking bosom fled A portion of his life shrieking upon the wind she fled And Tharmas took her in pitying Then Enion in jealous fear Murderd her \& hid her in her bosom embalming her for fear She should arise again to life Embalmd in Enions bosom Enitharmon remains a corse such thing was never known In Eden that one died a death never to be revivd Urthona stood in terror but not long his spectre fled To Enion \& his body fell. Tharmas beheld him fall Endlong a raging serpent rolling round the holy tent The sons of war astonishd at the Glittring monster drove Him far into the world of Tharmas into a cavernd rock

But Urizen with darkness overspreading all the armies Sent round his heralds secretly commanding to depart Into the north Sudden with thunders sound his multitudes Retreat from the fierce conflict all the sons of Urizen at once Mustring together in thick clouds leaving the rage of Luvah

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To pour its fury on himself \& on the Eternal Man

Sudden down fell they all together into an unknown Space Deep horrible without End. Separated from Beulah far beneath The Mans exteriors are become indefinite opend to pain In a fierce hungring void \& none can visit his regions

Jerusalem his Emanation is become a ruin
Her little ones are slain on the top of every street
And she herself le[d] captive \& scatterd into the indefinite
Gird on thy sword O thou most mighty in glory \& majesty
Destroy these opressors of Jerusalem \& those who ruin Shiloh

So spoke the Messengers of Beulah. Silently removing The Family Divine drew up the Universal tent Above High Snowdon \& closd the Messengers in clouds around ${ }^{t 547}$ Till the time of the End. Then they Elected Seven. called the Seven Eyes of God \& the Seven lamps of the Almighty The Seven are one within the other the Seventh is named Jesus

The Lamb of God blessed for ever \& he followd the Man Who wanderd in mount Ephraim seeking a Sepulcher His inward eyes closing from the Divine vision \& all His children wandering outside from his bosom fleeing away ${ }^{t 548}$

The Daughters of Beulah beheld the Emanation they pitied They wept before the Inner gates of Enitharmons bosom And of her fine wrought brain \& of her bowels within her loins Three gates within Glorious \& bright open into Beulah ${ }^{5550}$ From Enitharmons inward parts but the bright female terror Refusd to open the bright gates she closd and barrd them fast Lest Los should enter into Beulah thro her beautiful gates The Emanation stood before the Gates of Enitharmon ${ }^{t 551}$ Weeping. the Daughters of Beulah silent in the Porches Spread her a couch unknown to Enitharmon here reposd Jerusalem in slumbers soft lulld into silent rest Terrific ragd the Eternal Wheels of intellect terrific ragd The living creatures of the wheels in the Wars of Eternal life But perverse rolld the wheels of Urizen \& Luvah back reversd Downwards \& outwards consuming in the wars of Eternal Death ${ }^{t 552}$

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Rising upon his Couch of Death Albion beheld his Sons
Turning his Eyes outward to Self. losing the Divine Vision Albion calld Urizen \& said. Behold these sickning Spheres ${ }^{\text {t }}$ 554 Whence is this Voice of Enion that soundeth in my Porches ${ }^{1555}$ Take thou possession! take this Scepter! go forth in my might For I am weary, \& must sleep in the dark sleep of Death ${ }^{t 556}$ Thy brother Luvah hath smitten me but pity thou his youth ${ }^{1557}$ Tho thou hast not pitid my Age O Urizen Prince of Light

Urizen rose from the bright Feast like a star thro' the evening sky Exulting at the voice that calld him from the Feast of envy ${ }^{t 558}$ First he beheld the body of Man pale, cold, the horrors of death Beneath his feet shot thro' him as he stood in the Human Brain And all its golden porches grew pale with his sickening light No more Exulting for he saw Eternal Death beneath Pale he beheld futurity; pale he beheld the Abyss Where Enion blind \& age bent wept in direful hunger craving All rav'ning like the hungry worm, \& like the silent grave

Mighty was the draught of Voidness to draw Existence in

Terrific Urizen strode above, in fear \& pale dismay
He saw the indefinite space beneath \& his soul shrunk with horror His feet upon the verge of Non Existence; his voice went forth ${ }^{1559}$

Luvah \& Vala trembling \& shrinking, beheld the great Work master ${ }^{560}$ And heard his Word! Divide ye bands influence by influence Build we a Bower for heavens darling in the grizly deep Build we the Mundane Shell around the Rock of Albion

Some fix'd the anvil, some the loom erected, some the plow
And harrow formd \& framd the harness of silver \& ivory The golden compasses, the quadrant \& the rule \& balance
They erected the furnaces, they formd the anvils of gold beaten in mills Where winter beats incessant, fixing them firm on their base

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The bellows began to blow \& the Lions of Urizen stood round the anvil

And the leopards coverd with skins of beasts tended the roaring fires
Sublime distinct their lineaments divine of human beauty ${ }^{1562}$
The tygers of wrath called the horses of instruction from their mangers
They unloos'd them \& put on the harness of gold \& silver \& ivory
In human forms distinct they stood round Urizen prince of Light
Petrifying all the Human Imagination into rock \& sand ${ }^{t 563}$ Groans ran along Tyburns brook and along the River of Oxford Among the Druid Temples. Albion groand on Tyburns brook Albion gave his loud death groan The Atlantic Mountains trembled Aloft the Moon fled with a cry the Sun with streams of blood From Albions Loins fled all Peoples and Nations of the Earth ${ }^{1564}$ Fled with the noise of Slaughter \& the stars of heaven Fled Jerusalem came down in a dire ruin over all the Earth She fell cold from Lambeths Vales in groans \& Dewy death The dew of anxious souls the death-sweat of the dying In every pillard hall \& arched roof of Albions skies The brother \& the brother bathe in blood upon the Severn The Maiden weeping by. The father \& the mother with The Maidens father \& her mother fainting over the body And the Young Man the Murderer fleeing over the mountains

Reuben slept on Penmaenmawr \& Levi slept on Snowdon Their eyes their ears nostrils \& tongues roll outward they behold What is within now seen without they are raw to the hungry wind They become Nations far remote in a little \& dark Land The Daughters of Albion girded around their garments of Needlework

Stripping Jerusalems curtains from mild demons of the hills Across Europe \& Asia to China \& Japan like lightenings They go forth \& return to Albion on his rocky couch Gwendolen Ragan Sabrina Gonorill Mehetabel Cordella Boadicea Conwenna Estrild Gwinefrid Ignoge Cambel Binding Jerusalems Children in the dungeons of Babylon They play before the Armies before the hounds of Nimrod While The Prince of Light on Salisbury plain among the druid stones

Rattling the adamantine chains \& hooks heave up the ore In mountainous masses, plung'd in furnaces, \& they shut \& seald$t 566$ The furnaces a time \& times; all the while blew the North His cloudy bellows \& the South \& East \& dismal West And all the while the plow of iron cut the dreadful furrows

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In Ulro beneath Beulah where the Dead wail Night \& Day

Luvah was cast into the Furnaces of affliction \& sealed And Vala fed in cruel delight, the furnaces with fire Stern Urizen beheld urg'd by necessity to keep The evil day afar, \& if perchance with iron power He might avert his own despair; in woe \& fear he saw

Vala incircle round the furnaces where Luvah was clos'd In joy she heard his howlings, \& forgot he was her Luvah With whom she walkd in bliss, in times of innocence \& youth

Hear ye the voice of Luvah from the furnaces of Urizen

If I indeed am Valas King \& ye O sons of Men ${ }^{1567}$
The workmanship of Luvahs hands; in times of Everlasting
When I calld forth the Earth-worm from the cold \& dark obscure
I nurturd her I fed her with my rains \& dews, she grew
A scaled Serpent, yet I fed her tho' she hated me
Day after day she fed upon the mountains in Luvahs sight I brought her thro' the Wilderness, a dry \& thirsty land
And I commanded springs to rise for her in he black desart Till she became a Dragon winged bright \& poisonous ${ }{ }^{5668}$ I opend all the floodgates of the heavens to quench her thirst

And I commanded the Great deep to hide her in his hand Till she became a little weeping Infant a span long I carried her in my bosom as a man carries a lamb I loved her I gave her all my soul \& my delight I hid her in soft gardens \& in secret bowers of Summer
Weaving mazes of delight along the sunny Paradise
Inextricable labyrinths, She bore me sons \& daughters
And they have taken her away \& hid her from my sight

They have surrounded me with walls of iron \& brass, O Lamb
$t 569$
Of God clothed in Luvahs garments little knowest thou ${ }^{t 570}$
Of death Eternal that we all go to Eternal Death
To our Primeval Chaos in fortuitous concourse of incoherent
Discordant principles of Love \& Hate I suffer affliction
Because I love. for I was love but hatred awakes in me ${ }^{\text {t571 }}$
And Urizen who was Faith \& Certainty is changd to Doubt
The hand of Urizen is upon me because I blotted out

That Human delusion to deliver all the sons of God ${ }^{5572}$
From bondage of the Human form, O first born Son of Light O Urizen my enemy I weep for thy stern ambition But weep in vain O when will you return Vala the Wanderer

These were the words of Luvah patient in afflictions Reasoning from the loins in the unreal forms of Ulros night ${ }^{5573}$

And when Luvah age after age was quite melted with woe The fires of Vala faded like a shadow cold \& pale An evanescent shadow. last she fell a heap of Ashes Beneath the furnaces a woful heap in living death Then were the furnaces unscald with spades \& pickaxes Roaring let out th fluid, the molten metal ran in channels Cut by the plow of ages held in Urizens strong hand In many a valley, for the Bulls of Luvah dragd the Plow

With trembling horror pale aghast the Children of Man ${ }^{\text {t5 }} 74$
Stood on the infinite Earth \& saw these visions in the air In waters \& in Earth beneath they cried to one another What are we terrors to one another. Come O brethren wherefore Was this wide Earth spread all abroad. not for wild beasts to roam But many stood silent \& busied in their families And many said We see no Visions in the darksom air Measure the course of that sulphur orb that lights the darksom day ${ }^{1575}$
Set stations on this breeding Earth \& let us buy \& sell Others arose \& schools Erected forming Instruments To measure out the course of heaven. Stern Urizen beheld In woe his brethren \& his Sons in darkning woe lamenting Upon the winds in clouds involvd Uttering his voice in thunders Commanding all the work with care \& power \& severity

Then siezd the Lions of Urizen their work, \& heated in the forge Roar the bright masses, thund'ring beat the hammers, many a pyramid ${ }^{1576}$ Is form'd \& thrown down thund'ring into the deeps of Non Entity Heated red hot they hizzing rend their way down many a league Till resting. each his [center] finds; suspended there they stand ${ }^{5577}$ Casting their sparkies dire abroad into the dismal deep For measurd out in orderd spaces the Sons of Urizen ${ }^{1578}$ With compasses divide the deep; they the strong scales erect

That Luvah rent from the faint Heart of the Fallen Man ${ }^{t 579}$

And weigh the massy Cubes, then fix them in their awful stations ${ }^{580}$ And all the time in Caverns shut, the golden Looms erected First spun, then wove the Atmospheres, there the Spider \& Worm Plied the wingd shuttle piping shrill thro' all the list'ning threads Beneath the Caverns roll the weights of lead \& spindles of iron The enormous warp \& woof rage direful in the affrighted deep

While far into the vast unknown, the strong wing'd Eagles bend Their venturous flight, in Human forms distinct; thro darkness deep They bear the woven draperies; on golden hooks they hang abroad The universal curtains \& spread out from Sun to Sun The vehicles of light, they separate the furious particles Into mild currents as the water mingles with the wine.

While thus the Spirits of strongest wing enlighten the dark deep The threads are spun \& the cords twisted \& drawn out; then the weak Begin their work; \& many a net is netted; many a net

Spread \& many a Spirit caught, innumerable the nets Innumerable the gins \& traps; \& many a soothing flute Is form'd \& many a corded lyre, outspread over the immense In cruel delight they trap the listeners, \& in cruel delight Bind them, condensing the strong energies into little compass ${ }^{1581}$ Some became seed of every plant that shall be planted; some The bulbous roots, thrown up together into barns \& garners

Then rose the Builders; First the Architect divine his plan Unfolds, The wondrous scaffold reard all round the infinite Quadrangular the building rose the heavens squared by a line. Trigon \& cubes divide the elements in finite bonds Multitudes without number work incessant: the hewn stone Is placd in beds of mortar mingled with the ashes of Vala Severe the labour, female slaves the mortar trod oppressed

Twelve halls after the names of his twelve sons composd The wondrous building \& three Central Dome after the Names ${ }^{558}$ Of his three daughters were encompassd by the twelve bright halls Every hall surrounded by bright Paradises of Delight In which are towns \& Cities Nations Seas Mountains \& Rivers ${ }^{583}$ Each Dome opend toward four halls \& the Three Domes Encompassd The Golden Hall of Urizen whose western side glowd bright With ever streaming fires beaming from his awful limbs

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His Shadowy Feminine Semblance here reposd on a White Couch ${ }^{1584}$
Or hoverd oer his Starry head \& when he smild she brightend Like a bright Cloud in harvest. but when Urizen frownd She wept In mists over his carved throne \& when he turnd his back

Upon his Golden hall \& sought the Labyrinthine porches Of his wide heaven Trembling, cold in paling fears she sat A Shadow of Despair therefore toward the West Urizen formd A recess in the wall for fires to glow upon the pale Females limbs in his absence \& her Daughters oft upon A Golden Altar burnt perfumes with Art Celestial formd Foursquare sculpturd \& sweetly Engravd to please their shadowy mother ${ }^{t 585}$ $\mathrm{As}[\mathrm{c}]$ ending into her misty garments the blue smoke rolld to revive ${ }^{t 586}$ Her cold limbs in the absence of her Lord. Also her sons With lives of Victims sacrificed upon an altar of brass On the East side. Revivd her Soul with lives of beasts \& birds Slain on the Altar up ascending into her cloudy bosom Of terrible workmanship the Altar labour of ten thousand Slaves One thousand Men of wondrous power spent their lives in its formation It stood on twelve steps namd after the names of her twelve sons And was Erected at the chief entrance of Urizens hall

When Urizen returnd from his immense labours \& travels ${ }^{\text {t5 }}$
Descending She reposd beside him folding him round In her bright skirts. Astonishd \& Confounded he beheld Her shadowy form now Separate he shudderd \& was silent Till her caresses \& her tears revivd him to life \& joy Two wills they had two intellects \& not as in times of old
This Urizen percievd \& silent brooded in darkning Clouds To him his Labour was but Sorrow \& his Kingdom was Repentance He drave the Male Spirits all away from Ahania And she drave all the Females from him away

Los joyd \& Enitharmon laughd, saying Let us go down And see this labour \& sorrow; They went down to see the woes Of Vala \& the woes of Luvah, to draw in their delights

And Vala like a shadow oft appeard to Urizen

The King of Light beheld her mourning among the Brick kilns compelld To labour night \& day among the fires, her lamenting voice

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Is heard when silent night returns \& the labourers take their rest

O Lord wilt thou not look upon our sore afflictions Among these flames incessant labouring, our hard masters laugh At all our sorrow. We are made to turn the wheel for water To carry the heavy basket on our scorched shoulders, to sift The sand \& ashes, \& to mix the clay with tears \& repentance I see not Luvah as of old I only see his feet ${ }^{t 588}$ Like pillars of fire travelling thro darkness \& non entity

The times are now returnd upon us, we have given ourselves To scorn and now are scorned by the slaves of our enemies Our beauty is coverd over with clay \& ashes, \& our backs Furrowd with whips, \& our flesh bruised with the heavy basket Forgive us O thou piteous one whom we have offended, forgive The weak remaining shadow of Vala that returns in sorrow to thee.

Thus she lamented day \& night, compelld to labour \& sorrow Luvah in vain her lamentations heard; in vain his love Brought him in various forms before her still she knew him not

Still she despisd him, calling on his name \& knowing him not Still hating still professing love, still labouring in the smoke

And Los \& Enitharmon joyd, they drank in tenfold joy ${ }^{t 589}$ From all the sorrow of Luvah \& the labour of Urizen And Enitharmon joyd Plotting to rend the secret cloud To plant divisions in the Soul of Urizen \& Ahania

But infinitely beautiful the wondrous work arose ${ }^{t 590}$
In sorrow \& care. a Golden World whose porches round the heavens ${ }^{t 591}$
And pillard halls \& rooms recievd the eternal wandering stars A wondrous golden Building; many a window many a door And many a division let in \& out into the vast unknown [Cubed] in [window square] immoveable, within its walls \& cielings The heavens were closd and spirits mournd their bondage night and day And the Divine Vision appeard in Luvahs robes of blood ${ }^{t 593}$

Thus was the Mundane shell builded by Urizens strong power

Sorrowing went the Planters forth to plant, the Sowers to sow ${ }^{t 594}$

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They dug the channels for the rivers \& they pourd abroad

The seas \& lakes, they reard the mountains \& the rocks \& hills On broad pavilions, on pillard roofs \& porches \& high towers In beauteous order, thence arose soft clouds \& exhalations Wandering even to the sunny Cubes of light \& heat ${ }^{t 595}$ For many a window ornamented with sweet ornaments Lookd out into the World of Tharmas, where in ceaseless torrents ${ }^{1596}$ His billows roll where monsters wander in the foamy paths

On clouds the Sons of Urizen beheld Heaven walled round 1597 They weighd \& orderd all \& Urizen comforted saw ${ }^{t 598}$ The wondrous work flow forth like visible out of the invisible For the Divine Lamb Even Jesus who is the Divine Vision ${ }^{t 599}$ Permitted all lest Man should fall into Eternal Death For when Luvah sunk down himself put on the robes of blood Lest the state calld Luvah should cease. \& the Divine Vision Walked in robes of blood till he who slept should awake

Thus were the stars of heaven created like a golden chain To bind the Body of Man to heaven from failing into the Abyss 1600 Each took his station, \& his course began with sorrow \& care ${ }^{t 601}$

In sevens \& tens \& fifties, hundreds, thousands, numberd all According to their various powers. Subordinate to Urizen And to his sons in their degrees \& to his beauteous daughters

Travelling in silent majesty along their orderd ways In right lined paths outmeasurd by proportions of number weight ${ }^{1602}$ And measure. mathematic motion wondrous. along the deep In fiery pyramid. or Cube. or unornamented pillar ${ }^{1603}$
Of fire far shining. travelling along even to its destind end
Then falling down. a terrible space recovring in winter dire Its wasted strength. It back returns upon a nether course ${ }^{1604}$ Till fired with ardour fresh recruited in its humble season ${ }^{1605}$ It rises up on high all summer till its wearied course Turns into autumn. such the period of many worlds Others triangular right angled course maintain. others obtuse ${ }^{1606}$ Acute Scalene, in simple paths. but others move ${ }^{6007}$ In intricate ways biquadrate. Trapeziums Rhombs Rhomboids Paralellograms. triple \& quadruple. polygonic In their amazing hard subdued course in the vast deep 1608

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And Los \& Enitharmon were drawn down by their desires
Descending sweet upon the wind among soft harps \& voices 1609
To plant divisions in the Soul of Urizen \& Ahania ${ }^{1610}$
To conduct the Voice of Enion to Ahanias midnight pillow

Urizen saw \& envied \& his imagination was filled
Repining he contemplated the past in his bright sphere
Terrified with his heart \& spirit at the visions of futurity
That his dread fancy formd before him in the unformd void

For Los \& Enitharmon walkd forth on the dewy Earth ${ }^{611}$
Contracting or expanding their all flexible senses
At will to murmur in the flowers small as the honey bee At will to stretch across the heavens \& step from star to star Or standing on the Earth erect, or on the stormy waves Driving the storms before them or delighting in sunny beams While round their heads the Elemental Gods kept harmony 1612

And Los said. Lo the Lilly pale \& the rose reddning fierce ${ }^{1613}$ Reproach thee \& the beamy gardens sicken at thy beauty I grasp thy vest in my strong hand in vain. like water springs In the bright sands of Los. evading my embrace. then I alone Wander among the virgins of the summer Look they cry

The poor forsaken Los mockd by the worm the shelly snail The Emmet \& the beetle hark they laugh \& mock at Los

Enitharmon answerd Secure now from the smitings of thy Power 1614 Demon of fury If the God enrapturd me infolds In clouds of sweet obscurity my beauteous form dissolving Howl thou over the body of death tis thine But if among the virgins ${ }^{1615}$ Of summer I have seen thee sleep \& turn thy cheek delighted Upon the rose or lilly pale. or on a bank where sleep ${ }^{1616}$ The beamy daughters of the light starting they rise they flee From thy fierce love for tho I am dissolvd in the bright God My spirit still pursues thy false love over rocks \& valleys

Los answerd Therefore fade I thus dissolvd in rapturd trance Thou canst repose on clouds of secrecy while oer my limbs Cold dews \& hoary frost creeps thro I lie on banks of summer Among the beauties of the World Cold \& repining Los

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Still dies for Enitharmon nor a spirit springs from my dead corse ${ }^{1617}$
Then I am dead till thou revivest me with thy sweet song Now taking on Ahanias form \& now the form of Enion I know thee not as once I knew thee in those blessed fields Where memory wishes to repose among the flocks of Tharmas

Enitharmon answerd Wherefore didst thou throw thine arms around Ahanias Image I decievd thee \& will still decieve Urizen saw thy $\sin \&$ hid his beams in darkning Clouds I still keep watch altho I tremble \& wither across the heavens In strong vibrations of fierce jealousy for thou art mine Created for my will my slave tho strong tho I am weak Farewell the God calls me away I depart in my sweet bliss

She fled vanishing on the wind And left a dead cold corse In Los's arms howlings began over the body of death 1618 Los spoke. Thy God in vain shall call thee if by my strong power I can infuse my dear revenge into his glowing breast Then jealousy shall shadow all his mountains \& Ahania Curse thee thou plague of woful Los \& seek revenge on thee

So saying in deep sobs he languishd till dead he also fell Night passd \& Enitharmon eer the dawn returnd in bliss She sang Oer Los reviving him to Life his groans were terrible ${ }^{6} 19$ But thus she sang. I sieze the sphery harp I strike the strings

At the first Sound the Golden sun arises from the Deep And sakes his awful hair
The Eccho wakes the moon to unbind her silver locks
The golden sun bears on my song
And nine bright spheres of harmony rise round the fiery King

The joy of woman is the Death of her most best beloved Who dies for Love of her In torments of fierce jealousy \& pangs of adoration. The Lovers night bears on my song And the nine Spheres rejoice beneath my powerful controll

They sing unceasing to the notes of my immortal hand The solemn silent moon Reverberates the living harmony upon my limbs The birds \& beasts rejoice \& play

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And every one seeks for his mate to prove his inmost joy

Furious \& terrible they sport \& rend the nether deeps
The deep lifts up his rugged head
And lost in infinite hum[m]ing wings vanishes with a cry
The fading cry is ever dying
The living voice is ever living in its inmost joy

Arise you little glancing wings \& sing your infant joy Arise \& drink your bliss
For every thing that lives is holy for the source of life Descends to be a weeping babe
For the Earthworm renews the moisture of the sandy plain

Now my left hand I stretch to earth beneath
And strike the terrible string
I wake sweet joy in dens of sorrow \& I plant a smile
In forests of affliction
And wake the bubbling springs of life in regions of dark death

O I am weary lay thine hand upon me or I faint
I faint beneath these beams of thine
For thou hast touchd my five senses \& they answerd thee
Now I am nothing \& I sink
And on the bed of silence sleep till thou awakest me

Thus sang the Lovely one in Rapturous delusive trance Los heard reviving he siezd her in his arms delusive hopes ${ }^{1620}$ Kindling She led him int Shadows \& thence fled outstretchd Upon the immense like a bright rainbow weeping \& smiling \& fading

Thus livd Los driving Enion far into the deathful infinite ${ }^{t 621}$ That he may also draw Ahania's spirit into her Vortex Ah happy blindness Enion sees not the terrors of the uncertain ${ }^{t 622}$ Thus Enion wails from the dark deep, the golden heavens tremble ${ }^{1623}$ I am made to sow the thistle for wheat; the nettle for a nourishing dainty

I have planted a false oath in the earth, it has brought forth a poison tree I have chosen the serpent for a councellor \& the dog
For a schoolmaster to my children
I have blotted out from light \& living the dove \& nightingale

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And I have caused the earth worm to beg from door to door I have taught the thief a secret path into the house of the just I have taught pale artifice to spread his nets upon the morning My heavens are brass my earth is iron my moon a clod of clay My sun a pestilence burning at noon \& a vapour of death in night

What is the price of Experience do men buy it for a song Or wisdom for a dance in the street? No it is bought with the price Of all that a man hath his house his wife his children Wisdom is sold in the desolate market where none come to buy And in the witherd field where the farmer plows for bread in vain

It is an easy thing to triumph in the summers sun And in the vintage $\&$ to sing on the waggon loaded with corn It is an easy thing to talk of patience to the afflicted To speak the laws of prudence to the houseless wanderer

To listen to the hungry ravens cry in wintry season
When the red blood is filld with wine \& with the marrow of lambs

It is an easy thing to laugh at wrathful elements
To hear the dog howl at the wintry door, the ox in the slaughter house moan To see a god on every wind \& a blessing on every blast
To hear sounds of love in the thunder storm that destroys our enemies house To rejoice in the blight that covers his field, \& the sickness that cuts off his children While our olive \& vine sing \& laugh round our door \& our children bring fruits \&

Then the groan \& the dolor are quite forgotten \& the slave grinding at the mill And the captive in chains \& the poor in the prison, \& the soldier in the field When the shatterd bone hath laid him groaning among the happier dead

It is an easy thing to rejoice in the tents of prosperity Thus could I sing \& thus rejoice, but it is not so with me!

Ahania heard the Lamentation \& a swift Vibration ${ }^{\text {t624 }}$
Spread thro her Golden frame. She rose up eer the dawn of day

When Urizen slept on his couch. drawn thro unbounded space Onto the margin of Non Entity the bright Female came There she beheld the Spectrous form of Enion in the Void 1625

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And never from that moment could she rest upon her pillow

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Now sat the King of Light on high upon his starry throne And bright Ahania bow'd herself before his splendid feet

O Urizen look on Me. like a mournful stream ${ }^{1627}$
I Embrace round thy knees \& wet My bright hair with my tears: ${ }^{1628}$
Why sighs my Lord! are not the morning stars thy obedient Sons
Do they not bow their bright heads at thy voice? at thy command
Do they not fly into their stations \& return their light to thee
The immortal Atmospheres are thine, there thou art seen in glory
Surrounded by the ever changing Daughters of the Light Why wilt thou look upon futurity darkning present joy ${ }^{629}$

She ceas'd the Prince his light obscurd \& the splendors of his crown

Infolded in thick clouds, from whence his mighty voice burst forth

O bright [Ahania] a Boy is born of the dark Ocean ${ }^{1630}$
Whom Urizen doth serve, with Light replenishing his darkness
I am set here a King of trouble commanded here to serve
And do my ministry to those who eat of my wide table
All this is mine yet I must serve \& that Prophetic boy
Must grow up to command his Prince but hear my determind Decree ${ }^{1631}$
Vala shall become a Worm in Enitharmons Womb ${ }^{1632}$
Laying her seed upon the fibres soon to issue forth And Luvah in the loins of Los a dark \& furious death Alas for me! what will become of me at that dread time?

Ahania bow'd her head \& wept seven days before the King And on the eighth day when his clouds unfolded from his throne She rais'd her bright head sweet perfumd \& thus with heavenly voice

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Leave all futurity to him Resume thy fields of Light ${ }^{1634}$ Why didst thou listen to the voice of Luvah that dread morn To give the immortal steeds of light to his deceitful hands No longer now obedient to thy will thou art compell'd To forge the curbs of iron \& brass to build the iron mangers ${ }^{1635}$
To feed them with intoxication from the wine presses of Luvah

Till the Divine Vision \& Fruition is quite obliterated They call thy lions to the fields of blood, they rowze thy tygers Out of the halls of justice, till these dens thy wisdom framd Golden \& beautiful but O how unlike those sweet fields of bliss Where liberty was justice \& eternal science was mercy Then O my dear lord listen to Ahania, listen to the vision The vision of Ahania in the slumbers of Urizen When Urizen slept in the porch \& the Ancient Man was smitten 1636

The Darkning Man walkd on the steps of fire before his halls 1637 And Vala walkd with him in dreams of soft deluding slumber He looked up \& saw thee Prince of Light thy splendor faded ${ }^{1638}$ But saw not Los nor Enitharmon for Luvah hid them in shadow 1639

In a soft cloud Outstretch'd across, \& Luvah dwelt in the cloud ${ }^{640}$

Then Man ascended mourning into the splendors of his palace ${ }^{1641}$ Above him rose a Shadow from his wearied intellect ${ }^{1642}$ Of living gold, pure, perfect, holy; in white linen pure he hover'd A sweet entrancing self delusion, a watry vision of Man Soft exulting in existence all the Man absorbing

Man fell upon his face prostrate before the watry shadow Saying O Lord whence is this change thou knowest I am nothing And Vala trembled \& coverd her face, \& her locks. were spread on the pavement

I heard astonishd at the Vision \& my heart trembled within me ${ }^{1643}$
I heard the voice of the Slumberous Man \& thus he spoke ${ }^{1644}$
Idolatrous to his own Shadow words of Eternity uttering ${ }^{1645}$

O I am nothing when I enter into judgment with thee If thou withdraw thy breath I die \& vanish into Hades If thou dost lay thine hand upon me behold I am silent

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If thou withhold thine hand I perish like a fallen leaf
O I am nothing \& to nothing must return again
If thou withdraw thy breath, behold I am oblivion

He ceasd: the shadowy voice was silent; but the cloud hoverd over their heads In olden wreathes, the sorrow of Man \& the balmy drops fell down And Lo that Son of Man, that shadowy Spirit of the Fallen One ${ }^{1646}$ Luvah, descended from the cloud; In terror Albion roseIndignant rose the Awful Man \& turnd his back on Vala ${ }^{647}$

Why roll thy clouds in sick'ning mists. I can no longer hide ${ }^{t 648}$ The dismal vision of mine Eyes, O love \& life \& light! ${ }^{6649}$ Prophetic dreads urge me to speak. futurity is before me

Like a dark lamp. Eternal death haunts all my expectation Rent from Eternal Brotherhood we die \& are no more

I heard the Voice of Albion starting from his sleep ${ }^{t 650}$
"Whence is this voice crying Enion that soundeth in my ears O cruel pity! O dark deceit! can Love seek for dominion ${ }^{1651}$

And Luvah strove to gain dominion over the mighty Albion ${ }^{1652}$ They strove together above the Body where Vala was inclos'd And the dark Body of Albion left prostrate upon the crystal pavement ${ }^{1653}$ Coverd with boils from head to foot. the terrible smitings of Luvah

Then frownd the Fallen Man \& put forth Luvah from his presence ${ }^{\text {t654 }}$ (I heard him: frown not Urizen: but listen to my Vision)

Saying, Go \& die the Death of Man for Vala the sweet wanderer I will turn the volutions of your Ears outward; \& bend your Nostrils Downward; \& your fluxile Eyes englob'd, roll round in fear Your withring Lips \& Tongue shrink up into a narrow circle Till into narrow forms you creep. Go take your fiery way And learn what 'tis to absorb the Man you Spirits of Pity \& Love

O Urizen why art thou pale at the visions of Ahania ${ }^{t 656}$ Listen to her who loves thee lest we also are driven away.

They heard the Voice \& fled swift as the winters setting sun ${ }^{1657}$ And now the Human Blood foamd high, I saw that Luvah \& Vala ${ }^{1658}$ Went down the Human Heart where Paradise \& its joys abounded ${ }^{1659}$ In jealous fears in fury \& rage, \& flames roll'd round their fervid feet And the vast form of Nature like a Serpent play'd before them And as they went in folding fires \& thunders of the deep Vala shrunk in like the dark sea that leaves its slimy banks And from her bosom Luvah fell far as the east \& west And the vast form of Nature like a Serpent roll'd between. 1660

She ended. for [from] his wrathful throne burst forth the black hail storm ${ }^{t 661}$

Am I not God said Urizen. Who is Equal to me
Do I not stretch the heavens abroad or fold them up like a garment

He spoke mustering his heavy clouds around him black opake

Then thunders rolld around \& lightnings darted to \& fro
His visage changd to darkness \& his strong right hand came forth ${ }^{1662}$
To cast Ahania to the Earth be siezd her by the hair
And threw her from the steps of ice that froze around his throne

Saying Art thou also become like Vala. thus I cast thee out Shall the feminine indolent bliss. the indulgent self of weariness

The passive idle sleep the enormous night \& darkness of Death Set herself up to give her laws to the active masculine virtue Thou little diminutive portion that darst be a counterpart Thy passivity thy laws of obedience $\&$ insincerity Are my abhorrence. Wherefore hast thou taken that fair form Whence is this power given to thee! once thou wast in my breast A sluggish current of dim waters. on whose verdant margin A cavern shaggd with horrid shades. dark cool \& deadly. where I laid my head in the hot noon after the broken clods Had wearied me. there I lad my plow \& there my horses fed And thou hast risen with thy moist locks into a watry image Reflecting all my indolence my weakness \& my death To weigh me down beneath the grave into non Entity

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Where Luvah strives scorned by Vala age after age wandering Shrinking \& shrinking from her Lord \& calling him the Tempter And art thou also become like Vala thus I cast thee out.

So loud in thunders spoke the King folded in dark despair And threw Ahania from his bosom obdurate She fell like lightning Then fled the sons of Urizen from his thunderous throne petrific They fled to East \& West \& left the North \& South of Heaven A crash ran thro the immense The bounds of Destiny were broken The bounds of Destiny crashd direful \& the swelling Sea Burst from its bonds in whirlpools fierce roaring with Human voice Triumphing even to the Stars at bright Ahanias fall

Down from the dismal North the Prince in thunders \& thick clouds

As when the thunderbolt down falleth on the appointed place Fell down down rushing ruining thundering shuddering ${ }^{1663}$ Into the Caverns of the Grave \& places of Human Seed Where the impressions of Despair \& Hope enroot forever A world of Darkness. Ahania fell far into Non Entity

She Continued falling. Loud the Crash continud loud \& Hoarse From the Crash roared a flame of blue sulphureous fire from the flame ${ }^{1664}$ A dolorous groan that struck with dumbness all confusion Swallowing up the horrible din in agony on agony
Thro the Confusion like a crack across from immense to immense
Loud strong a universal groan of death louder
Than all the wracking elements deafend \& rended worse
Than Urizen \& all his hosts in curst despair down rushing
But from the Dolorous Groan on like a shadow of smoke appeard And human bones rattling together in the smoke \& stamping The nether Abyss \& gnasshing in fierce despair. panting in sobs Thick short incessant bursting sobbing. deep despairing stamping struggling

Struggling to utter the voice of Man struggling to take the features of Man. Struggling
To take the limbs of Man at length emerging from the smoke Of Urizen dashed in pieces from his precipitant fall
Tharmas reard up his hands \& stood on the affrighted Ocean The dead reard up his Voice \& stood on the resounding shore

Crying. Fury in my limbs. destruction in my bones \& marrow

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My skull riven into filaments. my eyes into sea jellies Floating upon the tide wander bubbling \& bubbling Uttering my lamentations \& begetting little monsters Who sit mocking upon the little pebbles of the tide In all my rivers \& on dried shells that the fish

Have quite forsaken. O fool fool to lose my sweetest bliss Where art thou Enion ah too near to cunning too far off And yet too near. Dashd down I send thee into distant darkness Far as my strength can hurl thee wander there \& laugh \& play Among the frozen arrows they will tear thy tender flesh Fall off afar from Tharmas come not too near my strong fury Scream \& fall off \& laugh at Tharmas lovely summer beauty Till winter rends thee into Shivers as thou hast rended me

So Tharmas bellowd oer the ocean thundring sobbing bursting The bounds of Destiny were broken \& hatred now began Instead of love to Enion. Enion blind \& age bent Plungd into the cold billows living a life in midst of waters In terrors she witherd away to Entuthon Benithon A world of deep darkness where all things in horrors are rooted

These are the words of Enion heard from the cold waves of despair

O Tharmas I had lost thee. \& when I hoped I had found thee O Tharmas do not thou destroy me quite but let A little shadow. but a little showery form of Enion Be near thee loved Terror. let me still remain \& then do thou Thy righteous doom upon me. only let me hear thy voice Driven by thy rage I wander like a cloud into the deep Where never yet Existence came, there losing all my life I back return weaker \& weaker, consume me not away In thy great wrath. tho I have sinned. tho I have rebelld Make me not like the things forgotten as they had not been Make not the thing that loveth thee. a tear wiped away

Tharmas replied riding on storms his voice of Thunder rolld ${ }^{1666}$

Image of grief thy fading lineaments make my eyelids fail What have I done! both rage \& mercy are alike to me Looking upon thee Image of faint waters. I recoil

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From my fierce rage into thy semblance. Enion return Why does thy piteous face Evanish like a rainy cloud

Melting. a shower of falling tears. nothing but tears! Enion:
Substanceless. voiceless, weeping. vanishd. nothing but tears! Enion
Art thou for ever vanishd from the watry eyes of Tharmas
Rage Rage shall never from my bosom. winds \& waters of woe Consuming all to the end consuming Love and Hope are ended ${ }^{6667}$

For now no more remaind of Enion in the dismal air Only a voice eternal wailing in the Elements

Where Enion, blind \& age bent wanderd Ahania wanders now She wanders in Eternal fear of falling into the indefinite For her bright eyes behold the Abyss. sometimes a little sleep Weighs down her eyelids then she falls then starting wakes in fears Sleepless to wander round repelld on the margin of Non Entity The End of the Third Night

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But Tharmas rode on the dark Abyss. the voice of Tharmas rolld Over the heaving deluge. he saw Los \& Enitharmon Emerge In strength \& brightness from the Abyss his bowels yearnd over them They rose in strength above the heaving deluge. in mighty scorn Red as the Sun in the hot morning of the bloody day Tharmas beheld them his bowels yearnd over them

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And he said Wherefore do I feel such love \& pity ${ }^{1668}$ Ah Enion Ah Enion Ah lovely lovely Enion
How is this All my hope is gone for ever fled ${ }^{1669}$ Like a famishd Eagle Eyeless raging in the vast expanse Incessant tears are now my food. incessant rage \& tears
Deathless for ever now I wander seeking oblivion In torrents of despair in vain. for if I plunge beneath Stifling I live. If dashd in pieces from a rocky height I reunite in endless torment. would I had never risen
From deaths cold sleep beneath the bottom of the raging Ocean 1670 And cannot those who once have lovd. ever forget their Love? Are love \& rage the same passion? they are the same in me

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Are those who love. like those who died. risen again from death Immortal. in immortal torment. never to be deliverd
Is it not possible that one risen again from Death
Can die! When dark despair comes over [me] can I not ${ }^{1671}$
Flow down into the sea \& slumber in oblivion. Ah Enion

Deformd I see these lineaments of ungratified Desire
The all powerful curse of an honest man be upon Urizen \& Luvah
But thou My Son Glorious in brightness comforter of Tharmas
Go forth Rebuild this Universe beneath my indignant power
A Universe of Death \& Decay. Let Enitharmons hands
Weave soft delusive forms of Man above my watry world
Renew these ruind souls of Men thro Earth Sea Air \& Fire
To waste in endless corruption. renew thou I will destroy
Perhaps Enion may resume some little semblance
To ease my pangs of heart \& to restore some peace to Tharmas

Los answerd in his furious pride sparks issuing from his hair Hitherto shalt thou come. no further. here thy proud waves cease We have drunk up the Eternal Man by our unbounded power ${ }^{1673}$ Beware lest we also drink up thee rough demon of the waters Our God is Urizen the King. King of the Heavenly hosts We have no other God but he thou father of worms \& clay And he is falln into the Deep rough Demon of the waters And Los remains God over all. weak father of worms \& clay I know I was Urthona keeper of the gates of heaven
But now I am all powerful Los \& Urthona is but my shadow

Doubting stood Tharmas in the solemn darkness. his dim Eyes 1674 Swam in red tears. he reard his waves above the head of Los In wrath. but pitying back withdrew with many a sigh Now he resolvd to destroy Los \& now his tears flowd down

In scorn stood Los red sparks of blighting from his furious head Flew over the waves of Tharmas. pitying Tharmas stayd his Waves

For Enitharmon shriekd amain crying O my sweet world Built by the Architect divine whose love to Los \& Enitharmon Thou rash abhorred Demon in thy fury hast oerthrown

What Sovereign Architect said Tharmas dare my will controll For if I will I urge these waters. If I will they sleep

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In peace beneath my awful frown my will shall be my Law

So Saying in a Wave he rap'd bright Enitharmon far Apart from Los. but coverd her with softest brooding care On a broad wave in the warm west. balming her bleeding wound

O how Los howld at the rending asunder all the fibres rent Where Enitharmon joind to his left side in griding pain 1675 He falling on the rocks bellowd his Dolor. till the blood Stanch'd, then in ululation waild his woes upon the wind

And Tharmas calld to the Dark Spectre who upon the Shores With dislocated Limbs had falln. The Spectre rose in pain A Shadow blue obscure \& dismal. like a statue of lead Bent by its fall from a high tower the dolorous shadow rose

Go forth said Tharmas works of joy are thine obey \& live So shall the spungy marrow issuing from thy splinterd bones Bonify. \& thou shalt have rest when this thy labour is done Go forth bear Enitharmon back to the Eternal Prophet Build her a bower in the midst of all my dashing waves Make first a resting place for Los \& Enitharmon. then Thou shalt have rest. If thou refusest dashd abroad on all My waves. thy limbs shall separate in stench \& rotting \& thou Become a prey to all my demons of despair \& hope

The Spectre of Urthona seeing Enitharmon writhd ${ }^{1676}$ His cloudy form in jealous fear \& muttering thunders hoarse And casting round thick glooms. thus utterd his fierce pangs of heart

Tharmas I know thee. how are we alterd our beauty decayd But still I know thee tho in this horrible ruin whelmd Thou once the mildest son of heaven art now become a Rage A terror to all living things. think not that I am ignorant That thou art risen from the dead or that my power forgot

I slumber here in weak repose. I well remember the Day The day of terror \& abhorrence ${ }^{1677}$
When fleeing from the battle thou fleeting like the raven Of dawn outstretching an expanse where neer expanse had been Drewst all the Sons of Beulah into thy dread vortex following ${ }^{1678}$

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Thy Eddying spirit down the hills of Beulah. All my sons Stood round me at the anvil where new heated the wedge Of iron glowd furious prepard for spades \& mattocks Hearing the symphonies of war loud sounding All my sons Fled from my side then pangs smote me unknown before. I saw My loins begin to break forth into veiny pipes \& writhe 1679 Before me in the wind englobing trembling with strong vibrations The bloody mass began to animate. I bending over
Wept bitter tears incessant. Still beholding how the piteous form Dividing \& dividing from my loins a weak \& piteous Soft cloud of snow a female pale \& weak I soft embracd My counter part \& calld it Love I named her Enitharmon But found myself \& her together issuing down the tide Which now our rivers were become delving thro caverns huge Of goary blood strugg[l]ing to be deliverd from our bonds She strove in vain not so Urthona strove for breaking forth, A shadow blue obscure \& dismal from the breathing Nostrils

Of Enion I issued into the air divided from Enitharmon
I howld in sorrow I beheld thee rotting upon the Rocks
I pitying hoverd over thee I protected thy ghastly corse
From Vultures of the deep then wherefore shouldst thou rage
Against me who thee guarded in the night of death from harm

Tharmas replied. Art thou Urthona My friend my old companion, With whom I livd in happiness before that deadly night When Urizen gave the horses of Light into the hands of Luvah Thou knowest not what Tharmas knows. O I could tell thee tales That would enrage thee as it has Enraged me even From Death in wrath \& fury. But now come bear back Thy loved Enitharmon. For thou hast her here before thine Eyes

But my sweet Enion is vanishd \& I never more Shall see her unless thou O Shadow. wilt protect this Son Of Enion \& him assist. to bind the fallen King Lest he should rise again from death in all his dreary power ${ }^{1680}$ Bind him, take Enitharmon for thy sweet reward while I In vain am driven on false hope. hope sister of despair

Groaning the terror rose \& drave his solid rocks before ${ }^{1681}$
Upon the tide till underneath the feet of Los a World Dark dreadful rose \& Enitharmon lay at Los's feet The dolorous shadow joyd. weak hope appeard around his head

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Tharmas before Los stood \& thus the Voice of Tharmas rolld

Now all comes into the power of Tharmas. Urizen is falln
And Luvah hidden in the Elemental forms of Life \& Death
Urthona is My Son O Los thou art Urthona \& Tharmas
Is God. The Eternal Man is seald never to be deliverd
I roll my floods over his body my billows \& waves pass over him
The Sea encompasses him \& monsters of the deep are his companions
Dreamer of furious oceans cold sleeper of weeds \& shells
Thy Eternal form shall never renew my uncertain prevails against thee
Yet tho I rage God over all. A portion of my Life
That in Eternal fields in comfort wanderd with my flocks
At noon \& laid her head upon my wearied bosom at night
She is divided She is vanishd even like Luvah \& Vala tr82
O why did foul ambition sieze thee Urizen Prince of Light
And thee O Luvah prince of Love till Tharmas was divided
And I what can I now behold but an Eternal Death
Before my Eyes \& an Eternal weary work to strive
Against the monstrous forms that breed among my silent waves
Is this to be A God far rather would I be a Man
To know sweet Science \& to do with simple companions
Sitting beneath a tent \& viewing sheepfolds \& soft pastures

Take thou the hammer of Urthona rebuild these furnaces
Dost thou refuse mind I the sparks that issue from thy hair

I will compell thee to rebuild by these my furious waves
Death choose or life thou strugglest in my waters, now choose life
And all the Elements shall serve thee to their soothing flutes
Their sweet inspiriting lyres thy labours shall administer
And they to thee only remit not faint not thou my son
Now thou dost know what tis to strive against the God of waters

So saying Tharmas on his furious chariots of the Deep Departed far into the Unknown \& left a wondrous void Round Los. afar his waters bore on all sides round. with noise Of wheels \& horses hoofs \& Trumpets Horns \& Clarions ${ }^{1684}$

Terrified Los beheld the ruins of Urizen beneath A horrible Chaos to his eyes. a formless unmeasurable Death Whirling up broken rocks on high into the dismal air And fluctuating all beneath in Eddies of molten fluid

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Then Los with terrible hands siezd on the Ruind Furnaces
Of Urizen. Enormous work: he builded them anew
Labour of Ages in the Darkness \& the war of Tharmas
And Los formd Anvils of Iron petrific. for his blows
Petrify with incessant beating many a rock. many a planet

But Urizen slept in a stoned stupor in the nether Abyss
A dreamful horrible State in tossings on his icy bed Freezing to solid all beneath, his grey oblivious form
Stretchd over the immense heaves in strong shudders. silent his voice In brooding contemplation stretching out from North to South
In mighty power. Round him Los rolld furious
His thunderous wheels from furnace to furnace. tending diligent
The contemplative terror. frightend in his scornful sphere Frightend with cold infectious madness. in his hand the thundering Hammer of Urthona. forming under his heavy hand the hours

The days \& years. in chains of iron round the limbs of Urizen Linkd hour to hour \& day to night \& night to day \& year to year In periods of pulsative furor. mills he formd \& works
Of many wheels resistless in the power of dark Urthona

But Enitharmon wrapd in clouds waild loud. for as Los beat
The anvils of Urthona link by link the chains of sorrow
Warping upon the winds \& whirling round in the dark deep
Lashd on the limbs of Enitharmon \& the sulphur fires
Belchd from the furnaces wreathd round her. chaind in ceaseless fire
The lovely female howld \& Urizen beneath deep groand
Deadly between the hammers beating grateful to the Ears

Of Los. absorbd in dire revenge he drank with joy the cries Of Enitharmon \& the groans of Urizen fuel for his wrath And for his pity secret feeding on thoughts of cruelty

The Spectre wept at his dire labours when from Ladles huge ${ }^{1685}$ He pourd the molten iron round the limbs of Enitharmon But when he pourd it round the bones of Urizen he laughd Hollow upon the hollow wind. his shadowy form obeying The voice of Los compelld he labourd round the Furnaces

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Circling round the dark Demon with howlings dismay \& sharp blightings The Prophet of Eternity beat on his iron links \& links of brass
And as he beat round the hurtling Demon. terrified at the Shapes
Enslavd humanity put on he became what he beheld
Raging against Tharmas his God \& uttering
Ambiguous words blasphemous filld with envy firm resolvd
On hate Eternal in his vast disdain he labourd beating
The Links of fate link after link an endless chain of sorrows

The Eternal Mind bounded began to roll eddies of wrath ceaseless
Round \& round \& the sulphureous foam surgeing thick
Settled a Lake bright \& shining clear. White as the snow

Forgetfulness dumbness necessity in chains of the mind lockd up
In fetters of ice shrinking. disorganizd rent from Eternity
Los beat on his fetters \& heated his furnaces ${ }^{1686}$
And pourd iron sodor \& sodor of brass

Restless the immortal inchaind heaving dolorous Anguished unbearable till a roof shaggy wild inclosd
In an orb his fountain of thought

In a horrible dreamful slumber like the linked chain
A vast spine writhd in torment upon the wind
Shooting paind. ribbs like a bending Cavern
And bones of solidness froze over all his nerves of joy
A first age passed. a state of dismal woe

From the Caverns of his jointed spine down sunk with fright A red round globe. hot burning. deep deep down into the Abyss Panting Conglobing trembling Shooting out ten thousand branches Around his solid bones \& a Second Age passed over

In harrowing fear rolling his nervous brain shot branches ${ }^{687}$
On high into two little orbs hiding in two little caves Hiding carefully from the wind his eyes beheld the deep And a third age passed a State of dismal woe

The pangs of hope began in heavy pain striving struggling Two Ears in close volutions from beneath his orbs of vision Shot spiring out \& petrified as they grew. And a Fourth ${ }^{1688}$

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Age passed over \& a State of dismal woe

In ghastly torment sick hanging upon the wind Two nostrils bent down to the deeps--

And a fifth age passed $\&$ a state of dismal woe

In ghastly torment sick. within his ribs bloated round A craving hungry cavern. Thence arose his channeld Throat. then like a red flame a tongue of hunger And thirst appeard and a sixth age passed of dismal woe

Enraged,\& stifled with torment he threw his right arm to the north His left arm to the south shooting out in anguish deep And his feet stampd the nether abyss in trembling howling \& dismay And a seventh age passed over \& a state of dismal woe

The Council of God on high watching over the Body ${ }^{t 689}$ Of Man clothd in Luvahs robes of blood saw \& wept Descending over Beulahs mild moon coverd regions The daughters of Beulah saw the Divine Vision they were comforted And as a Double female form loveliness \& perfection of beauty They bowd the head \& worshippd \& with mild voice spoke these words

Lord. Saviour if thou hadst been here our brother had not died And now we know that whatsoever thou wilt ask of God He will give it thee for we are weak women \& dare not lift Our eyes to the Divine pavilions. therefore in mercy thou Appearest clothd in Luvahs garments that we may behold thee And live. Behold Eternal Death is in Beulah Behold We perish \& shall not be found unless thou grant a place In which we may be hidden under the Shadow of wings For if we who are but for a time \& who pass away in winter Behold these wonders of Eternity we shall consume

Such were the words of Beulah of the Feminine Emanation $t 690$
The Empyrean groand throughout All Eden was darken The Corse of Albion lay on the Rock the sea of Time \& Space ${ }^{t 691}$ Beat round the Rock in mighty waves \& as a Polypus That vegetates beneath the Sea the limbs of Man vegetated In monstrous forms of Death a Human polypus of Death

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The Saviour mild \& gentle bent over the corse of Death Saying If ye will Believe your Brother shall rise again ${ }^{1692}$

And first he found the Limit of Opacity \& namd it Satan In Albions bosom for in every human bosom these limits stand And next he found the Limit of Contraction \& namd it Adam While yet those beings were not born nor knew of good or Evil

Then wondrously the Starry Wheels felt the divine hand. Limit ${ }^{1693}$ Was put to Eternal Death Los felt the Limit \& saw The Finger of God touch the Seventh furnace in terror And Los beheld the hand of God over his furnaces Beneath the Deeps in dismal Darkness beneath immensity 1694

In terrors Los shrunk from his task. his great hammer Fell from his hand his fires hid their strong limbs in smoke For with noises ruinous hurtlings \& clashings \& groans 1695
The immortal endur'd. tho bound in a deadly sleep Pale terror siezd the Eyes of Los as he beat round The hurtling Demon. terrifid at the shapes Enslavd humanity put on he became what he beheld He became what he was doing he was himself transformd ${ }^{1696}$
[The globe of life blood trembled Branching out into roots; Fibrous, writhing upon the winds; Fibres of blood, milk and tears; In pangs, eternity on eternity. At length in tears \& cries imbodied A female form trembling and pale Waves before his deathy face]

Spasms siezd his muscular fibres writhing to \& fro his pallid lips ${ }^{1697}$ Unwilling movd as Urizen howld his loins wavd like the sea
At Enitharmons shriek his knees each other smote \& then he lookd 1698 With stony Eyes on Urizen \& then swift writhd his neck 1699
Involuntary to the Couch where Enitharmon lay
The bones of Urizen hurtle on the wind the bones of Los
Twinge \& his iron sinews bend like lead \& fold
Into unusual forms dancing \& howling stamping the Abyss

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Infected Mad he dancd on his mountains high \& dark as heaven Now fixd into one stedfast bulk his features stonify
From his mouth curses \& from his eyes sparks of blighting
Beside the anvil cold he dancd with the hammer of Urthona

Terrific pale. Enitharmon stretchd on the dreary Earth ${ }^{702}$
Felt her immortal limbs freeze stiffning pale inflexible His feet shrink withring from the deep shrinking \& withering ${ }^{7703}$ And Enitharmon shrunk up all their fibres withring beneath As plants witherd by winter leaves \& stems \& roots decaying Melt into thin air while the seed drivn by the furious wind Rests on the distant Mountains top. So Los \& Enitharmon Shrunk into fixed space stood trembling on a Rocky cliff Yet mighty bulk \& majesty \& beauty remaind but unexpansive As far as highest Zenith from the lowest Nadir. so far shrunk ${ }^{t 704}$ Los from the furnaces a Space immense \& left the cold Prince of Light bound in chains of intellect among the furnaces But all the furnaces were out \& the bellows had ceast to blow

He stood trembling \& Enitharmon clung around his knees Their senses unexpansive in one stedfast bulk remain The night blew cold \& Enitharmon shriekd on the dismal wind

Her pale hands cling around her husband \& over her weak head Shadows of Eternal death sit in the leaden air

But the soft pipe the flute the viol organ harp \& cymbal And the sweet sound of silver voices calm the weary couch Of Enitharmon but her groans drown the immortal harps Loud \& more loud the living music floats upon the air Faint \& more faint the daylight wanes. The wheels of turning darkness Began in solemn revolutions. Earth convulsd with rending pangs Rockd to \& fro \& cried sore at the groans of Enitharmon ${ }^{7705}$ Still the faint harps \& silver voices calm the weary couch But from the caves of deepest night ascending in clouds of mist The winter spread his wide black wings across from pole to pole Grim frost beneath \& terrible snow linkd in a marriage chain Began a dismal dance. The winds around on pointed rocks Settled like bats innumerable ready to fly abroad

The groans of Enitharmon shake the skies the labring Earth Till from her heart rending his way a terrible Child sprang forth In thunder smoke \& sullen flames \& howlings \& fury \& blood

Soon as his burning Eyes were opend on the Abyss The horrid trumpets of the deep bellowd with bitter blasts The Enormous Demons woke \& howld around the new born king ${ }^{7706}$ Crying Luvah King of Love thou art the King of rage \& death Urizen cast deep darkness round him raging Luvah pourd ${ }^{7707}$ The spears of Urizen from Chariots round the Eternal tent Discord began then yells \& cries shook the wide firma[m]ent ${ }^{7708}$

Where is Sweet Vala gloomy prophet where the lovely form That drew the body of Man from heaven into this dark Abyss Soft tears \& sighs where are you come forth shout on bloody fields Shew thy soul Vala shew thy bow \& quiver of secret fires

Draw thy bow Vala from the depths of hell thy black bow draw ${ }^{t 709}$ And twang the bow string to our howlings let thine arrows black Sing in the Sky as once they sang upon the hills of Light When dark Urthona wept in torment of the secret pain

He wept \& he divided \& he laid his gloomy head Down on the Rock of Eternity on darkness of the deep Torn by black storms \& ceaseless torrents of consuming fire Within his breast his fiery sons chaind down \& filld with cursings

And breathing terrible blood \& vengeance gnashing his teeth with pain Let loose the Enormous Spirit in the darkness of the deep And his dark wife that once fair crystal form divinely clear Within his ribs producing serpents whose souls are flames of fire

But now the times return upon thee Enitharmons womb Now holds thee soon to issue forth. Sound Clarions of war Call Vala from her close recess in all her dark deceit Then rage on rage shall fierce redound out of her crystal quiver

So sung the Demons round red Orc \& round faint Enitharmon ${ }^{7710}$ Sweat \& blood stood on the limbs of Los in globes. his fiery Eyelids Faded. he rouzd he siezd the wonder in his hands \& went Shuddring \& weeping thro the Gloom \& down into the deeps

Enitharmon nursd her fiery child in the dark deeps Sitting in darkness. over her Los mournd in anguish fierce Coverd with gloom. the fiery boy grew fed by the milk Of Enitharmon. Los around her builded pillars of iron

And brass \& silver \& gold fourfold in dark prophetic fear For now he feard Eternal Death \& uttermost Extinction ${ }^{1711}$
He builded Golgonooza on the Lake of Udan Adan Upon the Limit of Translucence then he builded Luban Tharmas laid the Foundations \& Los finishd it in howling woe

But when fourteen summers \& winters had revolved over Their solemn habitation Los beheld the ruddy boy Embracing his bright mother \& beheld malignant fires In his young eyes discerning plain that Orc plotted his death Grief rose upon his ruddy brows. a tightening girdle grew Around his bosom like a bloody cord. in secret sobs He burst it, but next morn another girdle succeeds

Around his bosom. Every day he viewd the fiery youth With silent fear \& his immortal cheeks grew deadly pale Till many a morn \& many a night passd over in dire woe Forming a girdle in the day \& bursting it at night The girdle was formd by day by night was burst in twain Falling down on the rock an iron chain link by link lockd

Enitharmon beheld the bloody chain of nights \& days Depending from the bosom of Los \& how with griding pain ${ }^{7712}$ He went each morning to his labours. with the spectre dark Calld it the chain of jealousy. Now Los began to speak ${ }^{t 713}$ His woes aloud to Enitharmon. since he could not hide His uncouth plague. He siezd the boy in his immortal hands While Enitharmon followd him weeping in dismal woe Up to the iron mountains top \& there the Jealous chain Fell from his bosom on the mountain. The Spectre dark Held the fierce boy Los naild him down binding around his limbs The accursed chain O how bright Enitharmon howld \& cried ${ }^{7714}$ Over her son. Obdurate Los bound down her loved joy

The hammer of Urthona smote the rivets in terror. of brass Tenfold. the Demons rage flamd tenfold forth rending

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Roaring redounding. Loud Loud Loder \& Louder \& fird
The darkness warring With the waves of Tharmas \& Snows of Urizen Crackling the flames went up with fury from the immortal demon Surrounded with flames the Demon grew loud howling in his fires Los folded Enitharmon in a cold white cloud in fear Then led her down into the deeps \& into his labyrinth Giving the Spectre sternest charge over the howling fiend

Concenterd into Love of Parent Storgous Appetite Craving His limbs bound down mock at his chains for over them a flame Of circling fire unceasing plays to feed them with life $\&$ bring The virtues of the Eternal worlds ten thousand thousand spirits Of life lament around the Demon going forth \& returning ${ }^{7715}$ At his enormous call they flee into the heavens of heavens And back return with wine \& food. Or dive into the deeps To bring the thrilling joys of sense to quell his ceaseless rage His eyes the lights of his large soul contract or else expand Contracted they behold the secrets of the infinite mountains The veins of gold \& silver \& the hidden things of Vala Whatever grows from its pure bud or breathes a fragrant soul Expanded they behold the terrors of the Sun \& Moon The Elemental Planets \& the orbs of eccentric fire His nostrils breathe a fiery flame. his locks are like the forests ${ }^{t 716}$ Of wild beasts there the lion glares the tyger \& wolf howl there

And there the Eagle hides her young in cliffs \& precipices His bosom is like starry heaven expanded all the stars Springs Flow into rivers of delight. there the spontaneous flowers Drink laugh \& sing. the grasshopper the Emmet \& the Fly The golden Moth builds there a house \& spreads her silken bed

His loins inwove with silken fires are like a furnace fierce As the strong Bull in summer time when bees sing round the heath Where the herds low after the shadow \& after the water spring The numrous flocks cover the mountain \& shine along the valley His knees are rocks of adamant \& rubie \& emerald Spirits of strength in Palaces rejoice in golden armour ${ }^{t 77}$ Armed with spear \& shield they drink \& rejoice over the slain Such is the Demon such his terror in the nether deep

But when returnd to Golgonooza Los \& Enitharmon
Felt all the sorrow Parents feel. they wept toward one another And Los repented that he had chaind Orc upon the mountain

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And Enitharmons tears prevaild parental love returnd Tho terrible his dread of that infernal chain They rose At midnight hasting to their much beloved care Nine days they traveld thro the Gloom of Entuthon Benithon Los taking Enitharmon by the hand led her along The dismal vales \& up to the iron mountains top where Orc Howld in the furious wind he thought to give to Enitharmon Her son in tenfold joy \& to compensate for her tears Even if his own death resulted so much pity him paind

But when they came to the dark rock \& to the spectrous cave Lo the young limbs had strucken root into the rock \& strong Fibres had from the Chain of Jealousy inwove themselves In a swift vegetation round the rock \& round the Cave And over the immortal limbs of the terrible fiery boy In vain they strove now to unchain. In vain with bitter tears
To melt the chain of Jealousy. not Enitharmons death Nor the Consummation of Los could ever melt the chain Nor unroot the infernal fibres from their rocky bed Nor all Urthonas strength nor all the power of Luvahs Bulls Tho they each morning drag the unwilling Sun out of the deep Could uproot the infernal chain. for it had taken root ${ }^{t 718}$

Into the iron rock \& grew a chain beneath the Earth Even to the Center wrapping round the Center \& the limbs Of Orc entering with fibres. became one with him a living Chain Sustained by the Demons life. Despair \& Terror \& Woe \& Rage

Inwrap the Parents in cold clouds as they bend howling over The terrible boy till fainting by his side the Parents fell

Not long they lay Urthonas spectre found herbs of the pit Rubbing their temples he reviv'd them. all their lamentations I write not here but all their after life was lamentation

When satiated with grief they returnd back to Golgonooza ${ }^{1719}$ Enitharmon on the road of Dranthon felt the inmost gate Of her bright heart burst open \& again close with a deadly pain ${ }^{t 720}$ Within her heart Vala began to reanimate in bursting sobs ${ }^{t 721}$ And when the Gate was open she beheld that dreary Deep ${ }^{t 722}$ Where bright Ahania wept. She also saw the infernal roots

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Of the chain of Jealousy \& felt the rendings of fierce howling Orc

Rending the Caverns like a mighty wind pent in the Earth Tho wide apart as furthest north is from the furthest south ${ }^{t 723}$ Urizen trembled where he lay to hear the howling terror The rocks shook the Eternal bars tuggd to \& fro were rifted Outstretchd upon the stones of ice the ruins of his throne Urizen shuddring heard his trembling limbs shook the strong caves

The Woes of Urizen shut up in the deep dens of Urthona

Ah how shall Urizen the King submit to this dark mansion Ah how is this! Once on the heights I stretchd my throne sublime The mountains of Urizen once of silver where the sons of wisdom dwelt And on whose tops the Virgins sag are rocks of Desolation

My fountains once the haunt of Swans now breed the scaly tortoise The houses of my harpers are become a haunt of crows The gardens of wisdom are become a field of horrid graves And on the bones I drop my tears \& water them in vain

Once how I walked from my palace in gardens of delight The sons of wisdom stood around the harpers followd with harps Nine virgins clothd in light composd the song to their immortal voices And at my banquets of new wine my head was crownd with joy

Then in my ivory pavilions I slumberd in the noon ${ }^{t 724}$ And walked in the silent night among sweet smelling flowers Till on my silver bed I slept \& sweet dreams round me hoverd But now my land is darkend \& my wise men are departed

My songs are turned to cries of Lamentation ${ }^{t 725}$
Heard on my Mountains \& deep sighs under my palace roofs
Because the Steeds of Urizen once swifter than the light
Were kept back from my Lord \& from his chariot of mercies

O did I keep the horses of the day in silver pastures O I refusd the Lord of day the horses of his prince O did I close my treasuries with roofs of solid stone And darken all my Palace walls with envyings \& hate

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O Fool to think that I could hide from his all piercing eyes The gold \& silver \& costly stones his holy workmanship O Fool could I forget the light that filled my bright spheres Was a reflection of his face who calld me from the deep

I well remember for I heard the mild \& holy voice Saying O light spring up \& shine \& I sprang up from the deep ${ }^{t 726}$ He gave to me a silver scepter \& crownd me with a golden crown \& said Go forth \& guide my Son who wanders on the ocean ${ }^{t 727}$

I went not forth. I hid myself in black clouds of my wrath I calld the stars around my feet in the night of councils dark
The stars threw down their spears \& fled naked away We fell. I siezd thee dark Urthona In my left hand falling

I siezd thee beauteous Luvah thou art faded like a flower And like a lilly is thy wife Vala witherd by winds When thou didst bear the golden cup at the immortal tables Thy children smote their fiery wings crownd with the gold of heaven

Thy pure feet stepd on the steps divine. too pure for other feet And thy fair locks shadowd thine eyes from the divine effulgence Then thou didst keep with Strong Urthona the living gates of heaven But now thou art bound down with him even to the gates of hell

Because thou gavest Urizen the wine of the Almighty For steeds of Light that they might run in thy golden chariot of pride I gave to thee the Steeds I pourd the stolen wine And drunken with the immortal draught fell from my throne sublime

I will arise Explore these dens \& find that deep pulsation
That shakes my caverns with strong shudders. perhaps this is the night Of Prophecy \& Luvah hath burst his way from Enitharmon
When Thought is closd in Caves. Then love shall shew its root in deepest Hell End of the Fifth Night ${ }^{t 728}$

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He threw his flight thro the dark air to where a river flowd

And taking off his silver helmet filled it \& drank
But when Unsatiated his thirst he assayd to gather more Lo three terrific women at the verge of the bright flood
Who would not suffer him to approach. but drove him back with storms

Urizen knew them not \& thus addressd the spirits of darkness

Who art thou Eldest Woman sitting in thy clouds
What is that name written on thy forehead? what art thou?
And wherefore dost thou pour this water forth in sighs \& care

She answerd not but filld her urn \& pourd it forth abroad

Answerest thou not said Urizen. then thou maist answer me Thou terrible woman clad in blue, whose strong attractive power Draws all into a fountain at the rock of thy attraction With frowning brow thou sittest mistress of these mighty waters

She answerd not but stretchd her arms \& threw her limbs abroad

Or wilt thou answer youngest Woman clad in shining green ${ }^{7730}$ With labour \& care thou dost divide the current into four ${ }^{7731}$ Queen of these dreadful rivers speak \& let me hear thy voice

They reard up a wall of rocks and Urizen raisd his spear. ${ }^{7732}$ They gave a scream, they knew their father Urizen knew his daughters They shrunk into their channels. dry the rocky strand beneath his feet Hiding themselves in rocky forms from the Eyes of Urizen

Then Urizen wept \& thus his lamentation poured forth

O horrible O dreadful state! those whom I loved best On whom I pourd the beauties of my light adorning them With jewels \& precious ornament labourd with art divine Vests of the radiant colours of heaven \& crowns of golden fire I gave sweet lillies to their breasts \& roses to their hair I taught them songs of sweet delight, I gave their tender voices

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Into the blue expanse \& I invented with laborious art Sweet instruments of sound. in pride encompassing my Knees
They pourd their radiance above all. the daughters of Luvah Envied At their exceeding brightness \& the sons of eternity sent them gifts Now will I pour my fry on them \& I will reverse The precious benediction. for their colours of loveliness I will give blackness for jewels hoary frost for ornament deformity
For crowns wreathd Serpents for sweet odors stinking corruptibility
For voices of delight hoarse croakings inarticulate thro frost
For labourd fatherly care \& sweet instruction. I will give Chains of dark ignorance \& cords of twisted self conceit And whips of stern repentance \& food of stubborn obstinacy That they may curse Tharmas their God \& Los his adopted son

That they may curse \& worship the obscure Demon of destruction That they may worship terrors \& obey the violent Go forth sons of my curse Go forth daughters of my abhorrence

Tharmas heard the deadly scream across his watry world And Urizens loud sounding voice lamenting on the wind And he came riding in his fury. froze to solid were his waves

Silent in ridges he beheld them stand round Urizen A dreary waste of solid waters for the King of Light Darkend his brows with his cold helmet \& his gloomy spear Darkend before him. Silent on the ridgy waves he took His gloomy way before him Tharmas fled \& flying fought

Crying. What \& who art thou Cold Demon. art thou Urizen Art thou like me risen again from death or art thou deathless If thou art he my desperate purpose hear \& give me death For death to me is better far than life. death my desire That I in vain in various paths have sought but still I live The Body of Man is given to me I seek in vain to destroy For still it surges forth in fish \& monsters of the deeps And in these monstrous forms I Live in an Eternal woe ${ }^{t 733}$ And thou O Urizen art falln never to be deliverd Withhold thy light from me for ever \& I will withhold From thee thy food so shall we cease to be \& all our sorrows End \& the Eternal Man no more renew beneath our power ${ }^{1734}$ If thou refusest in eternal flight thy beams in vain Shall pursue Tharmas \& in vain shalt crave for food I will Pour down my flight thro dark immensity Eternal falling

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Thou shalt pursue me but in vain till starvd upon the void Thou hangst a dried skin shrunk up weak wailing in the wind

So Tharmas spoke but Urizen replied not. On his way He took. high bounding over hills \& desarts floods \& horrible chasms Infinite was his labour without end his travel he strove In vain for hideous monsters of the deeps annoyd him sore Scaled \& finnd with iron \& brass they devourd the path before him Incessant was the conflict. On he bent his weary steps Making a path toward the dark world of Urthona. he rose With pain upon the dreary mountains \& with pain descended ${ }^{1735}$ And saw their grizly fears \& his eyes sickend at the sight The howlings gnashings groanings shriekings shudderings sobbings burstings Mingle together to create a world for Los. In cruel delight

Los brooded on the darkness. nor saw Urizen with a Globe of fire Lighting his dismal journey thro the pathless world of death

Writing in bitter tears \& groans in books of iron \& brass The enormous wonders of the Abysses once his brightest joy

For Urizen beheld the terrors of the Abyss wandring among The ruind spirits once his children \& the children of Luvah Scard at the sound of their own sigh that seems to shake the immense They wander Moping in their heart a Sun a Dreary moon A Universe of fiery constellations in their brain An Eart of wintry woe beneath their feet \& round their loins ${ }^{t 736}$ Waters or winds or clouds or brooding lightnings \& pestilential plagues Beyond the bounds of their own self their senses cannot penetrate As the tree knows not what is outside of its leaves \& bark And yet it drinks the summer joy \& fears the winter sorrow So in the regions of the grave none knows his dark compeer Tho he partakes of his dire woes \& mutual returns the pang The throb the dolor the convulsion in soul sickening woes ${ }^{1737}$

The horrid shapes \& sights of torment in burning dungeons \& in Fetters of red hot iron some with crowns of serpents \& some With monsters girding round their bosoms, Some lying on beds of sulphur On racks \& wheels he beheld women marching oer burning wastes Of Sand in bands of hundreds \& of fifties \& of thousands strucken with Lightnings which blazed after them upon their shoulders in their march In successive vollies with loud thunders swift flew the King of Light

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Over the burning desarts Then the desarts passd. involvd in clouds Of smoke with myriads moping in the stifling vapours. Swift Flew the King tho flagd his powers labring. till over rocks And Mountains faint weary he wanderd. where multitudes were shut Up in the solid mountains \& in rocks which heaved with their torments Then came he among fiery cities \& castles built of burning steel
Then he beheld the forms of tygers \& of Lions dishumanizd men Many in serpents \& in worms stretchd out enormous length Over the sullen mould \& slimy tracks obstruct his way Drawn out from deep to deep woven by ribbd And scaled monsters or armd in iron shell or shell of brass Or gold a glittering torment shining \& hissing in eternal pain Some [as] columns of fire or of water sometimes stretchd out in heighth ${ }^{7738}$ Sometimes in length sometimes englobing wandering in vain seeking for ease ${ }^{t 739}$ His voice to them was but an inarticulate thunder for their Ears
Were heavy \& dull \& their eyes \& nostrils closed up
Oft he stood by a howling victim Questioning in words
Soothing or Furious no one answerd every one wrapd up
In his own sorrow howld regardless of his words, nor voice
Of sweet response could he obtain tho oft assayd with tears
He knew they were his Children ruind in his ruind world ${ }^{7740}$

Oft would he stand \& question a fierce scorpion glowing with gold In vain the terror heard not. then a lion he would Sieze By the fierce mane staying his howling course in vain the voice ${ }^{t 741}$ Of Urizen vain the Eloquent tongue. A Rock a Cloud a Mountain Were now not Vocal as in Climes of happy Eternity Where the lamb replies to the infant voice \& the lion to the man of years Giving them sweet instructions Where the Cloud the River \& the Field Talk with the husbandman \& shepherd. But these attackd him sore Siezing upon his feet \& rending the Sinews that in Caves
He hid to recure his obstructed powers with rest \& oblivion

Here he had time enough to repent of his rashly threatend curse He saw them cursd beyond his Curse his soul melted with fear

He could not take their fetters off for they grew from the soul Nor could he quench the fires for they flamd out from the heart Nor cold he calm the Elements because himself was Subject So he threw his flight in terror \& pain \& in repentant tears

When he had passd these southern terrors he approachd the East Void pathless beaten With iron sleet \& eternal hail \& rain ${ }^{7742}$

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No form was there no living thing \& yet his way lay thro This dismal world. he stood a while \& lookd back oer his former Terrific voyage. Hills \& Vales of torment \& despair Sighing \& Wiping a fresh tear. then turning round he threw Himself into the dismal void. falling he fell \& fell Whirling in unresistible revolutions down \& down In the horrid bottomless vacuity falling failing falling Into the Eastern vacuity the empty world of Luvah

The ever pitying one who seeth all things saw his fall And in the dark vacuity created a bosom of clay ${ }^{1743}$ When wearied dead he fell his limbs reposd in the bosom of slime As the seed falls from the sowers hand so Urizen fell \& death Shut up his powers in oblivion. then as the seed shoots forth In pain \& sorrow. So the slimy bed his limbs renewd At first an infant weakness. periods passd he gatherd strength But still in solitude he sat then rising threw his flight Onward tho falling thro the waste of night \& ending in death And in another resurrection to sorrow \& weary travel But still his books he bore in his strong hands \& his iron pen For when he died they lay beside his grave \& when he rose ${ }^{1744}$ He siezd them with a gloomy smile for wrapd in his death clothes ${ }^{7745}$ He hid them when he slept in death when he revivd the clothes Were rotted by the winds the books remaind still unconsumd

Still to be written \& interleavd with brass \& iron \& gold Time after time for such a journey none but iron pens Can write And adamantine leaves recieve nor can the man who goes

The journey obstinate refuse to write time after time

Endless had been his travel but the Divine hand him led ${ }^{t 746}$
For infinite the distance \& obscurd by Combustions dire By rocky masses frowning in the abysses revolving erratic Round Lakes of fire in the dark deep the ruins of Urizens world Oft would he sit in a dark rift \& regulate his books Or sleep such sleep as spirits eternal wearied in his dark Tearful \& sorrowful state. then rise look out \& ponder His dismal voyage eyeing the next sphere tho far remote Then darting into the Abyss of night his venturous limbs Thro lightnings thunders earthquakes \& concussions fires \& floods Stemming his downward fall labouring up against futurity Creating many a Vortex fixing many a Science in the deep

And thence throwing his venturous limbs into the Vast unknown Swift Swift from Chaos to chaos from void to void a road immense

For when he came to where a Vortex ceasd to operate Nor down nor up remaind then if he turnd \& lookd back
From whence he came twas upward all. \& if he turnd and viewd The unpassd void upward was still his mighty wandring
The midst between an Equilibrium grey of air serene Where he might live in peace $\&$ where his life might meet repose

But Urizen said Can I not leave this world of Cumbrous wheels Circle oer Circle nor on high attain a void Where self sustaining I may view all things beneath my feet Or sinking thro these Elemental wonders swift to fall I thought perhaps to find an End a world beneath of voidness Whence I might travel round the outside of this Dark confusion When I bend downward bending my bead downward into the deep Tis upward all which way soever I my course begin But when A Vortex formd on high by labour \& sorrow \& care And weariness begins on all my limbs then sleep revives My wearied spirits waking then tis downward all which way So ever I my spirits turn no end I find of all O what a world is here unlike those climes of bliss Where my sons gatherd round my knees $O$ thou poor ruind world Thou horrible ruin once like me thou wast all glorious And now like me partaking desolate thy masters lot Art thou O ruin the once glorious heaven are these thy rocks Where joy sang in the trees \& pleasure sported on the rivers

And laughter sat beneath the Oaks \& innocence sported round Upon the green plains \& sweet friendship met in palaces And books \& instruments of song \& pictures of delight Where are they whelmd beneath these ruins in horrible destruction ${ }^{1747}$ And if Eternal falling I repose on the dark bosom Of winds \& waters or thence fall into a Void where air Is not down falling thro immensity ever \& ever I lose my powers weakend every revolution till a death Shuts up my powers then a seed in the vast womb of darkness I dwell in dim oblivion. brooding over me the Enormous worlds
Reorganize me shooting forth in bones \& flesh \& blood
I am regenerated to fall or rise at will or to remain
A labourer of ages a dire discontent a living woe
Wandring in vain. Here will I fix my foot \& here rebuild
Here Mountains of Brass promise much riches in their dreadful bosoms
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So he began to dig form[ing] of gold silver \& iron ${ }^{1749}$
And brass vast instruments to measure out the immense \& fix The whole into another world better suited to obey His will where none should dare oppose his will himself being King Of All \& all futurity be bound in his vast chain

And the Sciences were fixd \& the Vortexes began to operate On all the sons of men \& every human soul terrified At the turning wheels of heaven shrunk away inward withring away Gaining a New Dominion over all his sons \& Daughters \& over the Sons \& daughters of Luvah in the horrible Abyss For Urizen lamented over them in a selfish lamentation Till a white woof coverd his cold limbs from head to feet ${ }^{7550}$
Hair white as snow coverd him in flaky locks terrific Overspreading his limbs. in pride he wanderd weeping Clothed in aged venerableness obstinately resolvd Travelling thro darkness \& whereever he traveld a dire Web Followd behind him as the Web of a Spider dusky \& cold Shivering across from Vortex to Vortex drawn out from his mantle of years A living Mantle adjoind to his life \& growing from his Soul

And the Web of Urizen stre[t]chd direful shivring in clouds And uttering such woes such bursts such thunderings ${ }^{1751}$ The eyelids expansive as morning \& the Ears As a golden ascent winding round to the heavens of heavens Within the dark horrors of the Abysses lion or tyger or scorpion

For every one opend within into Eternity at will But they refusd because their outward forms were in the Abyss

And the wing like tent of the Universe beautiful surrounding all Or drawn up or let down at the will of the immortal man
Vibrated in such anguish the eyelids quiverd Weak \& Weaker their expansive orbs began shrinking
Pangs smote thro the brain \& a universal shriek
Ran thro the abysses rending the web torment on torment

Thus Urizen in sorrows wanderd many a dreary way
Warring with monsters of the Deeps in his most hideous pilgrimage Till his bright hair scatterd in snows his skin barkd oer with wrinkles Four Caverns rooting downwards their foundations thrusting forth

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The metal rock \& stone in ever painful throes of vegetation
The Cave of Orc stood to the South a furnace of dire flames
Quenchless unceasing. In the west the Cave of Urizen
For Urizen fell as the Midday sun falls down into the West North stood Urthonas stedfast throne a World of Solid darkness
Shut up in stifling obstruction rooted in dumb despair
The East was Void. But Tharmas rolld his billows in ceaseless eddies
Void pathless beat with Snows eternal \& iron hail \& rain ${ }^{752}$
All thro the caverns of fire \& air \& Earth, Seeking
For Enions limbs nought finding but the black sea weed \& sickning slime
Flying away from Urizen that he might not give him food Above beneath on all sides round in the vast deep of immensity That he might starve the sons \& daughters of Urizen on the winds Making between horrible chasms into the vast unknown All these around the world of Los cast forth their monstrous births But in Eternal times the Seat of Urizen is in the South ${ }^{7753}$ Urthona in the North Luvah in East Tharmas in West

And now he came into the Abhorred world of Dark Urthona By Providence divine conducted not bent from his own will Lest death Eternal should be the result for the Will cannot be violated Into the doleful vales where no tree grew nor river flowd Nor man nor beast nor creeping thing nor sun nor cloud nor star Still he with his globe of fire immense in his venturous hand Bore on thro the Affrighted vales ascending \& descending Oerwearied or in cumbrous flight he venturd oer dark rifts Or down dark precipices or climbd with pain and labour huge Till he beheld the world of Los from the Peaked rock of Urthona And heard the howling of red Orc distincter \& distincter

Redoubling his immortal efforts thro the narrow vales With difficulty down descending guided by his Ear
And by his globe of fire he went down the Vale of Urthona ${ }^{1754}$
Between the enormous iron walls built by the Spectre dark

Dark grew his globe reddning with mists \& full before his path Striding across the narrow vale the Shadow of Urthona ${ }^{1755}$ A spectre Vast appeard whose feet \& legs with iron scaled Stampd the hard rocks expectant of the unknown wanderer Whom he had seen wandring his nether world when distant far And watchd his swift approach collected dark the Spectre stood Beside hi[m] Tharmas stayd his flight \& stood in stern defiance ${ }^{7756}$ Communing with the Spectre who rejoicd along the vale Round his loins a girdle glowd with many colourd fires

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In his hand a knotted Club whose knots like mountains frownd Desart among the Stars them withering with its ridges cold Black scales of iron arm the dread visage iron spikes instead Of hair shoot from his orbed scull. his glowing eyes Burn like two furnaces. he calld with Voice of Thunder

Four winged heralds mount the furious blasts \& blow their trumps Gold Silver Brass \& iron clangors clamoring rend the shores ${ }^{7757}$ Like white clouds rising from the Vales his fifty two armies From the four Cliffs of Urthona rise glowing around the Spectre Four sons of Urizen the Squadrons of Urthona led in arms Of gold \& silver brass \& iron he knew his mighty sons

Then Urizen arose upon the wind back many a mile Retiring into his dire Web scattering fleecy snows As he ascended howling loud the Web vibrated strong From heaven to heaven from globe to globe. In vast excentric paths Compulsive rolld the Comets at his dread command the dreary way Falling with wheel impetuous down among Urthonas vales And round red Orc returning back to Urizen gorgd with blood ${ }^{7} 758$ Slow roll the massy Globes at his command \& slow oerwheel The dismal squadrons of Urthona. weaving the dire Web In their progressions \& preparing Urizens path before him End of The Sixth Night

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Night the Seventh ${ }^{7759}$

Then Urizen arose The Spectre fled \& Tharmas fled The darkning Spectre of Urthona hid beneath a rock Tharmas threw his impetuous flight thro the deeps of immensity Revolving round in whirlpools fierce all round the cavernd worlds

## But Urizen silent descended to the Caves of Orc \& saw ${ }^{1760}$

 A Cavernd Universe of flaming fire the horses of UrizenHere bound to fiery mangers furious dash their golden hoofs Striking fierce sparkles from their brazen fetters. fierce his lions ${ }^{t 761}$ Howl in the burning dens his tygers roam ill the redounding smoke In forests of affliction. the adamantine scales of justice Consuming in the raging lamps of mercy pourd in rivers The holy oil rages thro all the cavernd rocks fierce flames

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Dance on the rivers \& the rocks howling \& drunk with fury The plow of ages \& the golden harrow wade thro fields Of goary blood the immortal seed is nourishd for the slaughter The bulls of Luvah breathing fire bellow on burning pastures Round howling Orc whose awful limbs cast forth red smoke \& fire That Urizen approachd not near but took his seat on a rock And rangd his books around him brooding Envious over Orc ${ }^{1762}$

Howling \& rending his dark caves the awful Demon lay Pulse after pulse beat on his fetters pulse after pulse his spirit Darted \& darted higher \& higher to the shrine of Enitharmon As when the thunder folds himself in thickest clouds The watry nations couch \& hide in the profoundest deeps Then bursting from his troubled head with terrible visages \& flaming hair His swift wingd daughters sweep across the vast black ocean

Los felt the Envy in his limbs like to a blighted tree

For Urizen fixd in Envy sat brooding \& coverd with snow His book of iron on his knees he tracd the dreadful letters While his snows fell \& his storms beat to cool the flames of Orc Age after Age till underneath his heel a deadly root Struck thro the rock the root of Mystery accursed shooting up Branches into the heaven of Los they pipe formd bending down Take root again whereever they touch again branching forth In intricate labyrinths oerspreading many a grizly deep

Amazd started Urizen when he found himself compassd round And high roofed over with trees. he arose but the stems Stood so thick he with difficulty \& great pain brought His books out of the dismal shade. all but the book of iron Again he took his seat \& rangd his Books around ${ }^{7774}$ On a rock of iron frowning over the foaming fires of Orc

And Urizen hung over Ore \& viewd his terrible wrath Sitting upon an iron Crag at length his words broke forth ${ }^{7765}$

Image of dread whence art thou whence is this most woful place Whence these fierce fires but from thyself No other living thing In all this Chasm I behold. No other living thing
Dare thy most terrible wrath abide Bound here to waste in pain

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Thy vital substance in these fires that issue new \& new Around thee sometimes like a flood \& sometimes like a rock Of living pangs thy horrible bed glowing with ceaseless fires Beneath thee \& around Above a Shower of fire now beats Moulded to globes \& arrowy wedges rending thy bleeding limbs And now a whirling pillar of burning sands to overwhelm thee Steeping thy wounds in salts infernal \& in bitter anguish And now a rock moves on the surface of this lake of fire To bear thee down beneath the waves in stifling despair Pity for thee movd me to break my dark \& long repose And to reveal myself before thee in a form of wisdom Yet thou dost laugh at all these tortures \& this horrible place Yet throw thy limbs these fires abroad that back return upon thee While thou reposest throwing rage on rage feeding thyself With visions of sweet bliss far other than this burning clime Sure thou art bathd in rivers of delight on verdant fields Walking in joy in bright Expanses sleeping on bright clouds With visions of delight so lovely that they urge thy rage Tenfold with fierce desire to rend thy chain \& howl in fury And dim oblivion of all woe \& desperate repose Or is thy joy founded on torment which others bear for thee

Orc answer'd Curse thy hoary brows. What dost thou in this deep Thy Pity I contemn scatter thy snows elsewhere

I rage in the deep for Lo my feet \& hands are naild to the burning rock Yet my fierce fires are better than thy snows Shuddring thou sittest Thou art not chaind Why shouldst thou sit cold grovelling demon of woe In tortures of dire coldness now a Lake of waters deep Sweeps over thee freezing to solid still thou sitst closd up In that transparent rock as if in joy of thy bright prison Till overburdend with its own weight drawn out thro immensity With a crash breaking across the horrible mass comes down Thundring \& hail \& frozen iron haild from the Element Rends thy white hair yet thou dost fixd obdurate brooding sit Writing thy books. Anon a cloud filld with a waste of snows Covers thee still obdurate still resolvd \& writing still Tho rocks roll oer thee tho floods pour tho winds black as the Sea ${ }^{t 776}$ Cut thee in gashes tho the blood pours down around thy ankles Freezing thy feet to the hard rock still thy pen obdurate Traces the wonders of Futurity in horrible fear of the future I rage furious in the deep for lo my feet \& hands are naild To the hard rock or thou shouldst feel my enmity \& hate

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In all the diseases of man falling upon thy grey accursed front

Urizen answerd Read my books explore my Constellations Enquire of my Sons \& they shall teach thee how to War Enquire of my Daughters who accursd in the dark depths Knead bread of Sorrow by my stern command for I am God Of all this dreadful ruin Rise O daughters at my Stern command

Rending the Rocks Eleth \& Uveth rose \& Ona rose Terrific with their iron vessels driving them across In the dim air they took the book of iron \& placd above
On clouds of death \& sang their songs Kneading the bread of Orc Orc listend to the song compelld hungring on the cold wind That swaggd heavy with the accursed dough. the hoar frost ragd Thro Onas sieve the torrent rain pourd from the iron pail Of Eleth \& the icy hands of Uveth kneaded the bread The heavens bow with terror underneath their iron hands Singing at their dire work the words of Urizens book of iron While the enormous scrolls rolld dreadful in the heavens above And still the burden of their song in tears was poured forth The bread is Kneaded let us rest O cruel father of children

But Urizen remitted not their labours upon his rock

And Urizen Read in his book of brass in sounding tones ${ }^{7767}$

Listen O Daughters to my voice Listen to the Words of Wisdom So shall [ye] govern over all let Moral Duty tune your tongue ${ }^{7768}$
But be your hearts harder than the nether millstone
To bring the shadow of Enitharmon beneath our wondrous tree
That Los may Evaporate like smoke \& be no more
Draw down Enitharmon to the Spectre of Urthona
And let him have dominion over Los the terrible shade

Compell the poor to live upon a Crust of bread by soft mild arts Smile when they frown frown when they smile \& when a man looks pale With labour \& abstinence say he looks healthy \& happy And when his children Sicken let them die there are enough Born even too many \& our Earth will be overrun Without these arts If you would make the poor live with temper With pomp give every crust of bread you give with gracious cunning Magnify small gifts reduce the man to want a gift \& then give with pomp

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Say he smiles if you hear him sigh If pale say he is ruddy Preach temperance say he is overgorgd \& drowns his wit In strong drink tho you know that bread \& water are all He can afford Flatter his wife pity his children till we can

Reduce all to our will as spaniels are taught with art

Lo how the heart \& brain are formed in the breeding womb Of Enitharmon how it buds with life \& forms the bones The little heart the liver \& the red blood in its labyrinths By gratified desire by strong devouring appetite she fills Los with ambitious fury that his race shall all devour

Then Orc cried Curse thy Cold hypocrisy. already round thy Tree ${ }^{t 770}$ In scales that shine with gold \& rubies thou beginnest to weaken My divided Spirit Like a worm I rise in peace unbound From wrath Now When I rage my fetters bind me more O torment O torment A Worm compelld. Am I a worm Is it in strong deceit that man is born. In strong deceit Thou dost restrain my fury that the worm may fold the tree Avaunt Cold hypocrite I am chaind or thou couldst not use me thus The Man shall rage bound with this Chain the worm in silence creep Thou wilt not cease from rage Grey Demon silence all thy storms Give me example of thy mildness King of furious hail storms Art thou the cold attractive power that holds me in this chain I well remember how I stole thy light \& it became fire Consuming. Thou Knowst me now O Urizen Prince of Light And I know thee is this the triumph this the Godlike State That lies beyond the bounds of Science in the Grey obscure

Terrified Urizen heard Orc now certain that he was Luvah And Orc began to Organize a Serpent body ${ }^{\text {t771 }}$
Despising Urizens light \& turning it into flaming fire Recieving as a poisond Cup Recieves the heavenly wine And turning affection into fury \& thought into abstraction ${ }^{t 772}$ A Self consuming dark devourer rising into the heavens

Urizen envious brooding sat \& saw the secret terror Flame high in pride \& laugh to scorn the source of his deceit Nor knew the source of his own but thought himself the Sole author

Of all his wandering Experiments in the horrible Abyss

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He knew that weakness stretches out in breadth \& length he knew That wisdom reaches high \& deep \& therefore he made Orc In Serpent form compelld stretch out \& up the mysterious tree He sufferd him to Climb that he might draw all human forms Into submission to his will nor knew the dread result

Los sat in showers of Urizen watching cold Enitharmon ${ }^{7773}$ His broodings rush down to his feet producing Eggs that hatching Burst forth upon the winds above the tree of Mystery Enitharmon lay on his knees. Urizen tracd his Verses In the dark deep the dark tree grew. her shadow was drawn down Down to the roots it wept over Orc. the Shadow of Enitharmon

Los saw her stretchd the image of death upon his witherd valleys
Her Shadow went forth \& returnd Now she was pale as Snow When the mountains \& hills are coverd over \& the paths of Men shut up ${ }^{7774}$ But when her spirit returnd as ruddy as a morning when
The ripe fruit blushes into joy in heavens eternal halls ${ }^{7775}$
Sorrow shot thro him from his feet it shot up to his head
Like a cold night that nips the root \& shatters off the leaves ${ }^{7776}$
Silent he stood oer Enitharmon watching her pale face
He spoke not he was Silent till he felt the cold disease
Then Los mournd on the dismal wind in his jealous lamentation

Why can I not Enjoy thy beauty Lovely Enitharmon
When I return from clouds of Grief in the wandring Elements
Where thou in thrilling joy in beaming summer loveliness
Delectable reposest ruddy in my absence flaming with beauty
Cold pale in sorrow at my approach trembling at my terrific
Forehead \& eyes thy lips decay lik roses in the spring ${ }^{t 777}$
How art thou Shrunk thy grapes that burst in summers vast Excess
Shut up in little purple covering faintly bud \& die
Thy olive trees that pourd down oil upon a thousand hills Sickly look forth \& scarcely stretch their branches to the plain
Thy roses that expanded in the face of glowing morn

Hid in a little silken veil scarce breathe \& faintly shine
Thy lilies that gave light what time the morning looked forth Hid in the Vales faintly lament \& no one hears their voice All things beside the woful Los enjoy the delights of beauty Once how I sang \& calld the beasts \& birds to their delights Nor knew that I alone exempted from the joys of love Must war with secret monsters of the animating worlds

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O that I had not seen the day then should I be at rest Nor felt the stingings of desire nor longings after life For life is Sweet to Los the wretched to his winged woes Is given a craving cry that they may sit at night on barren rocks And whet their beaks \& snuff the air \& watch the opening dawn And Shriek till at the smells of blood they stretch their boney wings And cut the winds like arrows shot by troops of Destiny

Thus Los lamented in the night unheard by Enitharmon For the Shadow of Enitharmon descended down the tree of Mystery The Spectre saw the Shade Shivering over his gloomy rocks Beneath the tree of Mystery which in the dismal Abyss Began to blossom in fierce pain shooting its writhing buds In throes of birth \& now the blossoms falling shining fruit

Appeard of many colours \& of various poisonous qualities Of Plagues hidden in shining globes that grew on the living tree

The Spectre of Urthona saw the Shadow of Enitharmon Beneath the Tree of Mystery among the leaves \& fruit ${ }^{7778}$ Reddning the Demon strong prepard the poison of sweet Love He turnd from side to side in tears he wept \& he embracd ${ }^{t 779}$ The fleeting image $\&$ in whispers mild wood the faint shade

Loveliest delight of Men. Enitharmon shady hiding In secret places where no eye can trace thy watry way Have I found thee have I found thee tremblest thou in fear Because of Orc because he rent his discordant way From thy sweet loins of bliss. red flowd thy blood Pale grew thy face lightnings playd around thee thunders hoverd ${ }^{7780}$ Over thee, \& the terrible Orc rent his discordant way ${ }^{1781}$ But the next joy of thine shall be in sweet delusion And its birth in fainting \& sleep \& Sweet delusions of Vala ${ }^{1782}$

The Shadow of Enitharmon answerd Art thou terrible Shade Set over this sweet boy of mine to guard him lest he rend

His mother to the winds of heaven Intoxicated with The fruit of this delightful tree. I cannot flee away From thy embrace else be assurd so horrible a form Should never in my arms repose. now listen I will tell Thee Secrets of Eternity which neer before unlockd

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My golden lips nor took the bar from Enitharmons breast
Among the Flowers of Beulah walkd the Eternal Man \& Saw
Vala the lilly of the desart. melting in high noon
Upon her bosom in sweet bliss he fainted Wonder siezd All heaven they saw him dark. they built a golden wall Round Beulah There he reveld in delight among the Flowers Vala was pregnant \& brought forth Urizen Prince of Light ${ }^{1783}$ First born of Generation. Then behold a wonder to the Eyes Of the now fallen Man a double form Vala appeard. A Male And female shuddring pale the Fallen Man recoild From the Enormity \& calld them Luvah \& Vala. turning down The vales to find his way back into Heaven but found none For his frail eyes were faded \& his ears heavy \& dull

Urizen grew up in the plains of Beulah Many Sons And many daughters flourishd round the holy Tent of Man Till he forgot Eternity delighted in his sweet joy Among his family his flocks \& herds \& tents \& pastures

But Luvah close conferrd with Urizen in darksom night To bind the father \& enslave the brethren Nought he knew

Of sweet Eternity the blood flowd round the holy tent \& rivn From its hinges uttering its final groan all Beulah fell In dark confusion mean time Los was born \& Enitharmon But how I know not then forgetfulness quite wrapd me up A period nor do I more remember till I stood Beside Los in the Cavern dark enslavd to vegetative forms According to the Will of Luvah who assumed the Place Of the Eternal Man \& smote him. But thou Spectre dark Maist find a way to punish Vala in thy fiery South To bring her down subjected to the rage of my fierce boy

The Spectre said. Thou lovely Vision this delightful Tree Is given us for a Shelter from the tempests of Void \& Solid Till once again the morn of ages shall renew upon us To reunite in those mild fields of happy Eternity Where thou \& I in undivided Essence walkd about Imbodied. thou my garden of delight \& I the spirit in the garden Mutual there we dwelt in one anothers joy revolving Days of Eternity with Tharmas mild \& Luvah sweet melodious Upon our waters. This thou well rememberest listen I will tell What thou forgettest. They in us \& we in them alternate Livd ${ }^{7784}$

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Drinking the joys of Universal Manhood. One dread morn Listen O vision of Delight One dread morn of goary blood The manhood was divided for the gentle passions making way ${ }^{785}$ Thro the infinite labyrinths of the heart \& thro the nostrils issuing In odorous stupefaction stood before the Eyes of Man A female bright. I stood beside my anvil dark a mass Of iron glowd bright prepard for spades \& plowshares. sudden down I sunk with cries of blood issuing downward in the veins Which now my rivers were become rolling in tubelike forms ${ }^{t 786}$ Shut up within themselves descending down I sunk along, The goary tide even to the place of seed \& there dividing I was divided in darkness \& oblivion thou an infant woe And I an infant terror in the womb of Enion
My masculine spirit scorning the frail body issud forth From Enions brain In this deformed form leaving thee there Till times passd over thee but still my spirit returning hoverd ${ }^{1787}$ And formd a Male to be a counterpart to thee O Love Darkend \& Lost In due time issuing forth from Enions womb Thou \& that demon Los wert born Ah jealousy \& woe ${ }^{7788}$ Ah poor divided dark Urthona now a Spectre wandering The deeps of Los the Slave of that Creation I created I labour night \& day for Los but listen thou my vision
I view futurity in thee I will bring down soft Vala
To the embraces of this terror \& I will destroy That body I created then shall we unite again in bliss

Thou knowest that the Spectre is in Every Man insane brutish ${ }^{7789}$ Deformd that I am thus a ravening devouring lust continually Craving \& devouring but my Eyes are always upon thee O lovely Delusion \& I cannot crave for any thing but thee no so ${ }^{7790}$ The spectres of the Dead for I am as the Spectre of the Living For till these terrors planted round the Gates of Eternal life Are driven away \& annihilated we never can repass the Gates

Astonishd filld with tears the spirit of Enitharmon beheld And heard the Spectre bitterly she wept Embracing fervent ${ }^{7791}$ Her once lovd Lord now but a Shade herself also a shade Conferring times on times among the branches of that Tree

Thus they conferrd among the intoxicating fumes of Mystery Till Enitharmons shadow pregnant in the deeps beneath Brought forth a wonder horrible. While Enitharmon shriekd And trembled thro the Worlds above Los wept his fierce soul was terrifid At the shrieks of Enitharmon at her tossings nor could his eyes percieve

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The cause of her dire anguish for she lay the image of Death Movd by strong shudders till her shadow was deliverd then she ran Raving about the upper Elements in maddning fury

She burst the Gates of Enitharmons heart with direful Crash Nor could they ever be closd again the golden hinges were broken And the gates broke in sunder \& their ornaments defacd ${ }^{1792}$ Beneath the tree of Mystery for the immortal shadow shuddering Brought forth this wonder horrible a Cloud she grew \& grew Till many of the dead burst forth from the bottoms of their tombs In male forms without female counterparts or Emanations ${ }^{t 793}$ Cruel and ravening with Enmity \& Hatred \& War In dreams of Ulro dark delusive drawn by the lovely shadow ${ }^{t 794}$

The Spectre terrified gave her Charge over the howling Orc ${ }^{7795}$

But in the deeps beneath the Roots of Mystery in darkest night ${ }^{7797}$
Where Urizen sat on his rock the Shadow brooded 1798
Urizen saw \& triumphd \& he cried to his warriors ${ }^{1799}$

The time of Prophecy is now revolvd \& all
This Universal Ornament is mine \& in my hands
The ends of heaven like a Garment will I fold them round me
Consuming what must be consumd then in power \& majesty I will walk forth thro those wide fields of endless Eternity A God \& not a Man a Conqueror in triumphant glory And all the Sons of Everlasting shall bow down at my feet 1800

First Trades \& Commerce ships \& armed vessels he builded laborious To swim the deep \& on the Land children are sold to trades

Of dire necessity still laboring day \& night till all Their life extinct they took the spectre form in dark despair And slaves in myriads in ship loads burden the hoarse sounding deep Rattling with clanking chains the Universal Empire groans

And he commanded his Sons found a Center in the Deep And Urizen laid the first Stone \& all his myriads Builded a temple in the image of the human heart

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They formd the Secret place reversing all the order of delight That whosoever enterd into the temple might not behold The hidden wonders allegoric of the Generations Of secret lust when hid in chambers dark the nightly harlot Plays in Disguise in whisperd hymn \& mumbling prayer The priests He ordaind \& Priestesses clothd in disguises beastial Inspiring secrecy \& lamps they bore intoxicating fumes Roll round the Temple \& they took the Sun that glowd oer Los And with immense machines down rolling. the terrific orb Compell'd. The Sun reddning like a fierce lion in his chains Descended to the sound of instruments that drownd the noise Of the hoarse wheels \& the terrific howlings of wild beasts That dragd the wheels of the Suns chariot \& they put the Sun Into the temple of Urizen to give light to the Abyss To light the War by day to hide his secret beams by night For he divided day \& night in different orderd portions The day for war the night for secret religion in his temple ${ }^{1801}$

Los reard his mighty stature on Earth stood his feet. Above ${ }^{1802}$ The moon his furious forehead circled with black bursting thunders His naked limbs glittring upon the dark blue sky his knees Bathed in bloody clouds. his loins in fires of war where spears And swords rage where the Eagles cry \& the Vultures laugh saying Now comes the night of Carnage now the flesh of Kings \& Princes Pamperd in palaces for our food the blood of Captains nurturd ${ }^{1803}$ With lust \& murder for our drink the drunken Raven shall wander All night among the slain \& mock the wounded that groan in the field

Tharmas laughd furious among the Banners clothd in blood

Crying As I will I rend the Nations all asunder rending The People, vain their combinations I will scatter them But thou O Son whom I have crowned and inthrond thee Strong I will preserve tho Enemies arise around thee numberless I will command my winds \& they shall scatter them or call

My Waters like a flood around thee fear not trust in me And I will give thee all the ends of heaven for thy possession

In war shalt thou bear rule in blood shalt thou triumph for me Because in times of Everlasting I was rent in sunder And what I loved best was divided among my Enemies

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My little daughters were made captives \& I saw them beaten With whips along the sultry sands. I heard those whom I lovd 1804 Crying in secret tents at night \& in the morn compelld To labour \& behold my heart sunk down beneath In sighs \& sobbings all dividing till I was divided ${ }^{t 805}$ In twain \& lo my Crystal form that lived in my bosom Followd her daughters to the fields of blood they left me naked Alone \& they refusd to return from the fields of the mighty Therefore I will reward them as they have rewarded me I will divide them in my anger \& thou O my King Shalt gather them from out their graves \& put thy fetter on them And bind them to thee that my crystal form may come to me

So cried the Demon of the Waters in the Clouds of Los Outstretchd upon the hills lay Enitharmon clouds \& tempests Beat round her head all night all day she riots in Excess But night or day Los follows War \& the dismal moon rolls over her ${ }^{1806}$ That when Los warrd upon the South reflected the fierce fires Of his immortal head into the North upon faint Enitharmon Red rage the furies of fierce Orc black thunders roll round Los Flaming his head like the bright sun seen thro a mist that magnifies His disk into a terrible vision to the Eyes of trembling mortals

And Enitharmon trembling \& in fear utterd these words

I put not any trust in thee nor in thy glittering scales Thy eyelids are a terror to me \& the flaming of thy crest The rushing of thy Scales confound me thy hoarse rushing scales And if that Los had not built me a tower upon a rock I must have died in the dark desart among noxious worms How shall I flee how shall I flee into the tower of Los My feet are turned backward \& my footsteps slide in clay And clouds are closd around my tower my arms labour in vain Does not the God of waters in the wracking Elements Love those who hate rewarding with hate the Loving Soul

And must not I obey the God thou Shadow of Jealousy I cry the watchman heareth not I pour my voice in roarings Watchman the night is thick \& darkness cheats my rayie sight Lift up Lift up O Los awake my watchman for he sleepeth Lift up Lift up Shine forth O Light watchman thy light is out O Los unless thou keep my tower the Watchman will be slain

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So Enitharmon cried upon her terrible Earthy bed While the broad Oak wreathd his roots round her forcing his dark way

Thro caves of death into Existence The Beech long limbd advancd Terrific into the paind heavens The fruit trees humanizing Shewd their immortal energies in warlike desperation
Rending the heavens \& earths \& drinking blood in the hot battle To feed their fruit to gratify their hidden sons $\&$ daughters That far within the close recesses of their secret palaces
Viewd the vast war \& joyd wishing to vegetate Into the Worlds of Enitharmon Loud the roaring winds Burdend with clouds howl round the Couch sullen the wooly sheep Walks thro the battle Dark \& fierce the Bull his rage Propagates thro the warring Earth The Lion raging in flames $t 807$ The Tyger in redounding smoke The Serpent of the woods $t 808$ And of the waters \& the scorpion of the desart irritate With harsh songs every living soul. The Prester Serpent runs Along the ranks crying Listen to the Priest of God ye warriors This Cowl upon my head he placd in times of Everlasting And said Go forth \& guide my battles. lik the jointed spine Of Man I made thee when I blotted Man from life \& light Take thou the seven Diseases of Man store them for times to come In store houses in secret places that I will tell the[e] of To be my great $\&$ awful curses at the time appointed

The Prester Serpent ceasd the War song sounded loud \& strong Thro all the heavens Urizens Web vibrated torment on torment 1809

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Thus in the Caverns of the Grave \& Places of human seed ${ }^{1811}$
The nameless shadowy Vortex stood before the face of Orc The Shadow reard her dismal head over the flaming youth With sighs \& howling \& deep sobs that he might lose his rage And with it lose himself in meekness she embracd his fire As when the Earthquake rouzes from his den his shoulders huge Appear above the crumb[l]ing Mountain. Silence waits around him A moment then astounding horror belches from the Center The fiery dogs arise the shoulders huge appear
So Orc rolld round his clouds upon the deeps of dark Urthona Knowing the arts of Urizen were Pity \& Meek affection ${ }^{\text {t8 }} 12$ And that by these arts the Serpent form exuded from his limbs Silent as despairing love \& strong as Jealousy
Jealous that she was Vala now become Urizens harlot And the Harlot of Los \& the deluded harlot of the Kings of Earth

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His soul was gnawn in sunder
The hairy shoulders rend the links free are the wrists of fire Red rage redounds he rouzd his lions from his forests black They howl around the flaming youth rending the nameless shadow And running their immortal course thro solid darkness borne

Loud sounds the war song round red Orc in his [?triumphant] fury ${ }^{1813}$ And round the nameless shadowy Female in her howling terror When all the Elemental Gods joind in the wondrous Song

Sound the War trumpet terrific Souls clad in attractive steel Sound the shrill fife serpents of war. I hear the northern drum Awake, I hear the flappings of the folding banners

The dragons of the North put on their armour Upon the Eastern sea direct they take their course The glittring of their horses trapping stains the vault of night

Stop we the rising of the glorious King. spur spur your clouds ${ }^{1814}$

Of death O northern drum awake O hand of iron sound The northern drum. Now give the charge! bravely obscurd!
With darts of wintry hail. Again the black bow draw
Again the Elemental Strings to your right breasts draw And let the thundring drum speed on the arrows black

The arrows flew from cloudy bow all day. till blood From east to west flowd like the human veins in rivers Of life upon the plains of death \& valleys of despair

Now sound the clarions of Victory now strip the slain clothe yourselves in golden arms brothers of war 1815 They sound the clarions strong they chain the howling captives they give the Oath of blood They cast the lots into the helmet, ${ }^{1816}$ They vote the death of Luvah \& they naild him to the tree They piercd him with a spear \& laid him in a sepulcher To die a death of Six thousand years bound round with desolation The sun was black \& the moon rolld a useless globe thro heaven

Then left the Sons of Urizen the plow \& harrow the loom The hammer \& the Chisel \& the rule \& compasses

They forgd the sword the chariot of war the battle ax The trumpet fitted to the battle \& the flute of summer And all the arts of life they changd into the arts of death The hour glass contemnd because its simple workmanship Was as the workmanship of the plowman \& the water wheel That raises water into Cisterns broken \& burnd in fire Because its workmanship was like the workmanship of the Shepherd And in their stead intricate wheels invented Wheel without wheel To perplex youth in their outgoings \& to bind to labours Of day \& night the myriads of Eternity. that they might file And polish brass \& iron hour after hour laborious workmanship Kept ignorant of the use that they might spend the days of wisdom In sorrowful drudgery to obtain a scanty pittance of bread In ignorance to view a small portion \& think that All And call it Demonstration blind to all the simple rules of life

Now now the Battle rages round thy tender limbs O Vala Now smile among thy bitter tears now put on all thy beauty Is not the wound of the sword Sweet \& the broken bone delightful Wilt thou now smile among the slain when the wounded groan in the field

Life up thy blue eyes Vala \& put on thy sapphire shoes O Melancholy Magdalen behold the morning breaks Gird on thy flaming Zone. descend into the Sepulcher Scatter the blood from thy golden brow the tears from thy silver locks Shake off the waters from thy wings \& the dust from thy white garments

Remember all thy feigned terrors on the secret Couch When the sun rose in glowing morn with arms of mighty hosts Marching to battle who was wont to rise with Urizens harps 1817 Girt as a Sower with his seed to scatter life abroad

Arise O Vala bring the bow of Urizen bring the sift arrows of light How ragd the golden horses of Urizen bound to the chariot of Love Compelld to leave the plow to the Ox to snuff up the winds of desolation To trample the corn fields in boastful neighings. this is no gentle harp This is no warbling brook nor Shadow of a Myrtle tree

But blood \& wounds \& dismal cries \& clarions of war And hearts laid open to the light by the broad grizly sword And bowels hidden in hammerd steel rippd forth upon the Ground ${ }^{1818}$ Call forth thy Smiles of soft deceit call forth thy cloudy tears

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We hear thy sighs in trumpets shrill when Morn shall blood renew
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So sung the demons of the deep the Clarions of war blew loud ${ }^{1820}$
Orc rent her \& his human form consumd in his own fires
Mingled with her dolorous members strewn thro the Abyss
She joyd in all the Conflict Gratified \& drinking tears of woe No more remaind of Orc but the Serpent round the tree of Mystery The form of Orc was gone he reard his serpent bulk among The stars of Urizen in Power rending the form of life ${ }^{1821}$ Into a formless indefinite \& strewing her on the Abyss Like clouds upon the winter sky broken with winds \& thunders This was to her Supreme delight The Warriors mournd disappointed They go out to war with Strong Shouts \& loud Clarions O Pity They return with lamentations mourning \& weeping

Invisible or visible drawn out in length or stretchd in breadth The Shadowy Female varied in the War in her delight Howling in discontent black \& heavy uttering brute sounds Wading thro fens among the slimy weeds making Lamentations To decieve Tharmas in his rage to soothe his furious soul

To stay him in his flight that Urizen might live tho in pain He said Art thou bright Enion is the Shadow of hope returnd

And She said Tharmas I am Vala bless thy innocent face Doth Enion avoid the sight of thy blue watry eyes Be not perswaded that the air knows this or the failing dew

Tharmas replid O Vala once I livd in a garden of delight

I wakend Enion in the Morning \& she turnd away Among the apple trees \& all the gardens of delight Swam like a dream before my eyes I went to seek the steps Of Enion in the gardens \& the shadows compassd me And closd me in a watry world of woe where Enion stood Trembling before me like a shadow like a mist like air And she is gone \& here alone I war with darkness \& death I hear thy voice but not thy form see. thou \& all delight And life appear \& vanish mocking me with shadows of false hope Hast thou forgot that the air listens thro all its districts telling The subtlest thoughts shut up from light in chambers of the Moon

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Tharmas. The Moon has chambers where the babes of love lie hid And whence they never can be brought in all Eternity Unless exposd by their vain parents. Lo him whom I love Is hidden from me \& I never in all Eternity Shall see him Enitharmon \& Ahania combind with Enion Hid him in that Outrageous form of Orc which torments me for Sin ${ }^{1822}$ For all my Secret faults which he brings forth upon the light Of day in jealousy \& blood my Children are led to Urizens war Before my eyes \& for every one of these I am condemnd To Eternal torment in these flames for tho I have the power To rise on high Yet love here binds me down \& never never Will I arise till him I love is loosd from this dark chain

Tharmas replied Vala thy Sins have lost us heaven \& bliss Thou art our Curse and till I can bring love into the light ${ }^{1823}$ I never will depart from my great wrath

So Tharmas waild wrathful then rode upon the Stormy Deep ${ }^{1824}$ Cursing the Voice that mockd him with false hope in furious mood Then She returns swift as a blight upon the infant bud Howling in all the notes of woe to stay his furious rage Stamping the hills wading or swimming flying furious or falling Or like an Earthquake rumbling in the bowels of the earth Or like a cloud beneath \& like a fire flaming in high Walking in pleasure of the hills or murmuring in the dales Like to a rushing torrent beneath \& a falling rock above A thunder cloud in the south \& a lulling voice heard in the north

And she went forth \& saw the forms of Life \& of delight Walking on Mountains or flying in the open expanse of heaven She heard sweet voices in the winds \& in the voices of birds That rose from waters for the waters were as the voice of Luvah Not seen to her like waters or like this dark world of death Tho all those fair perfections which men know only by name In beautiful substantial forms appeard \& served her
As food or drink or ornament or in delightful works To build her bowers for the Elements brought forth abundantly The living soul in glorious forms \& every One came forth Walking before her Shadowy face \& bowing at her feet But in vain delights were poured forth on the howling melancholy For her delight the horse his proud neck bowd \& his white mane And the Strong Lion deignd in his mouth to wear the golden bit While the far beaming Peacock waited on the fragrant wind

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FZ7b-87[95][1st].13; E367|
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To bring her fruits of sweet delight from trees of richest wonders And the strong piniond Eagle bore the fire of heaven in the night season Wood \& subdud into Eternal Death the Demon Lay In rage against the dark despair. the howling Melancholy ${ }^{1825}$ For far \& wide she stretchd thro all the worlds of Urizens journey And was Ajoind to Beulah as the Polypus to the Rock Mo[u]rning the daughters of Beulah saw nor could they have sustaind The horrid sight of death \& torment But the Eternal Promise They wrote on all their tombs \& pillars \& on every Urn These words If ye will believe your $\mathrm{B}[\mathrm{r}]$ other shall rise again In golden letters ornamented with sweet labours of Love Waiting with Patience for the fulfilment of the Promise Divine ${ }^{1826}$

And all the Songs of Beulah sounded comfortable notes Not suffring doubt to rise up from the Clouds of the Shadowy Female Then myriads of the Dead burst thro the bottoms of their tombs Descending on the shadowy females clouds in Spectrous terror Beyond the Limit of Translucence on the Lake of Udan Adan These they namd Satans \& in the Aggregate they namd them Satan

Then took the tree of Mystery root in the World of Los Its topmost boughs shooting a fibre beneath Enitharmons couch 1827 The double rooted Labyrinth soon wavd around their heads

But then the Spectre enterd Los's bosom Every sigh \& groan ${ }^{t 828}$
Of Enitharmon bore Urthonas Spectre on its wings
Obdurate Los felt Pity Enitharmon told the tale
Of Urthona. Los embracd the Spectre first as a brother
Then as another Self; astonishd humanizing \& in tears
In Self abasement Giving up his Domineering lust

Thou never canst embrace sweet Enitharmon terrible Demon. Till
Thou art united with thy Spectre Consummating by pains \& labours <pine
That mortal body \& by Self annihilation back returning ${ }^{1830}$
To Life Eternal be assurd I am thy real Self
Tho thus divided from thee \& the Slave of Every passion
Of thy fierce Soul Unbar the Gates of Memory look upon me ${ }^{1831}$
Not as another but as thy real Self I am thy Spectre
Thou didst subdue me in old times by thy Immortal Strength $\quad 1832$
When I was a ravning hungring \& thirsting cruel lust \& murder Tho horrible \& Ghastly to thine Eyes tho buried beneath ${ }^{1833}$
The ruins of the Universe. hear what inspird I speak \& be silent

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If we unite in one[,] another better world will be ${ }^{1834}$ Opend within your heart \& loins \& wondrous brain Threefold as it was in Eternity \& this the fourth Universe Will be Renewd by the three \& consummated in Mental fires But if thou dost refuse Another body will be prepared

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For me \& thou annihilate evaporate \& be no more
For thou art but a form \& organ of life \& of thyself Art nothing being Created Continually by Mercy \& Love divine

Los furious answerd. Spectre horrible thy words astound my Ear
With irresistible conviction I feel I am not one of those Who when convincd can still persist. tho furious.controllable By Reasons power. Even I already feel a World within Opening its gates \& in it all the real substances Of which these in the outward World are shadows which pass away Come then into my Bosom \& in thy shadowy arms bring with thee My lovely Enitharmon. I will quell my fury \& teach Peace to the Soul of dark revenge \& repentance to Cruelty

So spoke Los \& Embracing Enitharmon \& the Spectre Clouds would have folded round in Extacy \& Love uniting

But Enitharmon trembling fled \& hid beneath Urizens tree But mingling together with his Spectre the Spectre of Urthona ${ }^{1835}$ Wondering beheld the Center opend by Divine Mercy inspired ${ }^{1836}$ He in his turn Gave Tasks to Los Enormous to destroy ${ }^{1837}$ That body he created but in vain for Los performd Wonders of labour They Builded Golgonooza Los labouring builded pillars high 1838 And Domes terrific in the nether heavens for beneath Was opend new heavens \& a new Earth beneath \& within Threefold within the brain within the heart within the loins A Threefold Atmosphere Sublime continuous from Urthonas world ${ }^{1839}$ But yet having a Limit Twofold named Satan \& Adam

But Los stood on the Limit of Translucence weeping \& trembling Filled with doubts in self accusation beheld the fruit ${ }^{1840}$ Of Urizens Mysterious tree For Enitharmon thus spake

When In the Deeps beneath I gatherd of this ruddy fruit It was by that I knew that I had Sinnd \& then I knew

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That without a ransom I could not be savd from Eternal death That Life lives upon Death \& by devouring appetite All things subsist on one another thenceforth in Despair I spend my glowing time but thou art strong \& mighty To bear this Self conviction take then Eat thou also of The fruit \& give me proof of life Eternal or I die

Then Los plucked the fruit \& Eat \& sat down in Despair And must have given himself to death Eternal But Urthonas spectre in part mingling with him comforted him Being a medium between him \& Enitharmon But This Union Was not to be Effected without Cares \& Sorrows \& Troubles Of six thousand Years of self denial and of bitter Contrition ${ }^{1841}$ Urthonas Spectre terrified beheld the Spectres of the Dead Each Male formd without a counterpart without a concentering vision The Spectre of Urthona wept before Los Saying I am the cause That this dire state commences I began the dreadful state Of Separation \& on my dark head the curse \& punishment Must fall unless a way be found to Ransom \& Redeem ${ }^{\text {t842 }}$

But I have thee my [Counterpart Vegetating] miraculous ${ }^{1843}$ These Spectres have no [Counter(parts)] therefore they ravin Without the food of life Let us Create them Coun[terparts] For without a Created body the Spectre is Eternal Death

Los trembling answerd Now I feel the weight of stern repentance
Tremble not so my Enitharmon at the awful gates
Of thy poor broken Heart I see thee like a shadow withering As on the outside of Existence but look! behold! take comfort! Turn inwardly thine Eyes \& there behold the Lamb of God Clothed in Luvahs robes of blood descending to redeem O Spectre of Urthona take comfort O Enitharmon Couldst thou but cease from terror \& trembling \& affright When I appear before thee in forgiveness of ancient injuries ${ }^{t 844}$ Why shouldst thou remember \& be afraid. I surely have died in pain Often enough to convince thy jealousy \& fear \& terror ${ }^{1845}$ Come hither be patient let us converse together because I also tremble at myself \& at all my former life

Enitharmon answerd I behold the Lamb of God descending To Meet these Spectres of the Dead I therefore fear that he

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Will give us to Eternal Death fit punishment for such Hideous offenders Uttermost extinction in eternal pain An ever dying life of stifling \& obstruction shut out Of existence to be a sign \& terror to all who behold Lest any should in futurity do as we have done in heaven Such is our state nor will the Son of God redeem us but destroy

So Enitharmon spoke trembling \& in torrents of tears

Los sat in Golgonooza in the Gate of Luban where ${ }^{1847}$
He had erected many porches where branchd the Mysterious Tree ${ }^{t 848}$
Where the Spectrous dead wail \& sighing thus he spoke to Enitharmon

Lovely delight of Men Enitharmon shady refuge from furious war ${ }^{1849}$
Thy bosom translucent is a soft repose for the weeping souls Of those piteous victims of battle there they sleep in happy obscurity They feed upon our life we are their victims. Stern desire I feel to fabricate embodied semblances in which the dead May live before us in our palaces \& in our gardens of labour ${ }^{1850}$ Which now opend within the Center we behold spread abroad To form a world of Sacrifice of brothers \& sons \& daughters ${ }^{1851}$ To comfort Orc in his dire sufferings[;] look[!] my fires enlume afresh Before my face ascending with delight as in ancient times

Enitharmon spread her beaming locks upon the wind \& said O Lovely terrible Los wonder of Eternity O Los my defence \& guide ${ }^{1852}$ Thy works are all my joy. \& in thy fires my soul delights If mild they burn in just proportion \& in secret night And silence build their day in shadow of soft clouds \& dews Then I can sigh forth on the winds of Golgonooza piteous forms That vanish again into my bosom but if thou my Los Wilt in sweet moderated fury. fabricate forms sublime ${ }^{1853}$ Such as the piteous spectres may assimilate themselves into They shall be ransoms for our Souls that we may live

So Enitharmon spoke \& Los his hands divine inspired began ${ }^{1854}$ To modulate his fires studious the loud roaring flames He vanquishd with the strength of Art bending their iron points And drawing them forth delighted upon the winds of Golgonooza ${ }^{1855}$ From out the ranks of Urizens war \& from the fiery lake Of Orc bending down as the binder of the Sheaves follows The reaper in both arms embracing the furious raging flames

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Los drew them forth out of the deeps planting his right foot firm Upon the Iron crag of Urizen thence springing up aloft Into the heavens of Enitharmon in a mighty circle

And first he drew a line upon the walls of shining heaven And Enitharmon tincturd it with beams of blushing love

It remaind permanent a lovely form inspird divinely human Dividing into just proportions Los unwearied labourd The immortal lines upon the heavens till with sighs of love Sweet Enitharmon mild Entrancd breathd forth upon the wind The spectrous dead Weeping the Spectres viewd the immortal works Of Los Assimilating to those forms Embodied \& Lovely In youth \& beauty in the arms of Enitharmon mild reposing

First Rintrah \& then Palamabron drawn from out the ranks of war In infant innocence reposd on Enitharmons bosom Orc was comforted in the deeps his soul revivd in them As the Eldest brother is the fathers image So Orc became < 856> As Los a father to his brethren \& he joyd in the dark lake Tho bound with chains of Jealousy \& in scales of iron \& brass

But Los loved them \& refusd to Sacrifice their infant limbs And Enitharmons smiles \& tears prevaild over self protection They rather chose to meet Eternal death than to destroy The offspring of their Care \& Pity Urthonas spectre was comforted But Tharmas most rejoicd in hope of Enions return For he beheld new Female forms born forth upon the air Who wove soft silken veils of covering in sweet rapturd trance Mortal \& not as Enitharmon without a covering veil

First his immortal spirit drew Urizen[s] Shadow away ${ }^{1857}$
From out the ranks of war separating him in sunder Leaving his Spectrous form which could not be drawn away Then he divided Thiriel the Eldest of Urizens sons Urizen became Rintrah Thiriel became Palamabron Thus dividing the powers of Every Warrior Startled was Los he found his Enemy Urizen now In his hands. he wonderd that he felt love \& not hate His whole soul loved him he beheld him an infant Lovely breathd from Enitharmon he trembled within himself

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## VALA

Night the Eighth

Then All in Great Eternity Met in the Council of God ${ }^{1858}$ as one Man Even Jesus upon Gilead \& Hermon ${ }^{1859}$ Upon the Limit of Contraction to create the fallen Man The Fallen Man stretchd like a Corse upon the oozy Rock ${ }^{1860}$ Washd with the tides Pale overgrown with weeds

That movd with horrible dreams hovring high over his hea Two winged immortal shapes one standing at his feet Toward the East one standing at his head toward the west Their wings joind in the Zenith over head ${ }^{1861}$ Such is a Vision of All Beulah hovring over the Sleeper

The limit of Contraction now was fixd \& Man began To wake upon the Couch of Death he sneezed seven times A tear of blood dropped from either eye again he reposd In the saviours arms, in the arms of tender mercy \& loving kindness

Then Los said I behold the Divine Vision thro the broken Gates ${ }^{1862}$ Of thy poor broken heart astonishd melted into Compassion \& Love And Enitharmon said I see the Lamb of God upon Mount Zion ${ }^{1863}$ Wondring with love \& Awe they felt the divine hand upon them ${ }^{1864}$

For nothing could restrain the dead in Beulah from descending Unto Ulros night tempted by the Shadowy females sweet Delusive cruelty they descend away from the Daughters of Beulah And Enter Urizens temple Enitharmon pitying \& her heart Gates broken down. they descend thro the Gate of Pity The broken heart Gate of Enitharmon She sighs them forth upon the wind ${ }^{1865}$ Of Golgonooza Los stood recieving them ${ }^{1866}$
For Los could enter into Enitharmons bosom \& explore Its intricate Labyrinths now the Obdurate heart was broken

From out the War of Urizen \& Tharmas recieving them ${ }^{1867}$ Into his hands. Then Enitharmon erected Looms in Lubans Gate And calld the Looms Cathedron in these Looms She wove the Spectres

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Bodies of Vegetation Singing lulling Cadences to drive away Despair from the poor wandering spectres and Los loved them With a parental love for the Divine hand was upon him And upon Enitharmon \& the Divine Countenance shone In Golgonooza Looking down the Daughters of Beulah saw With joy the bright Light \& in it a Human form And knew he was the Saviour Even Jesus \& they worshipped

Astonishd Comforted Delighted in notes of Rapturous Extacy $t 868$ All Beulah stood astonishd Looking down to Eternal Death They saw the Saviour beyond the Pit of death \& destruction For whether they lookd upward they saw the Divine Vision Or whether they lookd downward still they saw the Divine Vision Surrounding them on all sides beyond $\sin \&$ death \& hell

Enitharmon wove in tears singing Songs of Lamentation And pitying comfort as she sighd forth on the wind the Spectres Also the Vegetated bodies which Enitharmon wove

Opend within their hearts \& in their loins \& in their brain To Beulah \& the Dead in Ulro descended from the War Of Urizen \& Tharmas \& from the Shadowy females clouds And some were woven single \& some two fold \& some three fold
$t 869$ In Head or Heart or Reins according to the fittest order Of most merciful pity \& compassion to the Spectrous dead ${ }^{1870}$

When Urizen saw the Lamb of God clothed in Luvahs robes Perplexd \& terrifid he Stood tho well he knew that Orc Was Luvah But he now beheld a new Luvah. Or One Who assumed Luvahs form \& stood before him opposite But he saw Orc a Serpent form augmenting times on times In the fierce battle \& he saw the Lamb of God \& the World of Los Surrounded by his dark machines for Orc augmented swift In fury a Serpent wondrous among the Constellations of Urizen A cest of fire rose on his forehead red as the carbuncle Beneath down to his eyelids scales of pearl then gold \& silver Immingled with the ruby overspread his Visage down His furious neck writ[h]ing contortive in dire budding pains The scaly armour shot out. Stubborn down his back \& bosom The Emerald Onyx Sapphire jasper beryl amethyst Strove in terrific emulation which should gain a place Upon the mighty Fiend the fruit of the mysterious tree ${ }^{1871}$ Kneaded in Uveths kneading trough. Still Orc devourd the food

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In raging hunger Still the pestilential food in gems \& gold Exuded round his awful limbs Stretching to serpent length His human bulk While the dark shadowy female brooding over Measurd his food morning \& evening in cups \& baskets of iron

With tears of sorrow incessant she labourd the food of Orc Compelld by the iron hearted sisters Daughters of Urizen Gathring the fruit of that mysterious tree circling its root She spread herself thro all the branches in the power of Orc

Thus Urizen in self deci[e]t his warlike preparations fabricated And when all things were finishd sudden wavd among the Stars His hurtling hand gave the dire signal thunderous Clarions blow

And all the hollow deep rebellowd with the wonderous war 1875

But Urizen his mighty rage let loose in the mid deep ${ }^{t 876}$ Sparkles of Dire affliction issud round his frozen limbs ${ }^{1877}$ Horrible hooks \& nets he formd twisting the cords of iron And brass \& molten metals cast in hollow globes \& bor'd Tubes in petrific steel \& rammd combustiles \& wheels And chains \& pullies fabricated all round the heavens of Los Communing with the Serpent of Orc in dark dissimulation

And with the Synagogue of Satan in dark Sanhedrim ${ }^{1878}$
To undermine the World of Los \& tear bright Enitharmon

To the four winds hopeless of future. All futurity
Seems teeming with Endless Destruction never to be repelld ${ }^{1879}$ Desperate remorse swallows the present in a quenchless rage

Terrified \& astonishd Urizen beheld the battle take a form ${ }^{1880}$ Which he intended not a Shadowy hermaphrodite black \& opake ${ }^{1881}$ The Soldiers namd it Satan but he was yet unformd \& vast Hermaphroditic it at length became hiding the Male Within as in a Tabernacle Abominable Deadly

The battle howls the terrors fird rage in the work of death Enormous Works Los Contemplated inspird by the holy Spirit Los builds the Walls of Golgonooza against the stirring battle That only thro the Gates of Death they can enter to Enitharmon Raging they take the human visage \& the human form

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Feeling the hand of Los in Golgonooza \& the force Attractive of his hammers beating \& the Silver looms Of Enitharmon singing lulling cadences on the wind They humanize in the fierce battle where in direful pain Troop by troop the beastial droves rend one another sounding loud The instruments of sound \& troop by troop in human forms they urge

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The dire confusion till the battle faints those that remain Return in pangs \& horrible convulsions to their beastial state For the monsters of the Elements Lions or Tygers or Wolves Sound loud the howling music inspird by Los \& Enitharmon Sounding loud terrific men They seem to one another laughing terrible among the banners
And when the revolution of their day of battles over
Relapsing in dire torment they return to forms of woe ${ }^{1882}$
To moping visages returning inanimate tho furious
No more erect tho strong drawn out in length they ravin
For senseless gratification \& their visages thrust forth Flatten above \& beneath \& stretch out into beastial length Weakend they stretch beyond their power in dire droves till war begins Or Secret religion in their temples before secret shrines

And Urizen gave life \& sense by his immortal power To all his Engines of deceit that linked chains might run Thro ranks of war spontaneous \& that hooks \& boring screws Might act according to their forms by innate cruelty He formed also harsh instruments of sound

To grate the soul into destruction or to inflame with fury The spirits of life to pervert all the faculties of sense Into their own destruction if perhaps he might avert ${ }^{t 883}$ His own despair even at the cost of every thing that breathes

Thus in the temple of the Sun his books of iron \& brass And silver \& gold he consecrated reading incessantly To myriads of perturbed spirits thro the universe They propagated the deadly words the Shadowy Female absorbing ${ }^{1884}$ The enormous Sciences of Urizen ages after ages exploring The fell destruction. And she said O Urizen Prince of Light What words of Dread pierce my faint Ear what fal[l]ing snows around My feeble limbs infold my destind misery I alone dare the lash abide to sit beneath the blast Unhurt \& dare the inclement forehead of the King of Ligh

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From dark abysses of the times remote fated to be

The sorrower of Eternity in love with tears submiss I rear My Eyes to thy Pavilions hear my prayer for Luvahs sake I see the murderer of my Luvah clothd in robes of blood He who assured my Luvahs throne in times of Everlasting Where hast thou hid him whom I love in what remote Abyss Resides that God of my delight O might my eyes behold My Luvah then could I deliver all the sons of God From Bondage of these terrors \& with influences sweet ${ }^{1885}$ As once in those eternal fields in brotherhood \& Love United we should live in bliss as those who sinned not The Eternal Man is seald by thee never to be deliverd We are all servants to thy will O King of Light relent Thy furious power be our father \& our loved King But if my Luvah is no more If thou hast smitten him ${ }^{1886}$ And laid him in the Sepulcher Or if thou wilt revenge ${ }^{1887}$ His murder on another Silent I bow with dread But happiness can never [come] to thee O King nor me For he was source of every joy that this mysterious tree Unfolds in Allegoric fruit. When shall the dead revive Can that which has existed cease or can love \& life Expire

Urizen heard the Voice \& saw the Shadow. underneath His woven darkness \& in laws \& deceitful religions Beginning at the tree of Mystery circling its root She spread herself thro all the branches in the power of Orc A shapeless \& indefinite cloud in tears of sorrow incessant Steeping the Direful Web of Religion swagging heavy it fell From heaven to heavn thro all its meshes altering the Vortexes ${ }^{1888}$ Misplacing every Center hungry desire \& lust began

Gathering the fruit of that Mysterious tree till Urizen Sitting within his temple furious felt the num[m]ing stupor Himself tangled in his own net in sorrow lust repentance

Enitharmon wove in tears Singing Songs of Lamentations And pitying comfort as she sighd forth on the wind the spectres And wove them bodies calling them her belovd sons \& daughters Employing the daughters in her looms \& Los employd the Sons In Golgonoozas Furnaces among the Anvils of time \& space Thus forming a Vast family wondrous in beauty \& love And they appeard a Universal female form created

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From those who were dead in Ulro from the Spectres of the dead

> And Enitharmon namd the Female Jerusa[le]m the holy
> Wondring she saw the Lamb of God within Jerusalems Veil
> The divine Vision seen within the inmost deep recess
> Of fair Jerusalems bosom in a gently beaming fire

Then sang the Sons of Eden round the Lamb of God \& said Glory Glory Glory to the holy Lamb of God Who now beginneth to put off the dark Satanic body Now we behold redemption Now we know that life Eternal Depends alone upon the Universal hand \& not in us Is aught but death In individual weakness sorrow \& pain 1889

We behold with wonder Enitharmons Looms \& Los's Forges 1890 And the Spindles of Tirzah \& Rahab and the Mills of Satan \& Beelzeboul ${ }^{1891}$ In Golgonooza Los's anvils stand \& his Furnaces rage ${ }^{1892}$ Ten thousand demons labour at the forges Creating Continually The times \& spaces of Mortal Life the Sun the Moon the Stars In periods of Pulsative furor beating into wedges \& bars ${ }^{1893}$ Then drawing into wires the terrific Passions \& Affections Of Spectrous dead. Thence to the Looms of Cathedron conveyd The Daughters of Enitharmon weave the ovarium \& the integument In soft silk drawn from their own bowels in lascivious delight With songs of sweetest cadence to the turning spindle \& reel Lulling the weeping spectres of the dead. Clothing their limbs With gifts \& gold of Eden. Astonishd stupefied with delight The terrors put on their sweet clothing on the banks of Arnon ${ }^{\text {t894 }}$ Whence they plunge into the river of space for a period till The dread Sleep of Ulro is past. But Satan Og \& Sihon ${ }^{t 895}$ Build Mills of resistless wheels to unwind the soft threads \& reveal Naked of their clothing the poor spectres before the accusing heavens While Rahab \& Tirzah far different mantles prepare webs of torture

Mantles of despair girdles of bitter compunction shoes of indolence Veils of ignorance covering from head to feet with a cold web

We look down into Ulro we behold the Wonders of the Grave Eastward of Golgonooza stands the Lake of Udan Adan In ${ }^{1896}$ Entuthon Benithon a Lake not of Waters but of Spaces ${ }^{1897}$ Perturbd black \& deadly on its Islands \& its Margins ${ }^{1898}$
The Mills of Satan and Beelzeboul stand round the roots of Urizens tree

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FZ8-113[1st].33; E377|
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FZ8-113[1st].36; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].37; E377|

FZ8-104[2nd].11; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].12; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].13; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].14; E377|
FZ8-104[2nd].15; E377|
FZ8-104[2nd].16; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].17; E377|

FZ8-104[2nd].18; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].19; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].20; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].21; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].22; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].23; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].24; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].25; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].26; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].27; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].28; E377|

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For this Lake is formd from the tears \& sighs \& death sweat of the Victims Of Urizens laws. to irrigate the roots of the tree of Mystery They unweave the soft threads then they weave them anew in the forms Of dark death \& despair \& none from Eternity to Eternity could Escape ${ }^{1899}$ But thou O Universal Humanity who is One Man blesse for Ever 1900 Recievest the Integuments woven Rahab beholds the Lamb of God She smites with her knife of flint She destroys her own work Times upon times thinking to destroy the Lamb blessed for Ever He puts off the clothing of blood he redeems the spectres from their bonds He awakes the sleepers in Ulro the Daughters of Beulah praise him They anoint his feet with ointment they wipe them with the hair of their head

> We now behold the Ends of Beulah \& we now behold Where Death Eternal is put off Eternally Assume the dark Satanic body in the Virgins womb O Lamb divin[e] it cannot thee annoy O pitying one Thy pity is from the foundation of the World \& thy Redemption Begun Already in Eternity Come then O Lamb of God 1901 Come Lord Jesus come quickly

So sang they in Eternity looking down into Beulah. The war roard round Jerusalems Gates it took a hideous form Seen in the aggregate a Vast Hermaphroditic form Heavd like an Earthquake labring with convulsive groans ${ }^{t 902}$ Intolerable at length an awful wonder burst From the Hermaphroditic bosom Satan he was namd Son of Perdition terrible his form dishumanizd monstrous ${ }^{1903}$
A male without a female counterpart a howling fiend Fo[r]lorn of Eden \& repugnant to the forms of life Yet hiding the shadowy female Vala as in an ark \& Curtains Abhorrd accursed ever dying an Eternal death

Being multitudes of tyrant Men in union blasphemous Against the divine image. Congregated Assemblies of wicked men

Los said to Enitharmon Pitying I saw
Pitying the Lamb of God Descended thro Jerusalems gates To put off Mystery time after time \& as a Man Is born on Earth so was he born of Fair Jerusalem In mysterys woven mantle \& in the Robes of Luvah

He stood in fair Jerusalem to awake up into Eden

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FZ8-109[105].20; E378| FZ8-109[105].21; E378| FZ8-109[105].22; E378| FZ8-109[105].23; E378| FZ8-109[105].24; E378| FZ8-109[105].25; E378| FZ8-109[105].26; E378| FZ8-109[105].27; E378| FZ8-109[105].28; E378| FZ8-109[105].29; E378| FZ8-109[105].30; E378|

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The fallen Man but first to Give his vegetated body ${ }^{t 904}$
To be cut off \& separated that the Spiritual body may be Reveald

The Lamb of God stood before Satan opposite ${ }^{t 905}$
In Entuthon Benithon in the shadows of torments \& woe ${ }^{1906}$ Upon the heights of Amalek taking refuge in his arms ${ }^{t 907}$
The Victims fled from punishment for all his words were peace $t 908$

Urizen calld together the Synagogue of Satan in dire Sanhedrim 1909 To Judge the Lamb of God to Death as a murderer \& robber ${ }_{1910}$ As it is written he was numberd among the transgressors 1911

Cold dark opake the Assembly met twelvefold in Amalek Twelve rocky unshapd forms terrific forms of torture \& woe Such seemd the Synagogue to distant view amidst them beamd ${ }^{1912}$
A False Feminine Counterpart Lovely of Delusive Beauty ${ }^{1913}$
Dividing \& Uniting at will in the Cruelties of Holiness
Vala drawn down into a Vegetated body now triumphant The Synagogue of Satan Clothed her with Scarlet robes \& Gems
And on her forehead was her Dame written in blood Mystery
When viewd remote She is One when viewd near she divides
To multitude as it is in Eden so permitted because
It was the best possible in the State called Satan to Save
From Death Eternal \& to put off Satan Eternally

The Synagogue Created her from Fruit of Urizens tree By devilish arts abominable unlawful unutterable Perpetually vegetating in detestable births Of Female forms beautiful thro poisons hidden in secret Which give a tincture to false beauty then was hidden within 1914 The bosom of Satan The false Female as in an ark \& veil Which christ must rend \& her reveal Her Daughters are Calld Tirzah She is namd Rahab their various divisions are calld 1915 The Daughters of Amalek Canaan \& Moab binding on the Stones ${ }^{1916}$ Their victims \& with knives tormenting them singing with tears 1917 Over their victims Hear ye the song of the Females of Amalek

O thou poor human form O thou poor child of woe Why dost thou wander away from Tirzah why me compell to bind thee

If thou dost go away from me I shall consume upon the rocks These fibres of thine eyes that used to wander in distant heavens

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Away from me I have bound down with a hot iron ${ }^{1918}$
These nostrils that Expanded with delight in morning skies I have bent downward with lead molten in my roaring furnaces My soul is seven furnaces incessant roars the bellows Upon my terribly flaming heart the molten metal runs In channels thro my fiery limbs O love O pity O pain $O$ the pangs the bitter pangs of love forsaken Ephraim was a wilderness of joy where all my wild beasts ran The river Kanah wanderd by my sweet Manassehs side 1919 Go Noah fetch the girdle of strong brass heat it red hot ${ }^{1920}$ Press it around the loins of this expanding cruelty Shriek not so my only love Bind him down sisters bind him down on Ebal mount of Cursing Malah come forth from Lebanon \& Hoglah from Mount sinai Come circumscribe this tongue of sweets \& with a Screw of iron Fasten this Ear into the Rock Milcah the task is thine 1921
Weep not so sisters weep not so our life depends on this Or mercy \& truth are fled away from Shechem \& Mount Gilead Unless my beloved is bound upon the Stems of Vegetation

Such are the songs of Tirzah such the loves of Amalek The Lamb of God descended thro the twelve portions of Luvah Bearing his sorrows \& rec[iev]ing all his cruel wounds

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Thus was the Lamb of God condemnd to Death ${ }^{1922}$
They naild him upon the tree of Mystery weeping over him And then mocking \& then worshipping calling him Lord \& King Sometimes as twelve daughters lovely \& sometimes as five They stood in beaming beauty \& sometimes as one even Rahab $t 923$ Who is Mystery Babylon the Great the Mother of Harlots ${ }^{1924}$

Jerusalem saw the Body dead upon the Cross She fled away ${ }^{9} 25$ Saying Is this Eternal Death Where shall I hide from Death Pity me Los pity me Urizen \& let us build ${ }^{\text {t926 }}$ A Sepulcher \& worship Death in fear while yet we live Death! God of All from whom we rise to whom we all return And Let all Nations of the Earth worship at the Sepulcher 1927 With Gifts \& Spices with lamps rich embossd jewels \& gold

Los took the Body from the Cross Jerusalem weeping over They bore it to the Sepulcher which Los had hewn in the rock Of Eternity for himself he hewd it despairing of Life Eternal ${ }^{1928}$

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FZ8-105[113][2nd].44; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].45; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].46; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].47; E380|

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FZ8-105[113][2nd].49; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].50; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].51; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].52; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].53; E380|

But when Rahab had cut off the Mantle of Luvah from ${ }^{1929}$
The Lamb of God it rolld apart, revealing to all in heaven And all on Earth the Temple \& the Synagogue of Satan \& Mystery

Even Rahab in all her turpitude Rahab divided herself She stood before Los in her Pride among the Furnaces ${ }^{9930}$ Dividing \& uniting in Delusive feminine pomp questioning him

He answerd her with tenderness \& love not uninspird Los sat upon his anvil stock they sat beside the forge Los wipd the sweat from his red brow \& thus began To the delusive female forms shining among his furnaces

I am that shadowy Prophet who six thousand years ago Fell from my station in the Eternal bosom. I divided To multitude \& my multitudes are children of Care \& Labour O Rahab I behold thee I was once like thee a Son Of Pride and I also have piercd the Lamb of God in pride \& wrath Hear me repeat my Generations that thou mayst also repent

FZ8-107[115].1; E380| FZ8-107[115].2; E380| FZ8-107[115].3; E380| FZ8-107[115].4; E380| FZ8-107[115].5; E380| FZ8-107[115].6; E380| FZ8-107[115].7; E380| FZ8-107[115].8; E380| FZ8-107[11].9; E380| FZ8-107[115].10; E380| FZ8-107[115].11; E380| FZ8-107[115].12; E380| FZ8-107[115].13; E380| FZ8-107[115].14; E380| FZ8-107[115].15; E380| FZ8-107[115].16; E380| FZ8-107[115].17; E380| FZ8-107[115].18; E380| FZ8-107[115].19; E380| FZ8-107[115].20; E380| FZ8-107[115].21; E380| FZ8-107[115].22; E380|

And these are the Sons of Los \& Enitharmon. Rintrah Palamabron
$t 932$
Theotormon Bromion Antamon Ananton Ozoth Ohana
Sotha Mydon Ellayol Natho Gon Harhath Satan
Har Ochim Ijim Adam Reuben Simeon Levi Judah Dan Naphtali
Gad Asher Issachar Zebulun Joseph Benjamin David Solomon
Paul Constantine Charlemaine Luther Milton
These are our daughters Ocalythron Elynittria Oothoon Leutha ${ }^{1933}$
Elythiria Enanto Manathu Vorcyon Ethinthus Moab Midian
Adah Zillah Caina Naamah Tamar Rahab Tirzah Mary
And myriads more of Sons \& Daughters to whom our love increasd 1934
To each according to the multiplication of their multitudes
But Satan accusd Palamabron before his brethren also he maddend ${ }^{1935}$
The horses of palambrons harrow wherefore Rintrah \& Palamabron
Cut him off from Golgonooza. But Enitharmon in tears Wept over him Created him a Space closd with a tender moon And he rolld down beneath the fires of Orc a Globe immense Crusted with snow in a dim void. here by the Arts of Urizen He tempted many of the Sons \& Daughters of Los to flee Away from Me first Reuben fled then Simeon then Levi then Judah ${ }^{1936}$ Then Dan then Naphtali then Gad then Asher then Issachar Then Zebulun then Joseph then Benjamin twelve sons of Los And this is the manner in which Satan became the Tempter

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FZ8-107[115].30; E381| FZ8-107[115].31; E381| FZ8-107[115].32; E381| FZ8-107[115].33; E381| FZ8-107[115].34; E381|

FZ8-107[115].35; E381| FZ8-107[115].36; E381| FZ8-107[115].37; E381| FZ8-107[115].38; E381| FZ8-107[115].39; E381| FZ8-107[115].40; E381|

FZ8-107[115].41; E381| FZ8-107[115].42; E381| FZ8-107[115].43; E381| FZ8-107[115].44; E381| FZ8-107[115].45; E381| FZ8-107[115].46; E381| FZ8-107[115].47; E381| FZ8-107[115].48; E381| FZ8-107[115].49; E381| FZ8-107[115].50; E381| FZ8-107[115].51; E381|

FZ8-108[116].1; E381| FZ8-108[116].2; E381|

FZ8-108[116].3; E381|
FZ8-108[116].4; E381|
FZ8-108[116].5; E381|
FZ8-108[116].6; E381|

There is a State namd Satan learn distinct to know O Rahab ${ }^{t 937}$ The Difference between States \& Individuals of those States The State namd Satan never can be redeemd in all Eternity But when Luvah in Orc became a Serpent he des[c]ended into That State calld Satan Enitharmon breathd forth on the Winds Of Golgonooza her well beloved knowing he was Orc's human remains She tenderly lovd him above all his brethren he grew up

In mothers tenderness The Enormous worlds rolling in Urizens power Must have given Satan by these mild arts Dominion over all Wherefore Palamabron being accusd by Satan to Los ${ }^{t 938}$ Calld down a Great Solemn assembly Rintrah in fury \& fire Defended Palamabron \& rage filld the Universal Tent

Because Palamabron was good naturd Satan supposd he feard him And Satan not having the Science of Wrath but only of Pity Was soon condemnd \& wrath was left to wrath \& Pity to Pity Rintrah \& Palamabron Cut sheer off from Golgonooza Enitharmons Moony space \& in it Satan \& his companions They rolld down a dim world Crusted with Snow deadly \& dark

Jerusalem pitying them wove them mantles of life \& death Times after times And those in Eden sent Lucifer for their Guard Lucifer refusd to die for Satan \& in pride he forsook his charge Then they sent Molech Molech was impatient They sent Molech impatient They Sent Elohim who created Adam To die for Satan Adam refusd but was compelld to die By Satans arts. Then the Eternals Sent Shaddai Shaddai was angry Pachad descended Pachad was terrified And then they Sent Jehovah who leprous stretchd his hand to Eternity Then Jesus Came \& Died willing beneath Tirzah \& Rahab Thou art that Rahab Lo the Tomb what can we purpose more 1939

Lo Enitharmon terrible \& beautiful in Eternal youth Bow down before her you her children \& set Jerusalem free

Rahab burning with pride \& revenge departed from Los Los dropd a tear at her departure but he wipd it away in hope She went to Urizen in pride the Prince of Light beheld Reveald before the face of heaven his secret holiness 1940

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FZ8-111[107].5; E382|

Darkness \& sorrow coverd all flesh Eternity was darkend
$t 941$

Urizen sitting in his web of dece[i]tful Religion ${ }^{1942}$
felt the female death a dull \& numming stupor such as neer ${ }^{1943}$
Before assaulted the bright human form he felt his pores Drink in the deadly dull delusion horrors of Eternal death Shot thro him Urizen sat Stonied upon his rock Forgetful of his own Laws pitying he began to Embrace The Shadowly Female since life cannot be quenchd Life exuded His eyes shot outwards then his breathing nostrils drawn forth ${ }^{944}$ Scales coverd over a cold forehead \& a neck outstretchd Into the deep to sieze the shadow scales his neck \& bosom

Coverd \& scales his hands \& feet upon his belly falling Outstretchd thro the immense his mouth wide opening tongueless ${ }^{945}$ His teeth a triple row he strove to sieze the shadow in vain And his immense tail lashd the Abyss his human form a Stone A form of Senseless Stone remaind in terrors on the rock Abominable to the eyes of mortals who explore his books His wisdom still remaind \& all his memory stord with woe

And still his stony form remaind in the Abyss immense Like the pale visage in its sheet of lead that cannot follow Incessant stern disdain his sealy form gnaws inwardly With deep repentance for the loss of that fair form of Man With Envy he saw Los with Envy Tharmas \& the Spectre ${ }^{t 946}$ With Envy \& in vain he swam around his stony form

No longer now Erect the King of Light outstretchd in fury Lashes his tail in the wild deep his Eyelids like the Sun 1947 Arising in his pride enlighten all the Grizly deeps His scales transparent give forth light like windows of the morning His neck flames with wrath \& majesty he lashes the Abyss Beating the Desarts \& the rocks the desarts feel his power They shake their slumbers off. They wave in awful fear Calling the Lion \& the Tyger the horse \& the wild Stag

The Elephant the wolf the Bear the Lamia the Satyr ${ }^{t 948}$ His Eyelids give their light around his folding tail aspires Among the stars the Earth \& all the Abysses feel h[i]s fury ${ }^{1949}$ When as the snow covers the mountain oft petrific hardness Covers the deeps at his vast fury mo[a]ning in his rock ${ }^{1950}$

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Hardens the Lion \& the Bear trembling in the Solid mountain They view the light \& wonder crying out in terrible existence Up bound the wild stag \& the horse behold the King of Pride

Oft doth his Eye emerge from the Abyss into the realms Of his Eternal day \& memory strives to augment his ruthfulness Then weeping he descends in wrath drawing all things in his fury Into obedience to his will \& now he finds in vain That not of his own power he bore the human form erect Nor of his own will gave his Laws in times of Everlasting For now fierce Orc in wrath \& fury rises into the heavens ${ }^{1951}$ A King of wrath \& fury a dark enraged horror And Urizen repentant forgets his wisdom in the abyss ${ }^{1952}$ In forms of priesthood in the dark delusions of repentance Repining in his heart \& spirit that Orc reignd over all And that his wisdom servd but to augment the indefinite lust

Then Tharmas \& Urthona felt the stony stupor rise Into their limbs Urthona shot forth a Vast Fibrous form

Tharmas like a pillar of sand rolld round by the whirlwind An animated Pillar rolling round \& round in incessant rage

Los felt the stony tupor \& his head rolld down beneath Into the Abysses of his bosom the vessels of his blood Dart forth upon the wind in pipes writhing about in the Abyss And Enitharmon pale \& cold in milky juices flowd Into a form of Vegetation living having a voice Moving in rootlike fibres trembling in fear upon the Earth

And Tharmas gave his Power to Los Urthona gave his strength Into the youthful prophet for the Love of Enitharmon And of the nameless Shadowy female in the nether deep And for the dread of the dark terrors of Orc \& Urizen

Thus in a living Death the nameless shadow all things bound All mortal things made permanent that they may be put off Time after time by the Divine Lamb who died for all And all in him died. \& he put off all mortality

Tharmas on high rode furious thro the afflicted worlds ${ }^{1953}$

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Pursuing the Vain Shadow of Hope fleeing from identity In abstract false Expanses that he may not hear the Voice Of Ahania wailing on the winds in vain he flies for still The voice incessant calls on all the children of Men For she spoke of all in heaven \& all upon the Earth Saw not as yet the Divine vision her Eyes are Toward Urizen And thus Ahania cries aloud to the Caverns of the Grave

Will you keep a flock of wolves \& lead them will you take the wintry blast For a covering to your limbs or the summer pestilence for a tent to abide in Will you erect a lasting habitation in the mouldering Church yard Or a pillar \& palace of Eternity in the jaws of the hungry grave Will you seek pleasure from the festering wound or marry for a Wife he ancient Leprosy that the King \& Priest may still feast on your decay And the grave mock \& laugh at the plowd field saying I am the nourisher thou the destroyer in my bosom is milk \& wine And a fountain from my breasts to me come all multitudes To my breath they obey they worship me I am a goddess \& queen But listen to Ahania O ye sons of the Murderd one Listen to her whose memory beholds your ancient days Listen to her whose eyes behold the dark body of corruptible death Looking for Urizen in vain. in vain I seek for morning The Eternal Man sleeps in the Earth nor feels the vigrous sun

Nor silent moon nor all the hosts of heaven move in his body His fiery halls are dark \& round his limbs the Serpent Orc Fold without fold encompasses him And his corrupting members Vomit out the Scaly monsters of the restless deep They come up in the rivers \& annoy the nether parts Of Man who lays upon the shores leaning his faded head Upon the Oozy rock inwrapped with the weeds of death His eyes sink hollow in his head his flesh coverd with slime And shrunk up to the bones alas that Man should come to this His strong bones beat with snows \& hid within the caves of night Marrowless bloodless falling into dust driven by the winds O how the horrors of Eternal Death take hold on Man His faint groans shake the caves \& issue thro the desolate rocks

And the Strong Eagle now with num[m]ing cold blighted of feathers Once like the pride of the sun now flagging in cold night Hovers with blasted wings aloft watching with Eager Eye Till Man shall leave a corruptible body he famishd hears him groan And now he fixes his strong talons in the pointed rock And now he beats the heavy air with his enormous wings

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Beside him lies the Lion dead \& in his belly worms Feast on his death till universal death devours all And the pale horse seeks for the pool to lie him down \& die But finds the pools filled with serpents devouring one another He droops his head \& trembling stands \& his bright eyes decay These are the Visions of My Eyes the Visions of Ahania

Thus cries Ahania Enion replies from the Caverns of the Grave

Fear not O poor forsaken one O land of briars \& thorns Where once the Olive flourishd \& the Cedar spread his wings Once I waild desolate like thee my fallow fields in fear Cried to the Churchyards \& the Earthworm came in dismal state I found him in my bosom \& I said the time of Love Appears upon the rocks \& hills in silent shades but soon A voice came in the night a midnight cry upon the mountains Awake the bridegroom cometh I awoke to sleep no more But an Eternal Consummation is dark Enion The watry Grave. O thou Corn field O thou Vegetater happy More happy is the dark consumer hope drowns all my torment For I am now surrounded by a shadowy vortex drawing The Spectre quite away from Enion that I die a death Of bitter hope altho I consume in these raging waters The furrowd field replies to the grave I hear her reply to me Behold the time approaches fast that thou shalt be as a thing Forgotten when one speaks of thee he will not be believd When the man gently fades away in his immortality

When the mortal disappears in improved knowledge cast away The former things so shall the Mortal gently fade away And so become invisible to those who still remain Listen I will tell thee what is done in the caverns of the grave

The Lamb of God has rent the Veil of Mystery soon to return In Clouds \& Fires around the rock \& the Mysterious tree As the seed waits Eagerly watching for its flower \& fruit Anxious its little soul looks out into the clear expanse To see if hungry winds are abroad with their invisible army So Man looks out in tree \& herb \& fish \& bird \& beast Collecting up the scatterd portions of his immortal body Into the Elemental forms of every thing that grows He tries the sullen north wind riding on its angry furrows The sultry south when the sun rises \& the angry east

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When the sun sets when the clods harden \& the cattle stand Drooping \& the birds hide in their silent nests. he stores his thoughts
As in a store house in his memory he regulates the forms
Of all beneath \& all above \& in the gentle West
Reposes where the Suns heat dwells he rises to the Sun And to the Planets of the Night \& to the stars that gild The Zodiac \& the stars that sullen stand to north \& south He touches the remotest pole \& in the Center weeps That Man should Labour \& sorrow \& learn \& forget \& return To the dark valley whence he came to begin his labours anew In pain he sighs in pain he labours in his universe Screaming in birds over the deep \& howling in the Wolf Over the slain \& moaning in the cattle \& in the winds And weeping over Orc \& Urizen in clouds \& flaming fires ${ }^{1954}$ And in the cries of birth \& in the groans of death his voice Is heard throughout the Universe whereever a grass grows Or a leaf buds The Eternal Man is seen is heard is felt And all his Sorrows till he reassumes his ancient bliss

Such are the words of Ahania \& Enion. Los hears \& weeps ${ }^{1955}$ And Los \& Enitharmon took the Body of the Lamb Down from the Cross \& placd it in a Sepulcher which Los had hewn For himself in the Rock of Eternity trembling \& in despair 1956
Jerusalem wept over the Sepulcher two thousand Years

Rahab triumphs over all she took Jerusalem Captive A Willing Captive by delusive arts impelld To worship Urizens Dragon form to offer her own Children Upon the bloody Altar. John Saw these things Reveald in Heaven On Patmos Isle \& heard the Souls cry out to be deliverd

He saw the Harlot of the Kings of Earth \& saw her Cup Of fornication food of Orc \& Satan pressd from the fruit of Mystery But when she saw the form of Ahania weeping on the Void And heard Enions voice sound from the caverns of the Grave No more spirit remained in her She secretly left the Synagogue of Satan She commund with Orc in secret She hid him with the flax That Enitharmon had numberd away from the Heavens 1957 She gatherd it together to consume her Harlot Robes ${ }^{1958}$ In bitterest Contrition sometimes Self condemning repentant And Sometimes kissing her Robes \& jewels \& weeping over them Sometimes returning to the Synagogue of Satan in Pride And Sometimes weeping before Orc in humility \& trembling The Synagogue of Satan therefore uniting against Mystery

Satan divided against Satan resolvd in open Sanhedrim To burn Mystery with fire \& form another from her ashes For God put it into their heart to fulfill all his will

The Ashes of Mystery began to animate they calld it Deism And Natural Religion as of old so now anew began Babylon again in Infancy Calld Natural Religion

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And Los \& Enitharmon builded Jerusalem weeping ${ }^{1959}$
Over the Sepulcher \& over the Crucified body
Which to their Phantom Eyes appear'd still in the Sepulcher
But Jesus stood beside them in the Spirit Separating
Their Spirit from their body. Terrified at Non Existence
For such they deemd the death of the body. Los his vegetable hands
Outstretchd his right hand branching out in fibrous Strength
Siezd the Sun. His left hand like dark roots coverd the Moon
And tore them down cracking the heavens across from immense to immense Then fell the fires of Eternity with loud \& shrill
Sound of Loud Trumpet thundering along from heaven to heaven
A mighty sound articulate Awake ye dead \& come
To judgment from the four winds Awake \& Come away
Folding like scrolls of the Enormous volume of Heaven \& Earth

With thunderous noise \& dreadful shakings rocking to \& fro The heavens are shaken \& the Earth removed from its place The foundations of the Eternal hills discoverd The thrones of Kings are shaken they have lost their robes \& crowns The poor smite their opressors they awake up to the harvest The naked warriors rush together down to the sea shore Trembling before the multitudes of slaves now set at liberty They are become like wintry flocks like forests stripd of leaves The opressed pursue like the wind there is no room for escape The Spectre of Enitharmon let loose on the troubled deep Waild shrill in the confusion \& the Spectre of Urthona

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Recievd her in the darkning South their bodies lost they stood Trembling \& weak a faint embrace a fierce desire as when Two shadows mingle on a wall they wail \& shadowy tears Fell down \& shadowy forms of joy mixd with despair \& grief Their bodies buried in the ruins of the Universe Mingled with the confusion. Who shall call them from the Grave

Rahab \& Tirzah wail aloud in the wild flames they give up themselves to
The books of Urizen unroll with dreadful noise the folding Serpent
Of Orc began to Consume in fierce raving fire his fierce flames
Issud on all sides gathring strength in animating volumes
Roaring abroad on all the winds raging intense reddening Into resistless pillars of fire rolling round \& round gathering Strength from the Earths consumd \& heavens \& all hidden abysses Wherever the Eagle has Explord or Lion or Tyger trod Or where the Comets of the night or stars of [asterial] day 1960 Have shot their arrows or long beamed spears in wrath \& fury

And all the while the trumpet sounds from the clotted gore \& from the hollow den Start forth the trembling millions into flames of mental fire Bathing their limbs in the bright visions of Eternity

Then like the doves from pillars of Smoke the trembling families
Of women \& children throughout every nation under heaven
Cling round the men in bands of twenties \& of fifties pale As snow that falls around a leafless tree upon the green
Their opressors are falln they have Stricken them they awake to life
Yet pale the just man stands erect \& looking up to heavn
Trembling \& strucken by the Universal stroke the trees unroot The rocks groan horrible \& run about. The mountains \& Their rivers cry with a dismal cry the cattle gather together Lowing they kneel before the heavens. the wild beasts of the forests Tremble the Lion shuddering asks the Leopard. Feelest thou

The dread I feel unknown before My voice refuses to roar And in weak moans I speak to thee This night Before the mornings dawn the Eagle calld the Vulture The Raven calld the hawk I heard them from my forests black Saying Let us go up far for soon I smell upon the wind A terror coming from the South. The Eagle \& Hawk fled away At dawn \& Eer the sun arose the ravel) \& Vulture followd

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Let us flee also to the north. They fled. The Sons of Men Saw them depart in dismal droves. The trumpet sounded loud 1962 And all the Sons of Eternity Descended into Beulah

In the fierce flames the limbs of Mystery lay consuming with howling ${ }^{\text {t963 }}$
And deep despair. Rattling go up the flames around the Synagogue Of Satan Loud the Serpent Orc ragd thro his twenty Seven Folds. The tree of Mystery went up in folding flames Blood issud out in mighty volumes pouring in whirlpools fierce From out the flood gates of the Sky The Gates are burst down pour The torrents black upon the Earth the blood pours down incessant Kings in their palaces lie drownd Shepherds their flocks their tents Roll down the mountains in black torrents Cities Villages High spires \& Castles drownd in the black deluge Shoal on Shoal Float the dead carcases of Men \& Beasts driven to \& fro on waves Of foaming blood beneath the black incessant Sky till all Mysterys tyrants are cut off \& not one left on Earth

And when all Tyranny was cut off from the face of Earth Around the Dragon form of Urizen \& round his stony form The flames rolling intense thro the wide Universe Began to Enter the Holy City Entring the dismal clouds 1964 In furrowd lightnings break their way the wild flames li[c]king up ${ }^{1965}$ The Bloody Deluge living flames winged with intellect And Reason round the Earth they march in order flame by flame From the clotted gore \& from the hollow den Start forth the trembling Millions into flames of mental fire Bathing their Limbs in the bright visions of Eternity

Beyond this Universal Confusion beyond the remotest Pole ${ }^{1966}$

Where their vortexes begin to operate there stands
A Horrible rock far in the South it was forsaken when Urizen gave the horses of Light into the hands of Luvah On this rock lay the faded head of the Eternal Man Enwrapped round with weeds of death pale cold in sorrow \& woe He lifts the blue lamps of his Eyes \& cries with heavenly voice Bowing his head over the consuming Universe he cried

O weakness \& O weariness O war within my members My sons exiled from my breast pass to \& fro before me

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My birds are silent on my hills flocks die beneath my branches My tents are fallen my trumpets \& the sweet sounds of my harp Is silent on my clouded hills that belch forth storms \& fires My milk of cows \& honey of bees \& fruit of golden harvest Are gatherd in the scorching heat \& in the riving rain My robe is turned to confusion \& my bright gold to stones Where once I sat I weary walk in misery \& pain For from within my witherd breast grown narrow with my woes 1967 The Corn is turnd to thistles \& the apples into poison The birds of song to murderous crows My joys to bitter groans

The voices of children in my tents to cries of helpless infants And all exiled from the face of light \& shine of morning In this dark world a narrow house I wander up \& down I hear Mystery howling in these flames of Consummation When shall the Man of future times become as in days of old O weary life why sit I here \& give up all my powers To indolence to the night of death when indolence \& mourning Sit hovring over my dark threshold. tho I arise look out And scorn the war within my members yet my heart is weak And my head faint Yet will I look again unto the morning Whence is this sound of rage of Men drinking each others blood Drunk with the smoking gore \& red but not with nourishing wine

The Eternal Man sat on the Rocks \& cried with awful voice

O Prince of Light where art thou I behold thee not as once In those Eternal fields in clouds of morning stepping forth With harps \& songs where bright Ahania sang before thy face And all thy sons \& daughters gatherd round my ample table See you not all this wracking furious confusion Come forth from slumbers of thy cold abstraction come forth Arise to Eternal births shake off thy cold repose Schoolmaster of souls great opposer of change arise That the Eternal worlds may see thy face in peace \& joy That thou dread form of Certainty maist sit in town \& village While little children play around thy feet in gentle awe Fearing thy frown loving thy smile O Urizen Prince of light

He calld[;] the deep buried his voice \& answer none returnd Then wrath burst round the Eternal Man was wrath again he cried Arise O stony form of death O dragon of the Deeps
Lie down before my feet O Dragon let Urizen arise

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O how couldst thou deform those beautiful proportions ${ }^{1968}$
Of life \& person for as the Person so is his life proportiond ${ }^{1969}$
Let Luvah rage in the dark deep even to Consummation
For if thou feedest not his rage it will subside in peace

But if thou darest obstinate refuse my stern behest
Thy crown \& scepter I will sieze \& regulate all my members In stern severity \& cast thee out into the indefinite Where nothing lives, there to wander. \& if thou returnst weary Weeping at the threshold of Existence I will steel my heart Against thee to Eternity \& never recieve thee more Thy self-destroying beast formd Science shall be thy eternal lot My anger against thee is greater than against this Luvah For war is energy Enslavd but thy religion 1970
The first author of this war \& the distracting of honest minds Into confused perturbation \& strife \& honour \& pride Is a deceit so detestable that I will cast thee out If thou repentest not \& leave thee as a rotten branch to be burnd With Mystery the Harlot \& with Satan for Ever \& Ever Error can never be redeemd in all Eternity But Sin Even Rahab is redeemd in blood \& fury \& jealousy That line of blood that stretchd across the windows of the morning Redeemd from Errors power. Wake thou dragon of the Deeps

Urizen wept in the dark deep anxious his Scaly form To reassume the human \& he wept in the dark deep

Saying O that I had never drank the wine nor eat the bread Of dark mortality nor cast my view into futurity nor turnd ${ }^{\text {t971 }}$ My back darkning the present clouding with a cloud And building arches high \& cities turrets \& towers \& domes ${ }^{1972}$
Whose smoke destroyd the pleasant gardens \& whose running Kennels ${ }^{1973}$
Chokd the bright rivers burdning with my Ships the angry deep
Thro Chaos seeking for delight \& in spaces remote
Seeking the Eternal which is always present to the wise
Seeking for pleasure which unsought falls round the infants path
And on the fleeces of mild flocks who neither care nor labour
But I the labourer of ages whose unwearied hands
Are thus deformd with hardness with the sword \& with the spear ${ }^{1974}$
And with the Chisel \& the mallet I whose labours vast
Order the nations separating family by family
Alone enjoy not I alone in misery supreme
Ungratified give all my joy unto this Luvah \& Vala ${ }^{1975}$
Then Go O dark futurity I will cast thee forth from these ${ }^{9976}$

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Heavens of my brain nor will I look upon futurity more
I cast futurity away \& turn my back upon that void 1978 Which I have made for lo futurity is in this moment 1979 Let Orc consume let Tharmas rage let dark Urthona give All strength to Los \& Enitharmon \& let Los self-cursd Rend down this fabric as a wall ruind \& family extinct Rage Orc Rage Tharmas Urizen no longer curbs your rage

So Urizen spoke he shook his snows from off his Shoulders \& arose As on a Pyramid of mist his white robes scattering The fleecy white renewd he shook his aged mantles off Into the fires Then glorious bright Exulting in his joy He sounding rose into the heavens in naked majesty In radian Youth. when Lo like garlands in the Eastern sky When vocal may comes dancing from the East Ahania came Exulting in her flight as when a bubble rises up On to the surface of a lake. Ahania rose in joy Excess of joy is worse than grief--her heart beat high her blood Burst its bright Vessels She fell down dead at the feet of Urizen Outstretchd a Smiling corse they buried her in a silent cave Urizen dropt a tear the Eternal Man Darkend with sorrow

The three daughters of Urizen Guard Ahanias Death couch Rising from the confusion in tears \& howlings \& despair Calling upon their fathers Name upon their Rivers dark

And the Eternal Man Said Hear my words O Prince of Light 1980

Behold Jerusalem in whose bosom the Lamb of God Is seen tho slain before her Gates he self renewd remains Eternal \& I thro him awake to life from deaths dark vale The times revolve the time is coming when all these delights Shall be renewd \& all these Elements that now consume Shall reflourish. Then bright Ahania shall awake from death A glorious Vision to thine Eyes a Self renewing Vision ${ }^{1981}$ The spring. the summer to be thine then Sleep the wintry days In silken garments spun by her own hands against her funeral The winter thou shalt plow \& lay thy stores into thy barns Expecting to recieve Ahania in the spring with joy Immortal thou. Regenerate She \& all the lovely Sex From her shall learn obedience \& prepare for a wintry grave That spring may see them rise in tenfold joy \& sweet delight Thus shall the male \& female live the life of Eternity

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Because the Lamb of God Creates himself a bride \& wife That we his Children evermore may live in Jerusalem Which now descendeth out of heaven a City yet a Woman Mother of myriads redeemd \& born in her spiritual palaces By a New Spiritual birth Regenerated from Death

Urizen Said. I have Erred \& my Error remains with me What Chain encompasses in what Lock is the river of light confind That issues forth in the morning by measure $\&$ the evening by carefulness Where shall we take our stand to view the infinite \& unbounded
Or where are human feet for Lo our eyes are in the heavens ${ }^{1982}$

He ceasd for rivn link from link the bursting Universe explodes All things reversd flew from their centers rattling bones To bones Join, shaking convulsd the shivering clay breathes ${ }^{1983}$ Each speck of dust to the Earths center nestles round \& round In pangs of an Eternal Birth in torment \& awe \& fear All spirits deceasd let loose from reptile prisons come in shoals Wild furies from the tygers brain \& from the lions Eyes 1984 And from the ox \& ass come moping terrors. from the Eagle And raven numerous as the leaves of Autumn every species Flock to the trumpet muttring over the sides of the grave \& crying In the fierce wind round heaving rocks \& mountains filld with groans On rifted rocks suspended in the air by inward fires Many a woful company \& many on clouds \& waters Fathers \& friends Mothers \& Infants Kings \& Warriors Priests \& chaind Captives met together in a horrible fear And every one of the dead appears as he had livd before

And all the marks remain of the Slaves scourge \& tyrants Crown And of the Priests oergorged Abdomen \& of the merchants thin Sinewy deception \& of the warriors ou $[t] b r a v i n g ~ \& ~ t h o u g h t l e s s n e s s ~$ In lineaments too extended \& in bones too strait \& long

They shew their wounds they accuse they sieze the opressor howlings began
$t 985$ On the golden palace Songs \& joy on the desart the Cold babe Stands in the furious air he cries the children of six thousand years Who died in infancy rage furious a mighty multitude rage furious Naked \& pale standing on the expecting air to be deliverd Rend limb from limb the Warrior \& the tyrant reuniting in pain The furious wind still rends around they flee in sluggish effort

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They beg they intreat in vain now they Listend not to intreaty They view the flames red rolling on thro the wide universe From the dark jaws of death beneath \& desolate shores remote ${ }^{1986}$ These covering Vaults of heaven \& these trembling globes of Earth One Planet calls to another \& one star enquires of another 1987 What flames are these coming from the South what noise what dreadful rout As of a battle in the heavens hark heard you not the trumpet As of fierce battle while they spoke the flames come on intense roaring

They see him whom they have piercd they wail because of him They magnify themselves no more against Jerusalem Nor Against her little ones the innocent accused before the Judges Shines with immortal Glory trembling the Judge springs from his throne Hiding his face in the dust beneath the prisoners feet \& saying ${ }^{1988}$ Brother of Jesus what have I done intreat thy lord for me

Perhaps I may be forgiven While he speaks the flames roll on And after the flames appears the Cloud of the Son of Man Descending from Jerusalem with power and great Glory All nations look up to the Cloud \& behold him who was Crucified

The Prisoner answers you scourgd my father to death before my face While I stood bound with cords \& heavy chains, Your hipocrisy Shall now avail you nought. So speaking he dashd him with his foot

The Cloud is Blood dazling upon the heavens \& in the cloud Above upon its volumes is beheld a throne \& a pavement ${ }^{1989}$ Of precious stones. surrounded by twenty four venerable patriarchs 1990 And these again surrounded by four Wonders of the Almighty 1991 Incomprehensible. pervading all amidst \& round about Fourfold each in the other reflected they are named Life's in Eternity. Four Starry Universes going forward from Eternity to Eternity And the Falln Man who was arisen upon the Rock of Ages

Beheld the Vision of God \& he arose up from the Rock And Urizen arose up with him walking thro the flames To meet the Lord coming to Judgment but the flames repelld them Still to the Rock in vain they strove to Enter the Consummation Together for the Redeemd Man could not enter the Consummation 1992

Then siezd the Sons of Urizen the Plow they polishd it From rust of ages all its ornaments of Gold \& silver \& ivory

Reshone across the field immense where all the nations Darkend like Mould in the divided fallows where the weed Triumphs in its own destruction they took down the harness

From the blue walls of heaven starry jingling ornamented With beautiful art the study of angels the workmanship of Demons When Heaven \& Hell in Emulation strove in sports of Glory

The noise of rural work resounded thro the heavens of heavens The horse[s] neigh from the battle the wild bulls from the sultry waste The tygers from the forests \& the lions from the sandy desarts ${ }^{1993}$ They sing they sieze the instruments of harmony they throw away The spear the bow the gun the mortar they level the fortifications ${ }^{1994}$ They bet the iron engines of destruction into wedges They give them to Urthonas Sons ringing the hammers sound In dens of death to forge the spade the mattock \& the ax The heavy roller to break the clods to pass over the nations

The Sons of Urizen Shout Their father rose The Eternal horses Harnessd They calld to Urizen the heavens moved at their call The limbs of Urizen shone with ardor. He laid his ha[n]d on the Plow
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Thro dismal darkness drave the Plow of ages over Cities And all their Villages over Mountains \& all their Vallies Over the graves \& caverns of the dead Over the Planets And over the void Spaces over Sun \& moon \& star \& constellation

Then Urizen commanded \& they brought the Seed of Men The trembling souls of All the Dead stood before Urizen Weak wailing in the troubled air East west \& north \& south

He turnd the horses loose \& laid his Plow in the northern corner Of the wide Universal field. then Stepd forth into the immense ${ }^{1996}$

Then he began to sow the seed he girded round his loins With a bright girdle \& his skirt filld with immortal souls Howling \& Wailing fly the souls from Urizens strong hand

For from the hand of Urizen the myriads fall like stars Into their own appointed places driven back by the winds The naked warriors rush together down to the sea shores

They are become like wintry flocks like forests stripd of leaves The Kings \& Princes of the Earth cry with a feeble cry Driven on the unproducing sands \& on the hardend rocks And all the while the flames of Orc follow the ventrous feet Of Urizen \& all the while the Trump of Tharmas sounds Weeping \& wailing fly the souls from Urizens strong hand The daughters of Urizen stand with Cups \& measures of foaming wine Immense upon the heavens with bread \& delicate repasts

Then follows the golden harrow in the midst of Mental fires To ravishing melody of flutes \& harps \& softest voice The seed is harrowd in while flames heat the black mould \& cause The human harvest to begin Towards the south first sprang The myriads \& in silent fear they look out from their graves

Then Urizen sits down to rest \& all his wearied Sons Take their repose on beds they drink they sing they view the flames Of Orc in joy they view the human harvest springing up A time they give to sweet repose till all the harvest is ripe

And Lo like the harvest Moon Ahania cast off her death clothes She folded them up in care in silence \& her brightning limbs Bathd in the clear spring of the rock then from her darksom cave Issud in majesty divine Urizen rose up from his couch
On wings of tenfold joy clapping his hands his feet his radiant wings In the immense as when the Sun dances upon the mountains A shout of jubilee in lovely notes responding from daughter to daughter From son to Son as if the Stars beaming innumerable

Thro night should sing soft warbling filling Earth \& heaven And bright Ahania took her seat by Urizen in songs \& joy

The Eternal Man also sat down upon the Couches of Beulah Sorrowful that he could not put off his new risen body In mental flames the flames refusd they drove him back to Beulah His body was redeemd to be permanent thro Mercy Divine

And now fierce Orc had quite consumd himself in Mental flames Expending all his energy against the fuel of fire The Regenerate Man stoopd his head over the Universe \& in 1997 His holy hands recied the flaming Demon \& Demoness of Smoke And gave them to Urizens hands the Immortal frownd Saying

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Luvah \& Vala henceforth you are Servants obey \& live
You shall forget your former state return O Love in peace 1998 Into your place the place of seed not in the brain or heart If Gods combine against Man Setting their Dominion above The Human form Divine. Thrown down from their high Station In the Eternal heavens of Human Imagination: buried beneath 1999
In dark Oblivion with incessant pangs ages on ages
In Enmity \& war first weakend then in stern repentance
They must renew their brightness \& their disorganizd functions Again reorganize till they resume the image of the human Cooperating in the bliss of Man obeying his Will Servants to the infinite \& Eternal of the Human form

Luvah \& Vala descended \& enterd the Gates of Dark Urthona And walkd from the hands of Urizen in the shadows of Valas Garden Where the impressions of Despair \& Hope for ever vegetate In flowers in fruits in fishes birds \& beasts \& clouds \& waters The land of doubts \& shadows sweet delusions unformd hopes They saw no more the terrible confusion of the wracking universe They heard not saw not felt not all the terrible confusion For in their orbed senses within closd up they wanderd at will And those upon the Couches viewd them in the dreams of Beulah As they reposd from the terrible wide universal harvest Invisible Luvah in bright clouds hoverd over Valas head And thus their ancient golden age renewd for Luvah spoke With voice mild from his golden Cloud upon the breath of morning

Come forth O Vala from the grass \& from the silent Dew Rise from the dews of death for the Eternal Man is Risen

She rises among flowers \& looks toward the Eastern clearness She walks yea runs her feet are wingd on the tops of the bending grass Her garments rejoice in the vocal wind \& her hair glistens with dew

She answerd thus Whose voice is this in the voice of the nourishing air In the spirit of the morning awaking the Soul from its grassy bed

Where dost thou dwell for it is thee I seek \& but for thee I must have slept Eternally nor have felt the dew of thy morning Look how the opening dawn advances with vocal harmony Look how the beams foreshew the rising of some glorious power

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The sun is thine he goeth forth in his majestic brightness tlooo O thou creating voice that callest \& who shall answer thee

Where dost thou flee O fair one where dost thou seek thy happy place

To yonder brightness there I haste for sure I came from thence Or I must have slept eternally nor have felt the dew of morning

Eternally thou must have slept nor have felt the morning dew But for yon nourishing sun tis that by which thou art arisen The birds adore the sun the beasts rise up \& play in his beams And every flower \& every leaf rejoices in his light Then O thou fair one sit thee down for thou art as the grass Thou risest in the dew of morning \& at night art folded up

> Alas am I but as a flower then will I sit me down Then will I weep then Ill complain \& sigh for immortality And chide my maker thee O Sun that raisedst me to fall

So saying she sat down \& wept beneath the apple trees

O be thou blotted out thou Sun that raisedst me to trouble That gavest me a heart to crave \& raisedst me thy phantom To feel thy heat \& see thy light \& wander here alone Hopeless if I am like the grass \& so shall pass away Rise sluggish Soul why sitst thou here why dost thou sit \& weep Yon Sun shall wax old \& decay but thou shalt ever flourish The fruit shall ripen \& fall down \& the flowers consume away But thou shalt still survive arise O dry thy dewy tears

Hah! Shall I still survive whence came that sweet \& comforting voice And whence that voice of sorrow $O$ sun thou art nothing now to me Go on thy course rejoicing \& let us both rejoice together I walk among his flocks \& hear the bleating of his lambs O that I could behold his face \& follow his pure feet I walk by the footsteps of his flocks come hither tender flocks Can you converse with a pure Soul that seeketh for her maker You answer not then am I set your mistress in this garden Ill watch you \& attend your footsteps you are not like the birds

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And let me touch your wooly backs follow me as I sing For in my bosom a new song arises to my Lord

Rise up O Sun most glorious minister \& light of day Flow on ye gentle airs \& bear the voice of my rejoicing Wave freshly clear waters flowing around the tender grass And thou sweet smelling ground put forth thy life in fruits \& flowers Follow me O my flocks \& hear me sing my rapturous Song I will cause my voice to be heard on the clouds that glitter in the sun I will call \& who shall answer me I will sing who shall reply For from my pleasant hills behold the living living springs Running among my green pastures delighting among my trees I am not here alone my flocks you are my brethren And you birds that sing \& adorn the sky you are my sisters I sing \& you reply to my Song I rejoice \& you are glad Follow he O my flocks we will now descend into the valley O how delicious are the grapes flourishing in the Sun How clear the spring of the rock running among the golden sand How cool the breezes of the vall[e]y \& the arms of the branchy trees Cover us from the Sun come \& let us sit in the Shade My Luvah here hath placd me in a Sweet \& pleasant Land And given me fruits \& pleasant waters \& warm hills \& cool valleys Here will I build myself a house \& here Ill call on his name Here Ill return when I am weary \& take my pleasant rest

So spoke the Sinless Soul \& laid her head on the downy fleece Of a curld Ram who stretchd himself in sleep beside his mistress And soft sleep fell upon her eyelids in the silent noon of day

Then Luvah passed by \& saw the sinless Soul And said Let a pleasant house arise to be the dwelling place Of this immortal Spirit growing in lower Paradise

He spoke \& pillars were builded \& walls as white as ivory The grass she slept upon was pavd with pavement as of pearl Beneath her rose a downy bed \& a cieling coverd all

Vala awoke. When in the pleasant gates of sleep I enterd I saw my Luvah like a spirit stand in the bright air Round him stood spirits like me who reard me a bright house And here I see thee house remain in my most pleasant world

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My Luvah smild I kneeled down he laid his hand on my head And when he laid his hand upon me from the gates of sleep I came Into this bodily house to tend my flocks in my pleasant garden

So saying she arose \& walked round her beautiful house And then from her white door she lookd to see her bleating lambs But her flocks were gone up from beneath the trees into the hills

I see the hand that leadeth me doth also lead my flocks She went up to her flocks \& turned oft to see her shining house She stopd to drink of the clear spring \& eat the grapes \& apples

She bore the fruits in her lap she gatherd flowers for her bosom She called to her flocks saying follow me O my flocks

They followd her to the silent vall[e]y beneath the spreading trees And on the rivers margin she ungirded her golden girdle She stood in the river \& viewd herself within the watry glass And her bright hair was wet with the waters She rose up from the river And as she rose her Eyes were opend to the world of waters She saw Tharmas sitting upon the rocks beside the wavy sea He strokd the water from his beard \& mournd faint thro the summer vales

And Vala stood on the rocks of Tharmas \& heard his mournful voice

O Enion my weary head is in the bed of death For weeds of death have wrapd around my limbs in the hoary deeps I sit in the place of shells \& mourn \& thou art closd in clouds When will the time of Clouds be past \& the dismal night of Tharmas Arise O Enion Arise \& smile upon my head t1001
As thou dost smile upon the barren mountains and they rejoice When wilt thou smile on Tharmas O thou bringer of golden day Arise O Enion arise for Lo I have calmd my seas

So saying his faint head he laid upon the Oozy rock And darkness coverd all the deep the light of Enion faded Like a fa[i]nt flame quivering upon the surface of the darkness

Then Vala lifted up her hands to heaven to call on Enion She calld but none could answer her \& the Eccho of her voice returnd

Where is the voice of God that calld me from the silent dew
Where is the Lord of Vala dost thou hide in clefts of the rock Why shouldst thou hide thyself from Vala from the soul that wanders desolate

She ceas'd \& light beamd round her like the glory of the morning

And She arose out of the river \& girded on her golden girdle

And now her feet step on the grassy bosom of the ground Among her flocks \& she turnd her eyes toward her pleasant house And saw in the door way beneath the trees two little children playing She drew near to her house \& her flocks followd her footsteps The Children clung around her knees she embracd them \& wept over them

Thou little Boy art Tharmas \& thou bright Girl Enion How are ye thus renewd \& brought into the Gardens of Vala

She embracd them in tears. till the sun descended the western hills And then she enterd her bright house leading her mighty children

And when night came the flocks laid round the house beneath the trees She laid the Children on the beds which she saw prepard in the house Then last herself laid down \& closd her Eyelids in soft slumbers

And in the morning when the Sun arose in the crystal sky Vala awoke \& calld the children from their gentle slumbers

Awake O Enion awake \& let thine innocent Eyes
Enlighten all the Crystal house of Vala awake awake Awake Tharmas awake awake thou child of dewy tears Open the orbs of thy blue eyes \& smile upon my gardens

The Children woke \& smild on Vala. she kneeld by the golden couch She presd them to her bosom \& her pearly tears dropd down O my sweet Children Enion let Tharmas kiss thy Cheek Why dost thou turn thyself away from his sweet watry eyes Tharmas henceforth in Valas bosom thou shalt find sweet peace O bless the lovely eyes of Tharmas \& the Eyes of Enion

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They rose they went out wandring sometimes together sometimes alone

Why weepest thou Tharmas Child of tears in the bright house of joy
Doth Enion avoid the sight of thy blue heavenly Eyes And dost thou wander with my lambs \& wet their innocent faces t1002 With thy bright tears because the steps of Enion are in the gardens Arise sweet boy \& let us follow the path of Enion

So saying they went down into the garden among the fruits And Enion sang among the flowers that grew among the trees And Vala said Go Tharmas weep not Go to Enion

He said O Vala I am sick \& all this garden of Pleasure Swims like a dream before my eyes but the sweet smelling fruit Revives me to new deaths I fade even like a water lilly In the suns heat till in the night on the couch of Enion I drink new life \& feel the breath of sleeping Enion But in the morning she arises to avoid my Eyes Then my loins fade \& in the house I sit me down \& weep

Chear up thy Countenance bright boy \& go to Enion Tell her that Vala waits her in the shadows of her garden

He went with timid steps \& Enion like the ruddy morn When infant spring appears in swelling buds \& opening flowers Behind her Veil withdraws so Enion turnd her modest head

But Tharmas spoke Vala seeks thee sweet Enion in the shades Follow the steps of Tharmas O thou brightness of the gardens He took her hand reluctant she followd in infant doubts

Thus in Eternal Childhood straying among Valas flocks In infant sorrow \& joy alternate Enion \& Tharmas playd Round Vala in the Gardens of Vala \& by her rivers margin They are the shadows of Tharmas \& of Enion in Valas world

And the sleepers who rested from their harvest work beheld theseOAthese visions Thus were the sleepers entertaind upon the Couches of Beulah When Luvah \& Vala were closd up in their world of shadowy forms Darkness was all beneath the heavens only a little light

Such as glows out from sleeping spirits appeard in the deeps beneath As when the wind sweeps over a Corn field the noise of souls Thro all the immense borne down by Clouds swagging in autumnal heat Muttering along from heaven to heaven hoarse roll the human forms Beneath thick clouds dreadful lightnings burst \& thunders roll Down pour the torrent Floods of heaven on all the human harvest Then Urizen sitting at his repose on beds in the bright South Cried Times are Ended he Exulted he arose in joy he exulted He pourd his light \& all his Sons \& daughters pourd their light To exhale the spirits of Luvah \& Vala thro the atmosphere And Luvah \& Vala saw the Light their spirits were Exhald In all their ancient innocence the floods depart the clouds Dissipate or sink into the Seas of Tharmas Luvah sat Above in the bright heavens in peace. the Spirits of Men beneath Cried out to be deliverd \& the Spirit of Luvah wept Over the human harvest \& over Vala the sweet wanderer In pain the human harvest wavd in horrible groans of woe

The Universal Groan went up the Eternal Man was Darkend

Then Urizen arose \& took his Sickle in his hand There is a brazen sickle \& a scythe of iron hid Deep in the South guarded by a few solitary stars This sickle Urizen took the scythe his sons embracd And went forth \& began to reap \& all his joyful sons Reapd the wide Universe \& bound in Sheaves a wondrous harvest They took them into the wide barns with loud rejoicings \& triumph Of flute \& harp \& drum \& trumpet horn \& clarion

The feast was spread in the bright South\& the Regenerate Man Sat at the feast rejoicing \& the wine of Eternity Was servd round by the flames of Luvah all Day \& all the Night And when Morning began to dawn upon the distant hills a whirlwind rose up in the Center \& in the Whirlwind a shriek ${ }^{\text {t1003 }}$ And in the Shriek a rattling of bones \& in the rattling of bones A dolorous groan \& from the dolorous groan in tears Rose Enion like a gentle light \& Enion spoke saying

O Dreams of Death the human form dissolving companied By beasts \& worms \& creeping things \& darkness \& despair 11004 The clouds fall off from my wet brow the dust from my cold limbs Into the Sea of Tharmas Soon renewd a Golden Moth I shall cast off my death clothes \& Embrace Tharmas again

For Lo the winter melted away upon the distant hills
And all the black mould sings. She speaks to her infant race her milk
Descends down on the sand. the thirsty sand drinks \& rejoices ${ }^{t 1005}$
Wondering to behold the Emmet the Grasshopper the jointed worm
The roots shoot thick thro the solid rocks bursting their way They cry out in joys of existence. the broad stems Rear on the mountains stem after stem the scaly newt creeps From the stone \& the armed fly springs from the rocky crevice The spider. The bat burst from the hardend slime crying To one another what are we $\&$ whence is our joy $\&$ delight Lo the little moss begins to spring \& the tender weed Creeps round our secret nest. Flocks brighten the Mountains Herds throng up the Valley wild beasts fill the forests

Joy thrilld thro all the Furious form of Tharmas humanizing Mild he Embracd her whom he sought he raisd her thro the heavens Sounding his trumpet to awake the Dead on high he soard Over the ruind worlds the smoking tomb of the Eternal Prophet

The Eternal Man arose he welcomd them to the Feast The feast was spread in the bright South \& the Eternal Man Sat at the feast rejoicing \& the wine of Eternity Was servd round by the flames of Luvah all day \& all the night

And Many Eternal Men sat at the golden feast to see
The female form now separate They shudderd at the horrible thing Not born for the sport and amusement of Man but born to drink up all his powers They wept to see their shadows they said to one another this is Sin tloor This is the Generative world they rememberd the Days of old ${ }^{t 1007}$

And One of the Eternals spoke All was silent at the feast

Man is a Worm wearied with joy he seeks the caves of sleep Among the Flowers of Beulah in his Selfish cold repose Forsaking Brotherhood \& Universal love in selfish clay Folding the pure wings of his mind seeking the places dark Abstracted from the roots of Science then inclosd around t1008 In walls of Gold we cast him like a Seed into the Earth Till times \& spaces have passd over him duly every morn We visit him covering with a Veil the immortal seed With windows from the inclement sky we cover him \& with walls And hearths protect the Selfish terror till divided all

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In families we see our shadows born. \& thence we know | Ephesians
That Man subsists by Brotherhood \& Universal Love |iii c.
We fall on one anothers necks more closely we embrace \| 10 v

Not for ourselves but for the Eternal family we live Man liveth not by Self alone but in his brothers face Each shall behold the Eternal Father \& love \& joy abound

So spoke the Eternal at the Feast they embracd the New born Man Calling hi Brother image of the Eternal Father. they sat down At the immortal tables sounding loud their instruments of joy Calling the Morning into Beulah the Eternal Man rejoicd

When Morning dawnd The Eternals rose to labour at the Vintage Beneath they saw their sons \& daughters wondering inconcievable At the dark myriads in Shadows in the worlds beneath

The morning dawnd Urizen rose \& in his hand the Flail Sounds on the Floor heard terrible by all beneath the heavens Dismal loud redounding the nether floor shakes with the sound

And all Nations were threshed out \& the stars threshd from their husks

Then Tharmas took the Winnowing fan the winnowing wind furious Above veerd round by the violent whirlwind driven west \& south Tossed the Nations like Chaff into the seas of Tharmas

O Mystery Fierce Tharmas cries Behold thy end is come Art thou she that made the nations drunk with the cup of Religion Go down ye Kings \& Councellors \& Giant Warriors
Go down into the depths go down \& hide yourselves beneath Go down with horse \& Chariots \& Trumpets of hoarse war

Lo how the Pomp of Mystery goes down into the Caves Her great men howl \& throw the dust \& rend their hoary hair Her delicate women \& children shriek upon the bitter wind Spoild of their beauty their hair rent \& their skin shriveld up Lo darkness covers the long pomp of banners on the wind And black horses \& armed men \& miserable bound captives Where shall the graves recieve them all \& where shall be their place

And who shall mourn for Mystery who never loosd her Captives Let the slave grinding at the mill run out into the field Let him look up into the heavens \& laugh in the bright air Let the inchaind soul shut up in darkness \& in sighing Whose face has never seen a smile in thirty weary years Rise \& look out his chains are loose his dungeon doors are open And let his wife \& children return from the opressors scourge They look behind at every step \& believe it is a dream Are these the Slaves that groand along the streets of Mystery Where are your bonds \& task masters are these the prisoners

Where are your chains where are your tears why do you look around If you are thirsty there is the river go bathe your parched limbs The good of all the Land is before you for Mystery is no more

Then All the Slaves from every Earth in the wide Universe Sing a New Song drowning confusion in its happy notes While the flail of Urizen sounded loud \& the winnowing wind of Tharmas So loud so clear in the wide heavens \& the song that they sung was this Composed by an African Black from the little Earth of Sotha

Aha Aha how came I here so soon in my sweet native land t1009 How came I here Methinks I am as I was in my youth

When in my fathers house I sat \& heard his chearing voice Methinks I see his flocks \& herds \& feel my limbs renewd And Lo my Brethren in their tents \& their little ones around them

The song arose to the Golden feast the Eternal Man rejoicd Then the Eternal Man said Luvah the Vintage is ripe arise The sons of Urizen shall gather the vintage with sharp hooks And all thy sons O Luvah bear away the families of Earth I hear the flail of Urizen his barns are full no roo[m] Remains \& in the Vineyards stand the abounding sheaves beneath The falling Grapes that odorous burst upon the winds. Arise My flocks \& herds trample the Corn my cattle browze upon The ripe Clusters The shepherds shout for Luvah prince of Love Let the Bulls of Luvah tread the Corn \& draw the loaded waggon Into the Barn while children glean the Ears around the door Then shall they lift their innocent hands \& stroke his furious nose And he shall lick the little girls white neck \& on her head Scatter the perfume of his breath while from his mountains high

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The lion of terror shall come down \& bending his bright mane And couching at their side shall eat from the curld boys white lap His golden food and in the evening sleep before the Door

Attempting to be more than Man We become less said Luvah As he arose from the bright feast drunk with the wine of ages His crown of thorns fell from his head he hung his living Lyre Behind the seat of the Eternal Man \& took his way Sounding the Song of Los descending to the Vineyards bright His sons arising from the feast with golden baskets follow A fiery train as when the Sun sings in the ripe vineyards Then Luvah stood before the wine press all his fiery sons Brought up the loaded Waggons with shoutings ramping tygers play In the jingling traces furious lions sound the song of joy To the golden wheels circling upon the pavement of heaven \& all The Villages of Luvah ring the golden tiles of the villages

Reply to violins \& tabors to the pipe flute lyre \& cymbal Then fell the Legions of Mystery in maddning confusion Down Down thro the immense with outcry fury \& despair Into the wine presses of Luvah howling fell the Clusters Of human families thro the deep. the wine presses were filld The blood of life flowd plentiful Odors of life arose All round the heavenly arches \& the Odors rose singing this song tlolo

O terrible wine presses of Luvah O caverns of the Grave How lovely the delights of those risen again from death O trembling joy excess of joy is like Excess of grief

So sang the Human Odors round the wine presses of Luvah

But in the Wine presses is wailing terror \& despair Forsaken of their Elements they vanish \& are no more
No more but a desire of Being a distracted ravening desire Desiring like the hungry worm \& like the gaping grave tloll They plunge into the Elements the Elements cast them forth Or else consume their shadowy semblance Yet they obstinate Tho pained to distraction Cry O let us Exist for
This dreadful Non Existence is worse than pains of Eternal Birth t1012 Eternal Death who can Endure. let us consume in fires
In waters stifling or in air corroding or in earth shut up
The Pangs of Eternal birth are better than the Pangs of Eternal Death

How red the Sons \& Daughters of Luvah how they tread the Grapes Laughing \& shouting drunk with odors many fall oerwearied Drownd in the wine is many a youth \& maiden those around Lay them on skins of tygers or the spotted Leopard or wild Ass Till they revive or bury them in cool Grots making lamentation

But in the Wine Presses the Human Grapes Sing not nor dance They howl \& writhe in shoals of torment in fierce flames consuming In chains of iron \& in dungeons circled with ceaseless fires In pits \& dens \& shades of death in shapes of torment \& woe The Plates the Screws and Racks \& Saws \& cords \& fires \& floods ${ }^{\text {t1013 }}$ The cruel joy of Luvahs daughters lacerating with knives And whip[s] their Victims \& the deadly sports of Luvahs Sons ${ }^{11014}$

Timbrels \& Violins sport round the Wine Presses The little Seed The Sportive root the Earthworm the small beetle the wise Emmet Dance round the Wine Presses of Luvah. the Centipede is there The ground Spider with many Eyes the Mole clothed in Velvet The Earwig armd the tender maggot emblem of Immortality The Slow Slug the grasshopper that sings \& laughs \& drinks The winter comes he folds his slender bones without a murmur There is the Nettle that stings with soft down \& there t1015

The indignant Thistle whose bitterness is bred in his milk And who lives on the contempt of his neighbour there all the idle weeds That creep about the obscure places shew their various limbs Naked in all their beauty dancing round the Wine Presses

They Dance around the Dying \& they Drink the howl \& groan

They catch the Shrieks in cups of gold they hand them to one another These are the sports of love \& these the sweet delights of amorous play Tears of the grapes the death sweat of the Cluster the last sigh Of the mild youth who listens to the luring songs of Luvah

The Eternal Man darkend with Sorrow \& a wintry mantle Coverd the Hills He said O Tharmas rise \& O Urthona

Then Tharmas \& Urthona rose from the Golden feast satiated With Mirth \& joy Urthona limping from his fall on Tharmas leand

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In his right hand his hammer Tharmas held his Shepherds crook Beset with gold gold were the ornaments formed by the sons of Urizen Then Enion \& Ahania \& Vala \& the wife of Dark Urthona Rose from the feast in joy ascending to their Golden Looms There the wingd shuttle Sang the spindle \& the distaff \& the Reel Rang sweet the praise of industry. Thro all the golden rooms Heaven rang with winged Exultation All beneath howld loud With tenfold rout \& desolation roard the Chasms beneath Where the wide woof flowd down \& where the Nations are gatherd together

Tharmas went down to the Wine presses \& beheld the sons \& daughters Of Luvah quite exhausted with the Labour \& quite filld With new wine. that they began to torment one another and to tread The weak. Luvah \& Vala slept on the floor o'erwearied

Urthona calld his Sons around him Tharmas calld his sons Numrous. they took the wine they separated the Lees And Luvah was put for dung on the ground by the Sons of Tharmas \& Urthona They formed heavens of sweetest wo[o]d[s] of gold \& silver \& ivory Of glass \& precious stones They loaded all the waggons of heaven And took away the wine of ages with solemn songs \& joy

Luvah \& Vala woke \& all the sons \& daughters of Luvah Awoke they wept to one another \& they reascended To the Eternal Man in woe he cast them wailing into The world of shadows thro the air till winter is over \& gone

But the Human Wine stood wondering in all their delightful Expanses The Elements subside the heavens rolld on with vocal harmony

Then Los who is Urthona rose in all his regenerate power

The Sea that rolld \& foamd with darkness \& the shadows of death Vomited out \& gave up all the floods lift up their hands Singing \& shouting to the Man they bow their hoary heads And murmuring in their channels flow \& circle round his feet

Then Dark Urthona took the Corn out of the Stores of Urizen He ground it in his rumbling Mills Terrible the distress Of all the Nations of Earth ground in the Mills of Urthona In his hand Tharmas takes the Storms. he turns the whirlwind Loose

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Upon the wheels the stormy seas howl at his dread command And Eddying fierce rejoice in the fierce agitation o the wheels Of Dark Urthona Thunders Earthquakes Fires Water floods Rejoice to one another loud their voices shake the Abyss Their dread forms tending the dire mills The grey hoar frost was there And his pale wife the aged Snow they watch over the fires They build the Ovens of Urthona Nature in darkness groans And Men are bound to sullen contemplations in the night Restless they turn on beds of sorrow. in their inmost brain Feeling the crushing Wheels they rise they write the bitter words Of Stern Philosophy \& knead the bread of knowledge with tears \& groans

Such are the works of Dark Urthona Tharmas sifted the corn Urthona made the Bread of Ages \& he placed it In golden \& in silver baskets in heavens of precious stone And then took his repose in Winter in the night of Time

The Sun has left his blackness \& has found a fresher morning And the mild moon rejoices in the clear \& cloudless night t1016 And Man walks forth from midst of the fires the evil is all consumd His eyes behold the Angelic spheres arising night \& day The stars consumd like a lamp blown out \& in their stead behold The Expanding Eyes of Man behold the depths of wondrous worlds ${ }^{\text {t1017 }}$ One Earth one sea beneath nor Erring Globes wander but Stars Of fire rise up nightly from the Ocean \& one Sun Each morning like a New born Man issues with songs \& Joy Calling the Plowman to his Labour \& the Shepherd to his rest He walks upon the Eternal Mountains raising his heavenly voice Conversing with the Animal forms of wisdom night \& day That risen from the Sea of fire renewd walk oer the Earth

For Tharmas brought his flocks upon the hills \& in the Vales Around the Eternal Mans bright tent the little Children play Among the wooly flocks The hammer of Urthona sounds In the deep caves beneath his limbs renewd his Lions roar Around the Furnaces \& in Evening sport upon the plains They raise their faces from the Earth conversing with the Man

How is it we have walkd thro fires \& yet are not consumd How is it that all things are changd even as in ancient times

The Sun arises from his dewy bed \& the fresh airs

Play in his smiling beams giving the seeds of life to grow
And the fresh Earth beams forth ten thousand thousand springs of life
Urthona is arisen in his strength no longer now
Divided from Enitharmon no longer the Spectre Los
Where is the Spectre of Prophecy where the delusive Phantom
Departed \& Urthona rises from the ruinous walls
In all his ancient strength to form the golden armour of science
For intellectual War The war of swords departed now
The dark Religions are departed \& sweet Science reigns

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The torments of Love \& Jealousy in The Death and Judgement of Albion the Ancient Man
by William Blake 1797

Rest before Labour
<4 lines of Greek text; Ephesians 6: 12>

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<[For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. (King James version)]> ${ }^{1404}$

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The Song of the Aged Mother which shook the heavens with wrath ${ }^{4005}$ Hearing the march of long resounding strong heroic Verse Marshalld in order for the day of Intellectual Battle

Four Mighty Ones are in every Man; a Perfect Unity John XVII c. 21 \& 22 \& 23 v ${ }^{1406}$ Cannot Exist. but from the Universal Brotherhood of Eden John I c. 14. v
[What] are the Natures of those Living Creatures the Heavenly Father only [Knoweth] no Individual [Knoweth nor] Can know in all Eternity ${ }^{4} 407$

Los was the fourth immortal starry one, \& in the Earth Of a bright Universe Empery attended day \& night Days \& nights of revolving joy, Urthona was his name

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from the dead

In Eden; in the Auricular Nerves of Human life Which is the Earth of Eden, he his Emanations propagated Fairies of Albion afterwards Gods of the Heathen, Daughter of Beulah Sing His fall into Division \& his Resurrection to Unity
His fall into the Generation of Decay \& Death \& his Regeneration by the Resurrection 1409

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Lost! Lost! Lost! are my Emanations Enion O Enion ${ }^{1410}$
We are become a Victim to the Living We hide in secret ${ }^{1411}$ I have hidden Jerusalem in Silent Contrition O Pity Me ${ }^{1412}$
I will build thee a Labyrinth also O pity me O Enion ${ }^{1413}$
Why hast thou taken sweet Jerusalem from my inmost Soul 1414
Let her Lay secret in the Soft recess of darkness \& silence It is not Love I bear to [Jerusalem] It is Pity ${ }^{1415}$
She hath taken refuge in my bosom \& I cannot cast her out.

The Men have recieved their death wounds \& their Emanations are fled To me for refuge \& I cannot turn them out for Pitys sake

Enion said--Thy fear has made me tremble thy terrors have surrounded me ${ }^{1416}$ All Love is lost Terror succeeds \& Hatred instead of Love And stern demands of Right \& Duty instead of Liberty. Once thou wast to Me the loveliest son of heaven--But now Why art thou Terrible and yet I love thee in thy terror till I am almost Extinct \& soon shall be a Shadow in Oblivion Unless some way can be found that I may look upon thee \& live Hide me some Shadowy semblance. secret whispring in my Ear In secret of soft wings. in mazes of delusive beauty I have lookd into the secret soul of him I lovd And in the Dark recesses found Sin \& cannot return

Trembling \& pale sat Tharmas weeping in his clouds

Why wilt thou Examine every little fibre of my soul Spreading them out before the Sun like Stalks of flax to dry The infant joy is beautiful but its anatomy Horrible Ghast \& Deadly nought shalt thou find in it But Death Despair \& Everlasting brooding Melancholy

Thou wilt go mad with horror if thou dost Examine thus Every moment of my secret hours Yea I know That I have sinnd \& that my Emanations are become harlots I am already distracted at their deeds \& if I look Upon them more Despair will bring self murder on my soul O Enion thou art thyself a root growing in hell Tho thus heavenly beautiful to draw me to destruction

Sometimes I think thou art a flower expanding Sometimes I think thou art fruit breaking from its bud In dreadful dolor \& pain \& I am like an atom A Nothing left in darkness yet I am an identity I wish \& feel \& weep \& groan Ah terrible terrible

In Eden Females sleep the winter in soft silken veils ${ }^{1418}$ Woven by their own hands to hide them in the darksom grave But Males immortal live renewd by female deaths. in soft Delight they die \& they revive in spring with music \& songs Enion said Farewell I die I hide from thy searching eyes

So saying--From her bosom weaving soft in Sinewy threads A tabernacle for Jerusalem she sat among the Rocks ${ }^{1419}$ Singing her lamentation. Tharmas groand among his Clouds Weeping, then bending from his Clouds he stoopd his innocent head ${ }^{1420}$ And stretching out his holy hand in the vast Deep sublime Turnd round the circle of Destiny with tears \& bitter sighs And said. Return O Wanderer when the Day of Clouds is oer

So saying he sunk down into the sea a pale white corse In torment he sunk down \& flowd among her filmy Woof ${ }^{1421}$ His Spectre issuing from his feet in flames of fire In gnawing pain drawn out by her lovd fingers every nerve ${ }^{1422}$ She counted. every vein \& lacteal threading them among Her woof of terror. Terrified \& drinking tears of woe Shuddring she wove--nine days \& nights Sleepless her food was tears Wondring she saw her woof begin to animate. \& not As Garments woven subservient to her hands but having a will Of its own perverse \& wayward Enion lovd \& wept

Nine days she labourd at her work. \& nine dark sleepless nights But on the tenth trembling morn the Circle of Destiny Complete ${ }^{1423}$

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Round rolld the Sea Englobing in a watry Globe self balancd

> | A Frowning Continent appeard Where Enion in the Desart |
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| Terrified in her own Creation viewing her woven shadow |
| Sat in a dread intoxication of Repentance \& Contrition |
| There is from Great Eternity a mild \& pleasant rest |
| Namd Beulah a Soft Moony Universe feminine lovely |
| Pure mild \& Gentle given in Mercy to those who sleep |
| Eternally. Created by the Lamb of God around |
| On all sides within \& without the Universal Man |
| The Daughters of Beulah follow sleepers in all their Dreams |
| Creating Spaces lest they fall into Eternal Death |
| The Circle of Destiny complete they gave to it a Space |
| And namd the Space Ulro \& brooded over it in care \& love |
| They said The Spectre is in every man insane \& most |
| Deformd Thro the three heavens descending in fury \& fire |
| We meet it with our Songs \& loving blandishments \& give |
| To it a form of vegetation But this Spectre of Tharmas |
| Is Eternal Death What shall we do O God pity \& help |
| So spoke they \& closd the Gate of the Tongue in trembling fear |
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What have I done! said Enion accursed wretch! What deed. ${ }^{428}$
Is this a deed of Love I know what I have done. I know
Too late now to repent. Love is changd to deadly Hate ${ }^{1429}$
A $[l l]$ life is blotted out \& I alone remain possessd with Fears ${ }^{1430}$
I see the Shadow of the dead within my Soul wandering ${ }^{1431}$
In darkness \& solitude forming Seas of Doubt \& rocks of Repentance ${ }^{1432}$
Already are my Eyes reverted. all that I behold
Within my Soul has lost its splendor \& a brooding Fear
Shadows me oer \& drives me outward to a world of woe
So waild she trembling before her own Created Phantasm ${ }^{1433}$

She drew the Spectre forth from Tharmas in her shining loom ${ }^{t 435}$ Of Vegetation weeping in wayward infancy \& sullen youth Listning to her soft lamentations soon his tongue began To Lisp out words \& soon in masculine strength augmenting he Reard up a form of gold \& stood upon the glittering rock A shadowy human form winged \& in his depths The dazzlings as of gems shone clear, rapturous in fury ${ }^{1436}$ Glorying in his own eyes Exalted in terrific Pride ${ }^{1437}$ The Spectre thus spoke. Who art thou Diminutive husk \& shell ${ }^{1438}$ If thou hast sinnd \& art polluted know that I am pure ${ }^{1439}$

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And unpolluted \& will bring to rigid strict account All thy past deeds [So] hear what I tell thee! mark it well! remember! This world is Thine in which thou dwellest that within thy soul ${ }^{1441}$ That dark \& dismal infinite where Thought roams up \& down

Is Mine \& there thou goest when with one Sting of my tongue ${ }^{1442}$ Envenomd thou rollst inwards to the place whence I emergd ${ }^{t 43}$

She trembling answerd Wherefore was I born \& what am I ${ }^{1444}$ I thought to weave a Covering for my Sins from wrath of Tharmas ${ }^{1445}$

## I thought Tharmas a Sinner \& I murderd his Emanations ${ }^{1447}$

His secret loves \& Graces Ah me wretched What have I done ${ }^{1448}$
For now I find that all those Emanations were my Childrens Souls ${ }^{1449}$ And I have murderd them with Cruelty above atonement ${ }^{1450}$ Those that remain have fled from my cruelty into the desarts And thou the delusive tempter to these deeds sittest before me ${ }^{1451}$ In this thy world not mine tho dark I feel my world within ${ }^{1452}$

Mingling his horrible brightness with her tender limbs then high she soard Above the ocean; a bright wonder that Nature shudder'd at ${ }^{1454}$ Half Woman \& half Spectre, all his lovely changing colours mix ${ }^{1455}$ With her fair crystal clearness; in her lips \& cheeks his poisons rose ${ }^{1456}$ In blushes like the morning, and his scaly armour softening ${ }^{1457}$ A monster lovely in the heavens or wandering on the earth, ${ }^{1458}$

Till with fierce pain she brought forth on the rocks her sorrow \& woe Behold two little Infants wept upon the desolate wind. ${ }^{4559}$ The first state weeping they began \& helpless as a wave Beaten along its sightless way growing enormous in its motion to Its utmost goal, till strength from Enion like richest summer shining ${ }^{4600}$ Raisd the bright boy \& girl with glories from their heads beaming ${ }^{4661}$ Drawing forth drooping mothers pity drooping mothers sorrow ${ }^{4662}$

They sulk upon her breast her hair became like snow on mountains ${ }^{t 463}$ Weaker \& weaker, weeping woful, wearier and wearier Faded \& her bright Eyes decayd melted with pity \& love

And then they wanderd far away she sought for them in vain ${ }^{1464}$ In weeping blindness stumbling she followd them oer rocks \& mountains Rehumanizing from the Spectre in pangs of maternal love

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Ingrate they wanderd scorning her drawing her Spectrous Life Repelling her away \& away by a dread repulsive power Into Non Entity revolving round in dark despair. And drawing in the Spectrous life in pride and haughty joy ${ }^{1465}$ Thus Enion gave them all her spectrous life ${ }^{1466}$

Then Eno a daughter of Beulah took a Moment of Time ${ }^{1467}$ And drew it out to Seven thousand years with much care \& affliction ${ }^{1468}$ And many tears \& in Every year made windows into Eden ${ }^{1469}$

She also took an atom of space \& opend its center
Into Infinitude \& ornamented it with wondrous art
Astonishd sat her Sisters of Beulah to see her soft affections
To Enion \& her children \& they ponderd these things wondring
And they Alternate kept watch over the Youthful terrors
They saw not yet the Hand Divine for it was not yet reveald
But they went on in Silent Hope \& Feminine repose
But Los \& Enitharmon delighted in the Moony spaces of Eno ${ }^{1470}$
Nine Times they livd among the forests, feeding n sweet fruits
And nine bright Spaces wanderd weaving mazes of delight Snaring the wild Goats for their milk they eat the flesh of Lambs A male \& female naked \& ruddy as the pride of summer Alternate Love \& Hate his breast; hers Scorn \& Jealousy In embryon passions. they kiss'd not nor embrac'd for shame \& fear ${ }^{1471}$ His head beamd light \& in his vigorous voice was prophecy He could controll the times \& seasons, \& the days \& years She could controll the spaces, regions, desart, flood \& forest
But had no power to weave a Veil of covering for her Sins
She drave the Females all away from Los
And Los drave all the Males from her away
They wanderd long, till they sat down upon the margind sea.
Conversing with the visions of Beulah in dark slumberous bliss ${ }^{1472}$$t 472$

But the two youthful wonders wanderd in the world of Tharmas ${ }^{1473}$
Thy name is Enitharmon; said the fierce prophetic boy ${ }^{1474}$ While thy mild voice fills all these Caverns with sweet harmony O how our Parents sit \& mourn in their silent secret bowers ${ }^{1475}$

But Enitharmon answerd with a dropping tear \& frowning ${ }^{1476}$
Dark as a dewy morning when the crimson light appears 1477
To make us happy let them weary their immortal powers ${ }^{1478}$
While we draw in their sweet delights while we return them scorn ${ }^{1479}$
On scorn to feed our discontent; for if we grateful prove

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They will withhold sweet love, whose food is thorns \& bitter roots. We hear the warlike clarions we view the turning spheres ${ }^{4480}$
Yet Thou in indolence reposest holding me in bonds
Hear! I will sing a Song of Death! it is a Song of Vala! ${ }^{1481}$
The Fallen Man takes his repose: Urizen sleeps in the porch ${ }^{1482}$
Luvah and Vala woke \& flew up from the Human Heart ${ }^{1483}$ Into the Brain; from thence upon the pillow Vala slumber'd. And Luvah siez'd the Horses of Light, \& rose into the Chariot of Day Sweet laughter siezd me in my sleep! silent \& close I laughd ${ }^{1484}$
For in the visions of Vala I walkd with the mighty Fallen One ${ }^{1485}$ I heard his voice among the branches, \& among sweet flowers. ${ }^{1486}$

Why is the light of Enitharmon darken'd in dewy morn ${ }^{t 487}$
Why is the silence of Enitharmon a terror \& her smile a whirlwind ${ }^{1488}$
Uttering this darkness in my halls, in the pillars of my Holy-ones
Why dost thou weep as Vala? \& wet thy veil with dewy tears, ${ }^{1489}$
In slumbers of my night-repose, infusing a false morning?
Driving the Female Emanations all away from Los 1490
I have refusd to look upon the Universal Vision
And wilt thou slay with death him who devotes himself to thee ${ }^{t 491}$
Once born for the sport \& amusement of Man now born to drink up all his Powers

I heard the sounding sea; I heard the voice weaker and weaker; The voice came \& went like a dream, I awoke in my sweet bliss. Then Los smote her upon the Earth twas long eer she revivd He answer'd, darkning more with indignation hid in smiles 1492

I die not Enitharmon tho thou singst thy Song of Death ${ }^{1493}$
Nor shalt thou me torment For I behold the Fallen Man ${ }^{1494}$ Seeking to comfort Vala, she will not be comforted ${ }^{4995}$ She rises from his throne and seeks the shadows of her garden Weeping for Luvah lost, in the bloody beams of your false morning Sickning lies the Fallen Man his head sick his heart faint ${ }^{1496}$ Mighty atchievement of your power! Beware the punishment I see, invisible decend into the Gardens of Vala
Luvah walking on the winds, I see the invisible knife I see the shower of blood: I see the swords \& spears of futurity Tho in the Brain of Man we live, \& in his circling Nerves. Tho' this bright world of all our joy is in the Human Brain. Where Urizen \& all his Hosts hang their immortal lamps
Thou neer shalt leave this cold expanse where watry Tharmas mourns

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Then Enitharmon reddning fierce stretchd her immortal hands ${ }^{1497}$

Descend O Urizen descend with horse \& chariots
Threaten not me O visionary thine the punishment
The Human Nature shall no more remain nor Human acts
Form the rebellious Spirits of Heaven. but War \& Princedom \& Victory \& Blood
$t 498$

Night darkend as she spoke! a shuddring ran from East to West ${ }^{1500}$ A Groan was heard on high. The warlike clarions ceast. the Spirits Of Luvah \& Vala shudderd in their Orb: an orb of blood!

Eternity groand \& was troubled at the Image of Eternal Death The Wandering Man bow'd his faint head and Urizen descended And the one must have murderd the other if he had not descended ${ }^{t 501}$

Indignant muttering low thunders; Urizen descended
Gloomy sounding, Now I am God from Eternity to Eternity

Sullen sat Los plotting Revenge. Silent he eye'd the Prince ${ }^{1502}$
Of Light. Silent the prince of Light viewd Los. at length a brooded ${ }^{t 503}$
Smile broke from Urizen for Enitharmon brightend more \& more
Sullen he lowerd on Enitharmon but he smild on Los

Saying Thou art the Lord of Luvah into thine hands I give The prince of Love the murderer his soul is in thine hands
Pity not Vala for she pitied not the Eternal Man Nor pity thou the cries of Luvah. Lo these starry hosts They are thy servants if thou wilt obey my awful Law
Los answerd furious art thou one of those who when most complacent Mean mischief most. If you are such Lo! I am also such One must be master. try thy Arts I also will try mine For I percieve Thou hast Abundance which I claim as mine

Urizen startled stood but not Long soon he cried Obey my voice young Demon I am God from Eternity to Eternity

Thus Urizen spoke collected in himself in awful pride

Art thou a visionary of Jesus the soft delusion of Eternity
Lo I am God the terrible destroyer \& not the Saviour

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Why should the Divine Vision compell the sons of Eden to forego each his own delight to war against his Spectre ${ }^{1504}$ The Spectre is the Man the rest is only delusion \& fancy

So spoke the Prince of Light \& sat beside the Seat of Los Upon the sandy shore rested his chariot of fire

Ten thousand thousand were his hosts of spirits on the wind: Ten thousand thousand glittering Chariots shining in the sky: They pour upon the golden shore beside the silent ocean. Rejoicing in the Victory \& the heavens were filld with blood ${ }^{1505}$

The Earth spread forth her table wide. the Night a silver cup Fill'd with the wine of anguish waited at the golden feast But the bright Sun was not as yet; he filling all the expanse Slept as a bird in the blue shell that soon shall burst away

Los saw the wound of his blow he saw he pitied he wept ${ }^{5006}$ Los now repented that he had smitten Enitharmon he felt love Arise in all his Veins he threw his arms around her loins To heal the wound of his smiting

They eat the fleshly bread, they drank the nervous wine ${ }^{1507}$

They listend to the Elemental Harps \& Sphery Song They view'd the dancing Hours, quick sporting thro' the sky With winged radiance scattering joys thro the ever changing light

But Luvah \& Vala standing in the bloody sky ${ }^{t 508}$ On high remaind alone forsaken in fierce jealousy They stood above the heavens forsaken desolate suspended in blood Descend they could not. nor from Each other avert their eyes Eternity appeard above them as One Man infolded In Luvah[s] robes of blood \& bearing all his afflictions ${ }^{1509}$ As the sun shines down on the misty earth Such was the Vision

But purple night and crimson morning \& golden day descending ${ }^{1510}$ Thro' the clear changing atmosphere display'd green fields among The varying clouds, like paradises stretch'd in the expanse With towns \& villages and temples, tents sheep-folds and pastures Where dwell the children of the elemental worlds in harmony.

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Not long in harmony they dwell, their life is drawn away ${ }^{511}$ And wintry woes succeed; successive driven into the Void Where Enion craves: successive drawn into the golden feast

And Los \& Enitharmon sat in discontent \& scorn ${ }^{\text {t5 }} 12$
The Nuptial Song arose from all the thousand thousand spirits ${ }^{513}$
Over the joyful Earth \& Sea, and ascended into the Heavens
For Elemental Gods their thunderous Organs blew; creating Delicious Viands. Demons of Waves their watry Eccho's woke! Bright Souls of vegetative life, budding and blossoming ${ }^{1514}$

Stretch their immortal hands to smite the gold \& silver Wires And with immortal Voice soft warbling fill all Earth \& Heaven. With doubling Voices \& loud Horns wound round sounding Cavernous dwellers fill'd the enormous Revelry, Responsing! And Spirits of Flaming fire on high, govern'd the mighty Song.

And This the Song! sung at The Feast of Los \& Enitharmon

Ephraim calld out to Zion: Awake O Brother Mountain ${ }^{t 515}$ Let us refuse the Plow \& Spade, the heavy Roller \& spiked Harrow. burn all these Corn fields. throw down all these fences Fattend on Human blood \& drunk with wine of life is better far

Than all these labours of the harvest \& the vintage. See the river Red with the blood of Men. swells lustful round my rocky knees My clouds are not the clouds of verdant fields \& groves of fruit But Clouds of Human Souls. my nostrils drink the lives of Men ${ }^{t 516}$

The Villages Lament. they faint outstretchd upon the plain Wailing runs round the Valleys from the Mill \& from the Barn ${ }^{517}$

But most the polishd Palaces dark silent bow with dread ${ }^{1518}$ Hiding their books \& pictures. underneath the dens of Earth

The Cities send to one another saying My sons are Mad With wine of cruelty. Let us plat a Scourge O Sister City ${ }^{1519}$ Children are nourishd for the Slaughter; once the Child was fed With Milk; but wherefore now are Children fed with blood ${ }^{1520}$

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The Horse is of more value than the Man. The Tyger fierce Laughs at the Human form. the Lion mocks \& thirsts for blood They cry O Spider spread thy web! Enlarge thy bones \& fill'd With marrow. sinews \& flesh Exalt thyself attain a voice Call to thy dark armd hosts, for all the sons of Men muster together To desolate their cities! Man shall be no more! Awake O Hosts The bow string sang upon the hills! Luvah \& Vala ride Triumphant in the bloody sky. \& the Human form is no more ${ }^{t 521}$

The listning Stars heard, \& the first beam of the morning started back He cried out to his Father, depart! depart! but sudden Siez'd ${ }^{5522}$ And clad in steel. \& his Horse proudly neighd; he smelt the battle ${ }^{1523}$ Afar off, Rushing back, reddning with rage the Mighty Father ${ }^{5524}$

Siezd his bright Sheephook studded with gems \& gold, he Swung it round His head shrill sounding in the sky, down rushd the Sun with noise Of war, The Mountains fled away they sought a place beneath Vala remaind in desarts of dark solitude. nor Sun nor Moon

By night nor day to comfort her, she labourd in thick smoke ${ }^{t 525}$ Tharmas endurd not, he fled howling. then a barren waste sunk Conglobing in the dark confusion, Mean time Los was born And Thou O Enitharmon! Hark I hear the hammers of Los ${ }^{t 526}$

They melt the bones of Vala, \& the bones of Luvah into wedges The innumerable sons \& daughters of Luvah closd in furnaces Melt into furrows. winter blows his bellows: ice \& Snow Tend the dire anvils. Mountains mourn \& Rivers faint \& fail

There is no City nor Corn-field nor Orchard! all is Rock \& Sand There is no Sun nor Moon nor Star. but rugged wintry rocks Justling together in the void suspended by inward fires Impatience now no longer can endure. Distracted Luvah

Bursting forth from the loins of Enitharmon, Thou fierce Terror Go howl in vain, Smite Smite his fetters Smite O wintry hammers Smite Spectre of Urthona, mock the fiend who drew us down From heavens of joy into this Deep. Now rage but rage in vain

Thus Sang the Demons of the Deep. the Clarions of War blew loud The Feast redounds \& Crownd with roses \& the circling vine

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FZ1-18.7; E310|

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FZ1-18.9; E310|
FZ1-18.10; E310|

The Enormous Bride \& Bridegroom sat, beside them Urizen With faded radiance sighd, forgetful of the flowing wine And of Ahania his Pure Bride but She was distant far

But Los \& Enitharmon sat in discontent \& scorn
Craving the more the more enjoying, drawing out sweet bliss
From all the turning wheels of heaven \& the chariots of the Slain

At distance Far in Night repelld. in direful hunger craving Summers \& Winters round revolving in the frightful deep.

Enion blind \& age-bent wept upon the desolate wind ${ }^{1527}$

Why does the Raven cry aloud and no eye pities her?
Why fall the Sparrow \& the Robin in the foodless winter?
Faint! shivering they sit on leafless bush, or frozen stone ${ }^{t 528}$

Wearied with seeking food across the snowy waste; the little Heart, cold; and the little tongue consum'd, that once in thoughtless joy Gave songs of gratitude to waving corn fields round their nest. ${ }^{529}$

Why howl the Lion \& the Wolf? why do they roam abroad? ${ }^{5330}$ Deluded by summers heat they sport in enormous love ${ }^{t 531}$ And cast their young out to the hungry wilds \& sandy desarts

Why is the Sheep given to the knife? the Lamb plays in the Sun He starts! he hears the foot of Man! he says, Take thou my wool But spare my life, but he knows not that winter cometh fast. ${ }^{5532}$

The Spider sits in his labourd Web, eager watching for the Fly Presently comes a famishd Bird \& takes away the Spider His Web is left all desolate, that his little anxious heart So careful wove; \& spread it out with sighs and weariness.

This was the Lamentation of Enion round the golden Feast Eternity groand and was troubled at the image of Eternal Death Without the body of Man an Exudation from his sickning limbs

Now Man was come to the Palm tree \& to the Oak of Weeping

Which stand upon the Edge of Beulah \& he sunk down From the Supporting arms of the Eternal Saviour; who disposd The pale limbs of his Eternal Individuality Upon The Rock of Ages. Watching over him with Love \& Care ${ }^{t 534}$

Then those in Great Eternity met in the Council of God As one Man for contracting their Exalted Senses

They behold Multitude or Expanding they behold as one As One Man all the Universal family \& that one Man ${ }^{\text {t536 }}$ They call Jesus the Christ \& they in him \& he in them Live in Perfect harmony in Eden the land of life Consulting as One Man above the Mountain of Snowdon Sublime ${ }^{t 537}$

For messengers from Beulah come in tears \& darkning clouds Saying Shiloh is in ruins our brother is sick Albion He ${ }^{t 538}$ Whom thou lovest is sick he wanders from his house of Eternity The daughters of Beulah terrified have closd the Gate of the Tongue Luvah \& Urizen contend in war around the holy tent

So spoke the Ambassadors from Beulah \& with solemn mourning
$t 539$ They were introducd to the divine presence \& they kneeled down In Conways Vale thus recounting the Wars of Death Eternal ${ }^{5540}$

The Eternal Man wept in the holy tent Our Brother in Eternity Even Albion whom thou lovest wept in pain his family Slept round on hills \& valleys in the regions of his love But Urizen awoke \& Luvah woke \& thus conferrd

Thou Luvah said the Prince of Light behold our sons \& daughters Reposd on beds. let them sleep on. do thou alone depart Into thy wished Kingdom where in Majesty \& Power We may erect a throne. deep in the North I place my lot Thou in the South listen attentive. In silent of this night I will infold the Eternal tent in clouds opake while thou Siezing the chariots of the morning. Go oufleeting ride Afar into the Zenith high bending thy furious course Southward with half the tents of men inclosd in clouds Of Tharmas \& Urthona. I remaining in porches of the brain Will lay my scepter on Jerusalem the Emanation On all her sons \& on thy sons O Luvah \& on mine ${ }^{t 541}$ Till dawn was wont to wake them then my trumpet sounding loud

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FZ1-22.4; E311|
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FZ1-22.35; E312|
FZ1-22.36; E312|

Ravishd away in night my strong command shall be obeyd For I have placd my centinels in stations each tenth man Is bought \& sold \& in dim night my Word shall be their law

Luvah replied Dictate to thy Equals. am not I
The Prince of all the hosts of Men nor Equal know in Heaven
If I arise into the Zenith leaving thee to watch
The Emanation \& her Sons the Satan \& the Anak
Sihon and Og. wilt thou not rebel to my laws remain
In darkness building thy strong throne \& in my ancient night
Daring my power wilt arm my sons against me in the Atlantic ${ }^{5442}$
My deep My night which thou assuming hast assumed my Crown
I will remain as well as thou \& here with hands of blood
Smite this dark sleeper in his tent then try my strength with thee

While thus he spoke his fires reddend oer the holy tent ${ }^{t 543}$ Urizen cast deep darkness round him silent brooding death Eternal death to Luvah. raging Luvah pourd The Lances of Urizen from chariots. round the holy tent Discord began \& yells \& cries shook the wide firmament

Beside his anvil stood Urthona dark. a mass of iron Glowd furious on the anvil prepard for spades \& coulters All His sons fled from his side to join the conflict pale he heard The Eternal voice he stood the sweat chilld on his mighty limbs He dropd his hammer. dividing from his aking bosom fled A portion of his life shrieking upon the wind she fled And Tharmas took her in pitying Then Enion in jealous fear Murderd her \& hid her in her bosom embalming her for fear She should arise again to life Embalmd in Enions bosom Enitharmon remains a corse such thing was never known In Eden that one died a death never to be revivd Urthona stood in terror but not long his spectre fled To Enion \& his body fell. Tharmas beheld him fall Endlong a raging serpent rolling round the holy tent The sons of war astonishd at the Glittring monster drove Him far into the world of Tharmas into a cavernd rock

But Urizen with darkness overspreading all the armies Sent round his heralds secretly commanding to depart Into the north Sudden with thunders sound his multitudes Retreat from the fierce conflict all the sons of Urizen at once Mustring together in thick clouds leaving the rage of Luvah

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FZ1-22.41; E312|

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FZ1-21[19].2; E312|
FZ1-21[19].3; E312
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FZ1-21[19].5; E312

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FZ1-21[19].7; E312
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FZ1-21[19].13; E313
FZ1-21[19].14; E313|
FZ1-21[19].15; E313

FZ1-22[20].1; E313
FZ1-22[20].2; E313|
FZ1-22[20].3; E313|
FZ1-22[20].4; E313|
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FZ1-22[20].13; E313|
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FZ1-22[20].15; E313

To pour its fury on himself \& on the Eternal Man

Sudden down fell they all together into an unknown Space Deep horrible without End. Separated from Beulah far beneath The Mans exteriors are become indefinite opend to pain In a fierce hungring void \& none can visit his regions

Jerusalem his Emanation is become a ruin
Her little ones are slain on the top of every street
And she herself le[d] captive \& scatterd into the indefinite
Gird on thy sword O thou most mighty in glory \& majesty
Destroy these opressors of Jerusalem \& those who ruin Shiloh

So spoke the Messengers of Beulah. Silently removing The Family Divine drew up the Universal tent Above High Snowdon \& closd the Messengers in clouds around ${ }^{t 547}$ Till the time of the End. Then they Elected Seven. called the Seven Eyes of God \& the Seven lamps of the Almighty The Seven are one within the other the Seventh is named Jesus

The Lamb of God blessed for ever \& he followd the Man Who wanderd in mount Ephraim seeking a Sepulcher His inward eyes closing from the Divine vision \& all His children wandering outside from his bosom fleeing away ${ }^{t 548}$

The Daughters of Beulah beheld the Emanation they pitied They wept before the Inner gates of Enitharmons bosom And of her fine wrought brain \& of her bowels within her loins Three gates within Glorious \& bright open into Beulah ${ }^{5550}$ From Enitharmons inward parts but the bright female terror Refusd to open the bright gates she closd and barrd them fast Lest Los should enter into Beulah thro her beautiful gates The Emanation stood before the Gates of Enitharmon ${ }^{t 551}$ Weeping. the Daughters of Beulah silent in the Porches Spread her a couch unknown to Enitharmon here reposd Jerusalem in slumbers soft lulld into silent rest Terrific ragd the Eternal Wheels of intellect terrific ragd The living creatures of the wheels in the Wars of Eternal life But perverse rolld the wheels of Urizen \& Luvah back reversd Downwards \& outwards consuming in the wars of Eternal Death ${ }^{t 552}$

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FZ2-24.12; E314|

VALA

Night the [Second] ${ }^{1553}$

Rising upon his Couch of Death Albion beheld his Sons Turning his Eyes outward to Self. losing the Divine Vision Albion calld Urizen \& said. Behold these sickning Spheres ${ }^{\text {t5 }}$ t
Whence is this Voice of Enion that soundeth in my Porches ${ }^{1555}$
Take thou possession! take this Scepter! go forth in my might
For I am weary, \& must sleep in the dark sleep of Death ${ }^{t 556}$
Thy brother Luvah hath smitten me but pity thou his youth ${ }^{1557}$
Tho thou hast not pitid my Age O Urizen Prince of Light

Urizen rose from the bright Feast like a star thro' the evening sky Exulting at the voice that calld him from the Feast of envy ${ }^{1558}$ First he beheld the body of Man pale, cold, the horrors of death Beneath his feet shot thro' him as he stood in the Human Brain And all its golden porches grew pale with his sickening light No more Exulting for he saw Eternal Death beneath Pale he beheld futurity; pale he beheld the Abyss Where Enion blind \& age bent wept in direful hunger craving All rav'ning like the hungry worm, \& like the silent grave

Mighty was the draught of Voidness to draw Existence in

Terrific Urizen strode above, in fear \& pale dismay He saw the indefinite space beneath \& his soul shrunk with horror His feet upon the verge of Non Existence; his voice went forth ${ }^{t 559}$

Luvah \& Vala trembling \& shrinking, beheld the great Work master
$t 560$ And heard his Word! Divide ye bands influence by influence
Build we a Bower for heavens darling in the grizly deep
Build we the Mundane Shell around the Rock of Albion

The Bands of Heaven flew thro the air singing \& shouting to Urizen ${ }^{1561}$ Some fix'd the anvil, some the loom erected, some the plow And harrow formd \& framd the harness of silver \& ivory The golden compasses, the quadrant \& the rule \& balance

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They erected the furnaces, they formd the anvils of gold beaten in mills Where winter beats incessant, fixing them firm on their base The bellows began to blow \& the Lions of Urizen stood round the anvil

And the leopards coverd with skins of beasts tended the roaring fires Sublime distinct their lineaments divine of human beauty ${ }^{5562}$ The tygers of wrath called the horses of instruction from their mangers They unloos'd them \& put on the harness of gold \& silver \& ivory In human forms distinct they stood round Urizen prince of Light Petrifying all the Human Imagination into rock \& sand ${ }^{5563}$ Groans ran along Tyburns brook and along the River of Oxford Among the Druid Temples. Albion groand on Tyburns brook Albion gave his loud death groan The Atlantic Mountains trembled Aloft the Moon fled with a cry the Sun with streams of blood From Albions Loins fled all Peoples and Nations of the Earth ${ }^{t 564}$ Fled with the noise of Slaughter \& the stars of heaven Fled Jerusalem came down in a dire ruin over all the Earth She fell cold from Lambeths Vales in groans \& Dewy death The dew of anxious souls the death-sweat of the dying In every pillard hall \& arched roof of Albions skies The brother \& the brother bathe in blood upon the Severn The Maiden weeping by. The father \& the mother with The Maidens father \& her mother fainting over the body And the Young Man the Murderer fleeing over the mountains

Reuben slept on Penmaenmawr \& Levi slept on Snowdon Their eyes their ears nostrils \& tongues roll outward they behold What is within now seen without they are raw to the hungry wind They become Nations far remote in a little \& dark Land The Daughters of Albion girded around their garments of Needlework

Stripping Jerusalems curtains from mild demons of the hills Across Europe \& Asia to China \& Japan like lightenings They go forth \& return to Albion on his rocky couch Gwendolen Ragan Sabrina Gonorill Mehetabel Cordella Boadicea Conwenna Estrild Gwinefrid Ignoge Cambel Binding Jerusalems Children in the dungeons of Babylon They play before the Armies before the hounds of Nimrod While The Prince of Light on Salisbury plain among the druid stones

Rattling the adamantine chains \& hooks heave up the ore In mountainous masses, plung'd in furnaces, \& they shut \& seald ${ }^{1566}$ The furnaces a time \& times; all the while blew the North

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FZ2-25.44; E317|

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His cloudy bellows \& the South \& East \& dismal West And all the while the plow of iron cut the dreadful furrows In Ulro beneath Beulah where the Dead wail Night \& Day

Luvah was cast into the Furnaces of affliction \& sealed And Vala fed in cruel delight, the furnaces with fire Stern Urizen beheld urg'd by necessity to keep The evil day afar, \& if perchance with iron power He might avert his own despair; in woe \& fear he saw

Vala incircle round the furnaces where Luvah was clos'd In joy she heard his howlings, \& forgot he was her Luvah With whom she walkd in bliss, in times of innocence \& youth

Hear ye the voice of Luvah from the furnaces of Urizen

If I indeed am Valas King \& ye O sons of Men ${ }^{1567}$
The workmanship of Luvahs hands; in times of Everlasting When I calld forth the Earth-worm from the cold \& dark obscure I nurturd her I fed her with my rains \& dews, she grew A scaled Serpent, yet I fed her tho' she hated me Day after day she fed upon the mountains in Luvahs sight I brought her thro' the Wilderness, a dry \& thirsty land And I commanded springs to rise for her in he black desart Till she became a Dragon winged bright \& poisonous ${ }^{1568}$ I opend all the floodgates of the heavens to quench her thirst

And I commanded the Great deep to hide her in his hand Till she became a little weeping Infant a span long I carried her in my bosom as a man carries a lamb I loved her I gave her all my soul \& my delight I hid her in soft gardens \& in secret bowers of Summer Weaving mazes of delight along the sunny Paradise Inextricable labyrinths, She bore me sons \& daughters And they have taken her away \& hid her from my sight

They have surrounded me with walls of iron \& brass, O Lamb
$t 569$
Of God clothed in Luvahs garments little knowest thou ${ }^{5} 570$
Of death Eternal that we all go to Eternal Death
To our Primeval Chaos in fortuitous concourse of incoherent
Discordant principles of Love \& Hate I suffer affliction
Because I love. for I was love but hatred awakes in me ${ }^{\text {t571 }}$

And Urizen who was Faith \& Certainty is changd to Doubt The hand of Urizen is upon me because I blotted out That Human delusion to deliver all the sons of God ${ }^{5572}$ From bondage of the Human form, O first born Son of Light O Urizen my enemy I weep for thy stern ambition But weep in vain O when will you return Vala the Wanderer

These were the words of Luvah patient in afflictions Reasoning from the loins in the unreal forms of Ulros night ${ }^{5573}$

And when Luvah age after age was quite melted with woe The fires of Vala faded like a shadow cold \& pale An evanescent shadow. last she fell a heap of Ashes Beneath the furnaces a woful heap in living death Then were the furnaces unscald with spades \& pickaxes Roaring let out th fluid, the molten metal ran in channels Cut by the plow of ages held in Urizens strong hand In many a valley, for the Bulls of Luvah dragd the Plow

With trembling horror pale aghast the Children of Man ${ }^{1574}$
Stood on the infinite Earth \& saw these visions in the air In waters \& in Earth beneath they cried to one another What are we terrors to one another. Come O brethren wherefore Was this wide Earth spread all abroad. not for wild beasts to roam But many stood silent \& busied in their families And many said We see no Visions in the darksom air Measure the course of that sulphur orb that lights the darksom day ${ }^{t 575}$
Set stations on this breeding Earth \& let us buy \& sell Others arose \& schools Erected forming Instruments To measure out the course of heaven. Stern Urizen beheld In woe his brethren \& his Sons in darkning woe lamenting Upon the winds in clouds involvd Uttering his voice in thunders Commanding all the work with care \& power \& severity

Then siezd the Lions of Urizen their work, \& heated in the forge Roar the bright masses, thund'ring beat the hammers, many a pyramid ${ }^{t 576}$ Is form'd \& thrown down thund'ring into the deeps of Non Entity Heated red hot they hizzing rend their way down many a league Till resting. each his [center] finds; suspended there they stand ${ }^{1577}$ Casting their sparkies dire abroad into the dismal deep For measurd out in orderd spaces the Sons of Urizen ${ }^{t 578}$ With compasses divide the deep; they the strong scales erect

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That Luvah rent from the faint Heart of the Fallen Man ${ }^{t 579}$
And weigh the massy Cubes, then fix them in their awful stations ${ }^{1580}$ And all the time in Caverns shut, the golden Looms erected First spun, then wove the Atmospheres, there the Spider \& Worm Plied the wingd shuttle piping shrill thro' all the list'ning threads Beneath the Caverns roll the weights of lead \& spindles of iron The enormous warp \& woof rage direful in the affrighted deep

While far into the vast unknown, the strong wing'd Eagles bend Their venturous flight, in Human forms distinct; thro darkness deep They bear the woven draperies; on golden hooks they hang abroad The universal curtains \& spread out from Sun to Sun The vehicles of light, they separate the furious particles Into mild currents as the water mingles with the wine.

While thus the Spirits of strongest wing enlighten the dark deep The threads are spun \& the cords twisted \& drawn out; then the weak Begin their work; \& many a net is netted; many a net

Spread \& many a Spirit caught, innumerable the nets Innumerable the gins \& traps; \& many a soothing flute Is form'd \& many a corded lyre, outspread over the immense In cruel delight they trap the listeners, \& in cruel delight Bind them, condensing the strong energies into little compass ${ }^{\text {t58 }}$ Some became seed of every plant that shall be planted; some The bulbous roots, thrown up together into barns \& garners

Then rose the Builders; First the Architect divine his plan Unfolds, The wondrous scaffold reard all round the infinite Quadrangular the building rose the heavens squared by a line. Trigon \& cubes divide the elements in finite bonds Multitudes without number work incessant: the hewn stone Is placd in beds of mortar mingled with the ashes of Vala Severe the labour, female slaves the mortar trod oppressed

Twelve halls after the names of his twelve sons composd The wondrous building \& three Central Dome after the Names ${ }^{1582}$ Of his three daughters were encompassd by the twelve bright halls Every hall surrounded by bright Paradises of Delight In which are towns \& Cities Nations Seas Mountains \& Rivers ${ }^{1583}$ Each Dome opend toward four halls \& the Three Domes Encompassd

The Golden Hall of Urizen whose western side glowd bright With ever streaming fires beaming from his awful limbs

His Shadowy Feminine Semblance here reposd on a White Couch ${ }^{1584}$ Or hoverd oer his Starry head \& when he smild she brightend Like a bright Cloud in harvest. but when Urizen frownd She wept In mists over his carved throne \& when he turnd his back

Upon his Golden hall \& sought the Labyrinthine porches Of his wide heaven Trembling, cold in paling fears she sat A Shadow of Despair therefore toward the West Urizen formd A recess in the wall for fires to glow upon the pale Females limbs in his absence \& her Daughters oft upon A Golden Altar burnt perfumes with Art Celestial formd Foursquare sculpturd \& sweetly Engravd to please their shadowy mother ${ }^{t 585}$ $\mathrm{As}[\mathrm{c}]$ ending into her misty garments the blue smoke rolld to revive ${ }^{1586}$ Her cold limbs in the absence of her Lord. Also her sons With lives of Victims sacrificed upon an altar of brass On the East side. Revivd her Soul with lives of beasts \& birds Slain on the Altar up ascending into her cloudy bosom Of terrible workmanship the Altar labour of ten thousand Slaves One thousand Men of wondrous power spent their lives in its formation It stood on twelve steps namd after the names of her twelve sons And was Erected at the chief entrance of Urizens hall

When Urizen returnd from his immense labours \& travels ${ }^{1587}$
Descending She reposd beside him folding him round In her bright skirts. Astonishd \& Confounded he beheld Her shadowy form now Separate he shudderd \& was silent Till her caresses \& her tears revivd him to life \& joy Two wills they had two intellects \& not as in times of old This Urizen percievd \& silent brooded in darkning Clouds To him his Labour was but Sorrow \& his Kingdom was Repentance He drave the Male Spirits all away from Ahania And she drave all the Females from him away

Los joyd \& Enitharmon laughd, saying Let us go down And see this labour \& sorrow; They went down to see the woes
Of Vala \& the woes of Luvah, to draw in their delights

And Vala like a shadow oft appeard to Urizen

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The King of Light beheld her mourning among the Brick kilns compelld To labour night \& day among the fires, her lamenting voice Is heard when silent night returns \& the labourers take their rest

O Lord wilt thou not look upon our sore afflictions Among these flames incessant labouring, our hard masters laugh At all our sorrow. We are made to turn the wheel for water To carry the heavy basket on our scorched shoulders, to sift The sand \& ashes, \& to mix the clay with tears \& repentance I see not Luvah as of old I only see his feet ${ }^{5588}$ Like pillars of fire travelling thro darkness \& non entity

The times are now returnd upon us, we have given ourselves
To scorn and now are scorned by the slaves of our enemies Our beauty is coverd over with clay \& ashes, \& our backs Furrowd with whips, \& our flesh bruised with the heavy basket Forgive us O thou piteous one whom we have offended, forgive The weak remaining shadow of Vala that returns in sorrow to thee.

Thus she lamented day \& night, compelld to labour \& sorrow Luvah in vain her lamentations heard; in vain his love Brought him in various forms before her still she knew him not

Still she despisd him, calling on his name \& knowing him not Still hating still professing love, still labouring in the smoke

And Los \& Enitharmon joyd, they drank in tenfold joy ${ }^{1589}$ From all the sorrow of Luvah \& the labour of Urizen And Enitharmon joyd Plotting to rend the secret cloud To plant divisions in the Soul of Urizen \& Ahania

But infinitely beautiful the wondrous work arose ${ }^{1590}$
In sorrow \& care. a Golden World whose porches round the heavens ${ }^{1591}$
And pillard halls \& rooms recievd the eternal wandering stars
A wondrous golden Building; many a window many a door And many a division let in \& out into the vast unknown [Cubed] in [window square] immoveable, within its walls \& cielings The heavens were closd and spirits mournd their bondage night and day And the Divine Vision appeard in Luvahs robes of blood ${ }^{1593}$

Sorrowing went the Planters forth to plant, the Sowers to sow
They dug the channels for the rivers \& they pourd abroad

The seas \& lakes, they reard the mountains \& the rocks \& hills On broad pavilions, on pillard roofs \& porches \& high towers In beauteous order, thence arose soft clouds \& exhalations Wandering even to the sunny Cubes of light \& heat ${ }^{t 595}$ For many a window ornamented with sweet ornaments Lookd out into the World of Tharmas, where in ceaseless torrents ${ }^{1596}$ His billows roll where monsters wander in the foamy paths

On clouds the Sons of Urizen beheld Heaven walled round ${ }^{t 597}$ They weighd \& orderd all \& Urizen comforted saw ${ }^{5598}$ The wondrous work flow forth like visible out of the invisible For the Divine Lamb Even Jesus who is the Divine Vision ${ }^{t 599}$ Permitted all lest Man should fall into Eternal Death For when Luvah sunk down himself put on the robes of blood Lest the state calld Luvah should cease. \& the Divine Vision Walked in robes of blood till he who slept should awake

Thus were the stars of heaven created like a golden chain To bind the Body of Man to heaven from failing into the Abyss 1600 Each took his station, \& his course began with sorrow \& care ${ }^{t 601}$

In sevens \& tens \& fifties, hundreds, thousands, numberd all According to their various powers. Subordinate to Urizen And to his sons in their degrees \& to his beauteous daughters

Travelling in silent majesty along their orderd ways In right lined paths outmeasurd by proportions of number weight ${ }^{t 602}$ And measure. mathematic motion wondrous. along the deep In fiery pyramid. or Cube. or unornamented pillar ${ }^{1603}$ Of fire far shining. travelling along even to its destind end Then falling down. a terrible space recovring in winter dire Its wasted strength. It back returns upon a nether course ${ }^{1604}$ Till fired with ardour fresh recruited in its humble season ${ }^{1605}$ It rises up on high all summer till its wearied course Turns into autumn. such the period of many worlds Others triangular right angled course maintain. others obtuse ${ }^{t 606}$ Acute Scalene, in simple paths. but others move ${ }^{1607}$ In intricate ways biquadrate. Trapeziums Rhombs Rhomboids

Paralellograms. triple \& quadruple. polygonic
In their amazing hard subdued course in the vast deep ${ }^{1608}$

And Los \& Enitharmon were drawn down by their desires
Descending sweet upon the wind among soft harps \& voices 1609
To plant divisions in the Soul of Urizen \& Ahania 1610
To conduct the Voice of Enion to Ahanias midnight pillow

Urizen saw \& envied \& his imagination was filled
Repining he contemplated the past in his bright sphere
Terrified with his heart \& spirit at the visions of futurity
That his dread fancy formd before him in the unformd void

For Los \& Enitharmon walkd forth on the dewy Earth ${ }^{1611}$
Contracting or expanding their all flexible senses At will to murmur in the flowers small as the honey bee At will to stretch across the heavens \& step from star to star Or standing on the Earth erect, or on the stormy waves Driving the storms before them or delighting in sunny beams While round their heads the Elemental Gods kept harmony 1612

And Los said. Lo the Lilly pale \& the rose reddning fierce ${ }^{1613}$
Reproach thee $\&$ the beamy gardens sicken at thy beauty I grasp thy vest in my strong hand in vain. like water springs In the bright sands of Los. evading my embrace. then I alone Wander among the virgins of the summer Look they cry

The poor forsaken Los mockd by the worm the shelly snail The Emmet \& the beetle hark they laugh \& mock at Los

Enitharmon answerd Secure now from the smitings of thy Power ${ }^{614}$ Demon of fury If the God enrapturd me infolds In clouds of sweet obscurity my beauteous form dissolving Howl thou over the body of death tis thine But if among the virgins 1615 Of summer I have seen thee sleep \& turn thy cheek delighted Upon the rose or lilly pale. or on a bank where sleep ${ }^{t 616}$ The beamy daughters of the light starting they rise they flee From thy fierce love for tho I am dissolvd in the bright God My spirit still pursues thy false love over rocks \& valleys

Los answerd Therefore fade I thus dissolvd in rapturd trance

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Thou canst repose on clouds of secrecy while oer my limbs Cold dews \& hoary frost creeps thro I lie on banks of summer Among the beauties of the World Cold \& repining Los Still dies for Enitharmon nor a spirit springs from my dead corse ${ }^{1617}$ Then I am dead till thou revivest me with thy sweet song Now taking on Ahanias form \& now the form of Enion I know thee not as once I knew thee in those blessed fields Where memory wishes to repose among the flocks of Tharmas

Enitharmon answerd Wherefore didst thou throw thine arms around Ahanias Image I decievd thee \& will still decieve Urizen saw thy sin \& hid his beams in darkning Clouds I still keep watch altho I tremble \& wither across the heavens In strong vibrations of fierce jealousy for thou art mine Created for my will my slave tho strong tho I am weak Farewell the God calls me away I depart in my sweet bliss

She fled vanishing on the wind And left a dead cold corse In Los's arms howlings began over the body of death 1618 Los spoke. Thy God in vain shall call thee if by my strong power I can infuse my dear revenge into his glowing breast Then jealousy shall shadow all his mountains \& Ahania Curse thee thou plague of woful Los \& seek revenge on thee

So saying in deep sobs he languishd till dead he also fell Night passd \& Enitharmon eer the dawn returnd in bliss She sang Oer Los reviving him to Life his groans were terrible ${ }^{6} 19$ But thus she sang. I sieze the sphery harp I strike the strings

At the first Sound the Golden sun arises from the Deep And sakes his awful hair
The Eccho wakes the moon to unbind her silver locks
The golden sun bears on my song
And nine bright spheres of harmony rise round the fiery King

The joy of woman is the Death of her most best beloved
Who dies for Love of her
In torments of fierce jealousy \& pangs of adoration.
The Lovers night bears on my song
And the nine Spheres rejoice beneath my powerful controll

They sing unceasing to the notes of my immortal hand

The solemn silent moon
Reverberates the living harmony upon my limbs
The birds \& beasts rejoice \& play
And every one seeks for his mate to prove his inmost joy

Furious \& terrible they sport \& rend the nether deeps
The deep lifts up his rugged head
And lost in infinite hum[m]ing wings vanishes with a cry
The fading cry is ever dying
The living voice is ever living in its inmost joy

Arise you little glancing wings \& sing your infant joy
Arise \& drink your bliss
For every thing that lives is holy for the source of life Descends to be a weeping babe
For the Earthworm renews the moisture of the sandy plain

Now my left hand I stretch to earth beneath
And strike the terrible string
I wake sweet joy in dens of sorrow \& I plant a smile
In forests of affliction
And wake the bubbling springs of life in regions of dark death

O I am weary lay thine hand upon me or I faint
I faint beneath these beams of thine
For thou hast touchd my five senses \& they answerd thee Now I am nothing \& I sink
And on the bed of silence sleep till thou awakest me

Thus sang the Lovely one in Rapturous delusive trance Los heard reviving he siezd her in his arms delusive hopes ${ }^{1620}$
Kindling She led him int Shadows \& thence fled outstretchd Upon the immense like a bright rainbow weeping \& smiling \& fading

Thus livd Los driving Enion far into the deathful infinite ${ }^{1621}$
That he may also draw Ahania's spirit into her Vortex Ah happy blindness Enion sees not the terrors of the uncertain ${ }^{1622}$
Thus Enion wails from the dark deep, the golden heavens tremble ${ }^{1623}$
I am made to sow the thistle for wheat; the nettle for a nourishing dainty

I have planted a false oath in the earth, it has brought forth a poison tree

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I have chosen the serpent for a councellor \& the dog
For a schoolmaster to my children
I have blotted out from light \& living the dove \& nightingale
And I have caused the earth worm to beg from door to door
I have taught the thief a secret path into the house of the just
I have taught pale artifice to spread his nets upon the morning
My heavens are brass my earth is iron my moon a clod of clay
My sun a pestilence burning at noon \& a vapour of death in night

What is the price of Experience do men buy it for a song
Or wisdom for a dance in the street? No it is bought with the price
Of all that a man hath his house his wife his children
Wisdom is sold in the desolate market where none come to buy
And in the witherd field where the farmer plows for bread in vain

It is an easy thing to triumph in the summers sun
And in the vintage \& to sing on the waggon loaded with corn
It is an easy thing to talk of patience to the afflicted
To speak the laws of prudence to the houseless wanderer

To listen to the hungry ravens cry in wintry season
When the red blood is filld with wine \& with the marrow of lambs

It is an easy thing to laugh at wrathful elements
To hear the dog howl at the wintry door, the ox in the slaughter house moan
To see a god on every wind \& a blessing on every blast
To hear sounds of love in the thunder storm that destroys our enemies house
To rejoice in the blight that covers his field, \& the sickness that cuts off his children
While our olive \& vine sing \& laugh round our door \& our children bring fruits \&

Then the groan \& the dolor are quite forgotten \& the slave grinding at the mill And the captive in chains \& the poor in the prison, \& the soldier in the field When the shatterd bone hath laid him groaning among the happier dead

It is an easy thing to rejoice in the tents of prosperity Thus could I sing \& thus rejoice, but it is not so with me!

Ahania heard the Lamentation \& a swift Vibration ${ }^{1624}$ Spread thro her Golden frame. She rose up eer the dawn of day

When Urizen slept on his couch. drawn thro unbounded space Onto the margin of Non Entity the bright Female came There she beheld the Spectrous form of Enion in the Void 1625 And never from that moment could she rest upon her pillow

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Now sat the King of Light on high upon his starry throne And bright Ahania bow'd herself before his splendid feet

O Urizen look on Me. like a mournful stream ${ }^{1627}$
I Embrace round thy knees \& wet My bright hair with my tears: ${ }^{1628}$
Why sighs my Lord! are not the morning stars thy obedient Sons Do they not bow their bright heads at thy voice? at thy command Do they not fly into their stations \& return their light to thee The immortal Atmospheres are thine, there thou art seen in glory Surrounded by the ever changing Daughters of the Light Why wilt thou look upon futurity darkning present joy ${ }^{629}$

She ceas'd the Prince his light obscurd \& the splendors of his crown

Infolded in thick clouds, from whence his mighty voice burst forth

O bright [Ahania] a Boy is born of the dark Ocean ${ }^{1630}$ Whom Urizen doth serve, with Light replenishing his darkness
I am set here a King of trouble commanded here to serve
And do my ministry to those who eat of my wide table
All this is mine yet I must serve \& that Prophetic boy
Must grow up to command his Prince but hear my determind Decree ${ }^{1631}$
Vala shall become a Worm in Enitharmons Womb ${ }^{1632}$
Laying her seed upon the fibres soon to issue forth
And Luvah in the loins of Los a dark \& furious death Alas for me! what will become of me at that dread time?

Ahania bow'd her head \& wept seven days before the King And on the eighth day when his clouds unfolded from his throne She rais'd her bright head sweet perfumd \& thus with heavenly voice

O Prince the Eternal One hath set thee leader of his hosts ${ }^{1633}$

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Leave all futurity to him Resume thy fields of Light ${ }^{1634}$ Why didst thou listen to the voice of Luvah that dread morn To give the immortal steeds of light to his deceitful hands No longer now obedient to thy will thou art compell'd To forge the curbs of iron \& brass to build the iron mangers ${ }^{635}$ To feed them with intoxication from the wine presses of Luvah

Till the Divine Vision \& Fruition is quite obliterated They call thy lions to the fields of blood, they rowze thy tygers Out of the halls of justice, till these dens thy wisdom framd Golden \& beautiful but O how unlike those sweet fields of bliss Where liberty was justice \& eternal science was mercy Then O my dear lord listen to Ahania, listen to the vision The vision of Ahania in the slumbers of Urizen When Urizen slept in the porch \& the Ancient Man was smitten ${ }^{1636}$

The Darkning Man walkd on the steps of fire before his halls 1637 And Vala walkd with him in dreams of soft deluding slumber He looked up \& saw thee Prince of Light thy splendor faded ${ }^{1638}$ But saw not Los nor Enitharmon for Luvah hid them in shadow 1639

In a soft cloud Outstretch'd across, \& Luvah dwelt in the cloud ${ }^{1640}$

Then Man ascended mourning into the splendors of his palace ${ }^{1641}$ Above him rose a Shadow from his wearied intellect ${ }^{1642}$ Of living gold, pure, perfect, holy; in white linen pure he hover'd A sweet entrancing self delusion, a watry vision of Man Soft exulting in existence all the Man absorbing

Man fell upon his face prostrate before the watry shadow Saying O Lord whence is this change thou knowest I am nothing And Vala trembled \& coverd her face, \& her locks. were spread on the pavement

I heard astonishd at the Vision \& my heart trembled within me
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I heard the voice of the Slumberous Man \& thus he spoke ${ }^{1644}$ Idolatrous to his own Shadow words of Eternity uttering ${ }^{1645}$

O I am nothing when I enter into judgment with thee If thou withdraw thy breath I die \& vanish into Hades If thou dost lay thine hand upon me behold I am silent If thou withhold thine hand I perish like a fallen leaf

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O I am nothing \& to nothing must return again
If thou withdraw thy breath, behold I am oblivion

He ceasd: the shadowy voice was silent; but the cloud hoverd over their heads

In olden wreathes, the sorrow of Man \& the balmy drops fell down And Lo that Son of Man, that shadowy Spirit of the Fallen One ${ }^{1646}$
Luvah, descended from the cloud; In terror Albion roseIndignant rose the Awful Man \& turnd his back on Vala ${ }^{1647}$

Why roll thy clouds in sick'ning mists. I can no longer hide ${ }^{1648}$ The dismal vision of mine Eyes, O love \& life \& light! ${ }^{1649}$ Prophetic dreads urge me to speak. futurity is before me

Like a dark lamp. Eternal death haunts all my expectation Rent from Eternal Brotherhood we die \& are no more

I heard the Voice of Albion starting from his sleep ${ }^{t 650}$
"Whence is this voice crying Enion that soundeth in my ears
O cruel pity! O dark deceit! can Love seek for dominion ${ }^{1651}$

And Luvah strove to gain dominion over the mighty Albion ${ }^{1652}$
They strove together above the Body where Vala was inclos'd And the dark Body of Albion left prostrate upon the crystal pavement ${ }^{1653}$ Coverd with boils from head to foot. the terrible smitings of Luvah

Then frownd the Fallen Man \& put forth Luvah from his presence ${ }^{1654}$ (I heard him: frown not Urizen: but listen to my Vision)

Saying, Go \& die the Death of Man for Vala the sweet wanderer I will turn the volutions of your Ears outward; \& bend your Nostrils Downward; \& your fluxile Eyes englob'd, roll round in fear Your withring Lips \& Tongue shrink up into a narrow circle Till into narrow forms you creep. Go take your fiery way And learn what 'tis to absorb the Man you Spirits of Pity \& Love

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Listen to her who loves thee lest we also are driven away.

They heard the Voice \& fled swift as the winters setting sun ${ }^{657}$ And now the Human Blood foamd high, I saw that Luvah \& Vala ${ }^{1658}$ Went down the Human Heart where Paradise \& its joys abounded ${ }^{t 659}$ In jealous fears in fury \& rage, \& flames roll'd round their fervid feet And the vast form of Nature like a Serpent play'd before them And as they went in folding fires \& thunders of the deep Vala shrunk in like the dark sea that leaves its slimy banks And from her bosom Luvah fell far as the east \& west And the vast form of Nature like a Serpent roll'd between. ${ }^{t 660}$

She ended. for [from] his wrathful throne burst forth the black hail storm ${ }^{1661}$

Am I not God said Urizen. Who is Equal to me Do I not stretch the heavens abroad or fold them up like a garment

He spoke mustering his heavy clouds around him black opake

Then thunders rolld around \& lightnings darted to \& fro
His visage changd to darkness \& his strong right hand came forth ${ }^{1662}$ To cast Ahania to the Earth be siezd her by the hair And threw her from the steps of ice that froze around his throne

Saying Art thou also become like Vala. thus I cast thee out Shall the feminine indolent bliss. the indulgent self of weariness

The passive idle sleep the enormous night \& darkness of Death Set herself up to give her laws to the active masculine virtue Thou little diminutive portion that darst be a counterpart Thy passivity thy laws of obedience \& insincerity Are my abhorrence. Wherefore hast thou taken that fair form Whence is this power given to thee! once thou wast in my breast A sluggish current of dim waters. on whose verdant margin A cavern shaggd with horrid shades. dark cool \& deadly. where I laid my head in the hot noon after the broken clods Had wearied me. there I lad my plow \& there my horses fed And thou hast risen with thy moist locks into a watry image Reflecting all my indolence my weakness \& my death To weigh me down beneath the grave into non Entity Where Luvah strives scorned by Vala age after age wandering

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Shrinking \& shrinking from her Lord \& calling him the Tempter And art thou also become like Vala thus I cast thee out.

So loud in thunders spoke the King folded in dark despair And threw Ahania from his bosom obdurate She fell like lightning Then fled the sons of Urizen from his thunderous throne petrific They fled to East \& West \& left the North \& South of Heaven A crash ran thro the immense The bounds of Destiny were broken The bounds of Destiny crashd direful \& the swelling Sea Burst from its bonds in whirlpools fierce roaring with Human voice Triumphing even to the Stars at bright Ahanias fall

Down from the dismal North the Prince in thunders \& thick clouds

As when the thunderbolt down falleth on the appointed place Fell down down rushing ruining thundering shuddering ${ }^{1663}$ Into the Caverns of the Grave \& places of Human Seed Where the impressions of Despair \& Hope enroot forever A world of Darkness. Ahania fell far into Non Entity

She Continued falling. Loud the Crash continud loud \& Hoarse
From the Crash roared a flame of blue sulphureous fire from the flame ${ }^{1664}$
A dolorous groan that struck with dumbness all confusion
Swallowing up the horrible din in agony on agony
Thro the Confusion like a crack across from immense to immense
Loud strong a universal groan of death louder
Than all the wracking elements deafend \& rended worse
Than Urizen \& all his hosts in curst despair down rushing
But from the Dolorous Groan on like a shadow of smoke appeard And human bones rattling together in the smoke \& stamping The nether Abyss \& gnasshing in fierce despair. panting in sobs Thick short incessant bursting sobbing. deep despairing stamping struggling

Struggling to utter the voice of Man struggling to take the features of Man. Struggling
To take the limbs of Man at length emerging from the smoke Of Urizen dashed in pieces from his precipitant fall Tharmas reard up his hands \& stood on the affrighted Ocean The dead reard up his Voice \& stood on the resounding shore

Crying. Fury in my limbs. destruction in my bones \& marrow My skull riven into filaments. my eyes into sea jellies

Floating upon the tide wander bubbling \& bubbling Uttering my lamentations \& begetting little monsters Who sit mocking upon the little pebbles of the tide In all my rivers \& on dried shells that the fish

Have quite forsaken. O fool fool to lose my sweetest bliss Where art thou Enion ah too near to cunning too far off And yet too near. Dashd down I send thee into distant darkness Far as my strength can hurl thee wander there \& laugh \& play Among the frozen arrows they will tear thy tender flesh Fall off afar from Tharmas come not too near my strong fury Scream \& fall off \& laugh at Tharmas lovely summer beauty Till winter rends thee into Shivers as thou hast rended me

So Tharmas bellowd oer the ocean thundring sobbing bursting The bounds of Destiny were broken \& hatred now began Instead of love to Enion. Enion blind \& age bent Plungd into the cold billows living a life in midst of waters In terrors she witherd away to Entuthon Benithon A world of deep darkness where all things in horrors are rooted

These are the words of Enion heard from the cold waves of despair

O Tharmas I had lost thee. \& when I hoped I had found thee
O Tharmas do not thou destroy me quite but let
A little shadow. but a little showery form of Enion Be near thee loved Terror. let me still remain \& then do thou Thy righteous doom upon me. only let me hear thy voice Driven by thy rage I wander like a cloud into the deep Where never yet Existence came, there losing all my life I back return weaker \& weaker, consume me not away In thy great wrath. tho I have sinned. tho I have rebelld Make me not like the things forgotten as they had not been Make not the thing that loveth thee. a tear wiped away

Tharmas replied riding on storms his voice of Thunder rolld ${ }^{1666}$

Image of grief thy fading lineaments make my eyelids fail What have I done! both rage \& mercy are alike to me Looking upon thee Image of faint waters. I recoil

From my fierce rage into thy semblance. Enion return Why does thy piteous face Evanish like a rainy cloud

Melting. a shower of falling tears. nothing but tears! Enion: Substanceless. voiceless, weeping. vanishd. nothing but tears! Enion Art thou for ever vanishd from the watry eyes of Tharmas Rage Rage shall never from my bosom. winds \& waters of woe Consuming all to the end consuming Love and Hope are ended ${ }^{1667}$

For now no more remaind of Enion in the dismal air Only a voice eternal wailing in the Elements

Where Enion, blind \& age bent wanderd Ahania wanders now She wanders in Eternal fear of falling into the indefinite For her bright eyes behold the Abyss. sometimes a little sleep Weighs down her eyelids then she falls then starting wakes in fears Sleepless to wander round repelld on the margin of Non Entity The End of the Third Night

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But Tharmas rode on the dark Abyss. the voice of Tharmas rolld Over the heaving deluge. he saw Los \& Enitharmon Emerge In strength \& brightness from the Abyss his bowels yearnd over them They rose in strength above the heaving deluge. in mighty scorn Red as the Sun in the hot morning of the bloody day Tharmas beheld them his bowels yearnd over them

And he said Wherefore do I feel such love \& pity ${ }^{1668}$
Ah Enion Ah Enion Ah lovely lovely Enion
How is this All my hope is gone for ever fled 1669
Like a famishd Eagle Eyeless raging in the vast expanse Incessant tears are now my food. incessant rage \& tears
Deathless for ever now I wander seeking oblivion In torrents of despair in vain. for if I plunge beneath Stifling I live. If dashd in pieces from a rocky height I reunite in endless torment. would I had never risen
From deaths cold sleep beneath the bottom of the raging Ocean 1670 And cannot those who once have lovd. ever forget their Love? Are love \& rage the same passion? they are the same in me Are those who love. like those who died. risen again from death Immortal. in immortal torment. never to be deliverd Is it not possible that one risen again from Death Can die! When dark despair comes over [me] can I not ${ }^{1671}$ Flow down into the sea \& slumber in oblivion. Ah Enion

Deformd I see these lineaments of ungratified Desire
The all powerful curse of an honest man be upon Urizen \& Luvah But thou My Son Glorious in brightness comforter of Tharmas
Go forth Rebuild this Universe beneath my indignant power
A Universe of Death \& Decay. Let Enitharmons hands
Weave soft delusive forms of Man above my watry world
Renew these ruind souls of Men thro Earth Sea Air \& Fire
To waste in endless corruption. renew thou I will destroy
Perhaps Enion may resume some little semblance
To ease my pangs of heart \& to restore some peace to Tharmas

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Los answerd in his furious pride sparks issuing from his hair Hitherto shalt thou come. no further. here thy proud waves cease We have drunk up the Eternal Man by our unbounded power 1673 Beware lest we also drink up thee rough demon of the waters Our God is Urizen the King. King of the Heavenly hosts We have no other God but he thou father of worms \& clay And he is falln into the Deep rough Demon of the waters And Los remains God over all. weak father of worms \& clay I know I was Urthona keeper of the gates of heaven But now I am all powerful Los \& Urthona is but my shadow

Doubting stood Tharmas in the solemn darkness. his dim Eyes 1674 Swam in red tears. he reard his waves above the head of Los In wrath. but pitying back withdrew with many a sigh Now he resolvd to destroy Los \& now his tears flowd down

In scorn stood Los red sparks of blighting from his furious head Flew over the waves of Tharmas. pitying Tharmas stayd his Waves

For Enitharmon shriekd amain crying O my sweet world Built by the Architect divine whose love to Los \& Enitharmon Thou rash abhorred Demon in thy fury hast oerthrown

What Sovereign Architect said Tharmas dare my will controll For if I will I urge these waters. If I will they sleep In peace beneath my awful frown my will shall be my Law

So Saying in a Wave he rap'd bright Enitharmon far Apart from Los. but coverd her with softest brooding care On a broad wave in the warm west. balming her bleeding wound

O how Los howld at the rending asunder all the fibres rent Where Enitharmon joind to his left side in griding pain ${ }^{1675}$ He falling on the rocks bellowd his Dolor. till the blood Stanch'd, then in ululation waild his woes upon the wind

And Tharmas calld to the Dark Spectre who upon the Shores With dislocated Limbs had falln. The Spectre rose in pain A Shadow blue obscure \& dismal. like a statue of lead Bent by its fall from a high tower the dolorous shadow rose

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Go forth said Tharmas works of joy are thine obey \& live So shall the spungy marrow issuing from thy splinterd bones Bonify. \& thou shalt have rest when this thy labour is done Go forth bear Enitharmon back to the Eternal Prophet Build her a bower in the midst of all my dashing waves Make first a resting place for Los \& Enitharmon. then Thou shalt have rest. If thou refusest dashd abroad on all My waves. thy limbs shall separate in stench \& rotting \& thou Become a prey to all my demons of despair \& hope

The Spectre of Urthona seeing Enitharmon writhd 1676 His cloudy form in jealous fear \& muttering thunders hoarse And casting round thick glooms. thus utterd his fierce pangs of heart

Tharmas I know thee. how are we alterd our beauty decayd But still I know thee tho in this horrible ruin whelmd Thou once the mildest son of heaven art now become a Rage A terror to all living things. think not that I am ignorant That thou art risen from the dead or that my power forgot

I slumber here in weak repose. I well remember the Day
The day of terror \& abhorrence ${ }^{1677}$
When fleeing from the battle thou fleeting like the raven Of dawn outstretching an expanse where neer expanse had been
Drewst all the Sons of Beulah into thy dread vortex following ${ }^{1678}$
Thy Eddying spirit down the hills of Beulah. All my sons
Stood round me at the anvil where new heated the wedge Of iron glowd furious prepard for spades \& mattocks Hearing the symphonies of war loud sounding All my sons Fled from my side then pangs smote me unknown before. I saw My loins begin to break forth into veiny pipes \& writhe ${ }^{1679}$ Before me in the wind englobing trembling with strong vibrations The bloody mass began to animate. I bending over Wept bitter tears incessant. Still beholding how the piteous form Dividing \& dividing from my loins a weak \& piteous Soft cloud of snow a female pale \& weak I soft embracd My counter part \& calld it Love I named her Enitharmon But found myself \& her together issuing down the tide Which now our rivers were become delving thro caverns huge Of goary blood strugg[l]ing to be deliverd from our bonds She strove in vain not so Urthona strove for breaking forth, A shadow blue obscure \& dismal from the breathing Nostrils

Of Enion I issued into the air divided from Enitharmon I howld in sorrow I beheld thee rotting upon the Rocks I pitying hoverd over thee I protected thy ghastly corse From Vultures of the deep then wherefore shouldst thou rage Against me who thee guarded in the night of death from harm

Tharmas replied. Art thou Urthona My friend my old companion, With whom I livd in happiness before that deadly night When Urizen gave the horses of Light into the hands of Luvah Thou knowest not what Tharmas knows. O I could tell thee tales That would enrage thee as it has Enraged me even From Death in wrath \& fury. But now come bear back Thy loved Enitharmon. For thou hast her here before thine Eyes

But my sweet Enion is vanishd \& I never more Shall see her unless thou O Shadow. wilt protect this Son Of Enion \& him assist. to bind the fallen King Lest he should rise again from death in all his dreary power ${ }^{1680}$ Bind him, take Enitharmon for thy sweet reward while I In vain am driven on false hope. hope sister of despair

Groaning the terror rose \& drave his solid rocks before ${ }^{1681}$ Upon the tide till underneath the feet of Los a World Dark dreadful rose \& Enitharmon lay at Los's feet The dolorous shadow joyd. weak hope appeard around his head Tharmas before Los stood \& thus the Voice of Tharmas rolld

Now all comes into the power of Tharmas. Urizen is falln And Luvah hidden in the Elemental forms of Life \& Death Urthona is My Son O Los thou art Urthona \& Tharmas
Is God. The Eternal Man is seald never to be deliverd I roll my floods over his body my billows \& waves pass over him
The Sea encompasses him \& monsters of the deep are his companions
Dreamer of furious oceans cold sleeper of weeds \& shells
Thy Eternal form shall never renew my uncertain prevails against thee Yet tho I rage God over all. A portion of my Life
That in Eternal fields in comfort wanderd with my flocks
At noon \& laid her head upon my wearied bosom at night
She is divided She is vanishd even like Luvah \& Vala ${ }^{1682}$
O why did foul ambition sieze thee Urizen Prince of Light ${ }^{1683}$
And thee O Luvah prince of Love till Tharmas was divided
And I what can I now behold but an Eternal Death
Before my Eyes \& an Eternal weary work to strive

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Against the monstrous forms that breed among my silent waves Is this to be A God far rather would I be a Man To know sweet Science \& to do with simple companions Sitting beneath a tent \& viewing sheepfolds \& soft pastures

Take thou the hammer of Urthona rebuild these furnaces
Dost thou refuse mind I the sparks that issue from thy hair

I will compell thee to rebuild by these my furious waves
Death choose or life thou strugglest in my waters, now choose life And all the Elements shall serve thee to their soothing flutes Their sweet inspiriting lyres thy labours shall administer And they to thee only remit not faint not thou my son Now thou dost know what tis to strive against the God of waters

So saying Tharmas on his furious chariots of the Deep Departed far into the Unknown \& left a wondrous void Round Los. afar his waters bore on all sides round. with noise Of wheels \& horses hoofs \& Trumpets Horns \& Clarions ${ }^{1684}$

Terrified Los beheld the ruins of Urizen beneath A horrible Chaos to his eyes. a formless unmeasurable Death Whirling up broken rocks on high into the dismal air And fluctuating all beneath in Eddies of molten fluid

Then Los with terrible hands siezd on the Ruind Furnaces Of Urizen. Enormous work: he builded them anew Labour of Ages in the Darkness \& the war of Tharmas And Los formd Anvils of Iron petrific. for his blows Petrify with incessant beating many a rock. many a planet

But Urizen slept in a stoned stupor in the nether Abyss A dreamful horrible State in tossings on his icy bed Freezing to solid all beneath, his grey oblivious form Stretchd over the immense heaves in strong shudders. silent his voice In brooding contemplation stretching out from North to South In mighty power. Round him Los rolld furious His thunderous wheels from furnace to furnace. tending diligent The contemplative terror. frightend in his scornful sphere Frightend with cold infectious madness. in his hand the thundering Hammer of Urthona. forming under his heavy hand the hours

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The days \& years. in chains of iron round the limbs of Urizen Linkd hour to hour \& day to night \& night to day \& year to year In periods of pulsative furor. mills he formd \& works Of many wheels resistless in the power of dark Urthona

But Enitharmon wrapd in clouds waild loud. for as Los beat
The anvils of Urthona link by link the chains of sorrow
Warping upon the winds \& whirling round in the dark deep
Lashd on the limbs of Enitharmon \& the sulphur fires
Belchd from the furnaces wreathd round her. chaind in ceaseless fire The lovely female howld \& Urizen beneath deep groand Deadly between the hammers beating grateful to the Ears

Of Los. absorbd in dire revenge he drank with joy the cries Of Enitharmon \& the groans of Urizen fuel for his wrath And for his pity secret feeding on thoughts of cruelty

The Spectre wept at his dire labours when from Ladles huge ${ }^{1685}$ He pourd the molten iron round the limbs of Enitharmon But when he pourd it round the bones of Urizen he laughd Hollow upon the hollow wind. his shadowy form obeying The voice of Los compelld he labourd round the Furnaces

And thus began the binding of Urizen day \& night in fear Circling round the dark Demon with howlings dismay \& sharp blightings The Prophet of Eternity beat on his iron links \& links of brass And as he beat round the hurtling Demon. terrified at the Shapes Enslavd humanity put on he became what he beheld Raging against Tharmas his God \& uttering Ambiguous words blasphemous filld with envy firm resolvd On hate Eternal in his vast disdain he labourd beating The Links of fate link after link an endless chain of sorrows

The Eternal Mind bounded began to roll eddies of wrath ceaseless Round \& round \& the sulphureous foam surgeing thick Settled a Lake bright \& shining clear. White as the snow

Forgetfulness dumbness necessity in chains of the mind lockd up In fetters of ice shrinking. disorganizd rent from Eternity Los beat on his fetters \& heated his furnaces ${ }^{1686}$
And pourd iron sodor $\&$ sodor of brass

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Restless the immortal inchaind heaving dolorous Anguished unbearable till a roof shaggy wild inclosd In an orb his fountain of thought

In a horrible dreamful slumber like the linked chain
A vast spine writhd in torment upon the wind Shooting paind. ribbs like a bending Cavern And bones of solidness froze over all his nerves of joy A first age passed. a state of dismal woe

From the Caverns of his jointed spine down sunk with fright A red round globe. hot burning. deep deep down into the Abyss Panting Conglobing trembling Shooting out ten thousand branches Around his solid bones \& a Second Age passed over

In harrowing fear rolling his nervous brain shot branches ${ }^{1687}$
On high into two little orbs hiding in two little caves Hiding carefully from the wind his eyes beheld the deep And a third age passed a State of dismal woe

The pangs of hope began in heavy pain striving struggling Two Ears in close volutions from beneath his orbs of vision Shot spiring out \& petrified as they grew. And a Fourth 1688 Age passed over \& a State of dismal woe

In ghastly torment sick hanging upon the wind Two nostrils bent down to the deeps--

And a fifth age passed \& a state of dismal woe

In ghastly torment sick. within his ribs bloated round A craving hungry cavern. Thence arose his channeld Throat. then like a red flame a tongue of hunger And thirst appeard and a sixth age passed of dismal woe

Enraged,\& stifled with torment he threw his right arm to the north His left arm to the south shooting out in anguish deep
And his feet stampd the nether abyss in trembling howling \& dismay And a seventh age passed over \& a state of dismal woe

The Council of God on high watching over the Body Of Man clothd in Luvahs robes of blood saw \& wept Descending over Beulahs mild moon coverd regions The daughters of Beulah saw the Divine Vision they were comforted And as a Double female form loveliness \& perfection of beauty They bowd the head \& worshippd \& with mild voice spoke these words

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Lord. Saviour if thou hadst been here our brother had not died And now we know that whatsoever thou wilt ask of God He will give it thee for we are weak women \& dare not lift Our eyes to the Divine pavilions. therefore in mercy thou Appearest clothd in Luvahs garments that we may behold thee And live. Behold Eternal Death is in Beulah Behold We perish \& shall not be found unless thou grant a place In which we may be hidden under the Shadow of wings For if we who are but for a time \& who pass away in winter Behold these wonders of Eternity we shall consume

Such were the words of Beulah of the Feminine Emanation ${ }^{690}$ The Empyrean groand throughout All Eden was darken The Corse of Albion lay on the Rock the sea of Time \& Space ${ }^{t 691}$ Beat round the Rock in mighty waves \& as a Polypus That vegetates beneath the Sea the limbs of Man vegetated In monstrous forms of Death a Human polypus of Death

The Saviour mild \& gentle bent over the corse of Death Saying If ye will Believe your Brother shall rise again ${ }^{1692}$

And first he found the Limit of Opacity \& namd it Satan In Albions bosom for in every human bosom these limits stand And next he found the Limit of Contraction \& namd it Adam While yet those beings were not born nor knew of good or Evil

Then wondrously the Starry Wheels felt the divine hand. Limit 1693 Was put to Eternal Death Los felt the Limit \& saw The Finger of God touch the Seventh furnace in terror And Los beheld the hand of God over his furnaces Beneath the Deeps in dismal Darkness beneath immensity 1694

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In terrors Los shrunk from his task. his great hammer Fell from his hand his fires hid their strong limbs in smoke

For with noises ruinous hurtlings \& clashings \& groans 1695
The immortal endur'd. tho bound in a deadly sleep
Pale terror siezd the Eyes of Los as he beat round The hurtling Demon. terrifid at the shapes
Enslavd humanity put on he became what he beheld He became what he was doing he was himself transformd ${ }^{1696}$
[The globe of life blood trembled Branching out into roots; Fibrous, writhing upon the winds; Fibres of blood, milk and tears; In pangs, eternity on eternity. At length in tears \& cries imbodied A female form trembling and pale Waves before his deathy face]

Spasms siezd his muscular fibres writhing to \& fro his pallid lips 1697
Unwilling movd as Urizen howld his loins wavd like the sea
At Enitharmons shriek his knees each other smote \& then he lookd 1698 With stony Eyes on Urizen \& then swift writhd his neck ${ }^{1699}$
Involuntary to the Couch where Enitharmon lay
The bones of Urizen hurtle on the wind the bones of Los
Twinge \& his iron sinews bend like lead \& fold
Into unusual forms dancing \& howling stamping the Abyss

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Infected Mad he dancd on his mountains high \& dark as heaven Now fixd into one stedfast bulk his features stonify
From his mouth curses \& from his eyes sparks of blighting Beside the anvil cold he dancd with the hammer of Urthona

Terrific pale. Enitharmon stretchd on the dreary Earth ${ }^{7002}$
Felt her immortal limbs freeze stiffning pale inflexible His feet shrink withring from the deep shrinking \& withering ${ }^{t 703}$ And Enitharmon shrunk up all their fibres withring beneath As plants witherd by winter leaves \& stems \& roots decaying Melt into thin air while the seed drivn by the furious wind Rests on the distant Mountains top. So Los \& Enitharmon Shrunk into fixed space stood trembling on a Rocky cliff Yet mighty bulk \& majesty \& beauty remaind but unexpansive As far as highest Zenith from the lowest Nadir. so far shrunk ${ }^{t 704}$ Los from the furnaces a Space immense \& left the cold Prince of Light bound in chains of intellect among the furnaces But all the furnaces were out \& the bellows had ceast to blow

He stood trembling \& Enitharmon clung around his knees Their senses unexpansive in one stedfast bulk remain
The night blew cold \& Enitharmon shriekd on the dismal wind

Her pale hands cling around her husband \& over her weak head Shadows of Eternal death sit in the leaden air

But the soft pipe the flute the viol organ harp \& cymbal And the sweet sound of silver voices calm the weary couch Of Enitharmon but her groans drown the immortal harps Loud \& more loud the living music floats upon the air Faint \& more faint the daylight wanes. The wheels of turning darkness Began in solemn revolutions. Earth convulsd with rending pangs Rockd to \& fro \& cried sore at the groans of Enitharmon ${ }^{1705}$ Still the faint harps \& silver voices calm the weary couch But from the caves of deepest night ascending in clouds of mist The winter spread his wide black wings across from pole to pole Grim frost beneath \& terrible snow linkd in a marriage chain

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Began a dismal dance. The winds around on pointed rocks
Settled like bats innumerable ready to fly abroad
The groans of Enitharmon shake the skies the labring Earth Till from her heart rending his way a terrible Child sprang forth In thunder smoke \& sullen flames \& howlings \& fury \& blood

Soon as his burning Eyes were opend on the Abyss The horrid trumpets of the deep bellowd with bitter blasts The Enormous Demons woke \& howld around the new born king ${ }^{t 706}$ Crying Luvah King of Love thou art the King of rage \& death Urizen cast deep darkness round him raging Luvah pourd ${ }^{7707}$ The spears of Urizen from Chariots round the Eternal tent Discord began then yells \& cries shook the wide firma[m]ent ${ }^{7708}$

Where is Sweet Vala gloomy prophet where the lovely form That drew the body of Man from heaven into this dark Abyss Soft tears \& sighs where are you come forth shout on bloody fields Shew thy soul Vala shew thy bow \& quiver of secret fires

Draw thy bow Vala from the depths of hell thy black bow draw ${ }^{t 709}$ And twang the bow string to our howlings let thine arrows black Sing in the Sky as once they sang upon the hills of Light When dark Urthona wept in torment of the secret pain

He wept \& he divided \& he laid his gloomy head Down on the Rock of Eternity on darkness of the deep Torn by black storms \& ceaseless torrents of consuming fire Within his breast his fiery sons chaind down \& filld with cursings

And breathing terrible blood \& vengeance gnashing his teeth with pain Let loose the Enormous Spirit in the darkness of the deep And his dark wife that once fair crystal form divinely clear Within his ribs producing serpents whose souls are flames of fire

But now the times return upon thee Enitharmons womb Now holds thee soon to issue forth. Sound Clarions of war Call Vala from her close recess in all her dark deceit Then rage on rage shall fierce redound out of her crystal quiver

So sung the Demons round red Orc \& round faint Enitharmon ${ }^{7710}$ Sweat \& blood stood on the limbs of Los in globes. his fiery Eyelids

Faded. he rouzd he siezd the wonder in his hands \& went Shuddring \& weeping thro the Gloom \& down into the deeps

Enitharmon nursd her fiery child in the dark deeps
Sitting in darkness. over her Los mournd in anguish fierce Coverd with gloom. the fiery boy grew fed by the milk Of Enitharmon. Los around her builded pillars of iron

And brass \& silver \& gold fourfold in dark prophetic fear For now he feard Eternal Death \& uttermost Extinction ${ }^{7711}$ He builded Golgonooza on the Lake of Udan Adan Upon the Limit of Translucence then he builded Luban Tharmas laid the Foundations \& Los finishd it in howling woe

But when fourteen summers \& winters had revolved over Their solemn habitation Los beheld the ruddy boy Embracing his bright mother \& beheld malignant fires In his young eyes discerning plain that Orc plotted his death Grief rose upon his ruddy brows. a tightening girdle grew Around his bosom like a bloody cord. in secret sobs He burst it, but next morn another girdle succeeds

Around his bosom. Every day he viewd the fiery youth With silent fear \& his immortal cheeks grew deadly pale Till many a morn \& many a night passd over in dire woe Forming a girdle in the day \& bursting it at night The girdle was formd by day by night was burst in twain Falling down on the rock an iron chain link by link lockd

Enitharmon beheld the bloody chain of nights \& days Depending from the bosom of Los \& how with griding pain ${ }^{7712}$ He went each morning to his labours. with the spectre dark Calld it the chain of jealousy. Now Los began to speak ${ }^{t 713}$ His woes aloud to Enitharmon. since he could not hide
His uncouth plague. He siezd the boy in his immortal hands While Enitharmon followd him weeping in dismal woe Up to the iron mountains top \& there the Jealous chain Fell from his bosom on the mountain. The Spectre dark Held the fierce boy Los naild him down binding around his limbs The accursed chain O how bright Enitharmon howld \& cried ${ }^{7714}$ Over her son. Obdurate Los bound down her loved joy

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The hammer of Urthona smote the rivets in terror. of brass
Tenfold. the Demons rage flamd tenfold forth rending Roaring redounding. Loud Loud Loder \& Louder \& fird The darkness warring With the waves of Tharmas \& Snows of Urizen Crackling the flames went up with fury from the immortal demon Surrounded with flames the Demon grew loud howling in his fires Los folded Enitharmon in a cold white cloud in fear Then led her down into the deeps \& into his labyrinth Giving the Spectre sternest charge over the howling fiend

> Concenterd into Love of Parent Storgous Appetite Craving His limbs bound down mock at his chains for over them a flame Of circling fire unceasing plays to feed them with life \& bring The virtues of the Eternal worlds ten thousand thousand spirits Of life lament around the Demon going forth \& returning ${ }^{t 715}$ At his enormous call they flee into the heavens of heavens And back return with wine \& food. Or dive into the deeps To bring the thrilling joys of sense to quell his ceaseless rage His eyes the lights of his large soul contract or else expand Contracted they behold the secrets of the infinite mountains The veins of gold \& silver \& the hidden things of Vala Whatever grows from its pure bud or breathes a fragrant soul Expanded they behold the terrors of the Sun \& Moon The Elemental Planets \& the orbs of eccentric fire His nostrils breathe a fiery flame. his locks are like the forests $t 716$ Of wild beasts there the lion glares the tyger \& wolf howl there

And there the Eagle hides her young in cliffs \& precipices His bosom is like starry heaven expanded all the stars Sing round. there waves the harvest \& the vintage rejoices. the Springs Flow into rivers of delight. there the spontaneous flowers Drink laugh \& sing. the grasshopper the Emmet \& the Fly The golden Moth builds there a house \& spreads her silken bed

His loins inwove with silken fires are like a furnace fierce As the strong Bull in summer time when bees sing round the heath Where the herds low after the shadow \& after the water spring The numrous flocks cover the mountain \& shine along the valley His knees are rocks of adamant \& rubie \& emerald Spirits of strength in Palaces rejoice in golden armour ${ }^{7717}$ Armed with spear \& shield they drink \& rejoice over the slain Such is the Demon such his terror in the nether deep

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But when returnd to Golgonooza Los \& Enitharmon
Felt all the sorrow Parents feel. they wept toward one another
And Los repented that he had chaind Orc upon the mountain And Enitharmons tears prevaild parental love returnd Tho terrible his dread of that infernal chain They rose At midnight hasting to their much beloved care Nine days they traveld thro the Gloom of Entuthon Benithon Los taking Enitharmon by the hand led her along The dismal vales \& up to the iron mountains top where Orc Howld in the furious wind he thought to give to Enitharmon Her son in tenfold joy \& to compensate for her tears Even if his own death resulted so much pity him paind

But when they came to the dark rock \& to the spectrous cave Lo the young limbs had strucken root into the rock \& strong Fibres had from the Chain of Jealousy inwove themselves In a swift vegetation round the rock \& round the Cave And over the immortal limbs of the terrible fiery boy In vain they strove now to unchain. In vain with bitter tears
To melt the chain of Jealousy. not Enitharmons death Nor the Consummation of Los could ever melt the chain
Nor unroot the infernal fibres from their rocky bed Nor all Urthonas strength nor all the power of Luvahs Bulls Tho they each morning drag the unwilling Sun out of the deep Could uproot the infernal chain. for it had taken root ${ }^{t 718}$

Into the iron rock \& grew a chain beneath the Earth Even to the Center wrapping round the Center \& the limbs Of Orc entering with fibres. became one with him a living Chain Sustained by the Demons life. Despair \& Terror \& Woe \& Rage

Inwrap the Parents in cold clouds as they bend howling over The terrible boy till fainting by his side the Parents fell

Not long they lay Urthonas spectre found herbs of the pit Rubbing their temples he reviv'd them. all their lamentations I write not here but all their after life was lamentation

When satiated with grief they returnd back to Golgonooza ${ }^{1719}$
Enitharmon on the road of Dranthon felt the inmost gate Of her bright heart burst open \& again close with a deadly pain ${ }^{t 720}$ Within her heart Vala began to reanimate in bursting sobs ${ }^{t 721}$

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And when the Gate was open she beheld that dreary Deep $t 722$ Where bright Ahania wept. She also saw the infernal roots

Of the chain of Jealousy \& felt the rendings of fierce howling Orc

Rending the Caverns like a mighty wind pent in the Earth Tho wide apart as furthest north is from the furthest south ${ }^{t 723}$ Urizen trembled where he lay to hear the howling terror The rocks shook the Eternal bars tuggd to \& fro were rifted Outstretchd upon the stones of ice the ruins of his throne Urizen shuddring heard his trembling limbs shook the strong caves

The Woes of Urizen shut up in the deep dens of Urthona

Ah how shall Urizen the King submit to this dark mansion Ah how is this! Once on the heights I stretchd my throne sublime The mountains of Urizen once of silver where the sons of wisdom dwelt And on whose tops the Virgins sag are rocks of Desolation

My fountains once the haunt of Swans now breed the scaly tortoise The houses of my harpers are become a haunt of crows The gardens of wisdom are become a field of horrid graves And on the bones I drop my tears \& water them in vain

Once how I walked from my palace in gardens of delight The sons of wisdom stood around the harpers followd with harps Nine virgins clothd in light composd the song to their immortal voices And at my banquets of new wine my head was crownd with joy

Then in my ivory pavilions I slumberd in the noon ${ }^{t 724}$
And walked in the silent night among sweet smelling flowers Till on my silver bed I slept \& sweet dreams round me hoverd But now my land is darkend \& my wise men are departed

My songs are turned to cries of Lamentation ${ }^{7725}$
Heard on my Mountains \& deep sighs under my palace roofs
Because the Steeds of Urizen once swifter than the light Were kept back from my Lord \& from his chariot of mercies

O did I keep the horses of the day in silver pastures

O I refusd the Lord of day the horses of his prince O did I close my treasuries with roofs of solid stone And darken all my Palace walls with envyings \& hate

O Fool to think that I could hide from his all piercing eyes The gold \& silver \& costly stones his holy workmanship O Fool could I forget the light that filled my bright spheres Was a reflection of his face who calld me from the deep

I well remember for I heard the mild \& holy voice Saying O light spring up \& shine \& I sprang up from the deep ${ }^{t 726}$ He gave to me a silver scepter \& crownd me with a golden crown \& said Go forth \& guide my Son who wanders on the ocean ${ }^{7727}$

I went not forth. I hid myself in black clouds of my wrath I calld the stars around my feet in the night of councils dark The stars threw down their spears \& fled naked away We fell. I siezd thee dark Urthona In my left hand falling

I siezd thee beauteous Luvah thou art faded like a flower And like a lilly is thy wife Vala witherd by winds When thou didst bear the golden cup at the immortal tables Thy children smote their fiery wings crownd with the gold of heaven

Thy pure feet stepd on the steps divine. too pure for other feet And thy fair locks shadowd thine eyes from the divine effulgence Then thou didst keep with Strong Urthona the living gates of heaven But now thou art bound down with him even to the gates of hell

Because thou gavest Urizen the wine of the Almighty
For steeds of Light that they might run in thy golden chariot of pride I gave to thee the Steeds I pourd the stolen wine
And drunken with the immortal draught fell from my throne sublime

I will arise Explore these dens \& find that deep pulsation
That shakes my caverns with strong shudders. perhaps this is the night
Of Prophecy \& Luvah hath burst his way from Enitharmon
When Thought is closd in Caves. Then love shall shew its root in deepest Hell End of the Fifth Night ${ }^{t 728}$

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So Urizen arose \& leaning on his Spear explord his dens He threw his flight thro the dark air to where a river flowd

And taking off his silver helmet filled it \& drank But when Unsatiated his thirst he assayd to gather more Lo three terrific women at the verge of the bright flood Who would not suffer him to approach. but drove him back with storms

Who art thou Eldest Woman sitting in thy clouds
What is that name written on thy forehead? what art thou?
And wherefore dost thou pour this water forth in sighs \& care

She answerd not but filld her urn \& pourd it forth abroad

Answerest thou not said Urizen. then thou maist answer me Thou terrible woman clad in blue, whose strong attractive power Draws all into a fountain at the rock of thy attraction With frowning brow thou sittest mistress of these mighty waters

She answerd not but stretchd her arms \& threw her limbs abroad

Or wilt thou answer youngest Woman clad in shining green ${ }^{7730}$ With labour \& care thou dost divide the current into four ${ }^{7731}$ Queen of these dreadful rivers speak \& let me hear thy voice

They reard up a wall of rocks and Urizen raisd his spear. ${ }^{t 732}$ They gave a scream, they knew their father Urizen knew his daughters They shrunk into their channels. dry the rocky strand beneath his feet Hiding themselves in rocky forms from the Eyes of Urizen

Then Urizen wept \& thus his lamentation poured forth

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O horrible O dreadful state! those whom I loved best On whom I pourd the beauties of my light adorning them With jewels \& precious ornament labourd with art divine Vests of the radiant colours of heaven \& crowns of golden fire I gave sweet lillies to their breasts \& roses to their hair I taught them songs of sweet delight, I gave their tender voices Into the blue expanse \& I invented with laborious art Sweet instruments of sound. in pride encompassing my Knees
They pourd their radiance above all. the daughters of Luvah Envied At their exceeding brightness \& the sons of eternity sent them gifts Now will I pour my fry on them \& I will reverse The precious benediction. for their colours of loveliness I will give blackness for jewels hoary frost for ornament deformity For crowns wreathd Serpents for sweet odors stinking corruptibility For voices of delight hoarse croakings inarticulate thro frost For labourd fatherly care \& sweet instruction. I will give Chains of dark ignorance \& cords of twisted self conceit And whips of stern repentance \& food of stubborn obstinacy That they may curse Tharmas their God \& Los his adopted son

That they may curse \& worship the obscure Demon of destruction That they may worship terrors \& obey the violent Go forth sons of my curse Go forth daughters of my abhorrence

Tharmas heard the deadly scream across his watry world And Urizens loud sounding voice lamenting on the wind And he came riding in his fury. froze to solid were his waves

Silent in ridges he beheld them stand round Urizen A dreary waste of solid waters for the King of Light Darkend his brows with his cold helmet \& his gloomy spear Darkend before him. Silent on the ridgy waves he took His gloomy way before him Tharmas fled \& flying fought

Crying. What \& who art thou Cold Demon. art thou Urizen Art thou like me risen again from death or art thou deathless If thou art he my desperate purpose hear \& give me death For death to me is better far than life. death my desire That I in vain in various paths have sought but still I live The Body of Man is given to me I seek in vain to destroy For still it surges forth in fish \& monsters of the deeps And in these monstrous forms I Live in an Eternal woe ${ }^{1733}$ And thou O Urizen art falln never to be deliverd

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Withhold thy light from me for ever \& I will withhold From thee thy food so shall we cease to be \& all our sorrows End \& the Eternal Man no more renew beneath our power ${ }^{1734}$ If thou refusest in eternal flight thy beams in vain Shall pursue Tharmas \& in vain shalt crave for food I will Pour down my flight thro dark immensity Eternal falling Thou shalt pursue me but in vain till starvd upon the void Thou hangst a dried skin shrunk up weak wailing in the wind

So Tharmas spoke but Urizen replied not. On his way He took. high bounding over hills \& desarts floods \& horrible chasms Infinite was his labour without end his travel he strove In vain for hideous monsters of the deeps annoyd him sore Scaled \& finnd with iron \& brass they devourd the path before him Incessant was the conflict. On he bent his weary steps Making a path toward the dark world of Urthona. he rose With pain upon the dreary mountains \& with pain descended ${ }^{t 735}$ And saw their grizly fears \& his eyes sickend at the sight The howlings gnashings groanings shriekings shudderings sobbings burstings Mingle together to create a world for Los. In cruel delight

Los brooded on the darkness. nor saw Urizen with a Globe of fire Lighting his dismal journey thro the pathless world of death

Writing in bitter tears \& groans in books of iron \& brass The enormous wonders of the Abysses once his brightest joy

For Urizen beheld the terrors of the Abyss wandring among The ruind spirits once his children \& the children of Luvah Scard at the sound of their own sigh that seems to shake the immense They wander Moping in their heart a Sun a Dreary moon A Universe of fiery constellations in their brain An Eart of wintry woe beneath their feet \& round their loins ${ }^{7736}$ Waters or winds or clouds or brooding lightnings \& pestilential plagues Beyond the bounds of their own self their senses cannot penetrate As the tree knows not what is outside of its leaves \& bark And yet it drinks the summer joy \& fears the winter sorrow So in the regions of the grave none knows his dark compeer Tho he partakes of his dire woes \& mutual returns the pang The throb the dolor the convulsion in soul sickening woes ${ }^{1737}$

The horrid shapes \& sights of torment in burning dungeons \& in

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Fetters of red hot iron some with crowns of serpents \& some With monsters girding round their bosoms, Some lying on beds of sulphur On racks \& wheels he beheld women marching oer burning wastes Of Sand in bands of hundreds \& of fifties \& of thousands strucken with Lightnings which blazed after them upon their shoulders in their march In successive vollies with loud thunders swift flew the King of Light Over the burning desarts Then the desarts passd. involvd in clouds Of smoke with myriads moping in the stifling vapours. Swift Flew the King tho flagd his powers labring. till over rocks And Mountains faint weary he wanderd. where multitudes were shut Up in the solid mountains \& in rocks which heaved with their torments
Then came he among fiery cities \& castles built of burning steel
Then he beheld the forms of tygers \& of Lions dishumanizd men
Many in serpents \& in worms stretchd out enormous length
Over the sullen mould \& slimy tracks obstruct his way
Drawn out from deep to deep woven by ribbd
And scaled monsters or armd in iron shell or shell of brass Or gold a glittering torment shining \& hissing in eternal pain Some [as] columns of fire or of water sometimes stretchd out in heighth ${ }^{7738}$ Sometimes in length sometimes englobing wandering in vain seeking for ease ${ }^{1739}$ His voice to them was but an inarticulate thunder for their Ears
Were heavy \& dull \& their eyes \& nostrils closed up
Oft he stood by a howling victim Questioning in words
Soothing or Furious no one answerd every one wrapd up
In his own sorrow howld regardless of his words, nor voice
Of sweet response could he obtain tho oft assayd with tears
He knew they were his Children ruind in his ruind world ${ }^{7740}$

Oft would he stand \& question a fierce scorpion glowing with gold In vain the terror heard not. then a lion he would Sieze By the fierce mane staying his howling course in vain the voice ${ }^{\text {t741 }}$ Of Urizen vain the Eloquent tongue. A Rock a Cloud a Mountain Were now not Vocal as in Climes of happy Eternity Where the lamb replies to the infant voice \& the lion to the man of years Giving them sweet instructions Where the Cloud the River \& the Field Talk with the husbandman \& shepherd. But these attackd him sore Siezing upon his feet \& rending the Sinews that in Caves He hid to recure his obstructed powers with rest \& oblivion

Here he had time enough to repent of his rashly threatend curse He saw them cursd beyond his Curse his soul melted with fear

He could not take their fetters off for they grew from the soul Nor could he quench the fires for they flamd out from the heart

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Nor cold he calm the Elements because himself was Subject So he threw his flight in terror \& pain \& in repentant tears

When he had passd these southern terrors he approachd the East Void pathless beaten With iron sleet \& eternal hail \& rain ${ }^{1772}$ No form was there no living thing \& yet his way lay thro This dismal world. he stood a while \& lookd back oer his former Terrific voyage. Hills \& Vales of torment \& despair Sighing \& Wiping a fresh tear. then turning round he threw Himself into the dismal void. falling he fell \& fell Whirling in unresistible revolutions down \& down In the horrid bottomless vacuity falling failing falling Into the Eastern vacuity the empty world of Luvah

The ever pitying one who seeth all things saw his fall And in the dark vacuity created a bosom of clay ${ }{ }^{7743}$ When wearied dead he fell his limbs reposd in the bosom of slime As the seed falls from the sowers hand so Urizen fell \& death Shut up his powers in oblivion. then as the seed shoots forth In pain \& sorrow. So the slimy bed his limbs renewd At first an infant weakness. periods passd he gatherd strength But still in solitude he sat then rising threw his flight Onward tho falling thro the waste of night \& ending in death And in another resurrection to sorrow \& weary travel But still his books he bore in his strong hands \& his iron pen For when he died they lay beside his grave \& when he rose ${ }{ }^{774}$ He siezd them with a gloomy smile for wrapd in his death clothes ${ }^{7745}$ He hid them when he slept in death when he revivd the clothes Were rotted by the winds the books remaind still unconsumd

Still to be written \& interleavd with brass \& iron \& gold Time after time for such a journey none but iron pens Can write And adamantine leaves recieve nor can the man who goes

The journey obstinate refuse to write time after time

Endless had been his travel but the Divine hand him led ${ }^{7746}$
For infinite the distance \& obscurd by Combustions dire By rocky masses frowning in the abysses revolving erratic Round Lakes of fire in the dark deep the ruins of Urizens world Oft would he sit in a dark rift \& regulate his books Or sleep such sleep as spirits eternal wearied in his dark

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Tearful \& sorrowful state. then rise look out \& ponder His dismal voyage eyeing the next sphere tho far remote Then darting into the Abyss of night his venturous limbs Thro lightnings thunders earthquakes \& concussions fires \& floods Stemming his downward fall labouring up against futurity Creating many a Vortex fixing many a Science in the deep And thence throwing his venturous limbs into the Vast unknown Swift Swift from Chaos to chaos from void to void a road immense

For when he came to where a Vortex ceasd to operate Nor down nor up remaind then if he turnd \& lookd back From whence he came twas upward all. \& if he turnd and viewd The unpassd void upward was still his mighty wandring The midst between an Equilibrium grey of air serene Where he might live in peace \& where his life might meet repose

But Urizen said Can I not leave this world of Cumbrous wheels Circle oer Circle nor on high attain a void Where self sustaining I may view all things beneath my feet Or sinking thro these Elemental wonders swift to fall I thought perhaps to find an End a world beneath of voidness Whence I might travel round the outside of this Dark confusion When I bend downward bending my bead downward into the deep
Tis upward all which way soever I my course begin
But when A Vortex formd on high by labour \& sorrow \& care
And weariness begins on all my limbs then sleep revives
My wearied spirits waking then tis downward all which way
So ever I my spirits turn no end I find of all
O what a world is here unlike those climes of bliss
Where my sons gatherd round my knees O thou poor ruind world
Thou horrible ruin once like me thou wast all glorious And now like me partaking desolate thy masters lot Art thou O ruin the once glorious heaven are these thy rocks Where joy sang in the trees \& pleasure sported on the rivers

And laughter sat beneath the Oaks \& innocence sported round Upon the green plains \& sweet friendship met in palaces And books \& instruments of song \& pictures of delight Where are they whelmd beneath these ruins in horrible destruction ${ }^{1747}$ And if Eternal falling I repose on the dark bosom Of winds \& waters or thence fall into a Void where air Is not down falling thro immensity ever \& ever I lose my powers weakend every revolution till a death Shuts up my powers then a seed in the vast womb of darkness

I dwell in dim oblivion. brooding over me the Enormous worlds
Reorganize me shooting forth in bones \& flesh \& blood
I am regenerated to fall or rise at will or to remain
A labourer of ages a dire discontent a living woe
Wandring in vain. Here will I fix my foot \& here rebuild
Here Mountains of Brass promise much riches in their dreadful bosoms ${ }^{1778}$

So he began to dig form[ing] of gold silver \& iron ${ }^{1749}$
And brass vast instruments to measure out the immense \& fix The whole into another world better suited to obey His will where none should dare oppose his will himself being King Of All \& all futurity be bound in his vast chain

And the Sciences were fixd \& the Vortexes began to operate On all the sons of men \& every human soul terrified At the turning wheels of heaven shrunk away inward withring away Gaining a New Dominion over all his sons \& Daughters \& over the Sons \& daughters of Luvah in the horrible Abyss For Urizen lamented over them in a selfish lamentation Till a white woof coverd his cold limbs from head to feet ${ }^{7750}$
Hair white as snow coverd him in flaky locks terrific Overspreading his limbs. in pride he wanderd weeping Clothed in aged venerableness obstinately resolvd Travelling thro darkness \& whereever he traveld a dire Web Followd behind him as the Web of a Spider dusky \& cold Shivering across from Vortex to Vortex drawn out from his mantle of years A living Mantle adjoind to his life \& growing from his Soul

And the Web of Urizen stre[t]chd direful shivring in clouds And uttering such woes such bursts such thunderings ${ }^{1751}$
The eyelids expansive as morning \& the Ears As a golden ascent winding round to the heavens of heavens Within the dark horrors of the Abysses lion or tyger or scorpion

For every one opend within into Eternity at will But they refusd because their outward forms were in the Abyss

And the wing like tent of the Universe beautiful surrounding all Or drawn up or let down at the will of the immortal man
Vibrated in such anguish the eyelids quiverd Weak \& Weaker their expansive orbs began shrinking
Pangs smote thro the brain \& a universal shriek

Ran thro the abysses rending the web torment on torment

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Thus Urizen in sorrows wanderd many a dreary way
Warring with monsters of the Deeps in his most hideous pilgrimage
Till his bright hair scatterd in snows his skin barkd oer with wrinkles
Four Caverns rooting downwards their foundations thrusting forth
The metal rock \& stone in ever painful throes of vegetation
The Cave of Orc stood to the South a furnace of dire flames
Quenchless unceasing. In the west the Cave of Urizen
For Urizen fell as the Midday sun falls down into the West North stood Urthonas stedfast throne a World of Solid darkness
Shut up in stifling obstruction rooted in dumb despair
The East was Void. But Tharmas rolld his billows in ceaseless eddies
Void pathless beat with Snows eternal \& iron hail \& rain ${ }^{7752}$
All thro the caverns of fire \& air \& Earth, Seeking
For Enions limbs nought finding but the black sea weed \& sickning slime
Flying away from Urizen that he might not give him food Above beneath on all sides round in the vast deep of immensity That he might starve the sons \& daughters of Urizen on the winds
Making between horrible chasms into the vast unknown All these around the world of Los cast forth their monstrous births But in Eternal times the Seat of Urizen is in the South ${ }^{t 753}$
Urthona in the North Luvah in East Tharmas in West

And now he came into the Abhorred world of Dark Urthona By Providence divine conducted not bent from his own will Lest death Eternal should be the result for the Will cannot be violated Into the doleful vales where no tree grew nor river flowd Nor man nor beast nor creeping thing nor sun nor cloud nor star Still he with his globe of fire immense in his venturous hand Bore on thro the Affrighted vales ascending \& descending Oerwearied or in cumbrous flight he venturd oer dark rifts Or down dark precipices or climbd with pain and labour huge Till he beheld the world of Los from the Peaked rock of Urthona And heard the howling of red Orc distincter \& distincter

Redoubling his immortal efforts thro the narrow vales With difficulty down descending guided by his Ear
And by his globe of fire he went down the Vale of Urthona ${ }^{1754}$
Between the enormous iron walls built by the Spectre dark

Dark grew his globe reddning with mists \& full before his path Striding across the narrow vale the Shadow of Urthona ${ }^{7755}$

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A spectre Vast appeard whose feet \& legs with iron scaled Stampd the hard rocks expectant of the unknown wanderer Whom he had seen wandring his nether world when distant far And watchd his swift approach collected dark the Spectre stood Beside hi[m] Tharmas stayd his flight \& stood in stern defiance ${ }^{\text {t756 }}$ Communing with the Spectre who rejoicd along the vale Round his loins a girdle glowd with many colourd fires In his hand a knotted Club whose knots like mountains frownd Desart among the Stars them withering with its ridges cold Black scales of iron arm the dread visage iron spikes instead Of hair shoot from his orbed scull. his glowing eyes Burn like two furnaces. he calld with Voice of Thunder

Four winged heralds mount the furious blasts \& blow their trumps Gold Silver Brass \& iron clangors clamoring rend the shores ${ }^{1757}$ Like white clouds rising from the Vales his fifty two armies From the four Cliffs of Urthona rise glowing around the Spectre Four sons of Urizen the Squadrons of Urthona led in arms Of gold \& silver brass \& iron he knew his mighty sons

Then Urizen arose upon the wind back many a mile Retiring into his dire Web scattering fleecy snows As he ascended howling loud the Web vibrated strong From heaven to heaven from globe to globe. In vast excentric paths Compulsive rolld the Comets at his dread command the dreary way Falling with wheel impetuous down among Urthonas vales And round red Orc returning back to Urizen gorgd with blood ${ }^{7} 758$ Slow roll the massy Globes at his command \& slow oerwheel The dismal squadrons of Urthona. weaving the dire Web In their progressions \& preparing Urizens path before him End of The Sixth Night

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Then Urizen arose The Spectre fled \& Tharmas fled The darkning Spectre of Urthona hid beneath a rock Tharmas threw his impetuous flight thro the deeps of immensity Revolving round in whirlpools fierce all round the cavernd worlds

## But Urizen silent descended to the Caves of Orc \& saw ${ }^{1760}$ A Cavernd Universe of flaming fire the horses of Urizen

Here bound to fiery mangers furious dash their golden hoofs Striking fierce sparkles from their brazen fetters. fierce his lions ${ }^{t 761}$ Howl in the burning dens his tygers roam ill the redounding smoke In forests of affliction. the adamantine scales of justice Consuming in the raging lamps of mercy pourd in rivers The holy oil rages thro all the cavernd rocks fierce flames Dance on the rivers \& the rocks howling \& drunk with fury The plow of ages \& the golden harrow wade thro fields Of goary blood the immortal seed is nourishd for the slaughter The bulls of Luvah breathing fire bellow on burning pastures Round howling Orc whose awful limbs cast forth red smoke \& fire That Urizen approachd not near but took his seat on a rock And rangd his books around him brooding Envious over Orc ${ }^{1762}$

Howling \& rending his dark caves the awful Demon lay Pulse after pulse beat on his fetters pulse after pulse his spirit Darted \& darted higher \& higher to the shrine of Enitharmon As when the thunder folds himself in thickest clouds The watry nations couch \& hide in the profoundest deeps Then bursting from his troubled head with terrible visages \& flaming hair His swift wingd daughters sweep across the vast black ocean

Los felt the Envy in his limbs like to a blighted tree

For Urizen fixd in Envy sat brooding \& coverd with snow
His book of iron on his knees he tracd the dreadful letters
While his snows fell \& his storms beat to cool the flames of Orc
Age after Age till underneath his heel a deadly root
Struck thro the rock the root of Mystery accursed shooting up

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Branches into the heaven of Los they pipe formd bending down Take root again whereever they touch again branching forth In intricate labyrinths oerspreading many a grizly deep

Amazd started Urizen when he found himself compassd round And high roofed over with trees. he arose but the stems Stood so thick he with difficulty \& great pain brought His books out of the dismal shade. all but the book of iron Again he took his seat \& rangd his Books around ${ }^{1764}$ On a rock of iron frowning over the foaming fires of Orc

And Urizen hung over Ore \& viewd his terrible wrath Sitting upon an iron Crag at length his words broke forth ${ }^{7765}$

Image of dread whence art thou whence is this most woful place Whence these fierce fires but from thyself No other living thing In all this Chasm I behold. No other living thing
Dare thy most terrible wrath abide Bound here to waste in pain

Thy vital substance in these fires that issue new \& new Around thee sometimes like a flood \& sometimes like a rock Of living pangs thy horrible bed glowing with ceaseless fires Beneath thee \& around Above a Shower of fire now beats Moulded to globes \& arrowy wedges rending thy bleeding limbs And now a whirling pillar of burning sands to overwhelm thee Steeping thy wounds in salts infernal \& in bitter anguish And now a rock moves on the surface of this lake of fire To bear thee down beneath the waves in stifling despair Pity for thee movd me to break my dark \& long repose And to reveal myself before thee in a form of wisdom Yet thou dost laugh at all these tortures \& this horrible place Yet throw thy limbs these fires abroad that back return upon thee While thou reposest throwing rage on rage feeding thyself With visions of sweet bliss far other than this burning clime Sure thou art bathd in rivers of delight on verdant fields Walking in joy in bright Expanses sleeping on bright clouds With visions of delight so lovely that they urge thy rage Tenfold with fierce desire to rend thy chain \& howl in fury And dim oblivion of all woe \& desperate repose Or is thy joy founded on torment which others bear for thee

Orc answer'd Curse thy hoary brows. What dost thou in this deep

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Thy Pity I contemn scatter thy snows elsewhere

I rage in the deep for Lo my feet \& hands are naild to the burning rock Yet my fierce fires are better than thy snows Shuddring thou sittest Thou art not chaind Why shouldst thou sit cold grovelling demon of woe In tortures of dire coldness now a Lake of waters deep Sweeps over thee freezing to solid still thou sitst closd up In that transparent rock as if in joy of thy bright prison Till overburdend with its own weight drawn out thro immensity With a crash breaking across the horrible mass comes down Thundring \& hail \& frozen iron haild from the Element Rends thy white hair yet thou dost fixd obdurate brooding sit Writing thy books. Anon a cloud filld with a waste of snows Covers thee still obdurate still resolvd \& writing still Tho rocks roll oer thee tho floods pour tho winds black as the Sea ${ }^{\text {t776 }}$ Cut thee in gashes tho the blood pours down around thy ankles Freezing thy feet to the hard rock still thy pen obdurate Traces the wonders of Futurity in horrible fear of the future I rage furious in the deep for lo my feet \& hands are naild To the hard rock or thou shouldst feel my enmity \& hate In all the diseases of man falling upon thy grey accursed front

Urizen answerd Read my books explore my Constellations Enquire of my Sons \& they shall teach thee how to War Enquire of my Daughters who accursd in the dark depths Knead bread of Sorrow by my stern command for I am God Of all this dreadful ruin Rise O daughters at my Stern command

Rending the Rocks Eleth \& Uveth rose \& Ona rose Terrific with their iron vessels driving them across In the dim air they took the book of iron \& placd above On clouds of death \& sang their songs Kneading the bread of Orc Orc listend to the song compelld hungring on the cold wind That swaggd heavy with the accursed dough. the hoar frost ragd Thro Onas sieve the torrent rain pourd from the iron pail Of Eleth \& the icy hands of Uveth kneaded the bread The heavens bow with terror underneath their iron hands Singing at their dire work the words of Urizens book of iron While the enormous scrolls rolld dreadful in the heavens above And still the burden of their song in tears was poured forth The bread is Kneaded let us rest O cruel father of children

But Urizen remitted not their labours upon his rock

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And Urizen Read in his book of brass in sounding tones

Listen O Daughters to my voice Listen to the Words of Wisdom So shall [ye] govern over all let Moral Duty tune your tongue ${ }^{7768}$ But be your hearts harder than the nether millstone To bring the shadow of Enitharmon beneath our wondrous tree That Los may Evaporate like smoke \& be no more Draw down Enitharmon to the Spectre of Urthona And let him have dominion over Los the terrible shade

Compell the poor to live upon a Crust of bread by soft mild arts Smile when they frown frown when they smile \& when a man looks pale With labour \& abstinence say he looks healthy \& happy And when his children Sicken let them die there are enough Born even too many \& our Earth will be overrun
Without these arts If you would make the poor live with temper
With pomp give every crust of bread you give with gracious cunning Magnify small gifts reduce the man to want a gift \& then give with pomp ${ }^{7769}$ Say he smiles if you hear him sigh If pale say he is ruddy Preach temperance say he is overgorgd \& drowns his wit In strong drink tho you know that bread \& water are all He can afford Flatter his wife pity his children till we can

Reduce all to our will as spaniels are taught with art

Lo how the heart \& brain are formed in the breeding womb Of Enitharmon how it buds with life \& forms the bones The little heart the liver \& the red blood in its labyrinths By gratified desire by strong devouring appetite she fills Los with ambitious fury that his race shall all devour

Then Orc cried Curse thy Cold hypocrisy. already round thy Tree ${ }^{t 770}$ In scales that shine with gold \& rubies thou beginnest to weaken My divided Spirit Like a worm I rise in peace unbound From wrath Now When I rage my fetters bind me more O torment O torment A Worm compelld. Am I a worm Is it in strong deceit that man is born. In strong deceit Thou dost restrain my fury that the worm may fold the tree Avaunt Cold hypocrite I am chaind or thou couldst not use me thus The Man shall rage bound with this Chain the worm in silence creep Thou wilt not cease from rage Grey Demon silence all thy storms

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Give me example of thy mildness King of furious hail storms Art thou the cold attractive power that holds me in this chain I well remember how I stole thy light \& it became fire Consuming. Thou Knowst me now O Urizen Prince of Light And I know thee is this the triumph this the Godlike State That lies beyond the bounds of Science in the Grey obscure

Terrified Urizen heard Orc now certain that he was Luvah And Orc began to Organize a Serpent body ${ }^{t 771}$ Despising Urizens light \& turning it into flaming fire Recieving as a poisond Cup Recieves the heavenly wine And turning affection into fury \& thought into abstraction $\quad 1772$ A Self consuming dark devourer rising into the heavens

Urizen envious brooding sat \& saw the secret terror Flame high in pride \& laugh to scorn the source of his deceit Nor knew the source of his own but thought himself the Sole author

Of all his wandering Experiments in the horrible Abyss He knew that weakness stretches out in breadth \& length he knew That wisdom reaches high \& deep \& therefore he made Orc In Serpent form compelld stretch out \& up the mysterious tree He sufferd him to Climb that he might draw all human forms Into submission to his will nor knew the dread result

Los sat in showers of Urizen watching cold Enitharmon $t 773$ His broodings rush down to his feet producing Eggs that hatching Burst forth upon the winds above the tree of Mystery Enitharmon lay on his knees. Urizen tracd his Verses In the dark deep the dark tree grew. her shadow was drawn down Down to the roots it wept over Orc. the Shadow of Enitharmon

Los saw her stretchd the image of death upon his witherd valleys Her Shadow went forth \& returnd Now she was pale as Snow When the mountains \& hills are coverd over \& the paths of Men shut up ${ }^{7774}$ But when her spirit returnd as ruddy as a morning when The ripe fruit blushes into joy in heavens eternal halls $t 775$ Sorrow shot thro him from his feet it shot up to his head Like a cold night that nips the root \& shatters off the leaves ${ }^{t 776}$ Silent he stood oer Enitharmon watching her pale face He spoke not he was Silent till he felt the cold disease Then Los mournd on the dismal wind in his jealous lamentation

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Why can I not Enjoy thy beauty Lovely Enitharmon When I return from clouds of Grief in the wandring Elements Where thou in thrilling joy in beaming summer loveliness Delectable reposest ruddy in my absence flaming with beauty Cold pale in sorrow at my approach trembling at my terrific Forehead \& eyes thy lips decay lik roses in the spring ${ }^{t 777}$ How art thou Shrunk thy grapes that burst in summers vast Excess
Shut up in little purple covering faintly bud \& die
Thy olive trees that pourd down oil upon a thousand hills Sickly look forth \& scarcely stretch their branches to the plain Thy roses that expanded in the face of glowing morn

Hid in a little silken veil scarce breathe \& faintly shine Thy lilies that gave light what time the morning looked forth Hid in the Vales faintly lament \& no one hears their voice All things beside the woful Los enjoy the delights of beauty Once how I sang \& calld the beasts \& birds to their delights Nor knew that I alone exempted from the joys of love Must war with secret monsters of the animating worlds O that I had not seen the day then should I be at rest Nor felt the stingings of desire nor longings after life For life is Sweet to Los the wretched to his winged woes Is given a craving cry that they may sit at night on barren rocks And whet their beaks \& snuff the air \& watch the opening dawn And Shriek till at the smells of blood they stretch their boney wings And cut the winds like arrows shot by troops of Destiny

Thus Los lamented in the night unheard by Enitharmon For the Shadow of Enitharmon descended down the tree of Mystery The Spectre saw the Shade Shivering over his gloomy rocks Beneath the tree of Mystery which in the dismal Abyss Began to blossom in fierce pain shooting its writhing buds In throes of birth \& now the blossoms falling shining fruit

Appeard of many colours \& of various poisonous qualities Of Plagues hidden in shining globes that grew on the living tree

The Spectre of Urthona saw the Shadow of Enitharmon Beneath the Tree of Mystery among the leaves \& fruit ${ }^{7778}$ Reddning the Demon strong prepard the poison of sweet Love He turnd from side to side in tears he wept \& he embracd ${ }^{t 779}$ The fleeting image $\&$ in whispers mild wood the faint shade

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Loveliest delight of Men. Enitharmon shady hiding In secret places where no eye can trace thy watry way Have I found thee have I found thee tremblest thou in fear Because of Orc because he rent his discordant way From thy sweet loins of bliss. red flowd thy blood Pale grew thy face lightnings playd around thee thunders hoverd ${ }^{7780}$ Over thee, \& the terrible Orc rent his discordant way ${ }^{t 781}$ But the next joy of thine shall be in sweet delusion And its birth in fainting \& sleep \& Sweet delusions of Vala ${ }^{\text {t782 }}$

The Shadow of Enitharmon answerd Art thou terrible Shade Set over this sweet boy of mine to guard him lest he rend

His mother to the winds of heaven Intoxicated with The fruit of this delightful tree. I cannot flee away From thy embrace else be assurd so horrible a form Should never in my arms repose. now listen I will tell Thee Secrets of Eternity which neer before unlockd My golden lips nor took the bar from Enitharmons breast Among the Flowers of Beulah walkd the Eternal Man \& Saw Vala the lilly of the desart. melting in high noon Upon her bosom in sweet bliss he fainted Wonder siezd All heaven they saw him dark. they built a golden wall Round Beulah There he reveld in delight among the Flowers Vala was pregnant \& brought forth Urizen Prince of Light ${ }^{1783}$ First born of Generation. Then behold a wonder to the Eyes Of the now fallen Man a double form Vala appeard. A Male And female shuddring pale the Fallen Man recoild From the Enormity \& calld them Luvah \& Vala. turning down The vales to find his way back into Heaven but found none For his frail eyes were faded \& his ears heavy \& dull

Urizen grew up in the plains of Beulah Many Sons And many daughters flourishd round the holy Tent of Man Till he forgot Eternity delighted in his sweet joy Among his family his flocks \& herds \& tents \& pastures

But Luvah close conferrd with Urizen in darksom night To bind the father \& enslave the brethren Nought he knew

Of sweet Eternity the blood flowd round the holy tent \& rivn

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From its hinges uttering its final groan all Beulah fell In dark confusion mean time Los was born \& Enitharmon But how I know not then forgetfulness quite wrapd me up A period nor do I more remember till I stood Beside Los in the Cavern dark enslavd to vegetative forms According to the Will of Luvah who assumed the Place Of the Eternal Man \& smote him. But thou Spectre dark Maist find a way to punish Vala in thy fiery South To bring her down subjected to the rage of my fierce boy

The Spectre said. Thou lovely Vision this delightful Tree Is given us for a Shelter from the tempests of Void \& Solid Till once again the morn of ages shall renew upon us To reunite in those mild fields of happy Eternity Where thou \& I in undivided Essence walkd about Imbodied. thou my garden of delight \& I the spirit in the garden Mutual there we dwelt in one anothers joy revolving Days of Eternity with Tharmas mild \& Luvah sweet melodious Upon our waters. This thou well rememberest listen I will tell What thou forgettest. They in us \& we in them alternate Livd ${ }^{t 784}$ Drinking the joys of Universal Manhood. One dread morn Listen O vision of Delight One dread morn of goary blood The manhood was divided for the gentle passions making way ${ }^{t 785}$ Thro the infinite labyrinths of the heart \& thro the nostrils issuing In odorous stupefaction stood before the Eyes of Man A female bright. I stood beside my anvil dark a mass
Of iron glowd bright prepard for spades \& plowshares. sudden down I sunk with cries of blood issuing downward in the veins Which now my rivers were become rolling in tubelike forms ${ }^{t 786}$ Shut up within themselves descending down I sunk along, The goary tide even to the place of seed $\&$ there dividing I was divided in darkness $\&$ oblivion thou an infant woe And I an infant terror in the womb of Enion My masculine spirit scorning the frail body issud forth From Enions brain In this deformed form leaving thee there Till times passd over thee but still my spirit returning hoverd And formd a Male to be a counterpart to thee O Love Darkend \& Lost In due time issuing forth from Enions womb Thou \& that demon Los wert born Ah jealousy \& woe ${ }^{t 788}$ Ah poor divided dark Urthona now a Spectre wandering The deeps of Los the Slave of that Creation I created I labour night \& day for Los but listen thou my vision
I view futurity in thee I will bring down soft Vala
To the embraces of this terror \& I will destroy That body I created then shall we unite again in bliss

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Thou knowest that the Spectre is in Every Man insane brutish $t 789$ Deformd that I am thus a ravening devouring lust continually Craving \& devouring but my Eyes are always upon thee O lovely Delusion \& I cannot crave for any thing but thee no so ${ }^{7790}$ The spectres of the Dead for I am as the Spectre of the Living For till these terrors planted round the Gates of Eternal life Are driven away \& annihilated we never can repass the Gates

Astonishd filld with tears the spirit of Enitharmon beheld And heard the Spectre bitterly she wept Embracing fervent $t 791$ Her once lovd Lord now but a Shade herself also a shade Conferring times on times among the branches of that Tree

Thus they conferrd among the intoxicating fumes of Mystery Till Enitharmons shadow pregnant in the deeps beneath Brought forth a wonder horrible. While Enitharmon shriekd And trembled thro the Worlds above Los wept his fierce soul was terrifid At the shrieks of Enitharmon at her tossings nor could his eyes percieve The cause of her dire anguish for she lay the image of Death Movd by strong shudders till her shadow was deliverd then she ran Raving about the upper Elements in maddning fury

She burst the Gates of Enitharmons heart with direful Crash
Nor could they ever be closd again the golden hinges were broken And the gates broke in sunder \& their ornaments defacd ${ }^{1792}$ Beneath the tree of Mystery for the immortal shadow shuddering Brought forth this wonder horrible a Cloud she grew \& grew Till many of the dead burst forth from the bottoms of their tombs In male forms without female counterparts or Emanations ${ }^{7793}$ Cruel and ravening with Enmity \& Hatred \& War In dreams of Ulro dark delusive drawn by the lovely shadow ${ }^{t 794}$

The Spectre terrified gave her Charge over the howling Orc ${ }^{7795}$

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The ends of heaven like a Garment will I fold them round me Consuming what must be consumd then in power \& majesty I will walk forth thro those wide fields of endless Eternity A God \& not a Man a Conqueror in triumphant glory And all the Sons of Everlasting shall bow down at my feet 1800

First Trades \& Commerce ships \& armed vessels he builded laborious To swim the deep \& on the Land children are sold to trades

Of dire necessity still laboring day \& night till all Their life extinct they took the spectre form in dark despair And slaves in myriads in ship loads burden the hoarse sounding deep Rattling with clanking chains the Universal Empire groans

And he commanded his Sons found a Center in the Deep And Urizen laid the first Stone \& all his myriads Builded a temple in the image of the human heart

And in the inner part of the Temple wondrous workmanship They formd the Secret place reversing all the order of delight That whosoever enterd into the temple might not behold The hidden wonders allegoric of the Generations Of secret lust when hid in chambers dark the nightly harlot Plays in Disguise in whisperd hymn \& mumbling prayer The priests He ordaind \& Priestesses clothd in disguises beastial
Inspiring secrecy \& lamps they bore intoxicating fumes
Roll round the Temple \& they took the Sun that glowd oer Los And with immense machines down rolling. the terrific orb Compell'd. The Sun reddning like a fierce lion in his chains Descended to the sound of instruments that drownd the noise Of the hoarse wheels \& the terrific howlings of wild beasts That dragd the wheels of the Suns chariot \& they put the Sun Into the temple of Urizen to give light to the Abyss To light the War by day to hide his secret beams by night For he divided day \& night in different orderd portions The day for war the night for secret religion in his temple ${ }^{1801}$

Los reard his mighty stature on Earth stood his feet. Above ${ }^{1802}$ The moon his furious forehead circled with black bursting thunders His naked limbs glittring upon the dark blue sky his knees Bathed in bloody clouds. his loins in fires of war where spears And swords rage where the Eagles cry \& the Vultures laugh saying

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Now comes the night of Carnage now the flesh of Kings \& Princes Pamperd in palaces for our food the blood of Captains nurturd ${ }^{1803}$ With lust \& murder for our drink the drunken Raven shall wander All night among the slain \& mock the wounded that groan in the field

Tharmas laughd furious among the Banners clothd in blood

Crying As I will I rend the Nations all asunder rending The People, vain their combinations I will scatter them But thou O Son whom I have crowned and inthrond thee Strong I will preserve tho Enemies arise around thee numberless I will command my winds \& they shall scatter them or call

My Waters like a flood around thee fear not trust in me And I will give thee all the ends of heaven for thy possession

In war shalt thou bear rule in blood shalt thou triumph for me Because in times of Everlasting I was rent in sunder And what I loved best was divided among my Enemies My little daughters were made captives \& I saw them beaten With whips along the sultry sands. I heard those whom I lovd 1804 Crying in secret tents at night \& in the morn compelld To labour \& behold my heart sunk down beneath In sighs \& sobbings all dividing till I was divided ${ }^{1805}$ In twain \& lo my Crystal form that lived in my bosom Followd her daughters to the fields of blood they left me naked Alone \& they refusd to return from the fields of the mighty Therefore I will reward them as they have rewarded me I will divide them in my anger \& thou O my King Shalt gather them from out their graves \& put thy fetter on them And bind them to thee that my crystal form may come to me

So cried the Demon of the Waters in the Clouds of Los Outstretchd upon the hills lay Enitharmon clouds \& tempests Beat round her head all night all day she riots in Excess But night or day Los follows War \& the dismal moon rolls over her ${ }^{1806}$ That when Los warrd upon the South reflected the fierce fires Of his immortal head into the North upon faint Enitharmon Red rage the furies of fierce Orc black thunders roll round Los Flaming his head like the bright sun seen thro a mist that magnifies His disk into a terrible vision to the Eyes of trembling mortals

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And Enitharmon trembling \& in fear utterd these words

I put not any trust in thee nor in thy glittering scales
Thy eyelids are a terror to me \& the flaming of thy crest The rushing of thy Scales confound me thy hoarse rushing scales
And if that Los had not built me a tower upon a rock
I must have died in the dark desart among noxious worms How shall I flee how shall I flee into the tower of Los My feet are turned backward \& my footsteps slide in clay And clouds are closd around my tower my arms labour in vain Does not the God of waters in the wracking Elements Love those who hate rewarding with hate the Loving Soul

And must not I obey the God thou Shadow of Jealousy I cry the watchman heareth not I pour my voice in roarings Watchman the night is thick \& darkness cheats my rayie sight Lift up Lift up O Los awake my watchman for he sleepeth Lift up Lift up Shine forth O Light watchman thy light is out O Los unless thou keep my tower the Watchman will be slain

So Enitharmon cried upon her terrible Earthy bed While the broad Oak wreathd his roots round her forcing his dark way

Thro caves of death into Existence The Beech long limbd advancd Terrific into the paind heavens The fruit trees humanizing Shewd their immortal energies in warlike desperation Rending the heavens \& earths \& drinking blood in the hot battle To feed their fruit to gratify their hidden sons \& daughters That far within the close recesses of their secret palaces Viewd the vast war \& joyd wishing to vegetate Into the Worlds of Enitharmon Loud the roaring winds Burdend with clouds howl round the Couch sullen the wooly sheep Walks thro the battle Dark \& fierce the Bull his rage Propagates thro the warring Earth The Lion raging in flames t807 The Tyger in redounding smoke The Serpent of the woods ${ }^{t 808}$ And of the waters \& the scorpion of the desart irritate With harsh songs every living soul. The Prester Serpent runs Along the ranks crying Listen to the Priest of God ye warriors This Cowl upon my head he placd in times of Everlasting And said Go forth \& guide my battles. lik the jointed spine Of Man I made thee when I blotted Man from life \& light Take thou the seven Diseases of Man store them for times to come In store houses in secret places that I will tell the[e] of

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To be my great \& awful curses at the time appointed

The Prester Serpent ceasd the War song sounded loud \& strong Thro all the heavens Urizens Web vibrated torment on torment 1809

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Thus in the Caverns of the Grave \& Places of human seed ${ }^{1811}$ The nameless shadowy Vortex stood before the face of Orc The Shadow reard her dismal head over the flaming youth With sighs \& howling \& deep sobs that he might lose his rage And with it lose himself in meekness she embracd his fire As when the Earthquake rouzes from his den his shoulders huge Appear above the crumb[1]ing Mountain. Silence waits around him A moment then astounding horror belches from the Center The fiery dogs arise the shoulders huge appear So Orc rolld round his clouds upon the deeps of dark Urthona Knowing the arts of Urizen were Pity \& Meek affection ${ }^{1812}$ And that by these arts the Serpent form exuded from his limbs Silent as despairing love \& strong as Jealousy
Jealous that she was Vala now become Urizens harlot And the Harlot of Los \& the deluded harlot of the Kings of Earth His soul was gnawn in sunder
The hairy shoulders rend the links free are the wrists of fire Red rage redounds he rouzd his lions from his forests black They howl around the flaming youth rending the nameless shadow And running their immortal course thro solid darkness borne

Loud sounds the war song round red Orc in his [?triumphant] fury ${ }^{1813}$ And round the nameless shadowy Female in her howling terror When all the Elemental Gods joind in the wondrous Song

Sound the War trumpet terrific Souls clad in attractive steel Sound the shrill fife serpents of war. I hear the northern drum Awake, I hear the flappings of the folding banners

The dragons of the North put on their armour Upon the Eastern sea direct they take their course The glittring of their horses trapping stains the vault of night

Stop we the rising of the glorious King. spur spur your clouds ${ }^{t 814}$

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The northern drum. Now give the charge! bravely obscurd! With darts of wintry hail. Again the black bow draw Again the Elemental Strings to your right breasts draw And let the thundring drum speed on the arrows black

The arrows flew from cloudy bow all day. till blood From east to west flowd like the human veins in rivers Of life upon the plains of death \& valleys of despair

Now sound the clarions of Victory now strip the slain clothe yourselves in golden arms brothers of war ${ }^{1815}$ They sound the clarions strong they chain the howling captives they give the Oath of blood They cast the lots into the helmet, ${ }^{1816}$ They vote the death of Luvah \& they naild him to the tree They piercd him with a spear \& laid him in a sepulcher To die a death of Six thousand years bound round with desolation The sun was black \& the moon rolld a useless globe thro heaven

Then left the Sons of Urizen the plow \& harrow the loom The hammer \& the Chisel \& the rule \& compasses They forgd the sword the chariot of war the battle ax The trumpet fitted to the battle \& the flute of summer And all the arts of life they changd into the arts of death The hour glass contemnd because its simple workmanship Was as the workmanship of the plowman \& the water wheel That raises water into Cisterns broken \& burnd in fire Because its workmanship was like the workmanship of the Shepherd And in their stead intricate wheels invented Wheel without wheel To perplex youth in their outgoings \& to bind to labours Of day \& night the myriads of Eternity. that they might file And polish brass \& iron hour after hour laborious workmanship Kept ignorant of the use that they might spend the days of wisdom In sorrowful drudgery to obtain a scanty pittance of bread In ignorance to view a small portion \& think that All And call it Demonstration blind to all the simple rules of life

Now now the Battle rages round thy tender limbs O Vala Now smile among thy bitter tears now put on all thy beauty Is not the wound of the sword Sweet \& the broken bone delightful Wilt thou now smile among the slain when the wounded groan in the field

Life up thy blue eyes Vala \& put on thy sapphire shoes

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O Melancholy Magdalen behold the morning breaks Gird on thy flaming Zone. descend into the Sepulcher Scatter the blood from thy golden brow the tears from thy silver locks Shake off the waters from thy wings \& the dust from thy white garments

Remember all thy feigned terrors on the secret Couch When the sun rose in glowing morn with arms of mighty hosts Marching to battle who was wont to rise with Urizens harps ${ }^{1817}$ Girt as a Sower with his seed to scatter life abroad

Arise O Vala bring the bow of Urizen bring the sift arrows of light How ragd the golden horses of Urizen bound to the chariot of Love Compelld to leave the plow to the Ox to snuff up the winds of desolation To trample the corn fields in boastful neighings. this is no gentle harp This is no warbling brook nor Shadow of a Myrtle tree

But blood \& wounds \& dismal cries \& clarions of war And hearts laid open to the light by the broad grizly sword And bowels hidden in hammerd steel rippd forth upon the Ground 1818 Call forth thy Smiles of soft deceit call forth thy cloudy tears We hear thy sighs in trumpets shrill when Morn shall blood renew ${ }^{t 819}$

So sung the demons of the deep the Clarions of war blew loud 1820
Orc rent her \& his human form consumd in his own fires
Mingled with her dolorous members strewn thro the Abyss
She joyd in all the Conflict Gratified \& drinking tears of woe
No more remaind of Orc but the Serpent round the tree of Mystery
The form of Orc was gone he reard his serpent bulk among The stars of Urizen in Power rending the form of life ${ }^{1821}$ Into a formless indefinite \& strewing her on the Abyss Like clouds upon the winter sky broken with winds \& thunders This was to her Supreme delight The Warriors mournd disappointed They go out to war with Strong Shouts \& loud Clarions O Pity They return with lamentations mourning \& weeping

Invisible or visible drawn out in length or stretchd in breadth The Shadowy Female varied in the War in her delight Howling in discontent black \& heavy uttering brute sounds Wading thro fens among the slimy weeds making Lamentations To decieve Tharmas in his rage to soothe his furious soul

To stay him in his flight that Urizen might live tho in pain

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He said Art thou bright Enion is the Shadow of hope returnd

And She said Tharmas I am Vala bless thy innocent face Doth Enion avoid the sight of thy blue watry eyes Be not perswaded that the air knows this or the failing dew

Tharmas replid O Vala once I livd in a garden of delight

I wakend Enion in the Morning \& she turnd away Among the apple trees \& all the gardens of delight Swam like a dream before my eyes I went to seek the steps Of Enion in the gardens \& the shadows compassd me And closd me in a watry world of woe where Enion stood Trembling before me like a shadow like a mist like air And she is gone \& here alone I war with darkness \& death I hear thy voice but not thy form see. thou \& all delight And life appear \& vanish mocking me with shadows of false hope Hast thou forgot that the air listens thro all its districts telling The subtlest thoughts shut up from light in chambers of the Moon

Tharmas. The Moon has chambers where the babes of love lie hid And whence they never can be brought in all Eternity Unless exposd by their vain parents. Lo him whom I love Is hidden from me \& I never in all Eternity Shall see him Enitharmon \& Ahania combind with Enion Hid him in that Outrageous form of Orc which torments me for Sin ${ }^{t 822}$ For all my Secret faults which he brings forth upon the light Of day in jealousy \& blood my Children are led to Urizens war Before my eyes \& for every one of these I am condemnd To Eternal torment in these flames for tho I have the power To rise on high Yet love here binds me down \& never never Will I arise till him I love is loosd from this dark chain

Tharmas replied Vala thy Sins have lost us heaven \& bliss Thou art our Curse and till I can bring love into the light ${ }^{t 823}$ I never will depart from my great wrath

So Tharmas waild wrathful then rode upon the Stormy Deep ${ }^{t 824}$ Cursing the Voice that mockd him with false hope in furious mood Then She returns swift as a blight upon the infant bud Howling in all the notes of woe to stay his furious rage Stamping the hills wading or swimming flying furious or falling

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Or like an Earthquake rumbling in the bowels of the earth Or like a cloud beneath \& like a fire flaming in high Walking in pleasure of the hills or murmuring in the dales Like to a rushing torrent beneath \& a falling rock above A thunder cloud in the south \& a lulling voice heard in the north

And she went forth \& saw the forms of Life \& of delight Walking on Mountains or flying in the open expanse of heaven She heard sweet voices in the winds \& in the voices of birds That rose from waters for the waters were as the voice of Luvah Not seen to her like waters or like this dark world of death Tho all those fair perfections which men know only by name In beautiful substantial forms appeard \& served her As food or drink or ornament or in delightful works To build her bowers for the Elements brought forth abundantly The living soul in glorious forms \& every One came forth Walking before her Shadowy face \& bowing at her feet But in vain delights were poured forth on the howling melancholy For her delight the horse his proud neck bowd \& his white mane And the Strong Lion deignd in his mouth to wear the golden bit While the far beaming Peacock waited on the fragrant wind To bring her fruits of sweet delight from trees of richest wonders And the strong piniond Eagle bore the fire of heaven in the night season Wood \& subdud into Eternal Death the Demon Lay In rage against the dark despair. the howling Melancholy ${ }^{1825}$ For far \& wide she stretchd thro all the worlds of Urizens journey And was Ajoind to Beulah as the Polypus to the Rock Mo[u]rning the daughters of Beulah saw nor could they have sustaind The horrid sight of death \& torment But the Eternal Promise They wrote on all their tombs \& pillars \& on every Urn These words If ye will believe your $\mathrm{B}[r]$ other shall rise again In golden letters ornamented with sweet labours of Love Waiting with Patience for the fulfilment of the Promise Divine ${ }^{t 826}$

And all the Songs of Beulah sounded comfortable notes Not suffring doubt to rise up from the Clouds of the Shadowy Female Then myriads of the Dead burst thro the bottoms of their tombs Descending on the shadowy females clouds in Spectrous terror Beyond the Limit of Translucence on the Lake of Udan Adan These they namd Satans \& in the Aggregate they namd them Satan

Then took the tree of Mystery root in the World of Los Its topmost boughs shooting a fibre beneath Enitharmons couch 1827 The double rooted Labyrinth soon wavd around their heads

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But then the Spectre enterd Los's bosom Every sigh \& groan ${ }^{t 828}$
Of Enitharmon bore Urthonas Spectre on its wings Obdurate Los felt Pity Enitharmon told the tale Of Urthona. Los embracd the Spectre first as a brother Then as another Self; astonishd humanizing \& in tears In Self abasement Giving up his Domineering lust

Thou never canst embrace sweet Enitharmon terrible Demon. Till Thou art united with thy Spectre Consummating by pains \& labours <pine That mortal body \& by Self annihilation back returning ${ }^{1830}$ To Life Eternal be assurd I am thy real Self Tho thus divided from thee \& the Slave of Every passion Of thy fierce Soul Unbar the Gates of Memory look upon me ${ }^{t 831}$ Not as another but as thy real Self I am thy Spectre Thou didst subdue me in old times by thy Immortal Strength ${ }^{t 832}$ When I was a ravning hungring \& thirsting cruel lust \& murder Tho horrible \& Ghastly to thine Eyes tho buried beneath ${ }^{t 833}$ The ruins of the Universe. hear what inspird I speak \& be silent

If we unite in one[,] another better world will be ${ }^{t 834}$ Opend within your heart \& loins \& wondrous brain Threefold as it was in Eternity \& this the fourth Universe Will be Renewd by the three \& consummated in Mental fires But if thou dost refuse Another body will be prepared

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For me \& thou annihilate evaporate \& be no more
For thou art but a form \& organ of life \& of thyself Art nothing being Created Continually by Mercy \& Love divine

Los furious answerd. Spectre horrible thy words astound my Ear With irresistible conviction I feel I am not one of those Who when convincd can still persist. tho furious.controllable By Reasons power. Even I already feel a World within Opening its gates \& in it all the real substances Of which these in the outward World are shadows which pass away Come then into my Bosom \& in thy shadowy arms bring with thee My lovely Enitharmon. I will quell my fury \& teach Peace to the Soul of dark revenge $\&$ repentance to Cruelty

So spoke Los \& Embracing Enitharmon \& the Spectre Clouds would have folded round in Extacy \& Love uniting

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But Enitharmon trembling fled \& hid beneath Urizens tree But mingling together with his Spectre the Spectre of Urthona ${ }^{1835}$ Wondering beheld the Center opend by Divine Mercy inspired ${ }^{1836}$ He in his turn Gave Tasks to Los Enormous to destroy ${ }_{1837}$ That body he created but in vain for Los performd Wonders of labour They Builded Golgonooza Los labouring builded pillars high $\quad 1838$ And Domes terrific in the nether heavens for beneath Was opend new heavens \& a new Earth beneath \& within Threefold within the brain within the heart within the loins A Threefold Atmosphere Sublime continuous from Urthonas world ${ }^{1839}$ But yet having a Limit Twofold named Satan \& Adam

But Los stood on the Limit of Translucence weeping \& trembling Filled with doubts in self accusation beheld the fruit ${ }^{1840}$ Of Urizens Mysterious tree For Enitharmon thus spake

When In the Deeps beneath I gatherd of this ruddy fruit It was by that I knew that I had Sinnd \& then I knew That without a ransom I could not be savd from Eternal death That Life lives upon Death \& by devouring appetite All things subsist on one another thenceforth in Despair I spend my glowing time but thou art strong \& mighty To bear this Self conviction take then Eat thou also of The fruit \& give me proof of life Eternal or I die

Then Los plucked the fruit \& Eat \& sat down in Despair And must have given himself to death Eternal But Urthonas spectre in part mingling with him comforted him Being a medium between him \& Enitharmon But This Union Was not to be Effected without Cares \& Sorrows \& Troubles Of six thousand Years of self denial and of bitter Contrition ${ }^{1841}$ Urthonas Spectre terrified beheld the Spectres of the Dead Each Male formd without a counterpart without a concentering vision The Spectre of Urthona wept before Los Saying I am the cause That this dire state commences I began the dreadful state Of Separation \& on my dark head the curse \& punishment Must fall unless a way be found to Ransom \& Redeem ${ }^{1842}$

But I have thee my [Counterpart Vegetating] miraculous ${ }^{1843}$ These Spectres have no [Counter(parts)] therefore they ravin Without the food of life Let us Create them Coun[terparts]
For without a Created body the Spectre is Eternal Death

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Los trembling answerd Now I feel the weight of stern repentance Tremble not so my Enitharmon at the awful gates Of thy poor broken Heart I see thee like a shadow withering As on the outside of Existence but look! behold! take comfort! Turn inwardly thine Eyes \& there behold the Lamb of God Clothed in Luvahs robes of blood descending to redeem O Spectre of Urthona take comfort O Enitharmon Couldst thou but cease from terror \& trembling \& affright When I appear before thee in forgiveness of ancient injuries $t 844$ Why shouldst thou remember \& be afraid. I surely have died in pain Often enough to convince thy jealousy \& fear \& terror ${ }^{1845}$ Come hither be patient let us converse together because I also tremble at myself \& at all my former life

Enitharmon answerd I behold the Lamb of God descending To Meet these Spectres of the Dead I therefore fear that he

Will give us to Eternal Death fit punishment for such Hideous offenders Uttermost extinction in eternal pain An ever dying life of stifling \& obstruction shut out Of existence to be a sign \& terror to all who behold Lest any should in futurity do as we have done in heaven Such is our state nor will the Son of God redeem us but destroy

So Enitharmon spoke trembling \& in torrents of tears

Los sat in Golgonooza in the Gate of Luban where ${ }^{t 847}$
He had erected many porches where branchd the Mysterious Tree ${ }^{1848}$ Where the Spectrous dead wail \& sighing thus he spoke to Enitharmon

Lovely delight of Men Enitharmon shady refuge from furious war ${ }^{1849}$ Thy bosom translucent is a soft repose for the weeping souls Of those piteous victims of battle there they sleep in happy obscurity They feed upon our life we are their victims. Stern desire I feel to fabricate embodied semblances in which the dead May live before us in our palaces \& in our gardens of labour ${ }^{t 850}$ Which now opend within the Center we behold spread abroad To form a world of Sacrifice of brothers \& sons \& daughters ${ }^{t 851}$ To comfort Orc in his dire sufferings[;] look[!] my fires enlume afresh Before my face ascending with delight as in ancient times

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Enitharmon spread her beaming locks upon the wind \& said O Lovely terrible Los wonder of Eternity O Los my defence \& guide
Thy works are all my joy. \& in thy fires my soul delights If mild they burn in just proportion \& in secret night And silence build their day in shadow of soft clouds \& dews Then I can sigh forth on the winds of Golgonooza piteous forms That vanish again into my bosom but if thou my Los Wilt in sweet moderated fury. fabricate forms sublime ${ }^{t 853}$ Such as the piteous spectres may assimilate themselves into They shall be ransoms for our Souls that we may live

So Enitharmon spoke \& Los his hands divine inspired began ${ }^{\text {t854 }}$ To modulate his fires studious the loud roaring flames He vanquishd with the strength of Art bending their iron points And drawing them forth delighted upon the winds of Golgonooza ${ }^{1855}$ From out the ranks of Urizens war \& from the fiery lake Of Orc bending down as the binder of the Sheaves follows The reaper in both arms embracing the furious raging flames Los drew them forth out of the deeps planting his right foot firm Upon the Iron crag of Urizen thence springing up aloft Into the heavens of Enitharmon in a mighty circle

And first he drew a line upon the walls of shining heaven And Enitharmon tincturd it with beams of blushing love

It remaind permanent a lovely form inspird divinely human Dividing into just proportions Los unwearied labourd The immortal lines upon the heavens till with sighs of love Sweet Enitharmon mild Entrancd breathd forth upon the wind The spectrous dead Weeping the Spectres viewd the immortal works Of Los Assimilating to those forms Embodied \& Lovely In youth \& beauty in the arms of Enitharmon mild reposing

First Rintrah \& then Palamabron drawn from out the ranks of war In infant innocence reposd on Enitharmons bosom Orc was comforted in the deeps his soul revivd in them As the Eldest brother is the fathers image So Orc became <856> As Los a father to his brethren \& he joyd in the dark lake Tho bound with chains of Jealousy \& in scales of iron \& brass

But Los loved them \& refusd to Sacrifice their infant limbs And Enitharmons smiles \& tears prevaild over self protection

They rather chose to meet Eternal death than to destroy The offspring of their Care \& Pity Urthonas spectre was comforted But Tharmas most rejoicd in hope of Enions return For he beheld new Female forms born forth upon the air Who wove soft silken veils of covering in sweet rapturd trance Mortal \& not as Enitharmon without a covering veil

First his immortal spirit drew Urizen[s] Shadow away ${ }^{1857}$
From out the ranks of war separating him in sunder Leaving his Spectrous form which could not be drawn away Then he divided Thiriel the Eldest of Urizens sons Urizen became Rintrah Thiriel became Palamabron Thus dividing the powers of Every Warrior Startled was Los he found his Enemy Urizen now In his hands. he wonderd that he felt love \& not hate His whole soul loved him he beheld him an infant Lovely breathd from Enitharmon he trembled within himself
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Night the Eighth

Then All in Great Eternity Met in the Council of God ${ }^{1858}$ as one Man Even Jesus upon Gilead \& Hermon ${ }^{1859}$ Upon the Limit of Contraction to create the fallen Man The Fallen Man stretchd like a Corse upon the oozy Rock 1860 Washd with the tides Pale overgrown with weeds

That movd with horrible dreams hovring high over his hea Two winged immortal shapes one standing at his feet Toward the East one standing at his head toward the west Their wings joind in the Zenith over head 1861 Such is a Vision of All Beulah hovring over the Sleeper

The limit of Contraction now was fixd \& Man began To wake upon the Couch of Death he sneezed seven times A tear of blood dropped from either eye again he reposd In the saviours arms, in the arms of tender mercy \& loving kindness

Then Los said I behold the Divine Vision thro the broken Gates ${ }^{1862}$ Of thy poor broken heart astonishd melted into Compassion \& Love And Enitharmon said I see the Lamb of God upon Mount Zion ${ }^{1863}$ Wondring with love \& Awe they felt the divine hand upon them ${ }^{1864}$

For nothing could restrain the dead in Beulah from descending Unto Ulros night tempted by the Shadowy females sweet Delusive cruelty they descend away from the Daughters of Beulah
And Enter Urizens temple Enitharmon pitying \& her heart Gates broken down. they descend thro the Gate of Pity
The broken heart Gate of Enitharmon She sighs them forth upon the wind 1865 Of Golgonooza Los stood recieving them ${ }^{1866}$
For Los could enter into Enitharmons bosom \& explore Its intricate Labyrinths now the Obdurate heart was broken

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From out the War of Urizen \& Tharmas recieving them ${ }^{1867}$ Into his hands. Then Enitharmon erected Looms in Lubans Gate And calld the Looms Cathedron in these Looms She wove the Spectres

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Bodies of Vegetation Singing lulling Cadences to drive away Despair from the poor wandering spectres and Los loved them With a parental love for the Divine hand was upon him And upon Enitharmon \& the Divine Countenance shone In Golgonooza Looking down the Daughters of Beulah saw With joy the bright Light \& in it a Human form And knew he was the Saviour Even Jesus \& they worshipped

Astonishd Comforted Delighted in notes of Rapturous Extacy $t 868$ All Beulah stood astonishd Looking down to Eternal Death They saw the Saviour beyond the Pit of death \& destruction For whether they lookd upward they saw the Divine Vision Or whether they lookd downward still they saw the Divine Vision Surrounding them on all sides beyond $\sin \&$ death \& hell

Enitharmon wove in tears singing Songs of Lamentation And pitying comfort as she sighd forth on the wind the Spectres Also the Vegetated bodies which Enitharmon wove

Opend within their hearts \& in their loins \& in their brain To Beulah \& the Dead in Ulro descended from the War Of Urizen \& Tharmas \& from the Shadowy females clouds And some were woven single \& some two fold \& some three fold
$t 869$ In Head or Heart or Reins according to the fittest order Of most merciful pity \& compassion to the Spectrous dead ${ }^{1870}$

When Urizen saw the Lamb of God clothed in Luvahs robes Perplexd \& terrifid he Stood tho well he knew that Orc Was Luvah But he now beheld a new Luvah. Or One Who assumed Luvahs form \& stood before him opposite But he saw Orc a Serpent form augmenting times on times In the fierce battle \& he saw the Lamb of God \& the World of Los Surrounded by his dark machines for Orc augmented swift In fury a Serpent wondrous among the Constellations of Urizen A cest of fire rose on his forehead red as the carbuncle Beneath down to his eyelids scales of pearl then gold \& silver Immingled with the ruby overspread his Visage down His furious neck writ[h]ing contortive in dire budding pains The scaly armour shot out. Stubborn down his back \& bosom The Emerald Onyx Sapphire jasper beryl amethyst Strove in terrific emulation which should gain a place Upon the mighty Fiend the fruit of the mysterious tree ${ }^{1871}$ Kneaded in Uveths kneading trough. Still Orc devourd the food

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In raging hunger Still the pestilential food in gems \& gold Exuded round his awful limbs Stretching to serpent length His human bulk While the dark shadowy female brooding over Measurd his food morning \& evening in cups \& baskets of iron

With tears of sorrow incessant she labourd the food of Orc Compelld by the iron hearted sisters Daughters of Urizen Gathring the fruit of that mysterious tree circling its root She spread herself thro all the branches in the power of Orc

Thus Urizen in self deci[e]t his warlike preparations fabricated And when all things were finishd sudden wavd among the Stars His hurtling hand gave the dire signal thunderous Clarions blow

And all the hollow deep rebellowd with the wonderous war 1875

But Urizen his mighty rage let loose in the mid deep ${ }^{t 876}$ Sparkles of Dire affliction issud round his frozen limbs ${ }^{1877}$ Horrible hooks \& nets he formd twisting the cords of iron And brass \& molten metals cast in hollow globes \& bor'd Tubes in petrific steel \& rammd combustiles \& wheels And chains \& pullies fabricated all round the heavens of Los Communing with the Serpent of Orc in dark dissimulation

And with the Synagogue of Satan in dark Sanhedrim ${ }^{1878}$
To undermine the World of Los \& tear bright Enitharmon

To the four winds hopeless of future. All futurity
Seems teeming with Endless Destruction never to be repelld ${ }^{1879}$ Desperate remorse swallows the present in a quenchless rage

Terrified \& astonishd Urizen beheld the battle take a form ${ }^{1880}$ Which he intended not a Shadowy hermaphrodite black \& opake ${ }^{1881}$ The Soldiers namd it Satan but he was yet unformd \& vast Hermaphroditic it at length became hiding the Male Within as in a Tabernacle Abominable Deadly

The battle howls the terrors fird rage in the work of death Enormous Works Los Contemplated inspird by the holy Spirit Los builds the Walls of Golgonooza against the stirring battle That only thro the Gates of Death they can enter to Enitharmon Raging they take the human visage \& the human form

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FZ8-101[2nd].45; E374|
FZ8-101[2nd].46; E374|
FZ8-101[2nd].47; E374|
FZ8-101[2nd].48; E374|

Feeling the hand of Los in Golgonooza \& the force Attractive of his hammers beating \& the Silver looms Of Enitharmon singing lulling cadences on the wind They humanize in the fierce battle where in direful pain Troop by troop the beastial droves rend one another sounding loud The instruments of sound \& troop by troop in human forms they urge

FZ8-102.1; E374|
FZ8-102.2; E374|
FZ8-102.3; E374|
F8-102.4; E374|
FZ8-102.5; E374|
FZ8-102.6; E374|
FZ8-102.7; E374|
FZ8-102.8; E374|
FZ8-102.9; E374|
FZ8-102.10; E374|
FZ8-102.11; E374|
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FZ8-102.14; E374|
FZ8-102.15; E374|
FZ8-102.16; E374|
FZ8-102.17; E374|
FZ8-102.18; E374|

FZ8-102.19; E375|
FZ8-102.20; E375|
FZ8-102.21; E375|
FZ8-102.22; E375|

FZ8-102.23; E375|
FZ8-102.24; E375|
FZ8-102.25; E375|
FZ8-102.26; E375|
FZ8-102.27; E375|
FZ8-102.28; E375|
FZ8-102.29; E375|
FZ8-102.30; E375|
FZ8-102.31; E375|
FZ8-102.32; E375|

The dire confusion till the battle faints those that remain Return in pangs \& horrible convulsions to their beastial state For the monsters of the Elements Lions or Tygers or Wolves Sound loud the howling music inspird by Los \& Enitharmon Sounding loud terrific men They seem to one another laughing terrible among the banners
And when the revolution of their day of battles over
Relapsing in dire torment they return to forms of woe ${ }^{1882}$
To moping visages returning inanimate tho furious
No more erect tho strong drawn out in length they ravin
For senseless gratification \& their visages thrust forth Flatten above \& beneath \& stretch out into beastial length Weakend they stretch beyond their power in dire droves till war begins Or Secret religion in their temples before secret shrines

And Urizen gave life \& sense by his immortal power To all his Engines of deceit that linked chains might run Thro ranks of war spontaneous \& that hooks \& boring screws Might act according to their forms by innate cruelty He formed also harsh instruments of sound

To grate the soul into destruction or to inflame with fury The spirits of life to pervert all the faculties of sense Into their own destruction if perhaps he might avert ${ }^{t 883}$ His own despair even at the cost of every thing that breathes

Thus in the temple of the Sun his books of iron \& brass And silver \& gold he consecrated reading incessantly To myriads of perturbed spirits thro the universe They propagated the deadly words the Shadowy Female absorbing ${ }^{1884}$ The enormous Sciences of Urizen ages after ages exploring The fell destruction. And she said O Urizen Prince of Light What words of Dread pierce my faint Ear what fal[l]ing snows around My feeble limbs infold my destind misery I alone dare the lash abide to sit beneath the blast Unhurt \& dare the inclement forehead of the King of Ligh

FZ8-103.1; E375|
FZ8-103.2; E375|
FZ8-103.3; E375|
FZ8-103.4; E375|
FZ8-103.5; E375|
FZ8-103.6; E375|
FZ8-103.7; E375|
FZ8-103.8; E375|
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FZ8-103.29; E376|
FZ8-103.30; E376|
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FZ8-103.32; E376|
FZ8-103.33; E376|
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FZ8-103.35; E376|
FZ8-103.36; E376|
FZ8-103.37; E376|
FZ8-103.38; E376|

From dark abysses of the times remote fated to be

The sorrower of Eternity in love with tears submiss I rear My Eyes to thy Pavilions hear my prayer for Luvahs sake I see the murderer of my Luvah clothd in robes of blood He who assured my Luvahs throne in times of Everlasting Where hast thou hid him whom I love in what remote Abyss Resides that God of my delight O might my eyes behold My Luvah then could I deliver all the sons of God From Bondage of these terrors \& with influences sweet ${ }^{1885}$ As once in those eternal fields in brotherhood \& Love United we should live in bliss as those who sinned not The Eternal Man is seald by thee never to be deliverd We are all servants to thy will O King of Light relent Thy furious power be our father \& our loved King But if my Luvah is no more If thou hast smitten him ${ }^{1886}$ And laid him in the Sepulcher Or if thou wilt revenge ${ }^{1887}$ His murder on another Silent I bow with dread But happiness can never [come] to thee O King nor me For he was source of every joy that this mysterious tree Unfolds in Allegoric fruit. When shall the dead revive Can that which has existed cease or can love \& life Expire

Urizen heard the Voice \& saw the Shadow. underneath His woven darkness \& in laws \& deceitful religions Beginning at the tree of Mystery circling its root She spread herself thro all the branches in the power of Orc A shapeless \& indefinite cloud in tears of sorrow incessant Steeping the Direful Web of Religion swagging heavy it fell From heaven to heavn thro all its meshes altering the Vortexes ${ }^{1888}$ Misplacing every Center hungry desire \& lust began

Gathering the fruit of that Mysterious tree till Urizen Sitting within his temple furious felt the num[m]ing stupor Himself tangled in his own net in sorrow lust repentance

Enitharmon wove in tears Singing Songs of Lamentations And pitying comfort as she sighd forth on the wind the spectres And wove them bodies calling them her belovd sons \& daughters Employing the daughters in her looms \& Los employd the Sons In Golgonoozas Furnaces among the Anvils of time \& space Thus forming a Vast family wondrous in beauty \& love And they appeard a Universal female form created

FZ8-104[1st].1; E376|
FZ8-104[1st].2; E376|
FZ8-104[1st].3; E376| FZ8-104[1st].4; E376|

FZ8-104[1st].5; E376|
FZ8-104[1st].6; E376|
FZ8-104[1st].7; E376| FZ8-104[1st].8; E376| FZ8-104[1st].9; E376| FZ8-104[1st].10; E376|

FZ8-113[1st].1; E376| FZ8-113[1st].2; E376| FZ8-113[1st].3; E376| FZ8-113[1st].4; E376| FZ8-113[1st].5; E376| FZ8-113[1st].6; E376| FZ8-113[1st].7; E376| FZ8-113[1st].8; E376| FZ8-113[1st].9; E376|

FZ8-113[1st].10; E376|
FZ8-113[1st].11; E376|
FZ8-113[1st].12; E376|
FZ8-113[1st].13; E376|
FZ8-113[1st].14; E376|
FZ8-113[1st].15; E376|
FZ8-113[1st].16; E376|
FZ8-113[1st].17; E376|
FZ8-113[1st].18; E376|
FZ8-113[1st].19; E376|

FZ8-113[1st].20; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].21; E377|

FZ8-113[1st].22; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].23; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].24; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].25; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].26; E377|

From those who were dead in Ulro from the Spectres of the dead

> And Enitharmon namd the Female Jerusa[le]m the holy
> Wondring she saw the Lamb of God within Jerusalems Veil
> The divine Vision seen within the inmost deep recess
> Of fair Jerusalems bosom in a gently beaming fire

Then sang the Sons of Eden round the Lamb of God \& said Glory Glory Glory to the holy Lamb of God Who now beginneth to put off the dark Satanic body Now we behold redemption Now we know that life Eternal Depends alone upon the Universal hand \& not in us Is aught but death In individual weakness sorrow \& pain 1889

We behold with wonder Enitharmons Looms \& Los's Forges 1890 And the Spindles of Tirzah \& Rahab and the Mills of Satan \& Beelzeboul ${ }^{1891}$ In Golgonooza Los's anvils stand \& his Furnaces rage ${ }^{1892}$ Ten thousand demons labour at the forges Creating Continually The times \& spaces of Mortal Life the Sun the Moon the Stars In periods of Pulsative furor beating into wedges \& bars ${ }^{1893}$ Then drawing into wires the terrific Passions \& Affections Of Spectrous dead. Thence to the Looms of Cathedron conveyd The Daughters of Enitharmon weave the ovarium \& the integument In soft silk drawn from their own bowels in lascivious delight With songs of sweetest cadence to the turning spindle \& reel Lulling the weeping spectres of the dead. Clothing their limbs With gifts \& gold of Eden. Astonishd stupefied with delight The terrors put on their sweet clothing on the banks of Arnon ${ }^{\text {t894 }}$ Whence they plunge into the river of space for a period till The dread Sleep of Ulro is past. But Satan Og \& Sihon ${ }^{t 895}$ Build Mills of resistless wheels to unwind the soft threads \& reveal Naked of their clothing the poor spectres before the accusing heavens While Rahab \& Tirzah far different mantles prepare webs of torture

Mantles of despair girdles of bitter compunction shoes of indolence Veils of ignorance covering from head to feet with a cold web

We look down into Ulro we behold the Wonders of the Grave Eastward of Golgonooza stands the Lake of Udan Adan In ${ }^{1896}$ Entuthon Benithon a Lake not of Waters but of Spaces ${ }^{1897}$ Perturbd black \& deadly on its Islands \& its Margins ${ }^{1898}$
The Mills of Satan and Beelzeboul stand round the roots of Urizens tree

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FZ8-113[1st].28; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].29; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].30; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].31; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].32; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].33; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].34; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].35; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].36; E377|
FZ8-113[1st].37; E377|

FZ8-104[2nd].11; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].12; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].13; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].14; E377|
FZ8-104[2nd].15; E377|
FZ8-104[2nd].16; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].17; E377|

FZ8-104[2nd].18; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].19; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].20; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].21; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].22; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].23; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].24; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].25; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].26; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].27; E377| FZ8-104[2nd].28; E377|

FZ8-104[2nd].29; E378| FZ8-104[2nd].30; E378|

FZ8-104[2nd].31; E378|
FZ8-104[2nd].32; E378|
FZ8-104[2nd].33; E378| FZ8-104[2nd].34; E378| FZ8-104[2nd].35; E378|

For this Lake is formd from the tears \& sighs \& death sweat of the Victims Of Urizens laws. to irrigate the roots of the tree of Mystery They unweave the soft threads then they weave them anew in the forms Of dark death \& despair \& none from Eternity to Eternity could Escape ${ }^{1899}$ But thou O Universal Humanity who is One Man blesse for Ever 1900 Recievest the Integuments woven Rahab beholds the Lamb of God She smites with her knife of flint She destroys her own work Times upon times thinking to destroy the Lamb blessed for Ever He puts off the clothing of blood he redeems the spectres from their bonds He awakes the sleepers in Ulro the Daughters of Beulah praise him They anoint his feet with ointment they wipe them with the hair of their head

> We now behold the Ends of Beulah \& we now behold Where Death Eternal is put off Eternally Assume the dark Satanic body in the Virgins womb O Lamb divin[e] it cannot thee annoy O pitying one Thy pity is from the foundation of the World \& thy Redemption Begun Already in Eternity Come then O Lamb of God 1901 Come Lord Jesus come quickly

So sang they in Eternity looking down into Beulah. The war roard round Jerusalems Gates it took a hideous form Seen in the aggregate a Vast Hermaphroditic form Heavd like an Earthquake labring with convulsive groans ${ }^{t 902}$ Intolerable at length an awful wonder burst From the Hermaphroditic bosom Satan he was namd Son of Perdition terrible his form dishumanizd monstrous ${ }^{1903}$
A male without a female counterpart a howling fiend Fo[r]lorn of Eden \& repugnant to the forms of life Yet hiding the shadowy female Vala as in an ark \& Curtains Abhorrd accursed ever dying an Eternal death

Being multitudes of tyrant Men in union blasphemous Against the divine image. Congregated Assemblies of wicked men

Los said to Enitharmon Pitying I saw
Pitying the Lamb of God Descended thro Jerusalems gates To put off Mystery time after time \& as a Man Is born on Earth so was he born of Fair Jerusalem In mysterys woven mantle \& in the Robes of Luvah

He stood in fair Jerusalem to awake up into Eden

FZ8-109[105].1; E378|
FZ8-109[105].2; E378|
FZ8-109[105].3; E378|
FZ8-109[105].4; E378|

FZ8-109[105].5; E378|
FZ8-109[105].6; E378|
FZ8-109[105].7; E378|

FZ8-109[105].8; E378|
FZ8-109[105].9; E378|
FZ8-109[105].10; E378|
FZ8-109[105].11; E378| FZ8-109[105].12; E378| FZ8-109[105].13; E378| FZ8-109[105].14; E378| FZ8-109[105].15; E378| FZ8-109[105].16; E378| FZ8-109[105].17; E378| FZ8-109[105].18; E378| FZ8-109[105].19; E378|

FZ8-109[105].20; E378| FZ8-109[105].21; E378| FZ8-109[105].22; E378| FZ8-109[105].23; E378| FZ8-109[105].24; E378| FZ8-109[105].25; E378| FZ8-109[105].26; E378| FZ8-109[105].27; E378| FZ8-109[105].28; E378| FZ8-109[105].29; E378| FZ8-109[105].30; E378|

FZ8-109[105].31; E378| FZ8-109[105].32; E378|

The fallen Man but first to Give his vegetated body ${ }^{t 904}$
To be cut off \& separated that the Spiritual body may be Reveald

The Lamb of God stood before Satan opposite ${ }^{t 905}$
In Entuthon Benithon in the shadows of torments \& woe ${ }^{1906}$ Upon the heights of Amalek taking refuge in his arms ${ }^{t 907}$
The Victims fled from punishment for all his words were peace $t 908$

Urizen calld together the Synagogue of Satan in dire Sanhedrim 1909 To Judge the Lamb of God to Death as a murderer \& robber ${ }_{1910}$ As it is written he was numberd among the transgressors 1911

Cold dark opake the Assembly met twelvefold in Amalek Twelve rocky unshapd forms terrific forms of torture \& woe Such seemd the Synagogue to distant view amidst them beamd ${ }^{1912}$
A False Feminine Counterpart Lovely of Delusive Beauty ${ }^{1913}$
Dividing \& Uniting at will in the Cruelties of Holiness
Vala drawn down into a Vegetated body now triumphant The Synagogue of Satan Clothed her with Scarlet robes \& Gems
And on her forehead was her Dame written in blood Mystery
When viewd remote She is One when viewd near she divides
To multitude as it is in Eden so permitted because
It was the best possible in the State called Satan to Save
From Death Eternal \& to put off Satan Eternally

The Synagogue Created her from Fruit of Urizens tree By devilish arts abominable unlawful unutterable Perpetually vegetating in detestable births Of Female forms beautiful thro poisons hidden in secret Which give a tincture to false beauty then was hidden within 1914 The bosom of Satan The false Female as in an ark \& veil Which christ must rend \& her reveal Her Daughters are Calld Tirzah She is namd Rahab their various divisions are calld 1915 The Daughters of Amalek Canaan \& Moab binding on the Stones ${ }^{1916}$ Their victims \& with knives tormenting them singing with tears 1917 Over their victims Hear ye the song of the Females of Amalek

O thou poor human form O thou poor child of woe Why dost thou wander away from Tirzah why me compell to bind thee

If thou dost go away from me I shall consume upon the rocks These fibres of thine eyes that used to wander in distant heavens

FZ8-109[105].35; E379|
FZ8-109[105].36; E379|
FZ8-109[105].37; E379|
FZ8-109[105].38; E379|
FZ8-109[105].39; E379|
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FZ8-109[105].50; E379|
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FZ8-109[105].52; E379|
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FZ8-109[105].56; E379|

Away from me I have bound down with a hot iron ${ }^{1918}$
These nostrils that Expanded with delight in morning skies I have bent downward with lead molten in my roaring furnaces My soul is seven furnaces incessant roars the bellows Upon my terribly flaming heart the molten metal runs In channels thro my fiery limbs O love O pity O pain $O$ the pangs the bitter pangs of love forsaken Ephraim was a wilderness of joy where all my wild beasts ran The river Kanah wanderd by my sweet Manassehs side 1919 Go Noah fetch the girdle of strong brass heat it red hot ${ }^{1920}$ Press it around the loins of this expanding cruelty Shriek not so my only love Bind him down sisters bind him down on Ebal mount of Cursing Malah come forth from Lebanon \& Hoglah from Mount sinai Come circumscribe this tongue of sweets \& with a Screw of iron Fasten this Ear into the Rock Milcah the task is thine 1921
Weep not so sisters weep not so our life depends on this Or mercy \& truth are fled away from Shechem \& Mount Gilead Unless my beloved is bound upon the Stems of Vegetation

Such are the songs of Tirzah such the loves of Amalek The Lamb of God descended thro the twelve portions of Luvah Bearing his sorrows \& rec[iev]ing all his cruel wounds

FZ8-110[106][1st].1; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].2; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].3; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].4; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].5; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].6; E379|

FZ8-110[106][1st].7; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].8; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].9; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].10; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].11; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].12; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].13; E379|

FZ8-110[106][1st].14; E379| FZ8-110[106][1st].15; E379| FZ-110[106][1st].16; E379|

Thus was the Lamb of God condemnd to Death ${ }^{1922}$
They naild him upon the tree of Mystery weeping over him And then mocking \& then worshipping calling him Lord \& King Sometimes as twelve daughters lovely \& sometimes as five They stood in beaming beauty \& sometimes as one even Rahab $t 923$ Who is Mystery Babylon the Great the Mother of Harlots ${ }^{1924}$

Jerusalem saw the Body dead upon the Cross She fled away ${ }^{9} 25$ Saying Is this Eternal Death Where shall I hide from Death Pity me Los pity me Urizen \& let us build ${ }^{\text {t926 }}$ A Sepulcher \& worship Death in fear while yet we live Death! God of All from whom we rise to whom we all return And Let all Nations of the Earth worship at the Sepulcher 1927 With Gifts \& Spices with lamps rich embossd jewels \& gold

Los took the Body from the Cross Jerusalem weeping over They bore it to the Sepulcher which Los had hewn in the rock Of Eternity for himself he hewd it despairing of Life Eternal ${ }^{1928}$

FZ8-105[113][2nd].38; E379| FZ8-105[113][2nd].39; E379| FZ8-105[113][2nd].40; E379|

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FZ8-105[113][2nd].44; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].45; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].46; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].47; E380|

FZ8-105[113][2nd].48; E380|
FZ8-105[113][2nd].49; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].50; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].51; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].52; E380| FZ8-105[113][2nd].53; E380|

But when Rahab had cut off the Mantle of Luvah from ${ }^{1929}$
The Lamb of God it rolld apart, revealing to all in heaven And all on Earth the Temple \& the Synagogue of Satan \& Mystery

Even Rahab in all her turpitude Rahab divided herself She stood before Los in her Pride among the Furnaces ${ }^{9930}$ Dividing \& uniting in Delusive feminine pomp questioning him

He answerd her with tenderness \& love not uninspird Los sat upon his anvil stock they sat beside the forge Los wipd the sweat from his red brow \& thus began To the delusive female forms shining among his furnaces

I am that shadowy Prophet who six thousand years ago Fell from my station in the Eternal bosom. I divided To multitude \& my multitudes are children of Care \& Labour O Rahab I behold thee I was once like thee a Son Of Pride and I also have piercd the Lamb of God in pride \& wrath Hear me repeat my Generations that thou mayst also repent

FZ8-107[115].1; E380| FZ8-107[115].2; E380| FZ8-107[115].3; E380| FZ8-107[115].4; E380| FZ8-107[115].5; E380| FZ8-107[115].6; E380| FZ8-107[115].7; E380| FZ8-107[115].8; E380| FZ8-107[11].9; E380| FZ8-107[115].10; E380| FZ8-107[115].11; E380| FZ8-107[115].12; E380| FZ8-107[115].13; E380| FZ8-107[115].14; E380| FZ8-107[115].15; E380| FZ8-107[115].16; E380| FZ8-107[115].17; E380| FZ8-107[115].18; E380| FZ8-107[115].19; E380| FZ8-107[115].20; E380| FZ8-107[115].21; E380| FZ8-107[115].22; E380|

And these are the Sons of Los \& Enitharmon. Rintrah Palamabron
$t 932$
Theotormon Bromion Antamon Ananton Ozoth Ohana
Sotha Mydon Ellayol Natho Gon Harhath Satan
Har Ochim Ijim Adam Reuben Simeon Levi Judah Dan Naphtali
Gad Asher Issachar Zebulun Joseph Benjamin David Solomon
Paul Constantine Charlemaine Luther Milton
These are our daughters Ocalythron Elynittria Oothoon Leutha ${ }^{1933}$
Elythiria Enanto Manathu Vorcyon Ethinthus Moab Midian
Adah Zillah Caina Naamah Tamar Rahab Tirzah Mary
And myriads more of Sons \& Daughters to whom our love increasd 1934
To each according to the multiplication of their multitudes
But Satan accusd Palamabron before his brethren also he maddend ${ }^{1935}$
The horses of palambrons harrow wherefore Rintrah \& Palamabron
Cut him off from Golgonooza. But Enitharmon in tears Wept over him Created him a Space closd with a tender moon And he rolld down beneath the fires of Orc a Globe immense Crusted with snow in a dim void. here by the Arts of Urizen He tempted many of the Sons \& Daughters of Los to flee Away from Me first Reuben fled then Simeon then Levi then Judah ${ }^{1936}$ Then Dan then Naphtali then Gad then Asher then Issachar Then Zebulun then Joseph then Benjamin twelve sons of Los And this is the manner in which Satan became the Tempter

FZ8-107[115].23; E380| FZ8-107[115].24; E380| FZ8-107[115].25; E380| FZ8-107[115].26; E380| FZ8-107[115].27; E380| FZ8-107[115].28; E380| FZ8-107[115].29; E380|

FZ8-107[115].30; E381| FZ8-107[115].31; E381| FZ8-107[115].32; E381| FZ8-107[115].33; E381| FZ8-107[115].34; E381|

FZ8-107[115].35; E381| FZ8-107[115].36; E381| FZ8-107[115].37; E381| FZ8-107[115].38; E381| FZ8-107[115].39; E381| FZ8-107[115].40; E381|

FZ8-107[115].41; E381| FZ8-107[115].42; E381| FZ8-107[115].43; E381| FZ8-107[115].44; E381| FZ8-107[115].45; E381| FZ8-107[115].46; E381| FZ8-107[115].47; E381| FZ8-107[115].48; E381| FZ8-107[115].49; E381| FZ8-107[115].50; E381| FZ8-107[115].51; E381|

FZ8-108[116].1; E381| FZ8-108[116].2; E381|

FZ8-108[116].3; E381|
FZ8-108[116].4; E381|
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There is a State namd Satan learn distinct to know O Rahab ${ }^{t 937}$ The Difference between States \& Individuals of those States The State namd Satan never can be redeemd in all Eternity But when Luvah in Orc became a Serpent he des[c]ended into That State calld Satan Enitharmon breathd forth on the Winds Of Golgonooza her well beloved knowing he was Orc's human remains She tenderly lovd him above all his brethren he grew up

In mothers tenderness The Enormous worlds rolling in Urizens power Must have given Satan by these mild arts Dominion over all Wherefore Palamabron being accusd by Satan to Los ${ }^{t 938}$ Calld down a Great Solemn assembly Rintrah in fury \& fire Defended Palamabron \& rage filld the Universal Tent

Because Palamabron was good naturd Satan supposd he feard him And Satan not having the Science of Wrath but only of Pity Was soon condemnd \& wrath was left to wrath \& Pity to Pity Rintrah \& Palamabron Cut sheer off from Golgonooza Enitharmons Moony space \& in it Satan \& his companions They rolld down a dim world Crusted with Snow deadly \& dark

Jerusalem pitying them wove them mantles of life \& death Times after times And those in Eden sent Lucifer for their Guard Lucifer refusd to die for Satan \& in pride he forsook his charge Then they sent Molech Molech was impatient They sent Molech impatient They Sent Elohim who created Adam To die for Satan Adam refusd but was compelld to die By Satans arts. Then the Eternals Sent Shaddai Shaddai was angry Pachad descended Pachad was terrified And then they Sent Jehovah who leprous stretchd his hand to Eternity Then Jesus Came \& Died willing beneath Tirzah \& Rahab Thou art that Rahab Lo the Tomb what can we purpose more 1939

Lo Enitharmon terrible \& beautiful in Eternal youth Bow down before her you her children \& set Jerusalem free

Rahab burning with pride \& revenge departed from Los Los dropd a tear at her departure but he wipd it away in hope She went to Urizen in pride the Prince of Light beheld Reveald before the face of heaven his secret holiness 1940

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Darkness \& sorrow coverd all flesh Eternity was darkend
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Urizen sitting in his web of dece[i]tful Religion ${ }^{1942}$
felt the female death a dull \& numming stupor such as neer ${ }^{1943}$
Before assaulted the bright human form he felt his pores Drink in the deadly dull delusion horrors of Eternal death Shot thro him Urizen sat Stonied upon his rock Forgetful of his own Laws pitying he began to Embrace The Shadowly Female since life cannot be quenchd Life exuded His eyes shot outwards then his breathing nostrils drawn forth ${ }^{944}$ Scales coverd over a cold forehead \& a neck outstretchd Into the deep to sieze the shadow scales his neck \& bosom

Coverd \& scales his hands \& feet upon his belly falling Outstretchd thro the immense his mouth wide opening tongueless ${ }^{945}$ His teeth a triple row he strove to sieze the shadow in vain And his immense tail lashd the Abyss his human form a Stone A form of Senseless Stone remaind in terrors on the rock Abominable to the eyes of mortals who explore his books His wisdom still remaind \& all his memory stord with woe

And still his stony form remaind in the Abyss immense Like the pale visage in its sheet of lead that cannot follow Incessant stern disdain his sealy form gnaws inwardly With deep repentance for the loss of that fair form of Man With Envy he saw Los with Envy Tharmas \& the Spectre ${ }^{t 946}$ With Envy \& in vain he swam around his stony form

No longer now Erect the King of Light outstretchd in fury Lashes his tail in the wild deep his Eyelids like the Sun 1947 Arising in his pride enlighten all the Grizly deeps His scales transparent give forth light like windows of the morning His neck flames with wrath \& majesty he lashes the Abyss Beating the Desarts \& the rocks the desarts feel his power They shake their slumbers off. They wave in awful fear Calling the Lion \& the Tyger the horse \& the wild Stag

The Elephant the wolf the Bear the Lamia the Satyr ${ }^{t 948}$ His Eyelids give their light around his folding tail aspires Among the stars the Earth \& all the Abysses feel h[i]s fury ${ }^{1949}$ When as the snow covers the mountain oft petrific hardness Covers the deeps at his vast fury mo[a]ning in his rock ${ }^{1950}$

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FZ8-111[107].38; E383|

Hardens the Lion \& the Bear trembling in the Solid mountain They view the light \& wonder crying out in terrible existence Up bound the wild stag \& the horse behold the King of Pride

Oft doth his Eye emerge from the Abyss into the realms Of his Eternal day \& memory strives to augment his ruthfulness Then weeping he descends in wrath drawing all things in his fury Into obedience to his will \& now he finds in vain That not of his own power he bore the human form erect Nor of his own will gave his Laws in times of Everlasting For now fierce Orc in wrath \& fury rises into the heavens ${ }^{1951}$ A King of wrath \& fury a dark enraged horror And Urizen repentant forgets his wisdom in the abyss ${ }^{1952}$ In forms of priesthood in the dark delusions of repentance Repining in his heart \& spirit that Orc reignd over all And that his wisdom servd but to augment the indefinite lust

Then Tharmas \& Urthona felt the stony stupor rise Into their limbs Urthona shot forth a Vast Fibrous form

Tharmas like a pillar of sand rolld round by the whirlwind An animated Pillar rolling round \& round in incessant rage

Los felt the stony tupor \& his head rolld down beneath Into the Abysses of his bosom the vessels of his blood Dart forth upon the wind in pipes writhing about in the Abyss And Enitharmon pale \& cold in milky juices flowd Into a form of Vegetation living having a voice Moving in rootlike fibres trembling in fear upon the Earth

And Tharmas gave his Power to Los Urthona gave his strength Into the youthful prophet for the Love of Enitharmon And of the nameless Shadowy female in the nether deep And for the dread of the dark terrors of Orc \& Urizen

Thus in a living Death the nameless shadow all things bound All mortal things made permanent that they may be put off Time after time by the Divine Lamb who died for all And all in him died. \& he put off all mortality

Tharmas on high rode furious thro the afflicted worlds ${ }^{1953}$

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Pursuing the Vain Shadow of Hope fleeing from identity In abstract false Expanses that he may not hear the Voice Of Ahania wailing on the winds in vain he flies for still The voice incessant calls on all the children of Men For she spoke of all in heaven \& all upon the Earth Saw not as yet the Divine vision her Eyes are Toward Urizen And thus Ahania cries aloud to the Caverns of the Grave

Will you keep a flock of wolves \& lead them will you take the wintry blast For a covering to your limbs or the summer pestilence for a tent to abide in Will you erect a lasting habitation in the mouldering Church yard Or a pillar \& palace of Eternity in the jaws of the hungry grave Will you seek pleasure from the festering wound or marry for a Wife he ancient Leprosy that the King \& Priest may still feast on your decay And the grave mock \& laugh at the plowd field saying I am the nourisher thou the destroyer in my bosom is milk \& wine And a fountain from my breasts to me come all multitudes To my breath they obey they worship me I am a goddess \& queen But listen to Ahania O ye sons of the Murderd one Listen to her whose memory beholds your ancient days Listen to her whose eyes behold the dark body of corruptible death Looking for Urizen in vain. in vain I seek for morning The Eternal Man sleeps in the Earth nor feels the vigrous sun

Nor silent moon nor all the hosts of heaven move in his body His fiery halls are dark \& round his limbs the Serpent Orc Fold without fold encompasses him And his corrupting members Vomit out the Scaly monsters of the restless deep They come up in the rivers \& annoy the nether parts Of Man who lays upon the shores leaning his faded head Upon the Oozy rock inwrapped with the weeds of death His eyes sink hollow in his head his flesh coverd with slime And shrunk up to the bones alas that Man should come to this His strong bones beat with snows \& hid within the caves of night Marrowless bloodless falling into dust driven by the winds O how the horrors of Eternal Death take hold on Man His faint groans shake the caves \& issue thro the desolate rocks

And the Strong Eagle now with num[m]ing cold blighted of feathers Once like the pride of the sun now flagging in cold night Hovers with blasted wings aloft watching with Eager Eye Till Man shall leave a corruptible body he famishd hears him groan And now he fixes his strong talons in the pointed rock And now he beats the heavy air with his enormous wings

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Beside him lies the Lion dead \& in his belly worms Feast on his death till universal death devours all And the pale horse seeks for the pool to lie him down \& die But finds the pools filled with serpents devouring one another He droops his head \& trembling stands \& his bright eyes decay These are the Visions of My Eyes the Visions of Ahania

Thus cries Ahania Enion replies from the Caverns of the Grave

Fear not O poor forsaken one O land of briars \& thorns Where once the Olive flourishd \& the Cedar spread his wings Once I waild desolate like thee my fallow fields in fear Cried to the Churchyards \& the Earthworm came in dismal state I found him in my bosom \& I said the time of Love Appears upon the rocks \& hills in silent shades but soon A voice came in the night a midnight cry upon the mountains Awake the bridegroom cometh I awoke to sleep no more But an Eternal Consummation is dark Enion The watry Grave. O thou Corn field O thou Vegetater happy More happy is the dark consumer hope drowns all my torment For I am now surrounded by a shadowy vortex drawing The Spectre quite away from Enion that I die a death Of bitter hope altho I consume in these raging waters The furrowd field replies to the grave I hear her reply to me Behold the time approaches fast that thou shalt be as a thing Forgotten when one speaks of thee he will not be believd When the man gently fades away in his immortality

When the mortal disappears in improved knowledge cast away The former things so shall the Mortal gently fade away And so become invisible to those who still remain Listen I will tell thee what is done in the caverns of the grave

The Lamb of God has rent the Veil of Mystery soon to return In Clouds \& Fires around the rock \& the Mysterious tree As the seed waits Eagerly watching for its flower \& fruit Anxious its little soul looks out into the clear expanse To see if hungry winds are abroad with their invisible army So Man looks out in tree \& herb \& fish \& bird \& beast Collecting up the scatterd portions of his immortal body Into the Elemental forms of every thing that grows He tries the sullen north wind riding on its angry furrows The sultry south when the sun rises \& the angry east

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When the sun sets when the clods harden \& the cattle stand Drooping \& the birds hide in their silent nests. he stores his thoughts
As in a store house in his memory he regulates the forms
Of all beneath \& all above \& in the gentle West
Reposes where the Suns heat dwells he rises to the Sun And to the Planets of the Night \& to the stars that gild The Zodiac \& the stars that sullen stand to north \& south He touches the remotest pole \& in the Center weeps That Man should Labour \& sorrow \& learn \& forget \& return To the dark valley whence he came to begin his labours anew In pain he sighs in pain he labours in his universe Screaming in birds over the deep \& howling in the Wolf Over the slain \& moaning in the cattle \& in the winds And weeping over Orc \& Urizen in clouds \& flaming fires ${ }^{1954}$ And in the cries of birth \& in the groans of death his voice Is heard throughout the Universe whereever a grass grows Or a leaf buds The Eternal Man is seen is heard is felt And all his Sorrows till he reassumes his ancient bliss

Such are the words of Ahania \& Enion. Los hears \& weeps ${ }^{1955}$ And Los \& Enitharmon took the Body of the Lamb Down from the Cross \& placd it in a Sepulcher which Los had hewn For himself in the Rock of Eternity trembling \& in despair 1956
Jerusalem wept over the Sepulcher two thousand Years

Rahab triumphs over all she took Jerusalem Captive A Willing Captive by delusive arts impelld To worship Urizens Dragon form to offer her own Children Upon the bloody Altar. John Saw these things Reveald in Heaven On Patmos Isle \& heard the Souls cry out to be deliverd

He saw the Harlot of the Kings of Earth \& saw her Cup Of fornication food of Orc \& Satan pressd from the fruit of Mystery But when she saw the form of Ahania weeping on the Void And heard Enions voice sound from the caverns of the Grave No more spirit remained in her She secretly left the Synagogue of Satan She commund with Orc in secret She hid him with the flax That Enitharmon had numberd away from the Heavens 1957 She gatherd it together to consume her Harlot Robes ${ }^{1958}$ In bitterest Contrition sometimes Self condemning repentant And Sometimes kissing her Robes \& jewels \& weeping over them Sometimes returning to the Synagogue of Satan in Pride And Sometimes weeping before Orc in humility \& trembling The Synagogue of Satan therefore uniting against Mystery

Satan divided against Satan resolvd in open Sanhedrim
To burn Mystery with fire \& form another from her ashes
For God put it into their heart to fulfill all his will

The Ashes of Mystery began to animate they calld it Deism
And Natural Religion as of old so now anew began Babylon again in Infancy Calld Natural Religion
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And Los \& Enitharmon builded Jerusalem weeping 1959
Over the Sepulcher \& over the Crucified body
Which to their Phantom Eyes appear'd still in the Sepulcher
But Jesus stood beside them in the Spirit Separating
Their Spirit from their body. Terrified at Non Existence
For such they deemd the death of the body. Los his vegetable hands
Outstretchd his right hand branching out in fibrous Strength
Siezd the Sun. His left hand like dark roots coverd the Moon
And tore them down cracking the heavens across from immense to immense
Then fell the fires of Eternity with loud \& shrill
Sound of Loud Trumpet thundering along from heaven to heaven
A mighty sound articulate Awake ye dead \& come
To judgment from the four winds Awake \& Come away
Folding like scrolls of the Enormous volume of Heaven \& Earth

With thunderous noise \& dreadful shakings rocking to \& fro
The heavens are shaken \& the Earth removed from its place
The foundations of the Eternal hills discoverd
The thrones of Kings are shaken they have lost their robes \& crowns
The poor smite their opressors they awake up to the harvest
The naked warriors rush together down to the sea shore
Trembling before the multitudes of slaves now set at liberty
They are become like wintry flocks like forests stripd of leaves
The opressed pursue like the wind there is no room for escape
The Spectre of Enitharmon let loose on the troubled deep
Waild shrill in the confusion \& the Spectre of Urthona

Recievd her in the darkning South their bodies lost they stood Trembling \& weak a faint embrace a fierce desire as when Two shadows mingle on a wall they wail \& shadowy tears Fell down \& shadowy forms of joy mixd with despair \& grief Their bodies buried in the ruins of the Universe Mingled with the confusion. Who shall call them from the Grave

Rahab \& Tirzah wail aloud in the wild flames they give up themselves to
The books of Urizen unroll with dreadful noise the folding Serpent
Of Orc began to Consume in fierce raving fire his fierce flames
Issud on all sides gathring strength in animating volumes
Roaring abroad on all the winds raging intense reddening Into resistless pillars of fire rolling round \& round gathering Strength from the Earths consumd \& heavens \& all hidden abysses Wherever the Eagle has Explord or Lion or Tyger trod Or where the Comets of the night or stars of [asterial] day 1960 Have shot their arrows or long beamed spears in wrath \& fury

And all the while the trumpet sounds from the clotted gore \& from the hollow den Start forth the trembling millions into flames of mental fire Bathing their limbs in the bright visions of Eternity

Then like the doves from pillars of Smoke the trembling families
Of women \& children throughout every nation under heaven
Cling round the men in bands of twenties \& of fifties pale
As snow that falls around a leafless tree upon the green
Their opressors are falln they have Stricken them they awake to life
Yet pale the just man stands erect \& looking up to heavn
Trembling \& strucken by the Universal stroke the trees unroot
The rocks groan horrible \& run about. The mountains \&
Their rivers cry with a dismal cry the cattle gather together Lowing they kneel before the heavens. the wild beasts of the forests
Tremble the Lion shuddering asks the Leopard. Feelest thou

The dread I feel unknown before My voice refuses to roar And in weak moans I speak to thee This night Before the mornings dawn the Eagle calld the Vulture The Raven calld the hawk I heard them from my forests black Saying Let us go up far for soon I smell upon the wind A terror coming from the South. The Eagle \& Hawk fled away At dawn \& Eer the sun arose the ravel) \& Vulture followd Let us flee also to the north. They fled. The Sons of Men Saw them depart in dismal droves. The trumpet sounded loud 1962 And all the Sons of Eternity Descended into Beulah

In the fierce flames the limbs of Mystery lay consuming with howling
1963 And deep despair. Rattling go up the flames around the Synagogue Of Satan Loud the Serpent Orc ragd thro his twenty Seven Folds. The tree of Mystery went up in folding flames

Blood issud out in mighty volumes pouring in whirlpools fierce From out the flood gates of the Sky The Gates are burst down pour The torrents black upon the Earth the blood pours down incessant Kings in their palaces lie drownd Shepherds their flocks their tents Roll down the mountains in black torrents Cities Villages High spires \& Castles drownd in the black deluge Shoal on Shoal Float the dead carcases of Men \& Beasts driven to \& fro on waves Of foaming blood beneath the black incessant Sky till all Mysterys tyrants are cut off \& not one left on Earth

And when all Tyranny was cut off from the face of Earth Around the Dragon form of Urizen \& round his stony form The flames rolling intense thro the wide Universe Began to Enter the Holy City Entring the dismal clouds 1964 In furrowd lightnings break their way the wild flames li[c]king up ${ }^{965}$ The Bloody Deluge living flames winged with intellect And Reason round the Earth they march in order flame by flame From the clotted gore \& from the hollow den Start forth the trembling Millions into flames of mental fire Bathing their Limbs in the bright visions of Eternity

Beyond this Universal Confusion beyond the remotest Pole ${ }^{966}$

Where their vortexes begin to operate there stands
A Horrible rock far in the South it was forsaken when Urizen gave the horses of Light into the hands of Luvah On this rock lay the faded head of the Eternal Man Enwrapped round with weeds of death pale cold in sorrow \& woe He lifts the blue lamps of his Eyes \& cries with heavenly voice Bowing his head over the consuming Universe he cried

O weakness \& O weariness O war within my members My sons exiled from my breast pass to \& fro before me

My birds are silent on my hills flocks die beneath my branches My tents are fallen my trumpets \& the sweet sounds of my harp Is silent on my clouded hills that belch forth storms \& fires My milk of cows \& honey of bees \& fruit of golden harvest Are gatherd in the scorching heat \& in the riving rain My robe is turned to confusion \& my bright gold to stones Where once I sat I weary walk in misery \& pain For from within my witherd breast grown narrow with my woes

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The Corn is turnd to thistles \& the apples into poison The birds of song to murderous crows My joys to bitter groans

The voices of children in my tents to cries of helpless infants And all exiled from the face of light \& shine of morning In this dark world a narrow house I wander up \& down I hear Mystery howling in these flames of Consummation When shall the Man of future times become as in days of old O weary life why sit I here \& give up all my powers To indolence to the night of death when indolence \& mourning Sit hovring over my dark threshold. tho I arise look out And scorn the war within my members yet my heart is weak And my head faint Yet will I look again unto the morning Whence is this sound of rage of Men drinking each others blood Drunk with the smoking gore \& red but not with nourishing wine

The Eternal Man sat on the Rocks \& cried with awful voice

O Prince of Light where art thou I behold thee not as once In those Eternal fields in clouds of morning stepping forth With harps \& songs where bright Ahania sang before thy face And all thy sons \& daughters gatherd round my ample table See you not all this wracking furious confusion Come forth from slumbers of thy cold abstraction come forth Arise to Eternal births shake off thy cold repose Schoolmaster of souls great opposer of change arise That the Eternal worlds may see thy face in peace \& joy That thou dread form of Certainty maist sit in town \& village While little children play around thy feet in gentle awe Fearing thy frown loving thy smile O Urizen Prince of light

He calld[;] the deep buried his voice \& answer none returnd Then wrath burst round the Eternal Man was wrath again he cried Arise O stony form of death O dragon of the Deeps Lie down before my feet O Dragon let Urizen arise O how couldst thou deform those beautiful proportions ${ }^{1968}$ Of life \& person for as the Person so is his life proportiond ${ }^{1969}$ Let Luvah rage in the dark deep even to Consummation For if thou feedest not his rage it will subside in peace

But if thou darest obstinate refuse my stern behest Thy crown \& scepter I will sieze \& regulate all my members

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In stern severity \& cast thee out into the indefinite
Where nothing lives, there to wander. \& if thou returnst weary Weeping at the threshold of Existence I will steel my heart Against thee to Eternity \& never recieve thee more Thy self-destroying beast formd Science shall be thy eternal lot My anger against thee is greater than against this Luvah For war is energy Enslavd but thy religion ${ }^{1970}$ The first author of this war \& the distracting of honest minds Into confused perturbation \& strife \& honour \& pride Is a deceit so detestable that I will cast thee out If thou repentest not \& leave thee as a rotten branch to be burnd With Mystery the Harlot \& with Satan for Ever \& Ever Error can never be redeemd in all Eternity
But Sin Even Rahab is redeemd in blood \& fury \& jealousy That line of blood that stretchd across the windows of the morning Redeemd from Errors power. Wake thou dragon of the Deeps

Urizen wept in the dark deep anxious his Scaly form
To reassume the human \& he wept in the dark deep

Saying O that I had never drank the wine nor eat the bread Of dark mortality nor cast my view into futurity nor turnd ${ }^{1971}$ My back darkning the present clouding with a cloud And building arches high \& cities turrets \& towers \& domes ${ }^{1972}$
Whose smoke destroyd the pleasant gardens \& whose running Kennels ${ }^{1973}$
Chokd the bright rivers burdning with my Ships the angry deep
Thro Chaos seeking for delight \& in spaces remote
Seeking the Eternal which is always present to the wise
Seeking for pleasure which unsought falls round the infants path
And on the fleeces of mild flocks who neither care nor labour
But I the labourer of ages whose unwearied hands
Are thus deformd with hardness with the sword \& with the spear ${ }^{1974}$
And with the Chisel \& the mallet I whose labours vast
Order the nations separating family by family
Alone enjoy not I alone in misery supreme
Ungratified give all my joy unto this Luvah \& Vala ${ }^{1975}$
Then Go O dark futurity I will cast thee forth from these ${ }^{1976}$
Heavens of my brain nor will I look upon futurity more ${ }^{1977}$
I cast futurity away \& turn my back upon that void ${ }^{1978}$
Which I have made for lo futurity is in this moment ${ }^{1979}$
Let Orc consume let Tharmas rage let dark Urthona give
All strength to Los \& Enitharmon \& let Los self-cursd
Rend down this fabric as a wall ruind \& family extinct
Rage Orc Rage Tharmas Urizen no longer curbs your rage

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So Urizen spoke he shook his snows from off his Shoulders \& arose As on a Pyramid of mist his white robes scattering The fleecy white renewd he shook his aged mantles off Into the fires Then glorious bright Exulting in his joy He sounding rose into the heavens in naked majesty In radian Youth. when Lo like garlands in the Eastern sky When vocal may comes dancing from the East Ahania came Exulting in her flight as when a bubble rises up
On to the surface of a lake. Ahania rose in joy Excess of joy is worse than grief--her heart beat high her blood Burst its bright Vessels She fell down dead at the feet of Urizen Outstretchd a Smiling corse they buried her in a silent cave Urizen dropt a tear the Eternal Man Darkend with sorrow

The three daughters of Urizen Guard Ahanias Death couch Rising from the confusion in tears \& howlings \& despair Calling upon their fathers Name upon their Rivers dark

## And the Eternal Man Said Hear my words O Prince of Light <br> $t 980$

Behold Jerusalem in whose bosom the Lamb of God Is seen tho slain before her Gates he self renewd remains Eternal \& I thro him awake to life from deaths dark vale The times revolve the time is coming when all these delights Shall be renewd \& all these Elements that now consume Shall reflourish. Then bright Ahania shall awake from death A glorious Vision to thine Eyes a Self renewing Vision ${ }^{1981}$ The spring. the summer to be thine then Sleep the wintry days In silken garments spun by her own hands against her funeral The winter thou shalt plow \& lay thy stores into thy barns Expecting to recieve Ahania in the spring with joy Immortal thou. Regenerate She \& all the lovely Sex From her shall learn obedience \& prepare for a wintry grave That spring may see them rise in tenfold joy \& sweet delight Thus shall the male \& female live the life of Eternity Because the Lamb of God Creates himself a bride \& wife That we his Children evermore may live in Jerusalem Which now descendeth out of heaven a City yet a Woman Mother of myriads redeemd \& born in her spiritual palaces By a New Spiritual birth Regenerated from Death

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What Chain encompasses in what Lock is the river of light confind That issues forth in the morning by measure \& the evening by carefulness Where shall we take our stand to view the infinite \& unbounded Or where are human feet for Lo our eyes are in the heavens ${ }^{9982}$

He ceasd for rivn link from link the bursting Universe explodes All things reversd flew from their centers rattling bones To bones Join, shaking convulsd the shivering clay breathes ${ }^{1983}$ Each speck of dust to the Earths center nestles round \& round In pangs of an Eternal Birth in torment \& awe \& fear All spirits deceasd let loose from reptile prisons come in shoals Wild furies from the tygers brain \& from the lions Eyes ${ }^{1984}$ And from the ox \& ass come moping terrors. from the Eagle And raven numerous as the leaves of Autumn every species Flock to the trumpet muttring over the sides of the grave \& crying In the fierce wind round heaving rocks \& mountains filld with groans On rifted rocks suspended in the air by inward fires
Many a woful company \& many on clouds \& waters Fathers \& friends Mothers \& Infants Kings \& Warriors Priests \& chaind Captives met together in a horrible fear And every one of the dead appears as he had livd before

And all the marks remain of the Slaves scourge \& tyrants Crown And of the Priests oergorged Abdomen \& of the merchants thin Sinewy deception \& of the warriors ou[t]braving \& thoughtlessness In lineaments too extended \& in bones too strait \& long

They shew their wounds they accuse they sieze the opressor howlings began
1985 On the golden palace Songs \& joy on the desart the Cold babe Stands in the furious air he cries the children of six thousand years Who died in infancy rage furious a mighty multitude rage furious Naked \& pale standing on the expecting air to be deliverd Rend limb from limb the Warrior \& the tyrant reuniting in pain The furious wind still rends around they flee in sluggish effort

They beg they intreat in vain now they Listend not to intreaty They view the flames red rolling on thro the wide universe From the dark jaws of death beneath \& desolate shores remote ${ }^{1986}$ These covering Vaults of heaven \& these trembling globes of Earth One Planet calls to another \& one star enquires of another ${ }^{1987}$ What flames are these coming from the South what noise what dreadful rout As of a battle in the heavens hark heard you not the trumpet As of fierce battle while they spoke the flames come on intense roaring

They see him whom they have piercd they wail because of him They magnify themselves no more against Jerusalem Nor Against her little ones the innocent accused before the Judges Shines with immortal Glory trembling the Judge springs from his throne Hiding his face in the dust beneath the prisoners feet \& saying ${ }^{988}$ Brother of Jesus what have I done intreat thy lord for me

Perhaps I may be forgiven While he speaks the flames roll on And after the flames appears the Cloud of the Son of Man Descending from Jerusalem with power and great Glory All nations look up to the Cloud \& behold him who was Crucified

The Prisoner answers you scourgd my father to death before my face While I stood bound with cords \& heavy chains, Your hipocrisy Shall now avail you nought. So speaking he dashd him with his foot

The Cloud is Blood dazling upon the heavens \& in the cloud Above upon its volumes is beheld a throne \& a pavement 1989 Of precious stones. surrounded by twenty four venerable patriarchs ${ }^{1990}$ And these again surrounded by four Wonders of the Almighty 1991 Incomprehensible. pervading all amidst \& round about Fourfold each in the other reflected they are named Life's in Eternity. Four Starry Universes going forward from Eternity to Eternity And the Falln Man who was arisen upon the Rock of Ages

Beheld the Vision of God \& he arose up from the Rock
And Urizen arose up with him walking thro the flames
To meet the Lord coming to Judgment but the flames repelld them
Still to the Rock in vain they strove to Enter the Consummation
Together for the Redeemd Man could not enter the Consummation 1992

Then siezd the Sons of Urizen the Plow they polishd it From rust of ages all its ornaments of Gold \& silver \& ivory Reshone across the field immense where all the nations Darkend like Mould in the divided fallows where the weed Triumphs in its own destruction they took down the harness

From the blue walls of heaven starry jingling ornamented With beautiful art the study of angels the workmanship of Demons When Heaven \& Hell in Emulation strove in sports of Glory

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The noise of rural work resounded thro the heavens of heavens The horse[s] neigh from the battle the wild bulls from the sultry waste The tygers from the forests \& the lions from the sandy desarts ${ }^{1993}$
They sing they sieze the instruments of harmony they throw away
The spear the bow the gun the mortar they level the fortifications 1994
They bet the iron engines of destruction into wedges
They give them to Urthonas Sons ringing the hammers sound
In dens of death to forge the spade the mattock \& the ax
The heavy roller to break the clods to pass over the nations

The Sons of Urizen Shout Their father rose The Eternal horses Harnessd They calld to Urizen the heavens moved at their call The limbs of Urizen shone with ardor. He laid his ha[n]d on the Plow 1995

Thro dismal darkness drave the Plow of ages over Cities And all their Villages over Mountains \& all their Vallies Over the graves \& caverns of the dead Over the Planets And over the void Spaces over Sun \& moon \& star \& constellation

Then Urizen commanded \& they brought the Seed of Men The trembling souls of All the Dead stood before Urizen Weak wailing in the troubled air East west \& north \& south

He turnd the horses loose \& laid his Plow in the northern corner Of the wide Universal field. then Stepd forth into the immense ${ }^{1996}$

Then he began to sow the seed he girded round his loins
With a bright girdle \& his skirt filld with immortal souls Howling \& Wailing fly the souls from Urizens strong hand

For from the hand of Urizen the myriads fall like stars Into their own appointed places driven back by the winds The naked warriors rush together down to the sea shores They are become like wintry flocks like forests stripd of leaves The Kings \& Princes of the Earth cry with a feeble cry Driven on the unproducing sands \& on the hardend rocks And all the while the flames of Orc follow the ventrous feet Of Urizen \& all the while the Trump of Tharmas sounds Weeping \& wailing fly the souls from Urizens strong hand The daughters of Urizen stand with Cups \& measures of foaming wine Immense upon the heavens with bread \& delicate repasts

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Then follows the golden harrow in the midst of Mental fires To ravishing melody of flutes \& harps \& softest voice The seed is harrowd in while flames heat the black mould \& cause The human harvest to begin Towards the south first sprang The myriads \& in silent fear they look out from their graves

Then Urizen sits down to rest \& all his wearied Sons Take their repose on beds they drink they sing they view the flames Of Orc in joy they view the human harvest springing up A time they give to sweet repose till all the harvest is ripe

And Lo like the harvest Moon Ahania cast off her death clothes She folded them up in care in silence \& her brightning limbs Bathd in the clear spring of the rock then from her darksom cave Issud in majesty divine Urizen rose up from his couch
On wings of tenfold joy clapping his hands his feet his radiant wings In the immense as when the Sun dances upon the mountains A shout of jubilee in lovely notes responding from daughter to daughter From son to Son as if the Stars beaming innumerable

Thro night should sing soft warbling filling Earth \& heaven And bright Ahania took her seat by Urizen in songs \& joy

The Eternal Man also sat down upon the Couches of Beulah Sorrowful that he could not put off his new risen body In mental flames the flames refusd they drove him back to Beulah His body was redeemd to be permanent thro Mercy Divine

And now fierce Orc had quite consumd himself in Mental flames Expending all his energy against the fuel of fire The Regenerate Man stoopd his head over the Universe \& in 1997 His holy hands recied the flaming Demon \& Demoness of Smoke And gave them to Urizens hands the Immortal frownd Saying

Luvah \& Vala henceforth you are Servants obey \& live You shall forget your former state return O Love in peace 1998 Into your place the place of seed not in the brain or heart If Gods combine against Man Setting their Dominion above The Human form Divine. Thrown down from their high Station In the Eternal heavens of Human Imagination: buried beneath 1999

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In dark Oblivion with incessant pangs ages on ages
In Enmity \& war first weakend then in stern repentance They must renew their brightness \& their disorganizd functions Again reorganize till they resume the image of the human Cooperating in the bliss of Man obeying his Will Servants to the infinite \& Eternal of the Human form

Luvah \& Vala descended \& enterd the Gates of Dark Urthona And walkd from the hands of Urizen in the shadows of Valas Garden Where the impressions of Despair \& Hope for ever vegetate In flowers in fruits in fishes birds \& beasts \& clouds \& waters The land of doubts \& shadows sweet delusions unformd hopes They saw no more the terrible confusion of the wracking universe They heard not saw not felt not all the terrible confusion For in their orbed senses within closd up they wanderd at will And those upon the Couches viewd them in the dreams of Beulah As they reposd from the terrible wide universal harvest Invisible Luvah in bright clouds hoverd over Valas head And thus their ancient golden age renewd for Luvah spoke With voice mild from his golden Cloud upon the breath of morning

Come forth O Vala from the grass \& from the silent Dew Rise from the dews of death for the Eternal Man is Risen

She rises among flowers \& looks toward the Eastern clearness She walks yea runs her feet are wingd on the tops of the bending grass Her garments rejoice in the vocal wind \& her hair glistens with dew

She answerd thus Whose voice is this in the voice of the nourishing air In the spirit of the morning awaking the Soul from its grassy bed

Where dost thou dwell for it is thee I seek \& but for thee I must have slept Eternally nor have felt the dew of thy morning Look how the opening dawn advances with vocal harmony Look how the beams foreshew the rising of some glorious power The sun is thine he goeth forth in his majestic brightness t1000 O thou creating voice that callest \& who shall answer thee

Where dost thou flee O fair one where dost thou seek thy happy place

To yonder brightness there I haste for sure I came from thence

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Or I must have slept eternally nor have felt the dew of morning

Eternally thou must have slept nor have felt the morning dew But for yon nourishing sun tis that by which thou art arisen The birds adore the sun the beasts rise up \& play in his beams And every flower \& every leaf rejoices in his light Then O thou fair one sit thee down for thou art as the grass Thou risest in the dew of morning \& at night art folded up

Alas am I but as a flower then will I sit me down Then will I weep then Ill complain \& sigh for immortality And chide my maker thee O Sun that raisedst me to fall

So saying she sat down \& wept beneath the apple trees

O be thou blotted out thou Sun that raisedst me to trouble That gavest me a heart to crave \& raisedst me thy phantom To feel thy heat \& see thy light \& wander here alone Hopeless if I am like the grass \& so shall pass away Rise sluggish Soul why sitst thou here why dost thou sit \& weep Yon Sun shall wax old \& decay but thou shalt ever flourish The fruit shall ripen \& fall down \& the flowers consume away But thou shalt still survive arise O dry thy dewy tears

Hah! Shall I still survive whence came that sweet \& comforting voice And whence that voice of sorrow O sun thou art nothing now to me Go on thy course rejoicing \& let us both rejoice together I walk among his flocks \& hear the bleating of his lambs O that I could behold his face \& follow his pure feet I walk by the footsteps of his flocks come hither tender flocks Can you converse with a pure Soul that seeketh for her maker You answer not then am I set your mistress in this garden Ill watch you \& attend your footsteps you are not like the birds

That Sing \& fly in the bright air but you do lick my feet And let me touch your wooly backs follow me as I sing For in my bosom a new song arises to my Lord

Rise up O Sun most glorious minister \& light of day Flow on ye gentle airs \& bear the voice of my rejoicing Wave freshly clear waters flowing around the tender grass

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And thou sweet smelling ground put forth thy life in fruits \& flowers Follow me O my flocks \& hear me sing my rapturous Song I will cause my voice to be heard on the clouds that glitter in the sun I will call \& who shall answer me I will sing who shall reply For from my pleasant hills behold the living living springs Running among my green pastures delighting among my trees I am not here alone my flocks you are my brethren And you birds that sing \& adorn the sky you are my sisters I sing \& you reply to my Song I rejoice \& you are glad Follow he O my flocks we will now descend into the valley O how delicious are the grapes flourishing in the Sun How clear the spring of the rock running among the golden sand How cool the breezes of the vall[e]y \& the arms of the branchy trees Cover us from the Sun come \& let us sit in the Shade My Luvah here hath placd me in a Sweet \& pleasant Land And given me fruits \& pleasant waters \& warm hills \& cool valleys Here will I build myself a house \& here Ill call on his name Here Ill return when I am weary \& take my pleasant rest

So spoke the Sinless Soul \& laid her head on the downy fleece Of a curld Ram who stretchd himself in sleep beside his mistress And soft sleep fell upon her eyelids in the silent noon of day

Then Luvah passed by \& saw the sinless Soul And said Let a pleasant house arise to be the dwelling place Of this immortal Spirit growing in lower Paradise

He spoke \& pillars were builded \& walls as white as ivory The grass she slept upon was pavd with pavement as of pearl Beneath her rose a downy bed \& a cieling coverd all

Vala awoke. When in the pleasant gates of sleep I enterd I saw my Luvah like a spirit stand in the bright air Round him stood spirits like me who reard me a bright house And here I see thee house remain in my most pleasant world

My Luvah smild I kneeled down he laid his hand on my head And when he laid his hand upon me from the gates of sleep I came Into this bodily house to tend my flocks in my pleasant garden

So saying she arose \& walked round her beautiful house And then from her white door she lookd to see her bleating lambs

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But her flocks were gone up from beneath the trees into the hills

I see the hand that leadeth me doth also lead my flocks She went up to her flocks \& turned oft to see her shining house She stopd to drink of the clear spring \& eat the grapes \& apples

She bore the fruits in her lap she gatherd flowers for her bosom She called to her flocks saying follow me O my flocks

They followd her to the silent vall[e]y beneath the spreading trees
And on the rivers margin she ungirded her golden girdle She stood in the river \& viewd herself within the watry glass And her bright hair was wet with the waters She rose up from the river And as she rose her Eyes were opend to the world of waters She saw Tharmas sitting upon the rocks beside the wavy sea He strokd the water from his beard \& mournd faint thro the summer vales

And Vala stood on the rocks of Tharmas \& heard his mournful voice

O Enion my weary head is in the bed of death For weeds of death have wrapd around my limbs in the hoary deeps I sit in the place of shells \& mourn \& thou art closd in clouds When will the time of Clouds be past \& the dismal night of Tharmas Arise O Enion Arise \& smile upon my head ${ }^{t 1001}$
As thou dost smile upon the barren mountains and they rejoice When wilt thou smile on Tharmas O thou bringer of golden day Arise O Enion arise for Lo I have calmd my seas

So saying his faint head he laid upon the Oozy rock And darkness coverd all the deep the light of Enion faded Like a fa[i]nt flame quivering upon the surface of the darkness

Then Vala lifted up her hands to heaven to call on Enion She calld but none could answer her \& the Eccho of her voice returnd

Where is the voice of God that calld me from the silent dew Where is the Lord of Vala dost thou hide in clefts of the rock Why shouldst thou hide thyself from Vala from the soul that wanders desolate

She ceas'd \& light beamd round her like the glory of the morning

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And She arose out of the river \& girded on her golden girdle

And now her feet step on the grassy bosom of the ground Among her flocks \& she turnd her eyes toward her pleasant house And saw in the door way beneath the trees two little children playing She drew near to her house \& her flocks followd her footsteps The Children clung around her knees she embracd them \& wept over them

Thou little Boy art Tharmas \& thou bright Girl Enion How are ye thus renewd \& brought into the Gardens of Vala

She embracd them in tears. till the sun descended the western hills And then she enterd her bright house leading her mighty children

And when night came the flocks laid round the house beneath the trees She laid the Children on the beds which she saw prepard in the house Then last herself laid down \& closd her Eyelids in soft slumbers

And in the morning when the Sun arose in the crystal sky Vala awoke \& calld the children from their gentle slumbers

Awake O Enion awake \& let thine innocent Eyes Enlighten all the Crystal house of Vala awake awake Awake Tharmas awake awake thou child of dewy tears Open the orbs of thy blue eyes \& smile upon my gardens

The Children woke \& smild on Vala. she kneeld by the golden couch She presd them to her bosom \& her pearly tears dropd down O my sweet Children Enion let Tharmas kiss thy Cheek Why dost thou turn thyself away from his sweet watry eyes Tharmas henceforth in Valas bosom thou shalt find sweet peace O bless the lovely eyes of Tharmas \& the Eyes of Enion

They rose they went out wandring sometimes together sometimes alone

Why weepest thou Tharmas Child of tears in the bright house of joy Doth Enion avoid the sight of thy blue heavenly Eyes And dost thou wander with my lambs \& wet their innocent faces t1002 With thy bright tears because the steps of Enion are in the gardens

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Arise sweet boy \& let us follow the path of Enion

So saying they went down into the garden among the fruits And Enion sang among the flowers that grew among the trees And Vala said Go Tharmas weep not Go to Enion

He said O Vala I am sick \& all this garden of Pleasure Swims like a dream before my eyes but the sweet smelling fruit Revives me to new deaths I fade even like a water lilly In the suns heat till in the night on the couch of Enion I drink new life \& feel the breath of sleeping Enion But in the morning she arises to avoid my Eyes Then my loins fade \& in the house I sit me down \& weep

Chear up thy Countenance bright boy \& go to Enion Tell her that Vala waits her in the shadows of her garden

He went with timid steps \& Enion like the ruddy morn When infant spring appears in swelling buds \& opening flowers Behind her Veil withdraws so Enion turnd her modest head

But Tharmas spoke Vala seeks thee sweet Enion in the shades Follow the steps of Tharmas O thou brightness of the gardens He took her hand reluctant she followd in infant doubts

Thus in Eternal Childhood straying among Valas flocks In infant sorrow \& joy alternate Enion \& Tharmas playd Round Vala in the Gardens of Vala \& by her rivers margin They are the shadows of Tharmas \& of Enion in Valas world

And the sleepers who rested from their harvest work beheld theseOAthese visions Thus were the sleepers entertaind upon the Couches of Beulah When Luvah \& Vala were closd up in their world of shadowy forms Darkness was all beneath the heavens only a little light
Such as glows out from sleeping spirits appeard in the deeps beneath As when the wind sweeps over a Corn field the noise of souls Thro all the immense borne down by Clouds swagging in autumnal heat Muttering along from heaven to heaven hoarse roll the human forms Beneath thick clouds dreadful lightnings burst \& thunders roll Down pour the torrent Floods of heaven on all the human harvest Then Urizen sitting at his repose on beds in the bright South

Cried Times are Ended he Exulted he arose in joy he exulted He pourd his light \& all his Sons \& daughters pourd their light To exhale the spirits of Luvah \& Vala thro the atmosphere And Luvah \& Vala saw the Light their spirits were Exhald In all their ancient innocence the floods depart the clouds Dissipate or sink into the Seas of Tharmas Luvah sat Above in the bright heavens in peace. the Spirits of Men beneath Cried out to be deliverd \& the Spirit of Luvah wept Over the human harvest \& over Vala the sweet wanderer In pain the human harvest wavd in horrible groans of woe

## The Universal Groan went up the Eternal Man was Darkend

Then Urizen arose \& took his Sickle in his hand There is a brazen sickle \& a scythe of iron hid Deep in the South guarded by a few solitary stars This sickle Urizen took the scythe his sons embracd And went forth \& began to reap \& all his joyful sons Reapd the wide Universe \& bound in Sheaves a wondrous harvest They took them into the wide barns with loud rejoicings \& triumph Of flute \& harp \& drum \& trumpet horn \& clarion

The feast was spread in the bright South\& the Regenerate Man Sat at the feast rejoicing \& the wine of Eternity Was servd round by the flames of Luvah all Day \& all the Night And when Morning began to dawn upon the distant hills a whirlwind rose up in the Center \& in the Whirlwind a shriek ${ }^{\text {t1003 }}$ And in the Shriek a rattling of bones \& in the rattling of bones A dolorous groan \& from the dolorous groan in tears Rose Enion like a gentle light \& Enion spoke saying

O Dreams of Death the human form dissolving companied By beasts \& worms \& creeping things \& darkness \& despair ${ }^{t 1004}$ The clouds fall off from my wet brow the dust from my cold limbs Into the Sea of Tharmas Soon renewd a Golden Moth I shall cast off my death clothes \& Embrace Tharmas again For Lo the winter melted away upon the distant hills And all the black mould sings. She speaks to her infant race her milk Descends down on the sand. the thirsty sand drinks \& rejoices ${ }^{\text {tloos }}$ Wondering to behold the Emmet the Grasshopper the jointed worm The roots shoot thick thro the solid rocks bursting their way They cry out in joys of existence. the broad stems Rear on the mountains stem after stem the scaly newt creeps

From the stone \& the armed fly springs from the rocky crevice The spider. The bat burst from the hardend slime crying To one another what are we \& whence is our joy \& delight Lo the little moss begins to spring \& the tender weed Creeps round our secret nest. Flocks brighten the Mountains Herds throng up the Valley wild beasts fill the forests

Joy thrilld thro all the Furious form of Tharmas humanizing Mild he Embracd her whom he sought he raisd her thro the heavens Sounding his trumpet to awake the Dead on high he soard Over the ruind worlds the smoking tomb of the Eternal Prophet

The Eternal Man arose he welcomd them to the Feast The feast was spread in the bright South \& the Eternal Man Sat at the feast rejoicing \& the wine of Eternity Was servd round by the flames of Luvah all day \& all the night

And Many Eternal Men sat at the golden feast to see
The female form now separate They shudderd at the horrible thing Not born for the sport and amusement of Man but born to drink up all his powers They wept to see their shadows they said to one another this is Sin t1006 This is the Generative world they rememberd the Days of old ${ }^{t 1007}$

And One of the Eternals spoke All was silent at the feast

Man is a Worm wearied with joy he seeks the caves of sleep Among the Flowers of Beulah in his Selfish cold repose Forsaking Brotherhood \& Universal love in selfish clay Folding the pure wings of his mind seeking the places dark Abstracted from the roots of Science then inclosd around t1008 In walls of Gold we cast him like a Seed into the Earth Till times \& spaces have passd over him duly every morn We visit him covering with a Veil the immortal seed With windows from the inclement sky we cover him \& with walls And hearths protect the Selfish terror till divided all

In families we see our shadows born. \& thence we know | Ephesians
That Man subsists by Brotherhood \& Universal Love |iii c.
We fall on one anothers necks more closely we embrace \| 10 v

Not for ourselves but for the Eternal family we live

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Man liveth not by Self alone but in his brothers face Each shall behold the Eternal Father \& love \& joy abound

So spoke the Eternal at the Feast they embracd the New born Man Calling hi Brother image of the Eternal Father. they sat down At the immortal tables sounding loud their instruments of joy Calling the Morning into Beulah the Eternal Man rejoicd

When Morning dawnd The Eternals rose to labour at the Vintage Beneath they saw their sons \& daughters wondering inconcievable At the dark myriads in Shadows in the worlds beneath

The morning dawnd Urizen rose \& in his hand the Flail Sounds on the Floor heard terrible by all beneath the heavens Dismal loud redounding the nether floor shakes with the sound

And all Nations were threshed out \& the stars threshd from their husks

Then Tharmas took the Winnowing fan the winnowing wind furious Above veerd round by the violent whirlwind driven west \& south Tossed the Nations like Chaff into the seas of Tharmas

O Mystery Fierce Tharmas cries Behold thy end is come Art thou she that made the nations drunk with the cup of Religion Go down ye Kings \& Councellors \& Giant Warriors
Go down into the depths go down \& hide yourselves beneath Go down with horse \& Chariots \& Trumpets of hoarse war

Lo how the Pomp of Mystery goes down into the Caves Her great men howl \& throw the dust \& rend their hoary hair Her delicate women \& children shriek upon the bitter wind Spoild of their beauty their hair rent \& their skin shriveld up Lo darkness covers the long pomp of banners on the wind And black horses \& armed men \& miserable bound captives Where shall the graves recieve them all \& where shall be their place And who shall mourn for Mystery who never loosd her Captives Let the slave grinding at the mill run out into the field Let him look up into the heavens \& laugh in the bright air Let the inchaind soul shut up in darkness \& in sighing Whose face has never seen a smile in thirty weary years Rise \& look out his chains are loose his dungeon doors are open

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And let his wife \& children return from the opressors scourge They look behind at every step \& believe it is a dream Are these the Slaves that groand along the streets of Mystery Where are your bonds \& task masters are these the prisoners

Where are your chains where are your tears why do you look around If you are thirsty there is the river go bathe your parched limbs The good of all the Land is before you for Mystery is no more

Then All the Slaves from every Earth in the wide Universe Sing a New Song drowning confusion in its happy notes While the flail of Urizen sounded loud \& the winnowing wind of Tharmas So loud so clear in the wide heavens \& the song that they sung was this Composed by an African Black from the little Earth of Sotha

Aha Aha how came I here so soon in my sweet native land t1009 How came I here Methinks I am as I was in my youth

When in my fathers house I sat \& heard his chearing voice Methinks I see his flocks \& herds \& feel my limbs renewd And Lo my Brethren in their tents \& their little ones around them

The song arose to the Golden feast the Eternal Man rejoicd Then the Eternal Man said Luvah the Vintage is ripe arise The sons of Urizen shall gather the vintage with sharp hooks And all thy sons O Luvah bear away the families of Earth I hear the flail of Urizen his barns are full no roo[m] Remains \& in the Vineyards stand the abounding sheaves beneath The falling Grapes that odorous burst upon the winds. Arise My flocks \& herds trample the Corn my cattle browze upon The ripe Clusters The shepherds shout for Luvah prince of Love Let the Bulls of Luvah tread the Corn \& draw the loaded waggon Into the Barn while children glean the Ears around the door Then shall they lift their innocent hands \& stroke his furious nose And he shall lick the little girls white neck \& on her head Scatter the perfume of his breath while from his mountains high The lion of terror shall come down \& bending his bright mane And couching at their side shall eat from the curld boys white lap His golden food and in the evening sleep before the Door

Attempting to be more than Man We become less said Luvah As he arose from the bright feast drunk with the wine of ages

His crown of thorns fell from his head he hung his living Lyre Behind the seat of the Eternal Man \& took his way Sounding the Song of Los descending to the Vineyards bright His sons arising from the feast with golden baskets follow A fiery train as when the Sun sings in the ripe vineyards Then Luvah stood before the wine press all his fiery sons Brought up the loaded Waggons with shoutings ramping tygers play In the jingling traces furious lions sound the song of joy To the golden wheels circling upon the pavement of heaven \& all The Villages of Luvah ring the golden tiles of the villages

Reply to violins \& tabors to the pipe flute lyre \& cymbal Then fell the Legions of Mystery in maddning confusion Down Down thro the immense with outcry fury \& despair Into the wine presses of Luvah howling fell the Clusters Of human families thro the deep. the wine presses were filld The blood of life flowd plentiful Odors of life arose All round the heavenly arches \& the Odors rose singing this song tlo10

## O terrible wine presses of Luvah O caverns of the Grave

 How lovely the delights of those risen again from death O trembling joy excess of joy is like Excess of griefSo sang the Human Odors round the wine presses of Luvah

But in the Wine presses is wailing terror \& despair Forsaken of their Elements they vanish \& are no more
No more but a desire of Being a distracted ravening desire
Desiring like the hungry worm \& like the gaping grave t1011
They plunge into the Elements the Elements cast them forth
Or else consume their shadowy semblance Yet they obstinate
Tho pained to distraction Cry O let us Exist for
This dreadful Non Existence is worse than pains of Eternal Birth ${ }^{\text {t1012 }}$
Eternal Death who can Endure. let us consume in fires
In waters stifling or in air corroding or in earth shut up
The Pangs of Eternal birth are better than the Pangs of Eternal Death

How red the Sons \& Daughters of Luvah how they tread the Grapes Laughing \& shouting drunk with odors many fall oerwearied Drownd in the wine is many a youth \& maiden those around Lay them on skins of tygers or the spotted Leopard or wild Ass Till they revive or bury them in cool Grots making lamentation

But in the Wine Presses the Human Grapes Sing not nor dance They howl \& writhe in shoals of torment in fierce flames consuming In chains of iron \& in dungeons circled with ceaseless fires In pits \& dens \& shades of death in shapes of torment \& woe The Plates the Screws and Racks \& Saws \& cords \& fires \& floods ${ }^{\text {t1013 }}$ The cruel joy of Luvahs daughters lacerating with knives And whip[s] their Victims \& the deadly sports of Luvahs Sons tilol4

Timbrels \& Violins sport round the Wine Presses The little Seed The Sportive root the Earthworm the small beetle the wise Emmet Dance round the Wine Presses of Luvah. the Centipede is there The ground Spider with many Eyes the Mole clothed in Velvet The Earwig armd the tender maggot emblem of Immortality The Slow Slug the grasshopper that sings \& laughs \& drinks The winter comes he folds his slender bones without a murmur There is the Nettle that stings with soft down \& there t1015

The indignant Thistle whose bitterness is bred in his milk And who lives on the contempt of his neighbour there all the idle weeds That creep about the obscure places shew their various limbs Naked in all their beauty dancing round the Wine Presses

They Dance around the Dying \& they Drink the howl \& groan

They catch the Shrieks in cups of gold they hand them to one another These are the sports of love \& these the sweet delights of amorous play Tears of the grapes the death sweat of the Cluster the last sigh Of the mild youth who listens to the luring songs of Luvah

The Eternal Man darkend with Sorrow \& a wintry mantle Coverd the Hills He said O Tharmas rise \& O Urthona

Then Tharmas \& Urthona rose from the Golden feast satiated With Mirth \& joy Urthona limping from his fall on Tharmas leand In his right hand his hammer Tharmas held his Shepherds crook Beset with gold gold were the ornaments formed by the sons of Urizen Then Enion \& Ahania \& Vala \& the wife of Dark Urthona Rose from the feast in joy ascending to their Golden Looms There the wingd shuttle Sang the spindle \& the distaff \& the Reel Rang sweet the praise of industry. Thro all the golden rooms Heaven rang with winged Exultation All beneath howld loud

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With tenfold rout \& desolation roard the Chasms beneath Where the wide woof flowd down \& where the Nations are gatherd together

Tharmas went down to the Wine presses \& beheld the sons \& daughters Of Luvah quite exhausted with the Labour \& quite filld With new wine. that they began to torment one another and to tread The weak. Luvah \& Vala slept on the floor o'erwearied

Urthona calld his Sons around him Tharmas calld his sons Numrous. they took the wine they separated the Lees And Luvah was put for dung on the ground by the Sons of Tharmas \& Urthona They formed heavens of sweetest wo[o]d[s] of gold \& silver \& ivory Of glass \& precious stones They loaded all the waggons of heaven And took away the wine of ages with solemn songs \& joy

Luvah \& Vala woke \& all the sons \& daughters of Luvah Awoke they wept to one another \& they reascended To the Eternal Man in woe he cast them wailing into The world of shadows thro the air till winter is over \& gone

But the Human Wine stood wondering in all their delightful Expanses The Elements subside the heavens rolld on with vocal harmony

Then Los who is Urthona rose in all his regenerate power

The Sea that rolld \& foamd with darkness \& the shadows of death Vomited out \& gave up all the floods lift up their hands Singing \& shouting to the Man they bow their hoary heads And murmuring in their channels flow \& circle round his feet

Then Dark Urthona took the Corn out of the Stores of Urizen He ground it in his rumbling Mills Terrible the distress Of all the Nations of Earth ground in the Mills of Urthona In his hand Tharmas takes the Storms. he turns the whirlwind Loose Upon the wheels the stormy seas howl at his dread command And Eddying fierce rejoice in the fierce agitation o the wheels
Of Dark Urthona Thunders Earthquakes Fires Water floods Rejoice to one another loud their voices shake the Abyss Their dread forms tending the dire mills The grey hoar frost was there And his pale wife the aged Snow they watch over the fires
They build the Ovens of Urthona Nature in darkness groans

And Men are bound to sullen contemplations in the night Restless they turn on beds of sorrow. in their inmost brain Feeling the crushing Wheels they rise they write the bitter words Of Stern Philosophy \& knead the bread of knowledge with tears \& groans

Such are the works of Dark Urthona Tharmas sifted the corn Urthona made the Bread of Ages \& he placed it In golden \& in silver baskets in heavens of precious stone And then took his repose in Winter in the night of Time

The Sun has left his blackness \& has found a fresher morning And the mild moon rejoices in the clear \& cloudless night t1016 And Man walks forth from midst of the fires the evil is all consumd His eyes behold the Angelic spheres arising night \& day The stars consumd like a lamp blown out \& in their stead behold The Expanding Eyes of Man behold the depths of wondrous worlds ${ }^{t 1017}$ One Earth one sea beneath nor Erring Globes wander but Stars Of fire rise up nightly from the Ocean \& one Sun Each morning like a New born Man issues with songs \& Joy Calling the Plowman to his Labour \& the Shepherd to his rest He walks upon the Eternal Mountains raising his heavenly voice Conversing with the Animal forms of wisdom night \& day That risen from the Sea of fire renewd walk oer the Earth

For Tharmas brought his flocks upon the hills \& in the Vales Around the Eternal Mans bright tent the little Children play Among the wooly flocks The hammer of Urthona sounds In the deep caves beneath his limbs renewd his Lions roar Around the Furnaces \& in Evening sport upon the plains They raise their faces from the Earth conversing with the Man

How is it we have walkd thro fires \& yet are not consumd How is it that all things are changd even as in ancient times

The Sun arises from his dewy bed \& the fresh airs Play in his smiling beams giving the seeds of life to grow And the fresh Earth beams forth ten thousand thousand springs of life Urthona is arisen in his strength no longer now Divided from Enitharmon no longer the Spectre Los
Where is the Spectre of Prophecy where the delusive Phantom Departed \& Urthona rises from the ruinous walls In all his ancient strength to form the golden armour of science

For intellectual War The war of swords departed now The dark Religions are departed \& sweet Science reigns

End of The Dream ${ }^{t 1018}$

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O thou, with dewy locks, who lookest down Thro' the clear windows of the morning; turn Thine angel eyes upon our western isle, Which in full choir hails thy approach, O Spring!

The hills tell each other, and the list'ning Vallies hear; all our longing eyes are turned Up to thy bright pavillions: issue forth, And let thy holy feet visit our clime.

Come o'er the eastern hills, and let our winds Kiss thy perfumed garments; let us taste Thy morn and evening breath; scatter thy pearls Upon our love-sick land that mourns for thee.

O thou, who passest thro' our vallies in Thy strength, curb thy fierce steeds, allay the heat That flames from their large nostrils! thou, O Summer, Oft pitched'st here thy golden tent, and oft Beneath our oaks hast slept, while we beheld With joy, thy ruddy limbs and flourishing hair.

PS-ToSummer7; E409|
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Beneath our thickest shades we oft have heard Thy voice, when noon upon his fervid car Rode o'er the deep of heaven; beside our springs Sit down, and in our mossy vallies, on Some bank beside a river clear, throw thy Silk draperies off, and rush into the stream: Our vallies love the Summer in his pride.

Our bards are fam'd who strike the silver wire: Our youth are bolder than the southern swains: Our maidens fairer in the sprightly dance: We lack not songs, nor instruments of joy, Nor echoes sweet, nor waters clear as heaven, Nor laurel wreaths against the sultry heat.

PStitle; E409| TO AUTUMN

PS-ToAutumn1; E409|
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PS-ToAutumn17; E409|
PS-ToAutumn18; E409|

O Autumn, laden with fruit, and stained With the blood of the grape, pass not, but sit Beneath my shady roof, there thou may'st rest, And tune thy jolly voice to my fresh pipe; And all the daughters of the year shall dance! Sing now the lusty song of fruits and flowers.
"The narrow bud opens her beauties to "The sun, and love runs in her thrilling veins; "Blossoms hang round the brows of morning, and "Flourish down the bright cheek of modest eve, "Till clust'ring Summer breaks forth into singing, "And feather'd clouds strew flowers round her head.
"The spirits of the air live on the smells "Of fruit; and joy, with pinions light, roves round "The gardens, or sits singing in the trees." Thus sang the jolly Autumn as he sat, Then rose, girded himself, and o'er the bleak Hills fled from our sight; but left his golden load.

PS-ToWinter13; E410|
PS-ToWinter 14; E410|
PS-ToWinter15; E410|
PS-ToWinter16; E410|

The north is thine; there hast thou built thy dark Deep-founded habitation. Shake not thy roofs, Nor bend thy pillars with thine iron car.

He hears me not, but o'er the yawning deep Rides heavy; his storms are unchain'd; sheathed In ribbed steel, I dare not lift mine eyes;
For he hath rear'd his sceptre o'er the world.

Lo! now the direful monster, whose skin clings
To his strong bones, strides o'er the groaning rocks:
He withers all in silence, and his hand 11020
Unclothes the earth, and freezes up frail life.

He takes his seat upon the cliffs, the mariner Cries in vain. Poor little wretch! that deal'st With storms; till heaven smiles, and the monster Is driv'n yelling to his caves beneath mount Hecla.

PStitle-a; E410|
PStitle-b; E410|

## TO THE

EVENING STAR.

PS-TotheEveningStar1; E410|
PS-TotheEveningStar2; E410|
PS-TotheEveningStar3; E410|
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Thou fair-hair'd angel of the evening, Now, while the sun rests on the mountains, light t1021
Thy bright torch of love; thy radiant crown Put on, and smile upon our evening bed! Smile on our loves; and, while thou drawest the Blue curtains of the sky, scatter thy silver dew On every flower that shuts its sweet eyes In timely sleep. Let thy west wind sleep on The lake; speak si[l]ence with thy glimmering eyes, And wash the dusk with silver. Soon, full soon, Dost thou withdraw; then the wolf rages wide, And the lion glares thro' the dun forest: The fleeces of our flocks are cover'd with Thy sacred dew: protect them with thine influence.

## TO MORNING.

O holy virgin! clad in purest white, Unlock heav'n's golden gates, and issue forth;

PS-ToMorning3; E410|
PS-ToMorning4; E410|
PS-ToMorning5; E410|

PS-ToMorning6; E411| PS-ToMorning7; E411| PS-ToMorning8; E411|

Awake the dawn that sleeps in heaven; let light Rise from the chambers of the east, and bring The honied dew that cometh on waking day.

O radiant morning, salute the sun, Rouz'd like a huntsman to the chace; and, with Thy buskin'd feet, appear upon our hills.

PStitle; E411] FAIR ELENOR.

PS-FairElenor1; E411|
PS-FairElenor2; E411|
PS-FairElenor3; E411|
PS-FairElenor4; E411|

PS-FairElenor5; E411|
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PS-FairElenor21; E411|
PS-FairElenor22; E411|
PS-FairElenor23; E411|
PS-FairElenor24; E411|

The bell struck one, and shook the silent tower;
The graves give up their dead: fair Walk'd by the castle gate, and looked in. A hollow groan ran thro' the dreary vaults.

She shriek'd aloud, and sunk upon the steps
On the cold stone her pale cheek. Sickly smells t1022
Of death, issue as from a sepulchre, And all is silent but the sighing vaults.

Chill death withdraws his hand, and she revives; Amaz'd, she finds herself upon her feet, And, like a ghost, thro' narrow passages Walking, feeling the cold walls with her hands.

Fancy returns, and now she thinks of bones, And grinning skulls, and corruptible death, Wrap'd in his shroud; and now, fancies she hears Deep sighs, and sees pale sickly ghosts gliding.

At length, no fancy, but reality Distracts her. A rushing sound, and the feet Of one that fled, approaches--Ellen stood, Like a dumb statue, froze to stone with fear.

The wretch approaches, crying, "The deed is done; "Take this, and send it by whom thou wilt send;
"It is my life--send it to Elenor:--
"He's dead, and howling after me for blood!

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PS-FairElenor29; E411|
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PS-FairElenor53; E412|
PS-FairElenor54; E412|
PS-FairElenor55; E412| PS-FairElenor56; E412|
"Take this," he cry'd; and thrust into her arms
A wet napkin, wrap'd about; then rush'd
Past, howling: she receiv'd into her arms Pale death, and follow'd on the wings of fear.

They pass'd swift thro' the outer gate; the wretch, Howling, leap'd o'er the wall into the moat, Stifling in mud. Fair Ellen pass'd the bridge, And heard a gloomy voice cry, "Is it done?"

As the deer wounded Ellen flew over The pathless plain; as the arrows that fly By night; destruction flies, and strikes in darkness, She fled from fear, till at her house arriv'd.

Her maids await her; on her bed she falls, That bed of joy, where erst her lord hath press'd: "Ah, woman's fear!" she cry'd; "Ah, cursed duke! "Ah, my dear lord! ah, wretched Elenor!
"My lord was like a flower upon the brows "Of lusty May! Ah, life as frail as flower! "O ghastly death! withdraw thy cruel hand, "Seek'st thou that flow'r to deck thy horrid temples?
"My lord was like a star, in highest heav'n
"Drawn down to earth by spells and wickedness:
"My lord was like the opening eyes of day, "When western winds creep softly o'er the flowers:
"But he is darken'd; like the summer's noon, "Clouded; fall'n like the stately tree, cut down; "The breath of heaven dwelt among his leaves. "O Elenor, weak woman, fill'd with woe!"

Thus having spoke, she raised up her head, And saw the bloody napkin by her side, Which in her arms she brought; and now, tenfold More terrified, saw it unfold itself.

Her eyes were fix'd; the bloody cloth unfolds,

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PS-FairElenor70; E412|
PS-FairElenor71; E412|
PS-FairElenor72; E412|

Disclosing to her sight the murder'd head Of her dear lord, all ghastly pale, clotted With gory blood; it groan'd, and thus it spake:
"O Elenor, behold thy husband's head, t1023 "Who, sleeping on the stones of yonder tower, "Was 'reft of life, by the accursed duke! "A hired villain turn'd my sleep to death!
"O Elenor, beware the cursed duke, "O give not him thy hand, now I am dead; "He seeks thy love; who, coward, in the night, "Hired a villain to bereave my life."

She sat with dead cold limbs, stiffen'd to stone;
She took the gory head up in her arms;
She kiss'd the pale lips; she had no tears to shed;
She hugg'd it to her breast, and groan'd her last.

PStitle; E412] SONG.

PS-Song"HowSweet"1; E412| PS-Song"HowSweet"2; E412|

PS-Song"HowSweet"3; E413| PS-Song"HowSweet"4; E413|

PS-Song"HowSweet"5; E413|
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PS-Song"HowSweet"13; E413|
PS-Song"HowSweet"14; E413| PS-Song"HowSweet"15; E413|

How sweet I roam'd from field to field, And tasted all the summer's pride,
'Till I the prince of love beheld, Who in the sunny beams did glide!

He shew'd me lilies for my hair, And blushing roses for my brow; He led me through his gardens far, Where all his golden pleasures grow,

With sweet May dews my wings were wet, And Phoebus fir'd my vocal rage; He caught me in his silken net, And shut me in his golden cage.

He loves to sit and hear me sing, Then, laughing, sports and plays with me; Then stretches out my golden wing,

| PS-Song"MySSilks"1;E413\| | My silks and fine array, |
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| PS-Song"MySiks"2; E413\| | My smiles and languish'd air, |
| PS-Song"MySilks"3;E413\| | By love are driv'n away; |
| PS-Song"MySiks"4; E413\| | And mournful lean Despair |
| PS-Song"MySiks"5; E413\| | Brings me yew to deck my grave: |
| PS-Song"MySilks"6; E413\| | Such end true lovers have. |


| PS-Song"MySilks"7; E413\| | His face is fair as heav'n, |
| :--- | :--- |
| PS-Song"MySiks"8; E413\| | When springing buds unfold; |
| PS-Song"MySiks"9; E413\| | O why to him wast giv'n, |
| PS-Song"MySiks" $10 ;$ E413\| | Whose heart is wintry cold? |
| PS-Song"MySiks"11; E413\| | His breast is love's all worship'd tomb, |
| PS-Song"MySilks" $12 ;$ E413\| | Where all love's pilgrims come, |


| Silks"13; E413\| | Bring me an axe and spade, |
| :---: | :---: |
| PS-Song"MySilks" 14 ; E413\| | Bring me a winding sheet; |
| PS-Song"MySiliss"15; E413\| | When I my grave have made, |
| PS-Song"MySiliss" $16 ;$ E413\| | Let winds and tempests beat: |
| PS-Song"MySiliss" 17 ; E413\| | Then down I'll lie, as cold as clay |
| PS-Song"MySilks" 18; E413\| | True love doth pass away! |

PStitle; E413| SONG.

PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"1; E413|
PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"2; E413|
PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"3; E413| PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"4; E413|

PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"5; E414| PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"6; E414| PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"7; E414| PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"8; E414|

PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"9; E414|
PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"10; E414| PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"11; E414| PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"12; E414|

Love and harmony combine, And around our souls intwine, While thy branches mix with mine, And our roots together join.

Joys upon our branches sit, Chirping loud, and singing sweet; Like gentle streams beneath our feet Innocence and virtue meet.

Thou the golden fruit dost bear, I am clad in flowers fair; Thy sweet boughs perfume the air, And the turtle buildeth there.

PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"13; E414|
PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"14; E414|
PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"15; E414|

PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"17; E414|
PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"18; E414|
PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"19; E414| PS-Song"LoveAndHarmony"20; E414|

There she sits and feeds her young, Sweet I hear her mournful song; And thy lovely leaves among, There is love: I hear his tongue. ${ }^{t 1024}$

There his charming nest doth lay, There he sleeps the night away; There he sports along the day, And doth among our branches play.

PStitle; E414| SONG.

| PS-Song"LLove"1; E414\| | I love the jocund dance, |
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| PS-Song"ILove"2; E414\| | The softly-breathing song, |
| PS-Song"ILove"3; E414\| | Where innocent eyes do glance, |
| PS-Song"ILove"4; E414\| | And where lisps the maiden's tongue. |

PS-Song"ILove"5; E414|
PS-Song"ILove"6; E414|
PS-Song"ILove"7; E414| PS-Song"ILove"8; E414|

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PS-Song"ILove"17; E414| PS-Song"ILove"18; E414| PS-Song"ILove"19; E414| PS-Song"ILove"20; E414|

I love the laughing vale, I love the echoing hill, Where mirth does never fail, And the jolly swain laughs his fill.

I love the pleasant cot, I love the innocent bow'r. Where white and brown is our lot, Or fruit in the mid-day hour.

I love the oaken seat, Beneath the oaken tree, Where all the old villagers meet, And laugh our sports to see.

I love our neighbours all, But, Kitty, I better love thee; And love them I ever shall, But thou art all to me.

Memory, hither come,
And tune your merry notes;
And, while upon the wind,
Your music floats, I'll pore upon the stream, Where sighing lovers dream, And fish for fancies as they pass Within the watery glass.

I'll drink of the clear stream,
And hear the linnet's song;
And there I'll lie and dream
The day along:
And, when night comes, I'll go
To places fit for woe;
Walking along the darken'd valley, With silent Melancholy.

PStitle; E415| MAD SONG.

PS-MadSong1; E415|
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PS-MadSong19; E415|
PS-MadSong20; E415|

The wild winds weep, And the night is a-cold; Come hither, Sleep, And my griefs infold: ${ }^{11025}$
But lo! the morning peeps
Over the eastern steeps, And the rustling birds of dawn t1026 The earth do scorn.

Lo! to the vault
Of paved heaven, With sorrow fraught
My notes are driven:
They strike the ear of night, Make weep the eyes of day; They make mad the roaring winds, And with tempests play.

Like a fiend in a cloud With howling woe, After night I do croud, And with night will go;

PS-MadSong22; E416|
PS-MadSong23; E416| PS-MadSong24; E416|

I turn my back to the east,

From whence comforts have increas'd;
For light doth seize my brain
With frantic pain.

PStitle; E416| SONG.

PS-Song"FreshFrom"1; E416|
PS-Song"FreshFrom"2; E416|
PS-Song"FreshFrom"3; E416|
PS-Song"FreshFrom"4; E416|

PS-Song"FreshFrom"5; E416| PS-Song"FreshFrom"6; E416| PS-Song"FreshFrom"7; E416| PS-Song"FreshFrom"8; E416|

PS-Song"FreshFrom"9; E416|
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PS-Song"FreshFrom"18; E416|
PS-Song"FreshFrom"19; E416| PS-Song"FreshFrom"20; E416|

Fresh from the dewy hill, the merry year Smiles on my head, and mounts his flaming car; Round my young brows the laurel wreathes a shade, And rising glories beam around my head.

My feet are wing'd, while o'er the dewy lawn, I meet my maiden, risen like the morn:
Oh bless those holy feet, like angels' feet;
Oh bless those limbs, beaming with heav'nly light!

Like as an angel glitt'ring in the sky, In times of innocence, and holy joy; The joyful shepherd stops his grateful song, To hear the music of an angel's tongue.

So when she speaks, the voice of Heaven I hear So when we walk, nothing impure comes near; Each field seems Eden, and each calm retreat; Each village seems the haunt of holy feet.

But that sweet village where my black-ey'd maid, Closes her eyes in sleep beneath night's shade: Whene'er I enter, more than mortal fire Burns in my soul, and does my song inspire.

When early morn walks forth in sober grey; Then to my black ey'd maid I haste away, When evening sits beneath her dusky bow'r, And gently sighs away the silent hour; The village bell alarms, away I go;

PS-Song"WhenEarly"7; E416| PS-Song"WhenEarly"8; E416| PS-Song"WhenEarly"9; E416| PS-Song"WhenEarly"10; E416|

PS-Song"WhenEarly"11; E416| PS-Song"WhenEarly"12; E416|
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PS-Song"WhenEarly"17; E417| PS-Song"WhenEarly"18; E417| PS-Song"WhenEarly"19; E417| PS-Song"WhenEarly"20; E417|

And the vale darkens at my pensive woe.

To that sweet village, where my black ey'd maid Doth drop a tear beneath the silent shade, I turn my eyes; and, pensive as I go, Curse my black stars, and bless my pleasing woe.

Oft when the summer sleeps among the trees, Whisp'ring faint murmurs to the scanty breeze, I walk the village round; if at her side A youth doth walk in stolen joy and pride,

I curse my stars in bitter grief and woe, That made my love so high, and me so low.

O should she e'er prove false, his limbs I'd tear, And throw all pity on the burning air; I'd curse bright fortune for my mixed lot, And then I'd die in peace, and be forgot.

## TO THE MUSES.

PS-ToTheMuses1; E417|
PS-ToTheMuses2; E417|
PS-ToTheMuses3; E417|
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Whether on Ida's shady brow, Or in the chambers of the East, The chambers of the sun, that now From antient melody have ceas'd; Whether in Heav'n ye wander fair, Or the green corners of the earth, Or the blue regions of the air, Where the melodious winds have birth;

Whether on chrystal rocks ye rove, Beneath the bosom of the sea Wand'ring in many a coral grove, Fair Nine, forsaking Poetry!

How have you left the antient love That bards of old enjoy'd in you! The languid strings do scarcely move! The sound is forc'd, the notes are few!

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Come, kings, and listen to my song, When Gwin, the son of Nore, Over the nations of the North His cruel sceptre bore:

The Nobles of the land did feed Upon the hungry Poor; They tear the poor man's lamb, and drive The needy from their door!

The land is desolate; our wives ${ }^{t 1027}$ And children cry for bread; Arise, and pull the tyrant down; Let Gwin be humbled.

Gordred the giant rous'd himself From sleeping in his cave;

He shook the hills, and in the clouds The troubl'd banners wave.

Beneath them roll'd, like tempests black, The num'rous sons of blood; Like lions' whelps, roaring abroad, Seeking their nightly food.

Down Bleron's hills they dreadful rush, Their cry ascends the clouds; The trampling horse, and clanging arms Like rushing mighty floods!

Their wives and children, weeping loud, Follow in wild array, Howling like ghosts, furious as wolves In the bleak wintry day.
"Pull down the tyrant to the dust,
"Let Gwin be humbled," They cry; "and let ten thousand lives
"Pay for the tyrant's head."

From tow'r to tow'r the watchmen cry, "O Gwin, the son of Nore, "Arouse thyself! the nations black, "Like clouds, come rolling o'er!"

Gwin rear'd his shield, his palace shakes, His chiefs come rushing round; Each, like an awful thunder cloud, With voice of solemn sound.

Like reared stones around a grave They stand around the King; Then suddenly each seiz'd his spear, And clashing steel does ring,

The husbandman does leave his plow, To wade thro' fields of gore; The merchant binds his brows in steel, And leaves the trading shore:

The shepherd leaves his mellow pipe, And sounds the trumpet shrill; The workman throws his hammer down To heave the bloody bill.

Like the tall ghost of Barraton, Who sports in stormy sky,

Gwin leads his host as black as night, When pestilence does fly.

With horses and with chariots-And all his spearmen bold, March to the sound of mournful song, Like clouds around him roll'd.

Gwin lifts his hand--the nations halt;
"Prepare for war," he cries--
Gordred appears!--his frowning brow t1028
Troubles our northern skies.

The armies stand, like balances
Held in th' Almighty's hand;--
"Gwin, thou hast fill'd thy measure up,
"Thou'rt swept from out the land."

And now the raging armies rush'd, Like warring mighty seas; The Heav'ns are shook with roaring war, The dust ascends the skies!

Earth smokes with blood, and groans, and shakes, To drink her childrens' gore, A sea of blood; nor can the eye See to the trembling shore!

And on the verge of this wild sea Famine and death doth cry; The cries of women and of babes. Over the field doth fly.

The King is seen raging afar; With all his men of might; Like blazing comets, scattering death Thro' the red fev'rous night.

Beneath his arm like sheep they die,
And groan upon the plain;
The battle faints, and bloody men Fight upon hills of slain.

Now death is sick, and riven men
Labour and toil for life;
Steed rolls on steed, and shield on shield,
Sunk in this sea of strife!

The god of war is drunk with blood,

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PS-Gwin102; E420|
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PS-Gwin106; E420|
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PS-Gwin113; E420|
PS-Gwin114; E420|
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PS-Gwin116; E420|

The earth doth faint and fail;

The stench of blood makes sick the heav'ns;
Ghosts glut the throat of hell!

O what have Kings to answer for, Before that awful throne!
When thousand deaths for vengeance cry,
And ghosts accusing groan!

Like blazing comets in the sky, That shake the stars of light, Which drop like fruit unto the earth, Thro' the fierce burning night;

Like these did Gwin and Gordred meet,
And the first blow decides;
Down from the brow unto the breast
Gordred his head divides!

Gwin fell; the Sons of Norway fled, All that remain'd alive;
The rest did fill the vale of death, For them the eagles strive.

The river Dorman roll'd their blood Into the northern sea;
Who mourn'd his sons, and overwhelm'd The pleasant south country.

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IMITATION OF SPEN[S]ER. ${ }^{\text {t1029 }}$

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PS-AnImitation8; E420|

Golden Apollo, that thro' heaven wide Scatter'st the rays of light, and truth's beams! In lucent words my darkling verses dight, And wash my earthy mind in thy clear streams, That wisdom may descend in fairy dreams:
All while the jocund hours in thy train
Scatter their fancies at thy poet's feet;
And when thou yields to night thy wide domain, ${ }^{t 1030}$

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PS-AnImitation43; E421|

Let rays of truth enlight his sleeping brain.

For brutish Pan in vain might thee assay With tinkling sounds to dash thy nervous verse, Sound without sense; yet in his rude affray, (For ignorance is Folly's leesing nurse, t1031 And love of Folly needs none other curse;) t1032 Midas the praise hath gain'd of lengthen'd eares, ${ }^{\text {t1033 }}$
For which himself might deem him neer the worse

To sit in council with his modern peers, And judge of tinkling rhimes, and elegances terse.

And thou, Mercurius, that with winged brow Dost mount aloft into the yielding sky, And thro' Heav'n's halls thy airy flight dost throw, Entering with holy feet to where on high Jove weighs the counsel of futurity; Then, laden with eternal fate, dost go
Down, like a falling star, from autumn sky, And o'er the surface of the silent deep dost fly.

If thou arrivest at the sandy shore, Where nought but envious hissing adders dwell, Thy golden rod, thrown on the dusty floor, Can charm to harmony with potent spell; Such is sweet Eloquence, that does dispel Envy and Hate, that thirst for human gore: And cause in sweet society to dwell
Vile savage minds that lurk in lonely cell.

O Mercury, assist my lab'ring sense, That round the circle of the world wou'd fly! As the wing'd eagle scorns the tow'ry fence Of Alpine hills round his high aery, And searches thro' the corners of the sky, Sports in the clouds to hear the thunder's sound, And see the winged lightnings as they fly, t1034 Then, bosom'd in an amber cloud, around Plumes his wide wings, and seeks Sol's palace high.

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PS-AnImitation47; E421|
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PS-AnImitation51; E421|
PS-AnImitation52; E421|
PS-AnImitation53; E421|

Arm'd with the terrors of Almighty Jove!
Pallas, Minerva, maiden terrible, Lov'st thou to walk the peaceful solemn grove, In solemn gloom of branches interwove?
Or bear'st thy Egis o'er the burning field, Where, like the sea, the waves of battle move?
Or have thy soft piteous eyes beheld The weary wanderer thro' the desert rove? Or does th' afflicted man thy heav'nly bosom move?

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## BLIND-MAN'S BUFF.

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PS-BlindMan'sBuff31; E422|

When silver Snow decks Susan's cloaths, And jewel hangs at th' shepherd's nose, The blushing bank is all my care,

With hearth so red, and walls so fair; "Heap the sea-coal; come, heap it higher, "The oaken log lay on the fire:"
The well-wash'd stools, a circling row, With lad and lass, how fair the show!
The merry can of nut-brown ale, The laughing jest, the love-sick tale, 'Till tir'd of chat, the game begins, The lasses prick the lads with pins; Roger from Dolly twitch'd the stool, She falling, kiss'd the ground, poor fool! She blush'd so red, with side-long glance At hob-nail Dick, who griev'd the chance. But now for Blind-man's Buff they call; Of each incumbrance clear the hall-Jenny her silken kerchief folds, And blear-ey'd Will the black lot holds; Now laughing, stops, with "Silence! hush!" And Peggy Pout gives Sam a push.-The Blind-man's arms, extended wide, Sam slips between;--"O woe betide Thee, clumsy Will!"--but titt'ring Kate Is pen'd up in the corner strait! And now Will's eyes beheld the play, He thought his face was t'other way.--"Now, Kitty, now; what chance hast thou, "Roger so near thee, Trips; I vow!["] She catches him--then Roger ties

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His own head up--but not his eyes;
For thro' the slender cloth he sees,
And runs at Sam, who slips with ease
His clumsy hold; and, dodging round,
Sukey is tumbled on the ground!--"See what it is to play unfair!
"Where cheating is, there's mischief there."
But Roger still pursues the chace,--
"He sees! he sees!["] cries softly Grace;
"O Roger, thou, unskill'd in art, "Must, surer bound, go thro' thy part!" Now Kitty, pert, repeats the rhymes, And Roger turns him round three times;
Then pauses ere he starts--but Dick Was mischief bent upon a trick:
Down on his hands and knees he lay, Directly in the Blind-man's way-Then cries out, "Hem!" Hodge heard, and ran

With hood-wink'd chance--sure of his man;
But down he came.--Alas, how frail
Our best of hopes, how soon they fail!
With crimson drops he stains the ground,
Confusion startles all around!
Poor piteous Dick supports his head,
And fain would cure the hurt he made;
But Kitty hasted with a key, And down his back they strait convey The cold relief--the blood is stay'd, And Hodge again holds up his head. Such are the fortunes of the game, And those who play should stop the same By wholesome laws; such as[:]all those Who on the blinded man impose, ${ }^{t 1036}$ Stand in his stead; as long a-gone When men were first a nation grown; Lawless they liv'd--till wantonness And liberty began t' increase; And one man lay in another's way, Then laws were made to keep fair play.

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King Edward. - Lord Audley.
The Black Prince. - Lord Percy.
Queen Philippa. - Bishop.
Duke of Clarence. - William, Dagworth's Man.
Sir John Chandos.
Sir Thomas Dagworth. - Peter Blunt, a common Soldier. Sir Walter Manny.

SCENE [1], The Coast of France, King Edward and Nobles. The Army. King.

O thou, to whose fury the nations are
But as dust! maintain thy servant's right.
Without thine aid, the twisted mail, and spear,
And forged helm, and shield of seven times beaten brass,

Are idle trophies of the vanquisher.
When confusion rages, when the field is in a flame,
When the cries of blood tear horror from heav'n,
And yelling death runs up and down the ranks,
Let Liberty, the charter'd right of Englishmen,
Won by our fathers in many a glorious field,
Enerve my soldiers; let Liberty
Blaze in each countenance, and fire the battle.
The enemy fight in chains, invisible chains, but heavy;
Their minds are fetter'd; then how can they be free, While, like the mounting flame,
We spring to battle o'er the floods of death?
And these fair youths, the flow'r of England, Vent'ring their lives in my most righteous cause, O sheathe their hearts with triple steel, that they May emulate their fathers' virtues. And thou, my son, be strong; thou fightest for a crown That death can never ravish from thy brow, A crown of glory: but from thy very dust Shall beam a radiance, to fire the breasts Of youth unborn! Our names are written equal In fame's wide trophied hall; 'tis ours to gild The letters, and to make them shine with gold That never tarnishes: whether Third Edward, Or the Prince of Wales, or Montacute, or Mortimer, Or ev'n the least by birth, shall gain the brightest fame, Is in his hand to whom all men are equal.
The world of men are like the num'rous stars,

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That beam and twinkle in the depth of night, Each clad in glory according to his sphere;-But we, that wander from our native seats, And beam forth lustre on a darkling world, Grow larger as we advance! and some perhaps The most obscure at home, that scarce were seen To twinkle in their sphere, may so advance, That the astonish'd world, with up-turn'd eyes, Regardless of the moon, and those that once were bright, Stand only for to gaze upon their splendor!
[He here knights the Prince, and other young Nobles.]

Now let us take a just revenge for those Brave Lords, who fell beneath the bloody axe At Paris. Thanks, noble Harcourt, for 'twas By your advice we landed here in Brittany-A country not yet sown with destruction, And where the fiery whirlwind of swift war

Has not yet swept its desolating wing.--Into three parties we divide by day,
And separate march, but join again at night:
Each knows his rank, and Heav'n marshal all. [Exeunt.

King Edward III SCENE [2], English Court; Lionel, Duke of Clarence; Queen Philippa, Lords, Bishop, \&c. Clarence.

My Lords, I have, by the advice of her Whom I am doubly bound to obey, my Parent And my Sovereign, call'd you together. My task is great, my burden heavier than My unfledg'd years;
Yet, with your kind assistance, Lords, I hope England shall dwell in peace; that while my father
Toils in his wars, and turns his eyes on this His native shore, and sees commerce fly round With his white wings, and sees his golden London, And her silver Thames, throng'd with shining spires And corded ships; her merchants buzzing round
Like summer bees, and all the golden cities

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In his land, overflowing with honey, Glory may not be dimm'd with clouds of care. Say, Lords, should not our thoughts be first to commerce? My Lord Bishop, you would recommend us agriculture?
Bishop. Sweet Prince! the arts of peace are great,
And no less glorious than those of war,
Perhaps more glorious in the ph[i]losophic mind.
When I sit at my home, a private man,
My thoughts are on my gardens, and my fields, How to employ the hand that lacketh bread.
If Industry is in my diocese,
Religion will flourish; each man's heart
Is cultivated, and will bring forth fruit:
This is my private duty and my pleasure.
But as I sit in council with my prince,
My thoughts take in the gen'ral good of the whole, And England is the land favour'd by Commerce;
For Commerce, tho' the child of Agriculture,
Fosters his parent, who else must sweat and toil, And gain but scanty fare. Then, my dear Lord, Be England's trade our care; and we, as tradesmen, Looking to the gain of this our native land.

Clar. O my good Lord, true wisdom drops like honey From your tongue, as from a worship'd oak!
Forgive, my Lords, my talkative youth, that speaks
Not merely what my narrow observation has
Pick'd up, but what I have concluded from your lessons:
Now, by the Queen's advice, I ask your leave
To dine to-morrow with the Mayor of London:
If I obtain your leave, I have another boon
To ask, which is, the favour of your company;
I fear Lord Percy will not give me leave.
Percy. Dear Sir, a prince should always keep his state, And grant his favours with a sparing hand,
Or they are never rightly valued.
These are my thoughts, yet it were best to go;
But keep a proper dignity, for now
You represent the sacred person of
Your father; 'tis with princes as 'tis with the sun,
If not sometimes o'er-clouded, we grow weary
Of his officious glory.
Clar. Then you will give me leave to shine sometimes, My Lord?
Lord. Thou hast a gallant spirit, which I fear

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Will be imposed on by the closer sort! [Aside.
Clar. Well, I'll endeavour to take
Lord Percy's advice; I have been used so much
To dignity, that I'm sick on't.
Queen Phil. Fie, Fie, Lord Clarence; you proceed not to business, But speak of your own pleasures.
I hope their Lordships will excuse your giddiness.
Clar. My Lords, the French have fitted out many
Small ships of war, that, like to ravening wolves,
Infest our English seas, devouring all
Our burden'd vessels, spoiling our naval flocks.
The merchants do complain, and beg our aid.
Percy. The merchants are rich enough;
Can they not help themselves?
Bish. They can, and may; but how to gain their will,
Requires our countenance and help.
Percy. When that they find they must, my Lord, they will:
Let them but suffer awhile, and you shall see
They will bestir themselves.
Bish. Lord Percy cannot mean that we should suffer
This disgrace; if so, we are not sovereigns
Of the sea; our right, that Heaven gave
To England, when at the birth of nature
She was seated in the deep, the Ocean ceas'd

His mighty roar; and, fawning, play'd around
Her snowy feet, and own'd his awful Queen. t1038
Lord Percy, if the heart is sick, the head
Must be aggriev'd; if but one member suffer, The heart doth fail. You say, my Lord, the merchants
Can, if they will, defend themselves against These rovers: this is a noble scheme, Worthy the brave Lord Percy, and as worthy His generous aid to put it into practice, Percy. Lord Bishop, what was rash in me, is wise In you; I dare not own the plan. 'Tis not Mine. Yet will I, if you please, Quickly to the Lord Mayor, and work him onward To this most glorious voyage, on which cast I'll set my whole estate.
But we will bring these Gallic rovers under. Queen Phil. Thanks, brave Lord Percy; you have the thanks
Of England's Queen, and will, ere long, of England. [Exeunt.

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King Edward III SCENE [3], At Cressey. Sir Thomas Dagworth and Lord Audley, meeting.

Aud. Good morrow, brave Sir Thomas; the bright morn
Smiles on our army, and the gallant sun
Springs from the hills like a young hero
Into the battle, shaking his golden locks
Exultingly; this is a promising day.
Dagw. Why, my Lord Audley, I don't know.
Give me your hand, and now I'll tell you what
I think you do not know--Edward's afraid of Philip.
Aud. Ha, Ha, Sir Thomas! you but joke;
Did you e'er see him fear? At Blanchetaque, $\quad$ t1039
When almost singly he drove six thousand
French from the ford, did he fear then?
Dagw. Yes, fear; that made him fight so.
Aud. By the same reason I might say, 'tis fear
That makes you fight.
Dagw. Mayhap you may; look upon Edward's face--
No one can say he fears. But when he turns
His back, then I will say it to his face, He is afraid; he makes us all afraid.
I cannot bear the enemy at my back.
Now here we are at Cressy; where, to-morrow, To-morrow we shall know. I say, Lord Audley, That Edward runs away from Philip.

Aud. Perhaps you think the Prince too is afraid? Dagw. No; God forbid! I'm sure he is not-He is a young lion. O I have seen him fight, And give command, and lightning has flashed From his eyes across the field; I have seen him Shake hands with death, and strike a bargain for The enemy; he has danc'd in the field Of battle, like the youth at morrice play. I'm sure he's not afraid, nor Warwick, nor none, None of us but me; and I am very much afraid. Aud. Are you afraid too, Sir Thomas?
I believe that as much as I believe
The King's afraid; but what are you afraid of?
Dagw. Of having my back laid open; we turn Our backs to the fire, till we shall burn our skirts. Aud. And this, Sir Thomas, you call fear? Your fear

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Is of a different kind then from the King's; He fears to turn his face, and you to turn your back.-I do not think, Sir Thomas, you know what fear is.

## Enter Sir John Chandos.

Chand. Good morrow, Generals; I give you joy:
Welcome to the fields of Cressy. Here we stop, And wait for Philip.
Dagw. I hope so.
Aud. There, Sir Thomas; do you call that fear?
Dagw. I don't know; perhaps he takes it by fits.
Why, noble Chandos, look you here--
One rotten sheep spoils the whole flock;
And if the bell-weather is tainted, I wish
The Prince may not catch the distemper too. Chand. Distemper, Sir Thomas! what distemper?
I have not heard.
Dagw. Why, Chandos, you are a wise man, I know you understand me; a distemper The King caught here in France of running away. Aud. Sir Thomas, you say, you have caught it too.
Dag. And so will the whole army; 'tis very catching,
For when the coward runs, the brave man totters.
Perhaps the air of the country is the cause.--
I feel it coming upon me, so I strive against it;
You yet are whole, but after a few more
Retreats, we all shall know how to retreat Better than fight.--To be plain, I think retreating
Too often, takes away a soldier's courage.

Chand. Here comes the King himself; tell him your thoughts Plainly, Sir Thomas.
Dagw. I've told him before, but his disorder Makes him deaf.

Enter King Edward and Black Prince.

King. Good morrow, Generals; when English courage fails,
Down goes our right to France;
But we are conquerors every where; nothing

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Can stand our soldiers; each man is worthy Of a triumph. Such an army of heroes
Neer shouted to the Heav'ns, nor shook the field. Edward, my son, thou art
Most happy, having such command; the man
Were base who were not fir'd to deeds
Above heroic, having such examples.
Prince. Sire! with respect and deference I look
Upon such noble souls, and wish myself
Worthy the high command that Heaven and you
Have given me. When I have seen the field glow,
And in each countenance the soul of war
Curb'd by the manliest reason, I have been wing'd
With certain victory; and 'tis my boast,
And shall be still my glory. I was inspir'd
By these brave troops.
Dagw. Your Grace had better make
Them all Generals.
King. Sir Thomas Dagworth, you must have your joke,
And shall, while you can fight as you did at The Ford.
Dagw. I have a small petition to your Majesty.
King. What can Sir Thomas Dagworth ask, that Edward Can refuse?
Dagw. I hope your Majesty cannot refuse so great
A trifle; I've gilt your cause with my best blood,
And would again, were I not forbid
By him whom I am bound to obey: my hands
Are tied up, my courage shrunk and wither'd,
My sinews slacken'd, and my voice scarce heard;
Therefore I beg I may return to England.
King. I know not what you could have ask'd, Sir Thomas,
That I would not have sooner parted with
Than such a soldier as you have been, and such a friend;
Nay, I will know the most remote particulars Of this your strange petition; that, if I can, I still may keep you here.

Dagw. Here on the fields of Cressy we are settled, 'Till Philip springs the tim'rous covey again. The Wolf is hunted down by causeless fear; The Lion flees, and fear usurps his heart; Startled, astonish'd at the clam'rous Cock; The Eagle, that doth gaze upon the sun, Fears the small fire that plays about the fen;

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If, at this moment of their idle fear,
The Dog doth seize the Wolf, the Forester the Lion, The Negro in the crevice of the rock,
Doth seize the soaring Eagle; undone by flight, They tame submit: such the effect flight has On noble souls. Now hear its opposite:
The tim'rous Stag starts from the thicket wild, The fearful Crane springs from the splashy fen,
The shining Snake glides o'er the bending grass,
The Stag turns head! and bays the crying Hounds;
The Crane o'ertaken, sighteth with the Hawk;
The Snake doth turn, and bite the padding foot;
And, if your Majesty's afraid of Philip,
You are more like a Lion than a Crane:
Therefore I beg I may return to England.
King. Sir Thomas, now I understand your mirth, Which often plays with Wisdom for its pastime, And brings good counsel from the breast of laughter, I hope you'll stay, and see us fight this battle, And reap rich harvest in the fields of Cressy;
Then go to England, tell them how we fight, And set all hearts on fire to be with us.
Philip is plum'd, and thinks we flee from him, Else he would never dare to attack us. Now, Now the quarry's set! and Death doth sport In the bright sunshine of this fatal day. Dagw. Now my heart dances, and I am as light As the young bridegroom going to be married. Now must I to my soldiers, get them ready, Furbish our armours bright, new plume our helms, And we will sing, like the young housewives busied In the dairy; my feet are wing'd, but not For flight, an please your grace.
King. If all my soldiers are as pleas'd as you,
'Twill be a gallant thing to fight or die; Then I can never be afraid of Philip.
Dagw. A raw-bond fellow t'other day pass'd by me;
I told him to put off his hungry looks-He answer'd me, "I hunger for another battle." I saw a little Welchman with a fiery face;

I told him he look'd like a candle half Burn'd out; he answer'd, he was "pig enough "To light another pattle." Last night, beneath The moon I walk'd abroad, when all had pitch'd

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Their tents, and all were still,
I heard a blooming youth singing a song
He had compos'd, and at each pause he wip'd
His dropping eyes. The ditty was, "if he
"Return'd victorious, he should wed a maiden
"Fairer than snow, and rich as midsummer."
Another wept, and wish'd health to his father.
I chid them both, but gave them noble hopes.
These are the minds that glory in the battle,
And leap and dance to hear the trumpet sound.
King. Sir Thomas Dagworth, be thou near our person;
Thy heart is richer than the vales of France:
I will not part with such a man as thee.
If Philip came arm'd in the ribs of death,
And shook his mortal dart against my head,
Thoud'st laugh his fury into nerveless shame!
Go now, for thou art suited to the work,
Throughout the camp; enflame the timorous,
Blow up the sluggish into ardour, and
Confirm the strong with strength, the weak inspire,
And wing their brows with hope and expectation:
Then to our tent return, and meet to council. [Exit Dagworth.
Chand. That man's a hero in his closet, and more
A hero to the servants of his house
Then to the gaping world; he carries windows
In that enlarged breast of his, that all
May see what's done within.
Prince. He is a genuine Englishman, my Chandos,
And hath the spirit of Liberty within him.
Forgive my prejudice, Sir John; I think
My Englishmen the bravest people on
The face of the earth.
Chand. Courage, my Lord, proceeds from self-dependence;
Teach man to think he's a free agent,
Give but a slave his liberty, he'll shake
Off sloth, and build himself a hut, and hedge
A spot of ground; this he'll defend; 'tis his
By right of nature: thus set in action,
He will still move onward to plan conveniences,
'Till glory fires his breast to enlarge his castle,
While the poor slave drudges all day, in hope
To rest at night.
King. O Liberty, how glorious art thou!

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Thy wide-stretch'd plumes; I see thee
Lead them on to battle;
I see thee blow thy golden trumpet, while
Thy sons shout the strong shout of victory!
O noble Chandos! think thyself a gardener,
My son a vine, which I commit unto
Thy care; prune all extravagant shoots, and guide
Th' ambitious tendrils in the paths of wisdom;
Water him with thy advice, and Heav'n
Rain fresh'ning dew upon his branches. And, O Edward, my dear son! learn to think lowly of
Thyself, as we may all each prefer other--
'Tis the best policy, and 'tis our duty. [Exit King Edward. ${ }^{11040}$
Prince. And may our duty, Chandos, be our pleasure--
Now we are alone, Sir John, I will unburden,
And breathe my hopes into the burning air, Where thousand deaths are posting up and down, Commission'd to this fatal field of Cressy; Methinks I see them arm my gallant soldiers, And gird the sword upon each thigh, and fit Each shining helm, and string each stubborn bow, And dance to the neighing of our steeds.
Methinks the shout begins, the battle burns; Methinks I see them perch on English crests, And roar the wild flame of fierce war, upon The thronged enemy! In truth, I am too full; It is my sin to love the noise of war.
Chandos, thou seest my weakness; strong nature Will bend or break us; my blood, like a springtide, Does rise so high, to overflow all bounds
Of moderation; while Reason, in his t1041
Frail bark, can see no shore or bound for vast
Ambition. Come, take the helm, my Chandos,
That my full-blown sails overset me not
In the wild tempest; condemn my 'ventrous youth,
That plays with danger, as the innocent child,
Unthinking, plays upon the viper's den:
I am a coward, in my reason, Chandos.
Chand. You are a man, my prince, and a brave man,
If I can judge of actions; but your heat
Is the effect of youth, and want of use;
Use makes the armed field and noisy war
Pass over as a summer cloud, unregarded,
Or but expected as a thing of course.
Age is contemplative; each rolling, year

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Brings forth fruit to the mind's treasure-house;
While vacant youth doth crave and seek about Within itself, and findeth discontent:
Then, tir'd of thought, impatient takes the wing, Seizes the fruits of time, attacks experience,
Roams round vast Nature's forest, where no bounds
Are set, the swiftest may have room, the strongest
Find prey; till tir'd at length, sated and tired
With the changing sameness, old variety,
We sit us down, and view our former joys
With distaste and dislike.
Prince. Then if we must tug for experience, Let us not fear to beat round Nature's wilds, And rouze the strongest prey; then if we fall, We fall with glory; I know the wolf Is dangerous to fight, not good for food, Nor is the hide a comely vestment; so We have our battle for our pains. I know That youth has need of age to point fit prey, And oft the stander-by shall steal the fruit Of th' other's labour. This is philosophy; These are the tricks of the world; but the pure soul Shall mount on native wings, disdaining Little sport, and cut a path into the heaven of glory, Leaving a track of light for men to wonder at. I'm glad my father does not hear me talk; You can find friendly excuses for me, Chandos; But do you not think, Sir John, that if it please
Th' Almighty to stretch out my span of life, I shall with pleasure view a glorious action, Which my youth master'd.
Chand. Considerate age, my Lord, views motives, And not acts; when neither warbling voice, Nor trilling pipe is heard, nor pleasure sits With trembling age; the voice of Conscience then, Sweeter than music in a summer's eve, Shall warble round the snowy head, and keep Sweet symphony to feather'd angels, sitting As guardians round your chair; then shall the pulse Beat slow, and taste, and touch, and sight, and sound, and smell, That sing and dance round Reason's fine-wrought throne, Shall flee away, and leave him all forlorn; t1042 Yet not forlorn if Conscience is his friend. [Exeunt.

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Dagw. Bring hither my armour, William;
Ambition is the growth of ev'ry clime.
Will. Does it grow in England, Sir?
Dagw. Aye, it grows most in lands most cultivated.
Will. Then it grows most in France; the vines here
Are finer than any we have in England.
Dagw. Aye, but the oaks are not.
Will. What is the tree you mentioned? I don't think I ever saw it. Dagw. Ambition.
Will. Is it a little creeping root that grows in ditches?
Dagw. Thou dost not understand me, William.
It is a root that grows in every breast;
Ambition is the desire or passion that one man
Has to get before another, in any pursuit after glory;
But I don't think you have any of it.
Will. Yes, I have; I have a great ambition to know every thing, Sir.
Dagw. But when our first ideas are wrong, what follows must all be wrong of course; 'tis best to know a little, and to know that little aright.
Will. Then, Sir, I should be glad to know if it was not ambition that brought over our King to France to fight for his right?
Dagw. Tho' the knowledge of that will not profit thee much, yet I will tell you that it was ambition.
Will. Then if ambition is a sin, we are all guilty in coming with him, and in fighting for him.
Dagw. Now, William, thou dost thrust the question home; but I must tell you, that guilt being an act of the mind, none are guilty but those whose minds are prompted by that same ambition.
Will. Now I always thought, that a man might be guilty of doing wrong, without knowing it was wrong.
Dagw. Thou art a natural philosopher, and knowest truth by instinct; while reason runs aground, as we have run our argument. Only remember, William, all have it in their power to know the motives of their own actions, and 'tis a sin to act without some reason.
Will. And whoever acts without reason, may do a great deal of harm without knowing it.
Dagw. Thou art an endless moralist.
Will. Now there's a story come into my head, that I

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will tell your honour, if you'll give me leave. Dagw. No, William, save it till another time; this is no time for story-telling; but here comes one who is as entertaining as a good story.

## Enter Peter Blunt.

Peter. Yonder's a musician going to play before the
King; it's a new song about the French and English, and the til043
Prince has made the minstrel a 'squire, and given him I don't
know what, and I can't tell whether he don't mention us all one by one; and he is to write another about all us that are to tl044 die, that we may be remembered in Old England, for all our blood and bones are in France; and a great deal more that we shall all hear by and by; and I came to tell your honour, because you love to hear war-songs.
Dagw. And who is this minstrel, Peter, dost know?
Peter. O aye, I forgot to tell that; he has got the same name as Sir John Chandos, that the prince is always with-the wise man, that knows us all as well as your honour, only e'nt so good natur'd.
Dagw. I thank you, Peter, for your information, but not for your compliment, which is not true; there's as much difference between him and me, as between glittering sand and fruitful mold; or shining glass and a wrought diamond, set in rich gold, and fitted to the finger of an emperor: such is that worthy Chandos.
Peter. I know your honour does not think any thing of yourself, but every body else does.
Dagw. Go, Peter, get you gone; flattery is delicious, even from the lips of a babbler. [Exit Peter.
Will. I never flatter your honour.
Dagw. I don't know that.
Will. Why you know, Sir, when we were in England, at the tournament at Windsor, and the Earl of Warwick was tumbled over, you ask'd me if he did not look well when he fell? and I said, No, he look'd very foolish; and you was very angry with me for not flattering you.
Dagw. You mean that I was angry with you for not
flattering the Earl of Warwick. [Exeunt.

King Edward III SCENE [5], Sir Thomas Dagworth's Tent. Sir Thomas Dagworth--to him.

Enter Sir Walter Manny.

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Sir Walter. Sir Thomas Dagworth, I have been weeping Over the men that are to die to-day. Dagw. Why, brave Sir Walter, you or I may fall. Sir Walter. I know this breathing flesh must lie and rot,
Cover'd with silence and forgetfulness.-Death wons in cities' smoke, and in still night, When men sleep in their beds, walketh about! How many in walled cities lie and groan, Turning themselves upon their beds,

Talking with death, answering his hard demands! How many walk in darkness, terrors are round The curtains of their beds, destruction is Ready at the door! How many sleep In earth, cover'd with stones and deathy dust, Resting in quietness, whose spirits walk Upon the clouds of heaven, to die no more! Yet death is terrible, tho' borne on angels' wings! How terrible then is the field of death, Where he doth rend the vault of heaven, And shake the gates of hell!
O Dagworth, France is sick! the very sky, Tho' sunshine light it, seems to me as pale As the pale fainting man on his death-bed, Whose face is shewn by light of sickly taper! It makes me sad and sick at very heart, Thousands must fall to-day!
Dagw. Thousands of souls must leave this prison house, To be exalted to those heavenly fields, Where songs of triumph, palms of victory, ${ }^{1045}$ Where peace, and joy, and love, and calm content, Sit singing in the azure clouds, and strew
Flowers of heaven's growth over the banquet-table:
Bind ardent Hope upon your feet like shoes, Put on the robe of preparation, The table is prepar'd in shining heaven, The flowers of immortality are blown; Let those that fight, fight in good stedfastness, And those that fall shall rise in victory. Sir Walter. I've often seen the burning field of war, And often heard the dismal clang of arms; But never, till this fatal day of Cressy, Has my soul fainted with these views of death!

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I seem to be in one great charnel-house, And seem to scent the rotten carcases! I seem to hear the dismal yells of death, While the black gore drops from his horrid jaws: Yet I not fear the monster in his pride.-But O the souls that are to die to-day!
Dagw. Stop, brave Sir Walter; let me drop a tear, Then let the clarion of war begin;
I'll fight and weep, 'tis in my country's cause;
I'll weep and shout for glorious liberty.
Grim war shall laugh and shout, decked in tears, And blood shall flow like streams across the meadows, That murmur down their pebbly channels, and

Spend their sweet lives to do their country service:
Then shall England's verdure shoot, her fields shall smile,
Her ships shall sing across the foaming sea, Her mariners shall use the flute and viol, And rattling guns, and black and dreary war, Shall be no more.
Sir Walter. Well; let the trumpet sound, and the drum beat;
Let war stain the blue heavens with bloody banners,
I'll draw my sword, nor ever sheath it up, 'Till England blow the trump of victory, Or I lay stretch'd upon the field of death! Exeunt.

King Edward III SCENE [6],in the Camp. Several of the Warriors met at the King's Tent with a Minstrel, who sings the following Song:

O sons of Trojan Brutus, cloath'd in war, Whose voices are the thunder of the field, Rolling dark clouds o'er France, muffling the sun In sickly darkness like a dim eclipse,
Threatening as the red brow of storms, as fire Burning up nations in your wrath and fury!

Your ancestors came from the fires of Troy, (Like lions rouz'd by light'ning from their dens, Whose eyes do glare against the stormy fires) Heated with war, fill'd with the blood of Greeks, With helmets hewn, and shields covered with gore,

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In navies black, broken with wind and tide!

They landed in firm array upon the rocks Of Albion; they kiss'd the rocky shore; "Be thou our mother, and our nurse," they said; "Our children's mother, and thou shalt be our grave;
"The sepulchre of ancient Troy, from whence
"Shall rise cities, and thrones, and arms, and awful pow'rs.

Our fathers swarm from the ships. Giant voices Are heard from the hills, the enormous sons Of Ocean run from rocks and caves: wild men Naked and roaring like lions, hurling rocks, And wielding knotty clubs, like oaks entangled Thick as a forest, ready for the axe.

Our fathers move in firm array to battle, The savage monsters rush like roaring fire;

Like as a forest roars with crackling flames, When the red lightning, borne by furious storms, Lights on some woody shore; the parched heavens Rain fire into the molten raging sea!

The smoaking trees are strewn upon the shore, Spoil'd of their verdure! O how oft have they Defy'd the storm that howled o'er their heads! Our fathers, sweating, lean on their spears, and view The mighty dead: giant bodies, streaming blood, Dread visages, frowning in silent death!

Then Brutus spoke, inspir'd; our fathers sit Attentive on the melancholy shore:-Hear ye the voice of Brutus--"The flowing waves "Of time come rolling o'er my breast," he said; "And my heart labours with futurity: "Our sons shall rule the empire of the sea.
"Their mighty wings shall stretch from east to west, "Their nest is in the sea; but they shall roam "Like eagles for the prey; nor shall the young
"Crave or be heard; for plenty shall bring forth, "Cities shall sing, and vales in rich array "Shall laugh, whose fruitful laps bend down with fulness.
"Our sons shall rise from thrones in joy, "Each one buckling on his armour; Morning "Shall be prevented by their swords gleaming, "And Evening hear their song of victory! "Their towers shall be built upon the rocks, "Their daughters shall sing, surrounded with shining spears!
"Liberty shall stand upon the cliffs of Albion, "Casting her blue eyes over the green ocean; "Or, tow'ring, stand upon the roaring waves, "Stretching her mighty spear o'er distant lands; "While, with her eagle wings, she covereth "Fair Albion's shore, and all her families."

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INTENDED FOR A DRAMATIC PIECE OF KING EDWARD THE FOURTH.

O For a voice like thunder, and a tongue
To drown the throat of war!--When the senses Are shaken, and the soul is driven to madness, Who can stand? When the souls of the oppressed Fight in the troubled air that rages, who can stand?

When the whirlwind of fury comes from the
Throne of God, when the frowns of his countenance
Drive the nations together, who can stand?
When Sin claps his broad wings over the battle, And sails rejoicing in the flood of Death;
When souls are torn to everlasting fire, And fiends of Hell rejoice upon the slain, O who can stand? O who hath caused this?
O who can answer at the throne of God? The Kings and Nobles of the Land have done it! Hear it not, Heaven, thy Ministers have done it!

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Justice hath heaved a sword to plunge in Albion's breast; for Albion's sins are crimson dy'd, and the red scourge follows her desolate sons, Then Patriot rose; full oft did Patriot rise, when Tyranny hath stain'd fair Albion's breast with her own children's gore. Round his majestic feet deep thunders roll; each heart does tremble, and each knee grows slack. The stars of heaven tremble: the roaring voice of war, the trumpet, calls to battle! Brother in brother's blood must bathe, rivers of death! O land, most hapless! O beauteous island, how forsaken! Weep from thy silver fountains; weep from thy gentle rivers! The angel of the island weeps! Thy widowed virgins weep beneath thy shades! Thy aged fathers gird themselves for war! The sucking infant lives to die in battle; the weeping mother feeds him for the slaughter! The husbandman doth leave his bending harvest! Blood cries afar! The land doth sow itself! The glittering youth of courts must gleam in arms! The aged senators their ancient swords assume! The trembling sinews of old age must work the work of death against their progeny; for Tyranny hath stretch'd his purple arm, and "blood," he cries; "the chariots and the horses, the noise of shout, and dreadful thunder of the battle heard afar!"--Beware, O Proud! thou shalt be humbled; thy cruel brow, thine iron heart is smitten, though lingering Fate is slow. O yet may Albion smile again, and stretch her peaceful arms, and raise her golden head, exultingly! Her citizens shall throng about her
gates, her mariners shall sing upon the sea, and myriads shall to her temples crowd! Her sons shall joy as in the morning! Her daughters sing as to the rising year!

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## A WAR SONG

TO ENGLISHMEN. ${ }^{11046}$

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Prepare, prepare, the iron helm of war, Bring forth the lots, cast in the spacious orb; Th' Angel of Fate turns them with mighty hands, And casts them out upon the darken'd earth! Prepare, prepare.

Prepare your hearts for Death's cold hand! prepare Your souls for flight, your bodies for the earth!

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Prepare your arms for glorious victory! Prepare your eyes to meet a holy God! Prepare, prepare.

Whose fatal scroll is that? Methinks 'tis mine! Why sinks my heart, why faultereth my tongue? Had I three lives, I'd die in such a cause, And rise, with ghosts, over the well-fought field. Prepare, prepare.

The arrows of Almighty God are drawn! Angels of Death stand in the low'ring heavens! Thousands of souls must seek the realms of light, And walk together on the clouds of heaven! Prepare, prepare.

Soldiers, prepare! Our cause is Heaven's cause;
Soldiers, prepare! Be worthy of our cause:
Prepare to meet our fathers in the sky:
Prepare, O troops, that are to fall to-day!
Prepare, prepare.

Alfred shall smile, and make his harp rejoice; The Norman William, and the learned Clerk, And Lion Heart, and black-brow'd Edward, with His loyal queen shall rise, and welcome us!
Prepare, prepare.

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The veiled Evening walked solitary down the western hills, and Silence reposed in the valley; the birds of day were heard in their nests, rustling in brakes and thickets; and the owl and bat flew round the darkening trees: all is silent when Nature takes her repose.--In former times, on such [a]n evening, when the cold clay breathed with life, and our ancestors, who now sleep in their graves, walked on the stedfast globe, the remains of a family of the tribes of Earth, a mother and a sister were gathered to the sick bed of a youth: Sorrow linked them together, leaning on one another's necks alternately--like lilies, dropping tears in each other's bosom, they stood by the bed like reeds

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bending over a lake, when the evening drops trickle down. His voice was low as the whisperings of the woods when the wind is asleep, and the visions of Heaven unfold their visitation. "Parting is hard, and death is terrible; I seem to walk through a deep valley, far from the light of day, alone and comfortless! The damps of death fall thick upon me! Horrors stare me in the face! I look behind, there is no returning; Death follows after me; I walk in regions of Death, where no tree is; without a lantern to direct my steps, without a staff to support me."--Thus he laments through the still evening, till the curtains of darkness were drawn! Like the sound of a broken pipe, the aged woman raised her voice. "O my son, my son, I know but little of the path thou goest! But lo, there is a God, who made the world; stretch out thy hand to Him." The youth replied, like a voice heard from a sepulchre, "My hand is feeble, how should I stretch it out? My ways are sinful, how should I raise mine eyes? My voice hath used deceit, how should I call on Him who is Truth? My breath is loathsome, how should he not be offended? If I lay my face in the dust, the grave opens its mouth for me; if I lift up my head, sin covers me as a cloak! O my dear friends, pray ye for me! Stretch forth your hands, that my helper may come! Through the void space I walk between the sinful world and eternity! Beneath me burns eternal fire! O for a hand to pluck me forth!" As the voice of an omen heard in the silent valley, when the few inhabitants cling trembling together; as the voice of the Angel of Death, when the thin beams of the moon give a faint light, such was this young man's voice to his friends! Like the bubbling waters of the brook in the dead of night, the aged woman raised her cry, and said, "O Voice, that dwellest in my breast, can I not cry, and lift my eyes to heaven? Thinking of this, my spirit is turned within me into confusion! O my child, my child! is thy breath infected? So is mine. As the deer, wounded by the brooks of water, so the arrows of sin stick in my flesh; the poison hath entered into my marrow."--Like rolling waves, upon a desert shore, sighs succeeded sighs; they covered their faces, and wept! The youth lay silent--his mother's arm was
under his head; he was like a cloud tossed by the winds, till the sun shine, and the drops of rain glisten, the yellow harvest breathes, and the thankful eyes of the villagers are turned up in smiles. The traveller that hath taken shelter under an oak, eyes the distant country with joy! Such smiles were seen upon the face of the youth! a visionary hand wiped away his tears, and a ray of light beamed around his head! All was still. The moon hung not out her lamp, and the stars faintly glimmered in the

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summer sky; the breath of night slept among the leaves of the forest; the bosom of the lofty hill drank in the silent dew, while on his majestic brow the voice of Angels is heard, and stringed sounds ride upon the wings of night. The sorrowful pair lift up their heads, hovering Angels are around them, voices of comfort are heard over the Couch of Death, and the youth breathes out his soul with joy into eternity.

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Who is this, that with unerring step dares tempt the wilds, where only Nature's foot hath trod? 'Tis Contemplation, daughter of the grey Morning! Majestical she steppeth, and with her pure quill on every flower writeth Wisdom's name. Now lowly bending, whispers in mine ear, "O man, how great, how little thou! O man, slave of each moment, lord of eternity! seest thou where Mirth sits on the painted cheek? doth it not seem ashamed of such a place, and grow immoderate to brave it out? O what an humble garb true joy puts on! Those who want Happiness must stoop to find it; it is a flower that grows in every vale. Vain foolish man, that roams on lofty rocks! where, 'cause his garments are swoln with wind, he fancies he is grown into a giant! Lo then, Humility, take it, and wear it in thine heart; lord of thyself, thou then art lord of all. Clamour brawls along the streets, and destruction hovers in the city's smoak; but on these plains, and in these silent woods, true joys descend: here build thy nest; here fix thy staff; delights blossom around; numberless beauties blow; the green grass springs in joy, and the nimble air kisses the leaves; the brook stretches its arms along the velvet meadow, its silver inhabitants sport and play; the youthful sun joys like a hunter rouzed to the chace: he rushes up the sky, and lays hold on the immortal coursers of day; the sky glitters with the jingling trappings! Like a triumph, season follows season, while the airy music fills the world with joyful sounds." I answered, "Heavenly goddess! I am wrapped in mortality, my flesh is a prison, my bones the bars of death, Misery builds over our cottage roofs, and Discontent runs like a brook. Even in childhood, Sorrow slept with me in my cradle; he followed me up and down in the house when I grew up; he was my school-fellow: thus he was in my steps and in my play, till he became to me as my brother. I walked through dreary places with him, and in church-yards; and I oft found myself sitting by Sorrow on a tomb-stone!"

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Samson, the strongest of the children of men, I sing; how he was foiled by woman's arts, by a false wife brought to the gates of death! O Truth, that shinest with propitious beams, turning our earthly night to heavenly day, from presence of the Almighty Father! thou visitest our darkling world with blessed feet, bringing good news of Sin and Death destroyed! O white-robed Angel, guide my timorous hand to write as on a lofty rock with iron pens the words of truth, that all who pass may read.--Now Night, noon-tide of damned spirits, over the silent earth spreads her pavilion, while in dark council sat Philista's lords; and where strength failed, black thoughts in ambush lay. Their helmed youth and aged warriors in dust together ly, and Desolation spreads his wings over the land of Palestine; from side to side the land groans, her prowess lost, and seeks to hide her bruised head under the mists of night, breeding dark plots, For Dalila's fair arts have long been tried in vain; in vain she wept in many a treacherous tear. "Go on, fair traitress; do thy guileful work; ere once again the changing moon her circuit hath performed, thou shalt overcome, and conquer him by force unconquerable, and wrest his secret from him. Call thine alluring arts and honest-seeming brow, the holy kiss of love, and the transparent tear; put on fair linen, that with the lily vies, purple and silver; neglect thy hair, to seem more lovely in thy loose attire; put on thy country's pride, deceit; and eyes of love decked in mild sorrow, and sell thy Lord for gold."--For now, upon her sumptuous couch reclined, in gorgeous pride, she still intreats, and still she grasps his vigorous knees with her fair arms.--"Thou lov'st me not! thou'rt war, thou art not love! O foolish Dalila! O weak woman! it is death cloathed in flesh thou lovest, and thou hast been incircled in his arms!--Alas, my Lord, what am I calling thee? Thou art my God! To thee I pour my tears for sacrifice morning and evening: My days are covered with sorrow! Shut up; darkened: By night I am deceived! Who says that thou wast born Of mortal kind? Destruction was thy father, a lioness suckled thee, thy young hands tore human limbs, and gorged human flesh! Come hither, Death; art thou not Samson's servant? 'Tis Dalila that calls; thy master's wife; no, stay, and let thy master do the deed: one blow of that strong arm would ease my pain; then should I lay at quiet, and have rest. Pity forsook thee at thy birth! O Dagon furious, and all ye gods of Palestine, withdraw your hand! I am but a weak woman. Alas, I am wedded to your enemy! I will go mad, and tear my crisped hair; I'll run about, and pierce the ears o'th' gods! O Samson, hold me not; thou lovest me not! Look not upon me with those deathful eyes! Thou wouldst my death, and death approaches fast."--Thus,

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in false tears, she bath'd his feet, and thus she day by day oppressed his soul: he seemed a mountain, his brow among the clouds; she seemed a silver stream, his feet embracing. Dark tl047 thoughts rolled to and fro in his mind, like thunder
clouds, troubling the sky; his visage was troubled; his soul was distressed.--"Though I should tell her all my heart, what can I fear? Though I should tell this secret of my birth, the utmost may be warded off as well when told as now." She saw him moved, and thus resumes her wiles.--"Samson, I'm thine; do with me what thou wilt; my friends are enemies; my life is death; I am a traitor to my nation, and despised; my joy is given into the hands of him who hates me, using deceit to the wife of his bosom. Thrice hast thou mocked me, and grieved my soul. Didst thou not tell me with green withs to bind thy nervous arms, and after ${ }^{11048}$ that, when I had found thy falshood, with new ropes to bind thee fast? I knew thou didst but mock me. Alas, when in thy sleep I bound thee with them to try thy truth, I cried, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson! Then did suspicion wake thee; how didst thou rend the feeble ties! Thou fearest nought, what shouldst thou fear? Thy power is more than mortal, none can hurt thee; thy bones are brass, thy sinews are iron! Ten thousand spears are like the summer grass; an army of mighty men are as flocks in the vallies; what canst thou fear? I drink my tears like water; I live upon sorrow! O worse than wolves and tygers, what canst thou give when such a trifle is denied me? But $O$ at last thou mockest me to shame my over-fond inquiry! Thou toldest me to weave thee to the beam by thy strong hair; I did even that to try thy truth: but when I cried, The Philistines be upon thee, then didst thou leave me to bewail that Samson loved me not."--He sat, and inward griev'd, he saw and lov'd the beauteous suppliant, nor could conceal aught that might appease ber; then, leaning on her bosom, thus he spoke: "Hear, O Dalila! doubt no more of Samson's love; for that fair breast was made the ivory palace of my inmost heart, where it shall lie at rest; for sorrow is the lot of all of woman born: for care was I brought forth, and labour is my lot: not matchless might, nor wisdom, nor every gift enjoyed, can from the heart of man hide sorrow.--Twice was my birth foretold from heaven, and twice a sacred vow enjoined me that I should drink no wine, nor eat of any unclean thing, for holy unto Israel's God I am, a Nazarite even from my mother's womb. Twice was it told, that it might not be broken, Grant me a son, kind Heaven, Manoa cried; but Heaven refused! Childless he mourned, but thought his God knew best. In solitude, though not obscure, in Israel he lived, till venerable age came on: his flocks

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increased, and plenty crowned his board: beloved, revered of man! But God hath other joys in store. Is burdened Israel his grief? The son of his old age shall set it free! The venerable sweetner of his life receives the promise first from Heaven. She saw the maidens play, and blessed their innocent mirth; she blessed each new-joined pair; but from her the long-wished deliverer shall spring. Pensive, alone she sat within the house, when busy day was fading, and calm evening, time for contemplation, rose from the forsaken east, and drew the curtains of heaven; pensive she sat, and thought on Israel's grief,
and Silent prayed to Israel's God; when lo, an angel from the fields of light entered the house! His form was manhood in the prime, and from his spacious brow shot terrors through the evening shade! But mild he hailed her--Hail, highly favoured! said he; for lo, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son, and Israel's strength shall be upon his shoulders, and he shall be called Israel's Deliverer! Now therefore drink no wine, and eat not any unclean thing, for he shall be a Nazarite to God.--Then, as a neighbour when his evening tale is told, departs, his blessing leaving; so seemed he to depart: she wondered with exceeding joy, nor knew he was an angel. Manoa left his fields to sit in the house, and take his evening's rest from labour--the sweetest time that God has allotted mortal man. He sat, and heard with joy, and praised God who Israel still doth keep. The time rolled on, and Israel groaned oppressed. The sword was bright, while the plow-share rusted, till hope grew feeble, and was ready to give place to doubting: then prayed Manoa--O Lord, thy flock is scattered on the hills! The wolf teareth them, Oppression stretches his rod over our land, our country is plowed with swords, and reaped in blood! The echoes of slaughter reach from hill to hill! Instead of peaceful pipe, the shepherd bears a sword; the ox goad is turned into a spear! O when shall our Deliverer come? The Philistine riots on our flocks, our vintage is gathered by hands of enemies! Stretch forth thy hand, and save.--Thus prayed Manoa. The aged woman walked into the field, and lo, again the angel came! Clad as a traveller fresh risen on his journey, she ran and called her husband, who came and talked with him.--O man of God, said he, thou comest from far! Let us detain thee while I make ready a kid, that thou mayest sit and eat, and tell us of thy name and warfare; that when thy sayings ${ }^{\text {t1049 }}$ come to pass, we may honour thee. The Angel answered, My name is wonderful; enquire not after it, seeing it is a secret: but, if thou wilt, offer an offering unto the Lord."

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then She bore Pale desire father of Curiosity a Virgin ever young. And after. Leaden Sloth from whom came Ignorance. who brought forth wonder. These are the Gods which Came from fear. for Gods like these. nor male nor female are but Single Pregnate or if they list together mingling bring forth mighty powrs[.] She knew them not yet they all war with Shame and Strengthen her weak arm. ${ }^{t 1051}$ But Pride awoke nor knew that Joy was born. and taking Poisnous Seed from her own Bowels. in the Monster Shame infusd. forth Came Ambition Crawling like a toad Pride Bears it in her Bosom. and the Gods. all bow to it. So Great its Power. that Pride inspird by it Prophetic Saw the Kingdoms of the World \& all their Glory. Giants of Mighty arm before the flood. Cains City. built With Murder. Then Babel mighty Reard him to the Skies. Babel with thousand tongues Confusion it was calld. and Givn to Shame. this Pride observing ${ }^{t 1052}$ inly Grievd. but knew not that. the rest was Givn to Shame as well as this. ${ }^{11053}$ Then Nineva \& Babylon \& Costly tyre. And evn Jerusalem was Shewn. the holy City. Then Athens Learning \& the Pride of Greece. and further from [P 2] the Rising Sun. was Rome Seated on Seven hills the mistress of the world. Emblem of Pride She Saw the Arts their treasures Bring and luxury his bounteous table Spread. but now a Cloud oercasts. and back to th'East. to Constantines Great City Empire fled, Ere long to bleed \& die a Sacrifice done by a Priestly hand[.] So once the Sun his. Chariot drew. back. to prolong a Good kings life.
The Cloud oer past \& Rome now Shone again Miterd \& Crown'd with triple crown. Then Pride was better Pleasd She Saw the World fall down in Adoration[.] t1054 But now full to the Setting Sun a Sun arose out of the Sea. it rose \& shed Sweet Influence oer the Earth Pride feared for her City, but not long. for looking Stedfastly She saw that Pride Reignd here. Now Direful Pains accost her. and Still pregnant. so Envy came \& Hate. twin progeny Envy hath a Serpents head of fearful bulk hissing with hundred
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tongues, her poisnous breath breeds Satire foul Contagion from which none are free. oer whelmd by ever During Thirst She Swalloweth her own Poison. which consumes her nether Parts. from whence a River Springs. Most Black \& loathsom through the land it Runs Rolling with furious [p 3] Noise. but at the last it Settles in a lake called Oblivion. tis at this Rivers fount where evry mortals Cup is Mix't My Cup is fill'd with Envy's Rankest Draught ${ }^{t 1055}$ a miracle No less can set me Right. Desire Still Pines but for
one Cooling Drop and tis Deny'd, while others in Contentments downy Nest do sleep, it is the Cursed thorn wounding my breast that makes me sing. however sweet tis Envy that Inspires my Song. prickt. by the fame of others how I mourn and my complaints are Sweeter than their Joys but O could I at Envy Shake my hands. my notes Should Rise to meet the New born Day. Hate Meager hag Sets Envy on unable to Do ought herself. but Worn away a Bloodless Daemon The Gods all Serve her at her will so great her Power is[.] like. fabled hecate She doth bind them to her law. Far in a Direful Cave She lives unseen Closd from the Eye of Day. to the hard Rock transfixt by fate and here She works her witcheries that when She Groans She Shakes the Solid Ground Now Envy She controlls with numming trance \& Melancholy Sprung from her dark womb There is a Melancholy, O how lovely tis whose heaven is in the heavenly Mind for she from heaven came, and where She goes heaven still doth follow her. She [p 4.] brings ${ }^{t 1056}$ true joy once fled. \& Contemplation is her Daughter. Sweet Contemplation. She brings humility to man Take her She Says \& wear her in thine heart lord of thy Self thou then art lord of all. ${ }^{\text {t1057 Tis }}$ Contemplation teacheth knowledge truly how to know. and Reinstates him on his throne once lost how lost I'll tell. But Stop the motley Song I'll Shew. how Conscience Came from heaven. But O who listens to his Voice. T'was Conscience who brought Melancholy down Conscience was sent a Guard to Reason. Reason once fairer than the light till fould in Knowledges dark Prison house. For knowledge drove sweet Innocence away. and Reason would have followd but fate sufferd not. Then down Came conscience With his lovely band The Eager Song Goes on telling how Pride against her father Warrd \& Overcame. Down his white Beard the Silver torrents Roll. and Swelling Sighs burst forth his Children all in arms appear to tear him from his throne Black was the deed. most Black. Shame in a Mist Sat Round his troubled bead. \& filld him with Confusion. Fear as a torrent wild Roard Round his throne the mighty pillars shake Now all the Gods in blackning Ranks appear. like a tempestuous thunder Cloud Pride leads. them on. Now they
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Surround the God. and bind him fast. Pride bound him, then usurpd oer all the Gods. She Rode upon the Swelling wind and Scatterd all who durst t'oppose. but Shame opposing fierce and hovering. over her in the darkning Storm. She brought forth Rage. ${ }^{\text {tlo58 }}$ Mean while Strife Mighty Prince was born Envy in direful Pains him bore. then Envy brought forth Care. Care Sitteth in the wrinkled brow. Strife Shapeless Sitteth under thrones of kings. like Smouldring fire. or in the Buzz of Cities flies abroad Care brought forth Covet Eyeless \& prone to th' [p 5] Earth, and Strife brought forth Revenge. Hate brooding in her Dismal den grew Pregnant \& bore ${ }^{t 1059}$ Scorn, \& Slander. Scorn waits on Pride. but Slander. flies around the World to do the Work of hate her drudge \& Elf. but Policy doth drudge for hate as well as Slander. \& oft makes use of her. Policy Son of Shame. Indeed
hate Controlls all the Gods. at will. Policy brought forth Guile \& fraud. these Gods last namd live in the Smoke of Cities. on Dusky wing breathing forth Clamour \& Destruction. alas in Cities wheres the man whose face is not a mask unto his heart Pride made a Goddess. fair or Image rather till knowledge animated it. 'twas Calld Selflove. The Gods admiring loaded her with Gifts as once Pandora She 'mongst men was Sent. and worser ills attended her by far. She was a Goddess Powerful \& bore Conceit and Shame bore honour \& made league with Pride \& Policy doth ${ }^{t 1060}$ dwell with her by whom she [had] Mistrust \& Suspition. Then bore a Daughter called Emulation. who. married. honour these follow her around the World[.] Go See the City friends Joind Hand in Hand. Go See. the Natural the of flesh \& blood. Go See more strong the ties of marriage love, thou Scarce Shall find but Self love Stands Between

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Woe cried the muse tears Started at the Sound. Grief perch't upon my brow and thought Embracd Her. What does this mean I cried. when all around. Summer hath Spre'd her Plumes and tunes her ${ }^{t 1062}$ Notes. When Buxom joy doth. fan his wings. \& Golden Pleasures Beam around my head. why. Grief dost thou accost me. The Muse then Struck her Deepest string ${ }^{11063}$ \& Sympathy Came forth. She Spred her awful Wings. \& gave me up. my Nerves with trembling Curdle all my blood. \& ev'ry piece of flesh doth Cry out Woe. how soon ${ }^{t 1064}$ the Winds Sing round the Darkning Storm ere while so fair. and now they fall \& beg the Skies will weep. a Day like this laid Elfrid in the Dust. Sweet Elfrid fairer than the

Beaming Sun O Soon cut off ith ${ }^{t 1065}$ morning of her days. twas the Rude thunder Stroke that Closd her Eyes. and laid her lilied Beauties on the Green, The dance was broke the Circle just Begun the flower was Pluckd \& yet it was not blown. But what art thou! I could no more. till mute attention Struck my listning ${ }^{t 1066}$ Ear. It Spoke I come my friend to take my last farewell. Sunk by. the hand of Death in Wat'ry tomb Oer yonder lake swift t1067 as the Nightly Blast that Blights the Infant Bud The winds their Sad complainings bear. for. Conrade lost untimely lost thy Conrade once. When living thee I lovd. ev'n unto Death now Dead. Ill guard thee from approaching ill. farewell my time is gone, it Said no more. but vanished. ever from my Sight
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In the Moon, is a certain Island near by a mighty continent, which small island seems to have some affinity to England. \& what is more extraordinary the people are so much alike \& their language so much the same that you would think you was among your friends. in this Island dwells three Philosophers Suction, the Epicurean, Quid the Cynic, \& Sipsop, the Pythagorean. I call them by the names of these sects tho the sects are not ever mentiond there as being quite out of date however the things still remain, and the vanities are the same. the three Philosophers sat together thinking of nothing. in comes--Etruscan Column the Antiquarian \& after an abundance of Enquiries to no purpose sat himself down \& described something that nobody listend to so they were employd when Mrs Gimblet came in [tipsy] the corners of her mouth seemd I dont know how, but very odd as if she hoped you had not an ill opinion of her. to be sure we are all poor creatures. well she seated \& [listend] seemd to listen with great attention while the Antiquarian seemd to be talking of virtuous cats, but it was not so. she was thinking of the shape of her eyes \& mouth \& he was thinking, of his eternal fame the three Philosophers at this time were each endeavouring ${ }^{t 1069}$ to conceal [the] his laughter, (not at them but) at his own imaginations this was the situation of this improving company, when in a great hurry, Inflammable Gass the Wind finder enterd. they seemd to rise \& salute each other Etruscan Column \& Inflammable Gass fixd their eyes on each other, their tongues went in question \& answer, but their thoughts were otherwise employd I dont like his eyes said Etruscan Column. he's a foolish puppy said Inflammable Gass, smiling on him. the 3 Philosophers [Quid] [<the

Elder> ${ }^{\text {t1070] }}$ ] the Cynic smiling the Epicurean seeming [not] studying the flame of the candle \& the Pythagorean playing with the cat, listend with open mouths to the edifying discourses.

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Sir said the Antiquarian I have seen these works \& I do affirm that they are no such thing. they seem to me to be the most wretched paltry flimsy Stuff that ever--What d'ye say What dye say said Inflammable Gass, why why I wish I could see you write so. Sir said the Antiquarian, according to my opinion the author is an errant blockhead.--Your reason Your reason said Inflammable Gass--why why I think it very abominable to call a man a blockhead that you know nothing of.--Reason Sir said the Antiquarian I'll give you an example for your reason As I was walking along the street I saw a <vast> number of swallows on the [top of an house] rails of an old Gothic square they seemd to be going on their passage, as Pliny says as I was looking up, a little outre<accent> fellow pulling me by the sleeve cries pray Sir who do all they belong to. I turnd my self about with great [[An Island in the Moon] P 2] contempt. Said I, Go along you
said he who do you call fool I only askd you a civil question--[here Etr] I had a great mind to have thrashd the fellow only he was bigger than I--here Etruscan column left off--Inflammable Gass, recollecting himself Indeed I do not think the man was a fool for he seems to me to have been desirous of enquiring into the works of nature--На Ha Ha said the Pythagorean. it was reechod by [the] Inflammable Gass to overthrow the argument--Etruscan Column then star $[t]$ ing up \& clenching both his fists was prepared to give a formal answer to the company But $\mathrm{Ob}[t]$ use Angle, entering the room having made a gentle bow, proceeded to empty his pockets of a vast number of papers, turned about \& sat down wiped his [head]
<face> with his pocket handkerchief \& shutting his eyes began to scratch his head--well gentlemen said he what is the cause of strife the Cynic answerd. they are only quarreling about Voltaire--Yes said the Epicurean \& having a bit of fun with him. And said the Pythagorean endeavoring to incorporate their souls with their bodies
Obtuse Angle giving a grin said Voltaire understood nothing of the Mathematics and a man must be a fool ifaith not to understand the Mathematics
Inflammable Gass turning round hastily in his chair said Mathematics he found out a number of Queries in Philosophy. Obtuse Angle shutting his eyes \& saying that he always understood better when he shut his eyes [It is not of use to make] <said> In the first place it is of no use for a man to make Queries but to solve them, for a man may be a fool \& make Queries but a man must have good sound sense to solve them. a query \& an answer are as different as a strait line \& a crooked one. secondly I, I, I. aye Secondly, Voltaire's a fool, says the

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Epicurean--.Pooh says the Mathematician scratching his head with double violence, it is not worth Quarreling about.--The Antiquarian
here got up--\& hemming twice to shew the strength of his Lungs, said but my Good Sir, Voltaire was immersed in matter, \& seems to have understood very little but what he saw before his eyes, like the Animal upon the Pythagoreans lap always playing with its own tail. Ha Ha Ha said Inflammable Gass he was the Glory of France--I have got a bottle of air that would spread a Plague. here the Antiquarian shruggd up his shoulders \& was silent [talkd for half an hour] while Inflammable Gass talkd for half an hour When Steelyard <the lawgiver> coming in stalking--with an act of parliament in his hand said that it was a shameful thing that acts of parliament should be in a free state, it had so engrossed his mind that he did not salute the company Mrs Gimblet drew her mouth downwards

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Tilly Lally the Siptippidist Aradobo, the dean of Morocco, [Miss] Miss Gittipin [\&] Mrs Nannicantipot, <Mrs
Sigtagatist> ${ }^{t 1071}$ Gibble Gabble the wife of Inflammable Gass--\& Little Scopprell enterd the room (If I have not presented you with every character in the piece call me *Arse--) ${ }^{t 1072}$

In the Moon as Phebus stood over his oriental Gardening O ay come Ill sing you a song said the Cynic. the trumpeter shit in his hat said the Epicurean \& clapt it on his head said the Pythagorean Ill begin again said the Cynic
Little Phebus came strutting in
With his fat belly \& his round chin
What is it you would please to have
Но Нo
I wont let it go at only so \& so
Mrs Gimblet lookd as if they meant her. Tilly Lally laught like a Cherry clapper. Aradobo askd who was Phebus Sir. Obtuse

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Angle answerd, quickly, He was the God of Physic, Painting Perspective Geometry Geography Astronomy, Cookery, Chymistry [Conjunctives] Mechanics, Tactics Pathology Phraseology Theolog[y] Mythology Astrology Osteology, Somatology in short every art \& science adorn'd him as beads round his neck. here Aradobo lookd Astonishd \& askd if he understood Engraving--Obtuse Angle Answerd indeed he did.--Well said the other he was as great as Chatterton. Tilly Lally turnd round to Obtuse Angle \& askd who it was that was as great as Chatterton. Hay, how should I know Answerd Obtuse Angle who was It Aradobo. why sir said he the Gentleman that the song was about. Ah said

Tilly Lally I did not hear it. what was it Obtuse Angle. Pooh said he Nonsense. Mhm said Tilly Lally--it was Phebus said the Epicurean Ah that was the Gentleman said Aradobo. Pray Sir said Tilly Lally who was Phebus. Obtuse Angle answerd the heathens in the old ages usd to have Gods that they worshipd \& they usd to sacrifice to them you have read about that in the bible. Ah said Aradobo I thought I had read of Phebus in the Bible.--Aradobo you should always think [of what you st] before you speak said Obtuse Angle--Ha Ha Ha he means Pharaoh said Tilly Lally--I am ashamd of you making [[An Island in the Moon] P 4] use of the names [of] in the Bible said Mrs. Sigtagatist. Ill tell
you what Mrs Sinagain I dont think theres any harm in it, said Tilly Lally--No said Inflammable Gass. I have got a camera obscura at home what was it you was talking about. Law said Tilly Lally what has that to do with Pharaoh--. Pho nonsense hang Pharoh \& all his host said the Pythagorean sing away Quid--
Then the Cynic sung
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And I ask the Gods no more
No more No more | the three Philosophers
No more No more | bear Chorus
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Hang names said the Pythagorean whats Pharoh better than Phebus or Phebus than Pharoh. hang them both said the Cynic Dont be

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prophane said Mrs Sigtagatist. Why said Mrs Nannicantipot I dont think its prophane to say hang Pharoh. ah said Mrs, Sinagain, I'm sure you ought to hold your tongue, for you never say any thing about the scriptures, \& you hinder your husband from going to church--Ha Ha said Inflammable Gass what dont you like to go to church. no said Mrs Nannicantipot I think a person may be as good at home. If I had not a place of profit that forces me to go to church said Inflammable Gass Id see the parsons all hangd a parcel of lying--O said Mrs Sigtagatist if it was not for churches \& chapels I should not have livd so long--there was I up in a Morning at four o clock when I was a Girl. I would run like the dickins till I was all in a heat. I would stand till I was ready to sink into the earth. ah Mr Huffcap would kick the bottom of the Pulpit out, with Passion, would tear off the sleeve of his Gown, \& set his wig on fire \& throw it at the people hed cry \& stamp \& kick \& sweat and all for the good of their souls.--Im sure he must be a wicked villain said Mrs Nannicantipot a passionate wretch. If I was a man Id wait at the bottom of the pulpit stairs \& knock him down \& run away.--You would You Ignorant jade I wish I could see you hit
any of the ministers. you deserve to have your ears boxed you do.--Im sure this is not religion answers the [[An Island in the Moon] P 5] other--Then Mr Inflammable Gass ran \& shovd his head into the fire \& set his [head] hair all in a flame \& ran about the room--No No he did not I was only making a fool of you
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Obtuse Angle Scopprell Aradobo \& Tilly Lally are all met in Obtuse Angles study--
Pray said Aradobo is Chatterton a Mathematician. No said Obtuse Angle how <can you> be so foolish as to think he was. Oh I did not think he was I only askd said Aradobo. How could you think he was not, \& ask if he was said Obtuse Angle.--<Oh no Sir> I did think he was before you told me but afterwards I thought he was not
Obtuse Angle said in the first place you thought he was [not] \& then afterwards when I said he was not you thought he was not. <why I know that> t1073 --Oh no sir I thought that lie was not but I askd t to know whether he was.--How can that be said Obtuse Angle how could you ask \& think that he was not--why said he. It came into my bead that he was not--Why then said Obtuse Angle you said that he was. Did I say so Law I did

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not think I said that--Did not he said Obtuse Angle Yes said Scopprell. But I meant said Aradobo I I I cant think Law Sir I wish youd tell me, how it is
Then Obtuse Angle put his chin in his hand \& said when ever you think you must always think for yourself--How Sir said Aradobo, whenever I think I must think myself--I think I do--in the first place said he with a grin--Poo Poo said Obtuse Angle dont be a fool--
Then Tilly Lally took up a Quadrant \& askd. [what is this gim crank for]. Is not this a sun dial. Yes said Scopprell but its broke--at this moment the three Philosophers enterd and lowring darkness hoverd oer th assembly.
Come said the Epicurean lets have some rum \& water \& hang the mathematics come Aradobo say some thing then Aradobo began In the first place I think I think in the first place that Chatterton was clever at Fissic Follogy, Pistinology, Aridology, Arography, Transmography Phizography, Hogamy HAtomy, \& hall that but <in the first place> he eat wery little wickly that is he slept very little which he brought into a consumsion, \& what was that that he took [Cha] Fissic or somethink \& so died So all the people in the book enterd into the room \& they could not talk any more to the present purpose

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They all went home \& left the Philosophers. then Suction Askd if Pindar was not a better Poet, than Ghiotto was a Painter Plutarch has not the life of Ghiotto said Sipsop no said Quid to be sure he was an Italian. well said Suction that is not any proof. Plutarch was a nasty ignorant puppy said Quid I hate your sneaking rascals. theres Aradobo in [twen[ty]] ten or twelve years will be a far superior genius. Ah, said the Pythagorean Aradobo will make a very clever fellow. why said Quid I think that $[a]$ <any> natural fool would make a clever fellow if he was properly brought up--Ah hang your reasoning said the Epicurean I hate reasoning I do every thing by my feelings--

Ah said Sipsop, I only wish Jack [Hunter] Tearguts had had the cutting of Plutarch he understands anatomy better than any of the Ancients hell plunge his knife up to the hilt in a single drive and thrust his fist in, and all in the space of a

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Quarter of an hour. he does not mind their crying--tho they cry ever so hell Swear at them \& keep them down with his fist \& tell them that hell scrape their bones if they dont lay still \& be quiet--What the devil should the people in the hospital that have it done for nothing, make such a piece of work for Hang that said Suction let us have a Song Then [Sipsop sang] the Cynic sang

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From them a callow babe did spring
And old corruption smild
To think his race should never end
For now he had a child

3
He calld him Surgery \& fed
The babe with his own milk
For flesh \& he could neer agree
She would not let him suck

4
And this he always kept in mind And formd a crooked knife

And ran about with bloody hands
To seek his mothers life

5
And as he ran to seek his mother
He met with a dead woman
He fell in love \& married her
A deed which is not common

6
She soon grew pregnant \& brought forth Scurvy \& spotted fever

IM-6-WhenOld; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld25; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld26; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld27; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld28; E455|

IM-6-WhenOld; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld29; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld30; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld31; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld32; E455|

IM-6-WhenOld; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld33; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld34; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld35; E455|
IM-6-WhenOld36; E455|

IM-6-prose23; E455|
IM-6-prose24; E455|
IM-6-prose25; E455|
IM-6-prose26; E455|
IM-6-prose27; E455|
IM-6-prose28; E455|

The father grind \& skipt about And said I'm made for ever

## 7

For now I have procurd these imps
Ill try experiments
With that he tied poor scurvy down \& stopt up all its vents

And when the child began to swell
He shouted out aloud
Ive found the dropsy out \& soon
Shall do the world more good

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He took up fever by the neck
And cut out all its spots
And thro the holes which he had made
He first discoverd guts

## IM; E455| Chap 7

IM-7-prose1; E455|
IM-7-prose2; E455|
IM-7-prose3; E455|
IM-7-prose4; E455|
IM-7-prose5; E455|
IM-7-prose6; E455|
IM-7-prose7; E455|

IM-7-prose8; E456|
IM-7-prose9; E456|
IM-7-prose 10; E456|

Good night said Sipsop, Good night said the other two then [they] Quid \& Suction were left alone. then said Quid I think that Homer is bombast \& Shakespeare is too wild \& Milton has no feelings they might be easily outdone Chatterton never writ those poems. a parcel of fools going to Bristol--if I was to go Id find it out in a minute. but Ive found it out already-- If I dont knock them all up next year in the

Exhibition Ill be hangd said Suction. hang Philosophy I would not give a farthing for it do all by your feelings and never think at all about it. Im hangd if I dont get up to morrow

IM-7-prose11; E456|
IM-7-prose12; E456|
IM-7-prose13; E456| IM-7-prose14; E456|
morning by four o clock \& work Sir Joshua-- Before ten years are at an end said Quid how I will work these poor milk [[An Island in the Moon] P 8] sop devils, an ignorant pack of wretches So they went to bed
im; E456| Chap 8

IM-8-prose1; E456|
IM-8-prose2; E456|
IM-8-prose3; E456|
IM-8-prose4; E456|
IM-8-prose5; E456|

Steelyard the Lawgiver, sitting at his table taking extracts from Herveys Meditations among the tombs \& Youngs Night thoughts. [This is unfair and ?I ?think] He is not able to hurt me (said he) more than making me Constable or taking away the parish business. Hah!

IM-8; E456] [O what a scene is here what a disguise]
IM-8; E456| My crop of corn is but a field of tares

IM-8-prose6; E456|
IM-8-prose7; E456|
IM-8-prose8; E456|

Says Jerome happiness is not for us poor crawling reptiles of the earth Talk of happiness \& happiness its no such thing--every person has a something

IM-8; E456|
IM-8; E456|
IM-8; E456|
IM-8; E456|

Hear then the pride \& knowledge of a Sailor ${ }^{\text {t1074 }}$
His sprit sail fore sail main sail \& his mizen
A poor frail man god wot I know none frailer
I know no greater sinner than John Taylor

IM-8-prose9; E456|
IM-8-prose10; E456|

IM-8; E456| The wreck of matter \& the crush of worlds
IM-8-prose11; E456|

IM-8-prose 12; E456|
IM-8-prose13; E456|
IM-8-prose14; E456|
IM-8-prose15; E456|
IM-8-prose16; E456|
IM-8-prose17; E456| IM-8-prose18; E456|

If I had only myself to care for I'd soon make Double Elephant look foolish, \& Filligree work I hope shall live to see--
as Younge says

Obtuse Angle enterd the Room. What news Mr Steelyard--I am Reading Theron \& Aspasio, said he. Obtuse Angle took up the books one by one I dont find it here said he. Oh no said the other it was the meditations. Obtuse Angle took up the book \& read till the other was quite tir'd out Then Scopprell \& Miss Gittipin, coming in Scopprell took up a book \& read <the following passage.>

An Easy of [Human] <Huming> Understanding by John

IM-8-prose21; E456|
IM-8-prose22; E456|
IM-8-prose23; E456|
IM-8-prose24; E456|
IM-8-prose25; E456|
IM-8-prose26; E456|
IM-8-prose27; E456|

IM-8-prose28; E457|
IM-8-prose29; E457|
IM-8-prose30; E457|
IM-8-prose31; E457|
IM-8-prose32; E457|
IM-8-prose33; E457|
IM-8-prose34; E457|
IM-8-prose35; E457|
IM-8-prose36; E457|
IM-8-prose37; E457|
IM-8-prose38; E457|
IM-8-prose39; E457|
IM-8-prose40; E457|
IM-8-prose41; E457|
IM-8-prose42; E457|
IM-8-prose43; E457|
IM-8-prose44; E457|
IM-8-prose45; E457|
IM-8-prose46; E457|
IM-8-prose47; E457|
IM-8-prose48; E457|
IM-8-prose49; E457|
IM-8-prose50; E457|
IM-8-prose51; E457|
IM-8-prose52; E457|
IM-8-prose53; E457|
IM-8-prose54; E457|
IM-8-prose55; E457|
IM-8-prose56; E457|
IM-8-prose57; E457|
IM-8-prose58; E457|
IM-8-prose59; E457|
IM-8-prose60; E457|
IM-8-prose61; E457|

John Locke said Obtuse Angle. O ay Lock said Scopprell. [Its a book about]
Now here said Miss Gittipin I never saw such company in my life. you are always talking of your books I like to be where we talk.--you had better take a walk, that we may have some pleasure I am sure I never see any pleasure. theres Double Elephants Girls they have their
own way, \& theres Miss Filligree work she goes out in her coaches \& her footman \& her maids \& Stormonts \& Balloon hats \& a pair of
Gloves every day \& the sorrows of Werter \& Robinsons \& the Queen of Frances Puss colour \& my Cousin Gibble Gabble says that I am like nobody else I might as well be in a nunnery There they go in Post chaises \& Stages to Vauxhall \& Ranelagh And I hardly know what a coach is, except when I go to [ P 9]
Mr Jacko's he knows
what riding is [he does not] \& his wife is the most agreeable woman you hardly know she has a tongue in her head and he is the funniest fellow, \& I do believe he'll go in partnership with his master. \& they have black servants lodge at their house I never saw such a place in my life he says he as Six \& twenty rooms in his house, and I believe it \& he is not such a liar as Quid thinks he is. [but he is always
Envying] Poo Poo hold your tongue hold your tongue, said the Lawgiver. this quite provokd Miss Gittipin to interrupt her in her favourite topic \& she proceeded to use every Provoking speech that ever she could, \& he bore it <more> like a Saint than a Lawgiver and with great Solemnity he addressd the company in these words
They call women the weakest vessel but I think they are the strongest A girl has always more tongue than a boy I have seen a little brat no higher than a nettle \& she had as much tongue as a city clark but a boy would be such a fool not have any thing to say and if any body askd him a question he would put his head into a hole \& hide it. I am sure I take but little pleasure you have as much pleasure as I have. there I stand \& bear every fools insult. if I had only myself to care for, I'd wring off their noses
To this Scopprell answerd. I think the Ladies discourses Mr Steelyard are some of them more improving than any book. that is the way I have got some of my knowledge

IM-8-"Phoebe" 1; E457|
IM-8-"Phoebe"2; E457|
IM-8-"Phoebe"3; E457|
IM-8-"Phoebe"4; E457|

IM-8-"Phoebe"5; E457|
IM-8-"Phoebe"6; E457|
IM-8-"Phoebe"7; E457|
IM-8-"Phoebe"8; E457|

IM-8-"Phoebe"9; E457|
IM-8-"Phoebe" 10; E457|
IM-8-"Phoebe" 11; E457|
IM-8-"Phoebe"12; E457|

Then said Miss Gittipin, Mr Scopprell do you know the song of Phebe and Jellicoe--no Miss said Scopprell--then she repeated these verses while Steelyard walkd about the room

> Phebe drest like beauties Queen Jellicoe in faint peagreen
> Sitting all beneath a grot
> Where the little lambkins trot ${ }^{t 1076}$

Maidens dancing loves a sporting
All the country folks a courting
Susan Johnny Bet \& Joe
Lightly tripping on a row

Happy people who can be In happiness compard with ye t1077 The Pilgrim with his crook \& hat Sees your happiness compleat

IM-8-prose65; E458|
IM-8-prose66; E458|
IM-8-prose67; E458|

A charming Song indeed miss said Scopprell [That was all for] here they recievd a summons for a merry making at the Philosophers house

ED-IM; E458|
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IM; E458| Chap 9

IM-9-prose 1; E458| IM-9-prose2; E458|

I say this evening [we'd] <we'll> all get drunk. I say dash. an Anthem an Anthem, said Suction

IM-9-"LoTheBat"1; E458|
IM-9-"LoTheBat"2; E458|
IM-9-"LoTheBat"3; E458|
IM-9-"LoTheBat"4; E458|
IM-9-"LoTheBat"5; E458|

IM-9-"LoTheBat"6; E458|
IM-9-"LoTheBat"7; E458|
IM-9-"LoTheBat"8; E458| IM-9-"LoTheBat"9; E458|

Lo the Bat with Leathern wing
Winking \& blinking
Winking \& blinking
Winking \& blinking
Like Doctor Johnson

Quid-----O ho Said Doctor Johnson
To Scipio Africanus
If you dont own me a Philosopher
Ill kick your Roman Anus

IM-9-"LoTheBat"10; E458|
IM-9-"LoTheBat"11; E458|
IM-9-"LoTheBat"12; E458|
IM-9-"LoTheBat"13; E458|

IM-9-"LoTheBat"14; E458|

Suction--A ha To Doctor Johnson
Said Scipio Africanus
Lift up my Roman Petticoatt
And kiss my Roman Anus

And the Cellar goes down with a Step (Grand Chorus

IM-9-prose3; E458|
IM-9-prose4; E458|

Ho Ho Ho Ho Ho Ho Ho Hooooo my poooooor siiides I I should die if I was to live here said Scopprell Ho Ho Ho Ho Ho

| Im-9; E458\| | 1st Vo Want Matches |
| :--- | :--- |
| Im-9; E458\| | 2d Vo Yes Yes Yes |
| Im-9; E458\| | 1 Vo Want Matches |
| Im-9; E458\| | 2d Vo No--------- |


| Im-9; E458\| | 1st Vo Want Matches |
| :--- | :--- |
| Im-9; E458\| | 2d Vo Yes Yes Yes |
| Im-9; E458\| | 1st Vo Want Matches |
| IM-9; E458\| | 2d Vo No--------- |

IM-9-prose5; E458|
IM-9-prose6; E458|
IM-9-prose7; E458|

Here was Great confusion \& disorder Aradobo said that the boys in the street sing something very pritty \& funny [about London O no] about Matches Then Mrs Nannicantipot sung

IM-9; E458| I cry my matches as far as Guild hall
im-9; E458 God bless the duke \& his aldermen all

IM-9-prose8; E458| Then sung Scopprell
im-9; E458| I ask the Gods no more
IM-9; E458| no more no more

IM-9-prose9; E459|
IM-9-prose10; E459

Then Said Suction come Mr Lawgiver your song and the Lawgiver sung

As I walkd forth one may morning

To see the fields so pleasant \& so gay
O there did I spy a young maiden sweet

IM-9; E459|
IM-9; E459|
IM-9; E459|
IM-9; E459|

IM-9-prose; E459|
IM-9-prose; E459|
IM-9-prose; E459|
IM-9-prose; E459|
IM-9-prose; E459|
IM-9-prose; E459|
IM-9-prose; E459|
IM-9; E459|
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IM-9; E459|

IM-9-prose18; E459|
IM-9-prose19; E459|
IM-9-prose20; E459|

IM-9-ThisFrog; E459|
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IM-9-ThisFrog; E459|
IM-9-ThisFrog; E459|

IM-9-prose21; E459|

IM-9; E459| And I ask the gods no more <then she sung>

Kitty alone Kitty alone
This frog he would a wooing ride
Kitty alone \& I
Sing cock I cary Kitty alone tl079
Kitty alone Kitty alone
Cock I cary Kitty alone
Kitty alone \& I

Among the Violets that smell so sweet
Smell so sweet
Smell so sweet
Among the Violets that smell so sweet

Hang your Violets heres your Rum \& water [sweeter] O ay said Tilly Lally. Joe Bradley \& I was going along one day in the Sugar house Joe Bradley saw for he had but one eye [?one] saw a treacle Jar So he goes of his blind side \& dips his hand up to the shoulder in treacle. here [ $l l]$ lick lick lick said he На На На На На For he had but one eye Ha Ha Ha Ho then sung Scopprell
And I ask the Gods no more
no more no more
no more no more

Miss Gittipin said he you sing like a harpsichord. let your bounty descend to our fair ears and favour us with a fine song

This frog he would a wooing ride t1078

Charming truly elegant said Scopprell

Fa ra so bo ro
IM-9; E459|
Fa ra bo ra

IM-9; E459|
IM-9; E459|
IM-9; E459|
IM-9; E459|

Sa ba ra ra ba rare roro
Sa ra ra ra bo ro ro ro
Radara
Sarapodo no flo ro

IM-9-prose23; E460|
IM-9-prose24; E460|
IM-9-prose25; E460|

Hang Italian songs lets have English said Quid [Sing a Mathematical Song Obtuse Angle then he sung] <English Genius for ever here I go>

| Im-9-HailMatrimony1; E460\| | Hail Matrimony made of Love |
| :---: | :---: |
| IM-9-HailMatrimony2; E460\| | To thy wide gates how great a drove |
| Im-9-HailMatrimony3; E460\| | On purpose to be yok'd do come |
| Im-9-HailMatrimony4; E460\| | Widows \& maids \& Youths also |
| IM-9-HailMatrimony5; E460\| | That lightly trip on beauty's toe |
| IM-9-HailMatrimony6; E460\| | Or sit on beauty's bum |
| IM-9-HailMatrimony7; E460\| | Hail fingerfooted lovely Creatures |
| IM-9-HailMatrimony8; E460\| | The females of our human Natures |
| Im-9-HailMatrimony9; E460\| | Formed to suckle all Mankind |
| IM-9-HailMatrimony 10; E460\| | Tis you that come in time of need |
| IM-9-HailMatrimony 11; E460\| | Without you we shoud never Breed |
| IM-9-HailMatrimony 12; E460\| | Or any Comfort find |
| Im-9-HailMatrimony 13; E460\| | For if a Damsel's blind or lame |
| IM-9-HailMatrimony 14; E460\| | Or Nature's hand has crooked her frame |

ED; E460| [An Island in the Moon] PAGE 12
IM-9-HailMatrimony 15 ; E460| Or if she's deaf or is wall eyed

IM-9-HailMatrimony 16; E460|
IM-9-HailMatrimony 17; E460|
IM-9-HailMatrimony 18; E460|

IM-9-HailMatrimony 19; E460|
IM-9-HailMatrimony20; E460|

IM-9-HailMatrimony21; E460|
IM-9-HailMatrimony22; E460|
IM-9-HailMatrimony23; E460|

Yet if her heart is well inclined
Some tender lover she shall find
That panteth for a Bride t108o

The universal Poultice this
To cure whatever is amiss

In damsel or in Widow gay
It makes them smile it makes them skip Like Birds just cured of the pip

IM-9-HailMatrimony25; E460|
IM-9-HailMatrimony26; E460|
IM-9-HailMatrimony27; E460|

They chirp \& hop away

Then come ye Maidens come ye Swains
Come \& be eased of all your pains In Matrimony's Golden cage--

IM-9-prose26; E460|
IM-9-prose27; E460|
IM-9-prose28; E460|
IM-9-prose29; E460|
IM-9-prose30; E460|
IM-9-prose31; E460|
IM-9-prose32; E460|

IM-9-ToBeOrNot1; E460|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot2; E460|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot3; E460|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot4; E460|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot5; E460|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot6; E460|

IM-9-ToBeOrNot7; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot8; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot9; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot10; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot11; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot12; E461|

IM-9-ToBeOrNot13; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot14; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot15; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot16; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot17; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot18; E461|

IM-9-ToBeOrNot19; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot20; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot21; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot22; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot23; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot24; E461|

I [None of] Go \& be hanged said Scopprel how can you have the face to make game of Matrimony--[What you skipping flea how dare ye? Ill dash you through your chair says the Cynic This Quid (cries out Miss Gittipin) always spoils good company in this manner \& its a shame]
Then Quid calld upon Obtuse Angle for a Song \& he wiping his face \& looking on the corner of the cieling Sang

To be or not to be<br>Of great capacity<br>Like Sir Isaac Newton<br>Or Locke or Doctor South<br>Or Sherlock upon death Id rather be Sutton

For he did build a house
For aged men \& youth
With walls of brick \& stone He furnishd it within
With whatever he could win And all his own

He drew out of the Stocks
His money in a box
And sent his servant
To Green the Bricklayer
And to the Carpenter He was so fervent

The chimneys were three score ${ }^{t 1081}$
The windows many more
And for convenience
He sinks \& gutters made And all the way he pavd To hinder pestilence

IM-9-ToBeOrNot25; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot26; E461| IM-9-ToBeOrNot27; E461|

Was not this a good man
Whose life was but a span Whose name was Sutton

ED-IM-9; E461|

IM-9-ToBeOrNot28; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot29; E461|
IM-9-ToBeOrNot30; E461|

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IM-9-prose33; E461|
IM-9-prose34; E461|
IM-9-prose35; E461|

IM-9-ThisCity1; E461|
IM-9-ThisCity2; E461|
IM-9-ThisCity3; E461|
IM-9-ThisCity4; E461|

IM-9-ThisCity5; E461|
IM-9-ThisCity6; E461|
IM-9-ThisCity7; E461|
IM-9-ThisCity8; E461|

IM-9-ThisCity9; E461|
IM-9-ThisCity 10; E461|
IM-9-ThisCity 11; E461|
IM-9-ThisCity 12; E461|

IM-9-prose36; E461|

As Locke or Doctor South<br>Or Sherlock upon Death<br>Or Sir Isaac Newton

The Lawgiver was very attentive \& begd to have it sung over again \& again till the company were tired \& insisted on the Lawgiver singing song himself which he readily complied with

This city \& this country has brought forth many mayors
To sit in state \& give forth laws out of their old oak chairs With face as brown as any nut with drinking of strong ale Good English hospitality O then it did not fail

With scarlet gowns \& broad gold lace would make a yeoman sweat With stockings rolld above their knees \& shoes as black as jet $\quad 11082$ With eating beef \& drinking beer O they were stout \& hale Good English hospitality O then it did not fail

Thus sitting at the table wide the Mayor \& Aldermen Were fit to give law to the city each eat as much as ten The hungry poor enterd the hall to eat good beef \& ale Good English hospitality O then it did not fail

Here they gave a shout \& the company broke up

IM-10; E462 Chap 10

IM-10-prose1; E462|
IM-10-prose2; E462|
IM-10-prose3; E462|
IM-10-prose4; E462|
IM-10-prose5; E462|
IM-10-prose6; E462|

Thus these happy Islanders spent their time but felicity does not last long, for being met at the house of Inflammable Gass the windfinder, the following affairs happend.
Come Flammable said Gibble Gabble \& lets enjoy ourselves bring the Puppets. Hay Hay, said he, you sho, why ya ya, how can you be so foolish.--Ha Ha Ha she calls the experiments puppets Then

IM-10-prose7; E462|
IM-10-prose8; E462|
IM-10-prose9; E462|
IM-10-prose10; E462|
IM-10-prose11; E462|
IM-10-prose12; E462|
IM-10-prose13; E462|
IM-10-prose14; E462|
IM-10-prose15; E462|
IM-10-prose16; E462|
IM-10-prose17; E462|
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IM-10-prose 19; E462|
IM-10-prose20; E462|
IM-10-prose21; E462|
IM-10-prose22; E462|
IM-10-prose23; E462|
IM-10-prose24; E462|
IM-10-prose25; E462|
IM-10-prose26; E462|
IM-10-prose27; E462|
IM-10-prose28; E462|
he went up stairs \& loaded the maid, with glasses, \& brass tubes, \& magic pictures
Here ladies \& gentlemen said he Ill shew you a louse [climing] or a flea or a butterfly or a cock chafer the blade bone of a tittle back, no no heres a bottle of wind that I took up in the bog house. o dear o dear the waters got into the sliders. look here Gibble Gabble--lend me your handkerchief, Tilly Lally Tilly Lally took out his handkerchief which smeard the glass worse than ever. then he screwd it on then he took the sliders \& then he set up the glasses for the Ladies to view the pictures thus he was employd \& quite out of breath While Tilly Laily \& Scopprell were pumping at the air pump Smack went the glass--. Hang said Tilly Lally. Inflammable Gass turnd short round \& threw down the table \& Glasses \& Pictures, \& broke the bottles of wind \& let out the Pestilence He saw the Pestilence fly out of the bottle \& cried out [[An Island in the Moon] P 1] while he ran out of the room. [Go] come out come out [you $a r]$ we are putrified, we are corrupted. our lungs are destroyd with the Flogiston this will spread a plague all thro' the Island he was down stairs the very first on the back of him came all the others in a heap So they need not bidding go

IM; E462| Chap 11

IM-11-prose1; E462|
IM-11-prose2; E462|
IM-11-prose3; E462|
IM-11-prose4; E462|
IM-11-prose5; E462|

Another merry meeting at the house of Steelyard the Lawgiver After Supper Steelyard \& Obtuse Angle. had pumpd Inflammable Gass quite dry. they playd at forfeits \& tryd every method to get good song then he sung humour. said Miss Gittipin pray Mr Obtuse Angle sing us a song then he sung

IM-11-HolyThursday 1; E462|
IM-11-HolyThursday2; E462| IM-11-HolyThursday3; E462| IM-11-HolyThursday4; E462|

IM-11-HolyThursday5; E462| IM-11-HolyThursday6; E462| IM-11-HolyThursday7; E462| IM-11-HolyThursday8; E462|

Upon a holy thursday their innocent faces clean The children walking two \& two in grey \& blue \& green Grey headed beadles walkd before with wands as white as snow Till into the high dome of Pauls they like thames waters flow

O what a multitude they seemd, these flowers of London town Seated in companies they sit with radiance all their own The hum of multitudes were there but multitudes of lambs Thousands of little girls \& boys raising their innocent hands ${ }^{\text {t1083 }}$

IM-11-HolyThursday 10; E463|
IM-11-HolyThursday 11; E463|
IM-11-HolyThursday 12; E463|

Or like harmonious thunderings the seats of heavn among Beneath them sit the revrend men the guardians of the poor Then cherish pity lest you drive an angel from your door

IM-11-prose6; E463|
IM-11-prose7; E463|
IM-11-prose8; E463|

After this they all sat silent for a quarter of an hour [\& Mrs Sigtagatist] <\& Mrs Nannicantipot> said it puts me in Mind of my [grand] mothers song

IM-11-[NursesSong]1; E463|
IM-11-[NursesSong]2; E463|
IM-11-[NursesSong]3; E463|
IM-11-[NursesSong]4; E463|

IM-11-[NursesSong]5; E463|
IM-11-[NursesSong]6; E463|
IM-11-[NursesSong]7; E463|
IM-11-[NursesSong]8; E463|

When the tongues of children are heard on the green t1085 And laughing is heard on the hill $t 1086$
My heart is at rest within my breast
And every thing else is still

Then come home my children the sun is gone down t1087
And the dews of night arise
Come Come leave off play \& let us away
Till the morning appears in the skies

IM-11; E463| [An Island in the Moon] PAGE 15
IM-11-[NursesSong19; E463] No No let us play for it is yet day
im-11-[NursesSong]10; E463] And we cannot go to sleep t1088
IM-11-[NursesSong111; E463] Besides in the Sky the little birds fly t1089
IM-11-[NursesSong12; E463] And the meadows are coverd with Sheep

IM-11-[NursesSong]13; E463|
IM-11-[NursesSong]14; E463|
IM-11-[NursesSong]15; E463|
IM-11-[NursesSong]16; E463|

Well Well go \& play till the light fades away And then go home to bed The little ones leaped \& shouted \& laughd And all the hills ecchoed
im-11-prose9; E463| Then [Miss Gittipin] [Tilly Lally sung]
IM-11-prose10; E463|

IM-11-[LittleBoyLost]1; E463|
IM-11-[LittleBoyLost]2; E463|
IM-11-[LittleBoyLost]3; E463|
IM-11-[LittleBoyLost]4; E463|

IM-11-[LittleBoyLost]5; E463|
IM-11-[LittleBoyLost]6; E463|
IM-11-[LittleBoyLost]7; E463|
IM-11-[LittleBoyLost]8; E463|

O father father where are you going t1090 O do not walk so fast O speak father speak to your little boy
Or else I shall be lost

The night it was dark \& no father was there
And the child was wet with dew
The mire was deep \& the child did weep
And away the vapour flew

IM-11-prose11; E463|
IM-11-prose12; E463|

IM-11-OIsayYou1; E463|
IM-11-OIsayYou2; E463|
IM-11-OIsayYou3; E463|
IM-11-OIsayYou4; E463|

| IM-11-OIsayYou5; | E464\| |
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| IM-11-OIsayYou6; | E464\| |
| IM-11-OIsayYou7; | E464\| |
| IM-11-OIsayYou8; | E464 |

IM-11-OIsayYou9; E464|
IM-11-OIsayYou10; E464|
IM-11-OIsayYou11; E464|
IM-11-OIsayYou12; E464|
IM-11-OIsayYou13; E464|
IM-11-OIsayYou14; E464|
IM-11-OIsayYou15; E464|

Here nobody could sing any longer, till Tilly Lally pluckd up a spirit \& he sung.

O I say you Joe<br>Throw us the ball<br>Ive a good mind to go<br>And leave you all

I never saw saw such a bowler To bowl the ball in a tansey tlo91
And to clean it with my handkercher
Without saying a word

That Bills a foolish fellow
He has given me a black eye t1092
He does not know how to handle a bat
Any more than a dog or a cat tlo93
He has knockd down the wicket
And broke the stumps
And runs without shoes to save his pumps

IM-11-prose13; E464|

IM-11-LeaveOLeave1; E464|
IM-11-LeaveOLeave2; E464|
IM-11-LeaveOLeave3; E464|
IM-11-LeaveOLeave4; E464|

Here a laugh began and Miss Gittipin sung

Leave O leave [me] to my sorrows t1094
Here Ill sit \& fade away
Till Im nothing but a spirit
And I lose this form of clay

ED-IM-11; E464| [An Island in the Moon] PAGE 16
IM-11-LeaveOLeave5; E464| Then if chance along this forest
IM-11-LeaveOLeave6; E464| Any walk in pathless ways
IM-11-LeaveOLeave7; E464| Thro the gloom he'll see my shadow
IM-11-LeaveOLeave8; E464| Hear my voice upon the Breeze

IM-11-prose14; E464|
IM-11-prose15; E464|
IM-11-prose16; E464|
IM-11-prose17; E464|
IM-11-prose18; E464|

The Lawgiver all the while sat delighted to see them in such a serious humour Mr Scopprell said he you must be acquainted with a great many songs. O dear sir Ho Ho Ho I am no singer I must beg of one of these tender hearted ladies to sing for me--they all declined \& he was forced to sing himself

Theres Doctor Clash
And Signior Falalasole
O they sweep in the cash t1095
Into their purse hole
Fa me la sol La me fa sol tll096

Great A little A
Bouncing B
Play away Play away
Your out of the key
Fa me la sol La me fa sol

Musicians should have
A pair of very good ears
And Long fingers \& thumbs
And not like clumsy bears
Fa me la sol La me fa sol

Rap Rap Rap
Fiddle Fiddle Fiddle
Clap Clap Clap
Fa me la sol La me fa sol

IM-11-prose19; E465|
IM-11-prose20; E465|

Hm said the Lawgiver, funny enough lets have handels waterpiece then Sipsop sung

IM-11-ACrownedKing1; E465|
IM-11-ACrownedKing2; E465|
IM-11-ACrownedKing3; E465|
IM-11-ACrownedKing4; E465|
IM-11-ACrownedKing5; E465|

IM-11-ACrownedKing6; E465|
IM-11-ACrownedKing7; E465|
IM-11-ACrownedKing8; E465|

A crowned king,
On a white horse sitting
With his trumpets sounding
And Banners flying
Thro the clouds of smoke he makes his way

ED; E465| [Here a leaf or more is missing]

And the shout of his thousands fills his heart with rejoicing \& victory And the shout of his thousands fills his heart with rejoicing \& victory Victory Victory--twas William the prince of Orange
excellent. Then said he I would have all the writing Engraved instead of Printed \& at every other leaf a high finishd print all in three Volumes folio, \& sell them a hundred pounds a piece. they would Print off two thousand then said she whoever will not have them will be ignorant fools \& will not deserve to live Dont you think I have something of the Goats face says he. Very like a Goats face--she answerd--I think your face said he is like that noble beast the Tyger--Oh I was at Mrs Sicknakens \& I was speaking of my abilities but their nasty hearts poor devils are eat up with envy--they envy me my abilities \& all the Women envy your abilities my dear they hate people who are of higher abil[it]ies than their nasty filthy [Souls] Selves but do you outface them \& then Strangers will see you have an opinion--now I think we should do as much good as we can when we are at Mr Femality's do yo[u] snap \& take me up--and I will fall into such a passion Ill hollow and stamp \& frighten all the People there \& show them what truth is--at this Instant Obtuse Angle came in Oh I am glad you are come said quid

## [Songs and Ballads]

Song 1st by a Shepherd
Song 3d by an Old Shepherd
"Never pain to tell thy love"
"I feard the fury of my wind"
"I saw a chapel all of gold"
"I laid me down upon a bank"
A cradle song
"I asked a thief to steal me a peach"
To my Mirtle
[To go] on I Plate
"O lapwing thou fliest around the heath"
An answer to the parson
[Experiment] "Thou hast a lap full of seed"
Riches
"If you trap the moment before its ripe"
Eternity
"I heard an Angel singing"
"Silent Silent Night"
To Nobodaddy
"Are not the joys of morning sweeter"
"How came the pride in Man"
[How to know Love from Deceit]
The wild flowers song
Soft Snow
Merlins prophecy
"Why should I care for the men of thames"
Day
"The sword sung on the barren heath"
"Abstinence sows sand all over"
"In a wife I would desire"
Lacedemonian Instruction
"An old maid early eer I knew"
Several Questions Answerd
"He who binds to himself a joy"
"The look of love alarms"
"Soft deceit \& Idleness"
"What is it men in women require"

An ancient Proverb
The Fairy
The Kid
"My Spectre around me night \& day"
[Postscript] "Oer my Sins Thou sit \& moan"
"Mock on Mock on Voltaire Rousseau"
Morning
"Terror in the house does roar"
The Birds
"Why was Cupid a Boy"
"Now Art has lost its mental Charms"
To the Queen
"The Caverns of the Grave Ive seen"
"I rose up at the dawn of day"
"A fairy skipd upon my knee"
"Around the Springs of Gray my wild root weaves"
To Mrs Ann Flaxman
[The Pickering Manuscript]

Ed; E466| [Written in a copy of Poetical Sketches] t1097
title; E466| Song 1st by a shepherd

Song1st[PSaddl1; E466| Welcome stranger to this place,
Song1st[PPadd]2; E466| Where joy doth sit on every bough,
Song 1st[PSadd]3; E466| Paleness flies from every face,
Song 1 st[PSadd44; E466| We reap not, what we do not sow.

Song1st[PSadd]5; E466
Song1st[PSadd]6; E466
Song1st[PSadd]7; E466
Song1st[PSadd]8; E466
Innocence doth like a Rose,
Bloom on every Maidens cheek;
Honor twines around her brows,
The jewel Health adorns her neck.

ED; E466| *
title; E466| Song 3d by an old shepherd

Song3rd[PSadd]5; E466|
Song3rd[PSadd]6; E466|
Song3rd[PSadd]7; E466|
Song3rd[PSadd]8; E466|

Song3rd[PSadd]9; E466|
Song3rd[PSadd]10; E466|

Song3rd[PSadd]11; E467|
Song3rd[PSadd]12; E467|

| Song3rd[PSadd11; E466\| | When silver snow decks Sylvio's clothes |
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| Song3rdPPSadd2; E466\| | And jewel hangs at shepherd's nose, |
| Songrd[PSadd]; E466\| | We can abide life's pelting storm |
| Song3rd[PSadd4; E466\| | That makes our limbs quake, if our hearts be warm. |

When silver snow decks Sylvio's clothes
And jewel hangs at shepherd's nose, We can abide life's pelting storm
That makes our limbs quake, if our hearts be warm.

Whilst Virtue is our walking staff, And Truth a lantern to our path;
We can abide life's pelting storm
That makes our limbs quake, if our hearts be warm.

Blow boisterous Wind, stern Winter frown, Innocence is a Winter's gown;

So clad, we'll abide life's pelting storm
That makes our limbs quake, if our hearts be warm.

N-"NeverPainToTell"9; E467|
N-"NeverPainToTell"10; E467|
N-"NeverPainToTell"11; E467|
N-"NeverPainToTell"12; E467|

ED; E467| *

N-"I_feardTheFury"1; E467|
N-"I_feardTheFury"2; E467|
N-"I_feardTheFury"3; E467|
N-"I_feardTheFury"4; E467|

N-"I_feardTheFury"5; E467|
N-"I_feardTheFury"6; E467|
N-"I_feardTheFury"7; E467|
N-"I_feardTheFury"8; E467|

ED; E467| *

N-"I_sawAchapel"1; E467|
N-"I_sawAchapel"2; E467|
N-"I_sawAchapel"3; E467|
N-"I_sawAchapel"4; E467|

N-"I_sawAchapel"5; E467|
N-"I_sawAchapel"6; E467|
N-"I_sawAchapel"7; E467|
N-"I_sawAchapel"8; E467|

N-"I_sawAchapel"9; E467|
N-"I_sawAchapel"10; E467|
N-"I_sawAchapel"11; E467|
N-"I_sawAchapel"12; E467|

Love that never told can be
For the gentle wind does move Silently invisibly I told my love I told my love I told her all my heart Trembling cold in ghastly fears Ah she doth depart

Soon as she was gone from me A traveller came by Silently invisibly
O was no deny ${ }^{\text {tlloo }}$

I feard the fury of my wind $t 1101$ Would blight all blossoms fair \& true And my sun it shind \& shind And my wind it never blew tl102

But a blossom fair or true Was not found on any tree For all blossoms grew \& grew Fruitless false tho fair to see

I saw a chapel all of gold That none did dare to enter in And many weeping stood without Weeping mourning worshipping

I saw a serpent rise between The white pillars of the door And he forcd \& forcd \& forcd Down the golden hinges tore ${ }^{t 1103}$

And along the pavement sweet Set with pearls \& rubies bright All his slimy length he drew Till upon the altar white

N-"I_sawAchapel"13; E467|
N-"I_sawAchapel"14; E467|

N-"I_sawAchapel"15; E468|
N-"I_sawAchapel"16; E468|

ED; E468| *

N-"I_laidMeDown"1; E468|
N-"I_laidMeDown"2; E468|
N-"I_laidMeDown"3; E468|
N-"I_laidMeDown"4; E468|

N-"I_laidMeDown"5; E468|
N-"I_laidMeDown"6; E468|
N-"I_laidMeDown"7; E468|
N-"I_laidMeDown"8; E468|

Vomiting his poison out On the bread \& on the wine

And laid me down among the swine

I laid me down upon a bank<br>Where love lay sleeping<br>I heard among the rushes dank Weeping Weeping

Then I went to the heath \& the wild
To the thistles \& thorns of the waste
And they told me how they were beguild
Driven out \& compeld to be chaste

ED; E468|

N-title; E468| A cradle song tllot

N-ACradleSong1; E468|
N-ACradleSong2; E468|
N-ACradleSong3; E468|
N-ACradleSong4; E468|

N-ACradleSong5; E468|
N-ACradleSong6; E468|
N-ACradleSong7; E468|
N-ACradleSong8; E468|

N-ACradleSong9; E468|
N-ACradleSong10; E468|

N-ACradleSong11; E468|
N-ACradleSong 12; E468|

Sleep Sleep beauty bright
Dreaming oer the joys of night tllos
Sleep Sleep: in thy sleep
Little sorrows sit \& weep tl106

Sweet Babe in thy face ${ }^{t 1107}$
Soft desires I can trace
Secret joys \& secret smiles
Little pretty infant wiles. tllos

As thy softest limbs I feel ${ }^{t 1109}$
Smiles as of the morning steal tll10

Oer thy cheek \& oer thy breast
Where thy little heart does rest

N-"I_askedAthief"7; E469|
N-"I_askedAthief"8; E469|

N-"I_askedAthief"9; E469|
N-"I_askedAthief" 10; E469|
N-"I_askedAthief" 11; E469|
N-"I_askedAthief"12; E469|

O the cunning wiles that creep
In thy little heart asleep
When thy little heart does wake Then the dreadful lightnings break

From thy cheek \& from thy eye tllll
Oer the youthful harvests nigh
Infant wiles \& infant smiles t1112

Heaven \& Earth of peace beguiles

I asked a thief to steal me a peach ${ }^{t 1113}$
He turned up his eyes ${ }^{t l 114}$
I ask'd a lithe lady to lie her down
Holy \& meek she cries-- tll15

As soon as I went An angel came.

He wink'd at the thief $t 1116$
And smild at the dame-- 11117

ED; E469| *

N-tite; E469| To my Mirtle ${ }^{\text {tl121 }}$

N-ToMyMirtle1; E469|
N-ToMyMirtle2; E469| N-ToMyMirtle3; E469|
N-ToMyMirtle4; E469|
N-ToMyMirtle5; E469|
N-ToMyMirtle6; E469|

To a lovely mirtle bound
Blossoms showring all around
O how sick \& weary I
Underneath my mirtle lie
Why should I be bound to thee
O my lovely mirtle tree

N-"O_lapwing"1; E469| lapwing thou fliest around the heath
N-"O_lapwing"2; E469| Nor seest the net that is spread beneath
N-"O_lapwing"3; E469| Why dost thou not fly among the corn fields
N-"O_lapwing"4; E469| They cannot spread nets where a harvest yields

N-title; E469| An answer to the parson

N-AnAnswer1; E469| Why of the sheep do you not learn peace
N-AnAnswer2; E469| Because I dont want you to shear my fleece

ED; E469|

ED; E469| [Experiment]

N-"ThouHastALapFull"1; E469|
N-"ThouHastALapFull"2; E469|
N-"ThouHastALapFull"3; E469|
N -"ThouHastALapFull"4; E469|

N -"ThouHastALapFull"5; E469|
N-"ThouHastALapFull"6; E469|
N-"ThouHastALapFull"7; E469|
N-"ThouHastALapFull"8; E469|

N-"ThouHastALapFull"9; E470|
N-"ThouHastALapFull"10; E470|
ED; E470|

Thou hast a lap full of seed
And this is a fine country
Why dost thou not cast thy seed
And live in it merrily

Shall I cast it on the sand ${ }^{t 1123}$
And turn it into fruitful land ${ }^{t 1124}$
For on no other ground tll25
Can I sow my seed

Without tearing up ${ }^{t 1126}$
Some stinking weed

N-title; E470|

N -Riches2; E470|
N-Riches3; E470|
N-Riches4; E470|

The rubies \& pearls of a loving eye The indolent never can bring to the mart ${ }^{t 1128}$ Nor the secret hoard up in his treasury ${ }^{t 1129}$

N-"IfYouTrap" 1; E470|
N-"IfYouTrap"2; E470|
N-"IfYouTrap"3; E470|
N-"IfYouTrap"4; E470|

If you trap the moment before its ripe ${ }^{t 1130}$ The tears of repentance youll certainly wipe But if once you let the ripe moment go
You can never wipe off the tears of woe tll3l

ED; E470| *

N-title; E470| Eternity

N-Eternity1; E470| He who binds to himself a joy ${ }^{t 1132}$
N-Eternity2; E470| Does the winged life destroy
N-Eternity3; E470| But he who kisses the joy as it flies tll33
N-Eternity4; E470| Lives in eternity's sun rise ${ }^{t 1134}$

ED; E470| * tl135

N-"I_heardAnAngel"1; E470|
N-"I_heardAnAngel"2; E470|
N-"I_heardAnAngel"3; E470|
N-"I_heardAnAngel"4; E470|

N-"I_heardAnAngel"5; E470|
N-"I_heardAnAngel"6; E470|
N-"I_heardAnAngel"7; E470|
N-"I_heardAnAngel"8; E470|

N-"I_heardAnAngel"9; E470|
N-"I_heardAnAngel" 10 ; E470|
N-"I_heardAnAngel" 11 ; E470|
N-"I_heardAnAngel"12; E470|

N-"I_heardAnAngel"13; E470|
N-"I_heardAnAngel" 14; E470|

I heard an Angel singing When the day was springing Mercy Pity Peace ${ }^{t 1136}$
Is the worlds release

Thus he sung all day Over the new mown hay
Till the sun went down
And haycocks looked brown

## I heard a Devil curse

Over the heath \& the furze Mercy could be no more If there was nobody poor

And pity no more could be If all were as happy as we

N-"I_heardAnAngel"15; E470| N-"I_heardAnAngel" 16; E470|

N-"I_heardAnAngel" 17; E471|
N-"I_heardAnAngel"18; E471|
N-"I_heardAnAngel" 19; E471|
N-"I_heardAnAngel"20; E471|

ED; E471|

N -"SilentSilentNight"1; E471|
N -"SilentSilentNight"2; E471|
N-"SilentSilentNight"3; E471|

N-"SilentSilentNight"4; E471|
N-"SilentSilentNight"5; E471|
N-"SilentSilentNight"6; E471|

N-"SilentSilentNight"7; E471|
N-"SilentSilentNight"8; E471|
N-"SilentSilentNight"9; E471|

N-"SilentSilentNight"10; E471|
N-"SilentSilentNight"11; E471|
N-"SilentSilentNight"12; E471|

At his curse the sun went down ${ }^{t 1137}$
And the heavens gave a frown

Down pourd the heavy rain tll38
Over the new reapd grain
And Miseries increase tl139
Is Mercy Pity Peace

Silent Silent Night<br>Quench the holy light<br>Of thy torches bright

For possessd of Day
Thousand spirits stray
That sweet joys betray

Why should joys be sweet
Used with deceit
Nor with sorrows meet

But an honest joy
Does itself destroy
For a harlot coy

N-ToNobodaddy1; E471|
N-ToNobodaddy2; E471|
N-ToNobodaddy3; E471|
N-ToNobodaddy4; E471|

N-ToNobodaddy5; E471|
N-ToNobodaddy6; E471|
N-ToNobodaddy7; E471|
N-ToNobodaddy8; E471|

Why art thou silent \& invisible Father of jealousy tll41
Why dost thou hide thyself in clouds From every searching Eye

Why darkness \& obscurity In all thy words \& laws
That none dare eat the fruit but from
The wily serpents jaws

Or is it because Secresy ${ }^{t 1142}$ gains females loud applause tll43

N-"AreNotTheJoys"1; E471|
N-"AreNotTheJoys"2; E471|
N-"AreNotTheJoys"3; E471|
N-"AreNotTheJoys"4; E471|

N-"AreNotTheJoys"5; E471|
N-"AreNotTheJoys"6; E471|

N-"AreNotTheJoys"7; E472|
N-"AreNotTheJoys"8; E472|
$\mathrm{ED} ; \mathrm{E} 472$ | * t1144

N-"HowCamePride"1; E472|
N-"HowCamePride"2; E472|
N-"HowCamePride"3; E472|

N-"HowCamePride"4; E472|
N-"HowCamePride"5; E472|

Are not the joys of morning sweeter Than the joys of night And are the vigrous joys of youth Ashamed of the light

Let age \& sickness silent rob The vineyards in the night

But those who burn with vigrous youth Pluck fruits before the light

How came pride in Man
From Mary it began
How Contempt \& Scorn

ED; E472| *
[How to know Love from Deceit] tll4s

N -"LoveToFaults"1; E472|
N-"LoveToFaults"2; E472|
N-"LoveToFaults"3; E472|
N -"LoveToFaults"4; E472|

N-"LoveToFaults"5; E472|
N-"LoveToFaults"6; E472|
N-"LoveToFaults"7; E472|
N-"LoveToFaults"8; E472|

Love to faults is always blind
Always is to joy inclind
Lawless wingd \& unconfind ${ }^{\text {tl146 }}$
And breaks all chains from every mind

Deceit to secresy confind ${ }^{\text {t1 }} 147$
Lawful cautious \& refind ${ }^{t 1148}$
To every thing but interest blind t1149
And forges fetters for the mind $t 1150$

N-TheWildFlowersSong1; E472|
N-TheWildFlowersSong2; E472|
N-TheWildFlowersSong3; E472|
N-TheWildFlowersSong4; E472|

N-TheWildFlowersSong5; E472|
N-TheWildFlowersSong6; E472|
N-TheWildFlowersSong7; E472|
N-TheWildFlowersSong8; E472|

N-TheWildFlowersSong9; E472|
N-TheWildFlowersSong10; E472|
N-TheWildFlowersSong11; E472|
N -TheWildFlowersSong12; E472|

As I wanderd the forest
The green leaves among
I heard a wild flower ${ }^{t 1152}$ Singing a Song

I slept in the earth ${ }^{t 1153}$
in the silent night
I murmurd my fears
And I felt delight

In the morning I went

As rosy as morn
To seek for new Joy
But I met with scorn

The harvest shall flourish in wintry Weather When two virginities meet together

The King \& the Priest must be tied in a tether Before two virgins can meet together

Why should I care for the men of thames
Or the cheating waves of charterd streams Or shrink at the little blasts of fear
That the hireling blows into my ear

Tho born on the cheating banks of Thames Tho his waters bathed my infant limbs The Ohio shall wash his stains from me tll157
I was born a slave but I go to be free ${ }^{t 1158}$
N-Day1; E473| The Sun arises in the East ${ }^{t 1160}$

N-Day2; E473| Clothd in robes of blood \& gold
N-Day3; E473| Swords \& spears \& wrath increast
N-Day4; E473| All around his bosom rolld tll61
N-Day5; E473| Crownd with warlike fires \& raging desires

ED; E473| *

N-"TheSwordSung"1; E473|
N-"TheSwordSung"2; E473|
N-"TheSwordSung"3; E473|
N-"TheSwordSung"4; E473|

ED; E473| *

N-"AbstinenceSows"1; E474|
N-"AbstinenceSows"2; E474|
N-"AbstinenceSows"3; E474|
N-"AbstinenceSows"4; E474|

The sword sung on the barren heath The sickle in the fruitful field The sword he sung a song of death But could not make the sickle yield

Abstinence sows sand all over
The ruddy limbs \& flaming hair ${ }^{t 1162}$ But Desire Gratified
Plants fruits of life \& beauty there

N-Lacedemonian1; E474|
N-Lacedemonian2; E474
$\mathrm{ED} ; \mathrm{E} 474 \mid * t 1163$

N-"AnOldMaid"1; E474|
N-"AnOldMaid"2; E474|
N-"AnOldMaid"3; E474|
N-"AnOldMaid"4; E474|

N-"AnOldMaid"5; E474|
N-"AnOldMaid"6; E474|
N-"AnOldMaid"7; E474|
N-"AnOldMaid"8; E474|

Come hither my boy tell me what thou seest there
A fool tangled in a religious snare

An old maid early eer I knew
Ought but the love that on me grew
And now Im coverd oer \& oer
And wish that I had been a Whore

N-title; E474| Several Questions Answerd $t 1164$

N-SeveralQues1; E474
N-SeveralQues2; E474|
N-SeveralQues3; E474|
N-SeveralQues4; E474|
N-SeveralQues5; E474| The look of love alarms
N-SeveralQues6; E474|
N-SeveralQues7; E474|
N-SeveralQues8; E474|
N-SeveralQues9; E474| Soft deceit \& Idleness
N-SeveralQues10; E474|
N-SeveralQues11; E474|
N-SeveralQues12; E474|
He who binds to himself a joy
Doth the winged life destroy
Lives in Eternitys sun rise
Because tis filld with fire
But the look of soft deceit
Shall Win the lovers hire

But he who kisses the joy as it flies

These are Beautys sweetest dress t1165
What is it men in women do require tll66 The lineaments of Gratified Desire

What is it women do in men require ${ }^{t 1167}$

N-SeveralQues16; E475|
N-SeveralQues17; E475|
N-SeveralQues18; E475|
N-SeveralQues19; E475|

Remove away that blackning church Remove away that marriage hearse Remove away that $\qquad$ of blood t1168
Youll quite remove the ancient curse tl169

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N-title; E475| The Fairy ${ }^{t 1170}$

N-TheFairy1; E475| Come hither my sparrows
N-TheFairy; E475| My little arrows
N -TheFairy3; E475| If a tear or a smile
N-TheFairy4; E475| Will a man beguile
N-TheFairy; E475| If an amorous delay
N-TheFairy6; E475| Clouds a sunshiny day
N-TheFairy7; E475| If the step of a foot ${ }^{t 1171}$
N-TheFairy8; E475| Smites the heart to its root
N -TheFairy; E475| Tis the marriage ring
N -TheFairy 10 ; E475| Makes each fairy a king

N-TheFairy 11; E475| So a fairy sung
N-TheFairy 12 ; E475| From the leaves I sprung
N -TheFairy 13 ; E475| He leapd from the spray
N -TheFairy 14 ; E475| To flee away
N-TheFairy 15; E475|
N-TheFairy 16; E475|
N-TheFairy 17; E475|
N-TheFairy 18; E475|
N-TheFairy 19; E475|
N-TheFairy20; E475|

Thou little Kid didst play
N-TheKid2; E475|

But in my hat caught ${ }^{t 1172}$
He soon shall be taught
Let him laugh let him cry
Hes my butterfly ${ }^{t 1173}$
For I've pulld out the Sting
Of the marriage ring

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N-title; E475| The Kid

N-"MySpectre"1; E475|
N-"MySpectre"2; E475|
N-"MySpectre"3; E475|
N-"MySpectre"4; E475|

N-"MySpectre"5; E476|
N-"MySpectre"6; E476|
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N-"MySpectre"9; E476|
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N-"MySpectre"21; E476|
N-"MySpectre"22; E476|
N-"MySpectre"23; E476|
N-"MySpectre"24; E476|

N-"MySpectre"25; E476|
N-"MySpectre"26; E476|
N-"MySpectre"27; E476|
N-"MySpectre"28; E476|

My Spectre around me night \& day
Like a Wild beast guards my way
My Emanation far within t1176
Weeps incessantly for my Sin

A Fathomless \& boundless deep There we wander there we weep On the hungry craving wind My Spectre follows thee behind

He scents thy footsteps in the snow
Wheresoever thou dost go
Thro the wintry hail \& rain
When wilt thou return again

Dost thou not in Pride \& scorn ${ }^{\text {tll77 }}$
Fill with tempests all my morn
And with jealousies \& fears
Fill my pleasant nights with tears

Seven of my sweet loves thy knife
Has bereaved of their life
Their marble tombs I built with tears ${ }^{t 1178}$
And with cold \& shuddering fears

Seven more loves weep night \& day
Round the tombs where my loves lay And seven more loves attend each night Around my couch with torches bright

And seven more Loves in my bed
Crown with wine my mournful head tll79
Pitying \& forgiving all
Thy transgressions great \& small

When wilt thou return \& view
My loves \& them to life renew
When wilt thou return \& live

N-"MySpectre"33; E476
N-"MySpectre"34; E476
N-"MySpectre"35; E476|
N-"MySpectre"36; E476|

N-"MySpectre"37; E476|
N-"MySpectre"38; E476|
N-"MySpectre"39; E476|
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N-"MySpectre"50; E477|
N-"MySpectre" $51 ;$ E477|
N-"MySpectre"52; E477|

N-"MySpectre"53; E477|
N-"MySpectre"54; E477|
N-"MySpectre"55; E477|
N-"MySpectre"56; E477|

Never Never I return ${ }^{t 1181}$
Still for Victory I burn
Living thee alone Ill have
And when dead Ill be thy Grave

Thro the Heavn \& Earth \& Hell
Thou shalt never never quell
I will fly \& thou pursue
Night \& Morn the flight renew

Till I turn from Female Love ${ }^{t 1182}$
And root up the Infernal Grove ${ }^{\text {t1183 }}$
I shall never worthy be tll184
To Step into Eternity

And to end thy cruel mocks t1185
Annihilate thee on the rocks tl186
And another form create
To be subservient to my Fate
Let us agree to give up Love
And root up the infernal grove
Then shall we return \& see
The worlds of happy Eternity

I forgive you you forgive me As our dear Redeemer said This the Wine \& this the Bread

ED; E477] [Postscript]

Oer my Sins Thou sit \& moan ${ }^{t 1188}$
Hast thou no Sins of thy own t1189
Oer my Sins thou sit \& weep ${ }^{\text {t1190 }}$
And lull thy own Sins fast asleep ${ }^{t 1191}$

What Transgressions I commit
Are for thy Transgressions fit
They thy Harlots thou their Slave

N-[MySpectrePS]9; E477|
N-[MySpectrePS]10; E477|
N-[MySpectrePS]11; E477|
N-[MySpectrePS]12; E477|

N-[MySpectrePS]13; E477|
N-[MySpectrePS]14; E477|
N-[MySpectrePS]15; E477|
N-[MySpectrePS]16; E477|

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N-"MockOn"1; E477|
N-"MockOn"2; E477|
N-"MockOn"3; E477|
N-"MockOn"4; E477|

N-"MockOn"5; E477|
N-"MockOn"6; E477|
N-"MockOn"7; E477|
N-"MockOn"8; E477|

N-"MockOn"9; E478|
N-"MockOn"10; E478|
N-"MockOn"11; E478|
N -"MockOn"12; E478|

And my Bed becomes their Grave

Poor pale pitiable form<br>That I follow in a Storm<br>Iron tears \& groans of lead<br>Bind around my akeing head

And let us go to the highest downs
With many pleasing wiles
The Woman that does not love your Frowns
Will never embrace your smiles

Mock on Mock on Voltaire Rousseau
Mock on Mock on! tis all in vain!
You throw the sand against the wind
And the wind blows it back again tll92

And every sand becomes a Gem
Reflected in the beams divine
Blown back they blind the mocking Eye tl193
But still in Israels paths they shine

The Atoms of Democritus
And Newtons Particles of light
Are sands upon the Red sea shore Where Israels tents do shine so bright

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| N-title; E478\| | $*$ |
| Morning |  |

N-Morning1; E478|
To find the western path
N-Morning2; E478|
N-Morning3; E478|
N-Morning4; E478|
N-Morning5; E478|
N-Morning6; E478|

Right thro the gates of Wrath
I urge my way
Sweet Mercy leads me on
With soft repentant moan
I see the break of day

N-Morning8; E478|
N-Morning9; E478|
N-Morning 10; E478|
N-Morning11; E478|
N-Morning 12; E478|

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N-"TerrorIn" 1; E478|
N-"TerrorIn"2; E478|

Melted by dewy tears
Exhales on high
The Sun is freed from fears
And with soft grateful tears
Ascends the sky

## Terror in the house does roar

But Pity stands before the door

N-title; E478| The Birds

N-TheBirds1; E478|
N-TheBirds2; E478|
N-TheBirds3; E478|
N-TheBirds4; E478|

N-TheBirds5; E478|
N-TheBirds6; E478|
N-TheBirds7; E478|
N-TheBirds8; E478|

N-TheBirds9; E478|
N-TheBirds10; E478|
N-TheBirds11; E478|
N-TheBirds12; E478|

N-TheBirds13; E478|
N-TheBirds14; E478|
N-TheBirds15; E478|
N-TheBirds16; E478|

N-TheBirds17; E479|
N-TheBirds18; E479|
N-TheBirds19; E479|
N-TheBirds20; E479|

He. Where thou dwellest in what Grove
Tell me Fair one tell me love
Where thou thy charming Nest dost build O thou pride of every field

She. Yonder stands a lonely tree
There I live \& mourn for thee
Morning drinks my silent tear
And evening winds my sorrows bear

He. O thou Summers harmony
I have livd \& mournd for thee
Each day I mourn along the wood
And night hath heard my sorrows loud

She. Dost thou truly long for me
And am I thus sweet to thee
Sorrow now is at an End
O my Lover \& my Friend

He. Come on wings of joy well fly
To where my Bower hangs on high
Come \& make thy calm retreat
Among green leaves \& blossoms sweet

N-"WhyWasCupid"1; E479|
N-"WhyWasCupid"2; E479|
N-"WhyWasCupid"3; E479|
N-"WhyWasCupid"4; E479|

N-"WhyWasCupid"5; E479|
N-"WhyWasCupid"6; E479|
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N-"WhyWasCupid"9; E479|
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N-"WhyWasCupid"13; E479|
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N-"WhyWasCupid"17; E479|
N-"WhyWasCupid"18; E479|
N-"WhyWasCupid"19; E479|
N-"WhyWasCupid"20; E479|

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N-"NowArtHasLost" 1; E479|
N-"NowArtHasLost"2; E479|
N-"NowArtHasLost"3; E479|
N-"NowArtHasLost"4; E479|
N-"NowArtHasLost"5; E479|
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N-"NowArtHasLost"8; E479|
N-"NowArtHasLost"9; E479|
N-"NowArtHasLost"10; E479|
N-"NowArtHasLost"11; E479|
N-"NowArtHasLost"12; E479|

Why was Cupid a Boy
And why a boy was he He should have been a Girl
For ought that I can see

For he shoots with his bow
And the Girl shoots with her Eye
And they both are merry \& glad And laugh when we do cry

And to make Cupid a Boy tll94 Was the Cupid Girls mocking plan ${ }^{t 1195}$
For a boy cant interpret the thing ${ }^{t 1196}$ Till he is become a man

And then hes so piercd with care And wounded with arrowy smarts That the whole business of his life Is to pick out the heads of the darts

Twas the Greeks love of war Turnd Love into a Boy And Woman into a Statue of Stone And away fled every joy

Now Art has lost its mental Charms ${ }^{t 1197}$
France shall subdue the World in Arms
So spoke an Angel at my birth Then said Descend thou upon Earth Renew the Arts on Britains Shore
And France shall fall down \& adore
With works of Art their Armies meet
And War shall sink beneath thy feet ${ }^{t 1198}$
But if thy Nation Arts refuse
And if they scorn the immortal Muse
France shall the arts of Peace restore
And save thee from the Ungrateful shore ${ }^{t 1199}$

ED; E480| [Dedication to Blake's Illustrations to Blair's Grave, printed 1808]
title; E480| TO THE QUEEN ${ }^{t 1202}$

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The Door of Death is made of Gold,
That Mortal Eyes cannot behold;
But, when the Mortal Eyes are clos'd, And cold and pale the Limbs repos'd, The Soul awakes; and, wond'ring, sees In her mild Hand the golden Keys:
The Grave is Heaven's golden Gate, And rich and poor around it wait; O Shepherdess of England's Fold, Behold this Gate of Pearl and Gold!

## To dedicate to England's Queen

The Visions that my Soul has seen, And, by Her kind permission, bring What I have borne on solemn Wing, From the vast regions of the Grave, Before Her Throne my Wings I wave; Bowing before my Sov'reign's Feet, "The Grave produc'd these Blossoms sweet
"In mild repose from Earthly strife;
"The Blossoms of Eternal Life!"

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Ed; E480] [From Blake's Notebook]

N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"1; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"2; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"3; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"4; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"5; E480| N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"6; E480|

The Caverns of the Grave Ive seen ${ }^{t 1203}$
And these I shewd to Englands Queen But now the Caves of Hell I view t1204
Who shall I dare to shew them to
What mighty Soul in Beautys form ${ }^{t 205}$
Shall dauntless View the Infernal Storm ${ }^{t 1206}$

N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"7; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"8; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"9; E480|
N -"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"10; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"11; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"12; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"13; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"14; E480|
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N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"17; E480|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave" 18 ; E481|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"19; E481|
N-"TheCavernsOfTheGrave"20; E481|

Egremonts Countess can controll tl207
The flames of Hell that round me roll t1208
If she refuse I still go on
Till the Heavens \& Earth are gone
Still admird by Noble minds ${ }^{t 1209}$
Followd by Envy on the winds
Reengravd Time after Time
Ever in their Youthful prime
My Designs unchangd remain ${ }^{t 210}$
Time may rage but rage in vain
For above Times troubled Fountains
On the Great Atlantic Mountains
In my Golden House on high
There they Shine Eternally

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N-"I_roseUp"1; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"2; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"3; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"4; E481|

N-"I_roseUp"5; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"6; E481|
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N-"I_roseUp"9; E481|
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N-"I_roseUp"13; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"14; E481|
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N-"I_roseUp"16; E481|

N-"I_roseUp"17; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"18; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"19; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"20; E481|

I rose up at the dawn of day
Get thee away get thee away Prayst thou for Riches away away This is the Throne of Mammon grey

Said I this sure is very odd I took it to be the Throne of God For every Thing besides I have It is only for Riches that I can crave

I have Mental Joy \& Mental Health And Mental Friends \& Mental wealth ${ }^{t 1211}$
Ive a Wife I love \& that loves me Ive all But Riches Bodily

I am in Gods presence night \& day ${ }^{t 1212}$
And he never turns his face away The accuser of sins by my side does stand And he holds my money bag in his hand

For my worldly things God makes him pay ${ }^{t 1213}$ And hed pay for more if to him I would pray And so you may do the worst you can do Be assurd Mr Devil I wont pray to you

N-"I_roseUp"21; E481|
N-"I_roseUp" 22 ; E481|
N-"I_roseUp" 23 ; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"24; E481|

N-"I_roseUp"25; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"26; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"27; E481|
N-"I_roseUp"28; E481|

Then If for Riches I must not Pray God knows I little of Prayers need say So as a Church is known by its Steeple t1214 If I pray it must be for other People ${ }^{t 1215}$

He says if I do not worship him for a God I shall eat coarser food \& go worse shod So as I dont value such things as these
You must do Mr Devil just as God please

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"AFairySkipd"1; E481|
"AFairySkipd"2; E481|
"AFairySkipd"3; E481|
"AFairySkipd"4; E481|
"AFairySkipd"5; E481|
"AFairySkipd"6; E481|
"AFairySkipd"7; E481|
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"AFairySkipd"15; E482|
"AFairySkipd"16; E482|

A fairy skipd upon my knee t1216
Singing \& dancing merrily
I said Thou thing of patches rings
Pins Necklaces \& such like things
Disguiser of the Female Form
Thou paltry gilded poisnous worm
Weeping he fell upon my thigh
And thus in tears did soft reply
Knowest thou not O Fairies Lord
How much by us Contemnd Abhorrd
Whatever hides the Female form
That cannot bear the Mental storm
Therefore in Pity still we give
Our lives to make the Female live
And what would turn into disease
We turn to what will joy \& please

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"AroundTheSprings"1; E482|
"AroundTheSprings"2; E482|
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title; E4821 To Mrs Ann Flaxman ${ }^{\text {t1217 }}$
ToMrsAnnFlaxman1; E482| A little Flower grew in a lonely Vale
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title; E482 The Smile

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TheSmile16; E483|

There is a Smile of Love
And there is a Smile of Deceit
And there is a Smile of Smiles
In which these two Smiles meet

And there is a Frown of Hate And there is a Frown of Disdain And there is a Frown of Frowns
Which you strive to forget in vain

For it sticks in the Hearts deep Core And it sticks in the deep Back bone And no Smile that ever was smild But only one Smile alone

That betwixt the Cradle \& Grave It only once Smild can be But when it once is Smild Theres an end to all Misery

TheGoldenNet1; E483|
TheGoldenNet2; E483|
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TheGoldenNet26; E483|

Three Virgins at the break of day <t1220
Whither young Man whither away
Alas for woe! alas for woe! t1221
They cry \& tears for ever flow
The one was Clothd in flames of fire ${ }^{\text {t1222 }}$
The other Clothd in iron wire ${ }^{t 1223}$
The other Clothd in tears \& sighs t1224
Dazling bright before my Eyes
They bore a Net of Golden twine
To hang upon the Branches fine
Pitying I wept to see the woe ${ }^{t 1225}$
That Love \& Beauty undergo
To be consumd in burning Fires
And in ungratified Desires
And in tears clothd Night \& day
Melted all my Soul away
When they saw my Tears a Smile
That did Heaven itself beguile
Bore the Golden Net aloft
As on downy Pinions soft t1226
Over the Morning of my Day ${ }^{t 1227}$
Underneath the Net I stray
Now intreating Burning Fire ${ }^{t 1228}$
Now intreating Iron Wire t1229
Now intreating Tears \& Sighs
O when will the morning rise ${ }^{t 1230}$

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title; E483| The Mental Traveller tl231

MentalTraveller1; E483|
MentalTraveller2; E483|
MentalTraveller3; E483|
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I traveld thro' a Land of Men
A Land of Men \& Women too
And heard \& saw such dreadful things
As cold Earth wanderers never knew

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MentalTraveller9; E484|
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That was begotten in dire woe

Just as we Reap in joy the fruit
Which we in bitter tears did sow

And if the Babe is born a Boy He's given to a Woman Old Who nails him down upon a rock Catches his Shrieks in Cups of gold

She binds iron thorns around his head
She pierces both his hands \& feet
She cuts his heart out at his side
To make it feel both cold \& heat

Her fingers number every Nerve just as a Miser counts his gold
She lives upon his shrieks \& cries
And She grows young as he grows old

Till he becomes a bleeding youth
And she becomes a Virgin bright
Then he rends up his Manacles
And binds her down for his delight

He plants himself in all her Nerves
Just as a Husbandman his mould
And She becomes his dwelling place
And Garden fruitful Seventy fold

An aged Shadow soon he fades
Wandring round an Earthly Cot Full filled all with gems \& gold Which he by industry had got

And these are the gems of the Human Soul
The rubies \& pearls of a lovesick eye The countless gold of the akeing heart The martyrs groan \& the lovers sigh

MentalTraveller37; E484|
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MentalTraveller68; E485|

They are his meat they are his drink He feeds the Beggar \& the Poor And the way faring Traveller For ever open is his door

His grief is their eternal joy
They make the roofs \& walls to ring
Till from the fire on the hearth
A little Female Babe does spring

And she is all of solid fire
And gems \& gold that none his hand

Dares stretch to touch her Baby form Or wrap her in his swaddling-band

But She comes to the Man she loves If young or old or rich or poor They soon drive out the aged Host A Begger at anothers door

He wanders weeping far away
Untill some other take him in
Oft blind \& age-bent sore distrest
Untill he can a Maiden win

And to Allay his freezing Age The Poor Man takes her in his arms
The Cottage fades before his Sight
The Garden \& its lovely Charms

The Guests are scatterd thro' the land For the Eye altering alters all The Senses roll themselves in fear And the flat Earth becomes a Ball

The Stars Sun Moon all shrink away
A desart vast without a bound
And nothing left to eat or drink
And a dark desart all around

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MentalTraveller99; E486|
MentalTraveller100; E486|

The honey of her Infant lips
The bread \& wine of her sweet smile The wild game of her roving Eye Does him to Infancy beguile

For as he eats \& drinks he grows Younger \& younger every day
And on the desart wild they both Wander in terror \& dismay

Like the wild Stag she flees away Her fear plants many a thicket wild While he pursues her night \& day By various arts of Love beguild

By various arts of Love \& Hate Till the wide desart planted oer With Labyrinths of wayward Love Where roams the Lion Wolf \& Boar ${ }^{t 1232}$

Till he becomes a wayward Babe t1233
And she a weeping Woman Old ${ }^{1233}$

Then many a Lover wanders here
The Sun \& Stars are nearer rolld

The trees bring forth sweet Extacy
To all who in the desart roam
Till many a City there is Built
And many a pleasant Shepherds home

But when they find the frowning Babe
Terror strikes thro the region wide
They cry the Babe the Babe is Born
And flee away on Every side ${ }^{t 1235}$

For who dare touch the frowning form
His arm is witherd to its root
Lions Boars Wolves all howling flee
And every Tree does shed its fruit

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And none can touch that frowning form Except it be a Woman Old She nails him down upon the Rock And all is done as I have told

ED; E486| *
title; E486| The Land of Dreams

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TheLandOfDreams20; E487|

Awake awake my little Boy
Thou wast thy Mothers only joy
Why dost thou weep in thy gentle sleep
Awake thy Father does thee keep

O what Land is the Land of Dreams
What are its Mountains \& what are its Streams
O Father I saw my Mother there Among the Lillies by waters fair

Among the Lambs clothed in white She walkd with her Thomas in sweet delight I wept for joy like a dove I mourn O when shall I again return

Dear Child I also by pleasant Streams Have wanderd all Night in the Land of Dreams But tho calm \& warm the Waters wide 1 could not get to the other side

Father O Father what do we here In this Land of unbelief \& fear

The Land of Dreams is better far Above the light of the Morning Star

Mary1; E487|
Mary2; E487|
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Sweet Mary the first time she ever was there Came into the Ball room among the Fair The young Men \& Maidens around her throng And these are the words upon every tongue

An Angel is here from the heavenly Climes
Or again does return the Golden times ${ }^{t 1237}$
Her eyes outshine every brilliant ray
She opens her lips tis the Month of May

Mary moves in soft beauty \& conscious delight To augment with sweet smiles all the joys of the Night Nor once blushes to own to the rest of the Fair
That sweet Love \& Beauty are worthy our care

In the Morning the Villagers rose with delight
And repeated with pleasure the joys of the night
And Mary arose among Friends to be free
But no Friend from henceforward thou Mary shalt see

Some said she was proud some calld her a whore And some when she passed by shut to the door A damp cold came oer her her blushes all fled Her lillies \& roses are blighted \& shed

O why was I born with a different Face Why was I not born like this Envious Race ${ }^{t 1238}$
Why did Heaven adorn me with bountiful hand And then set me down in an envious Land

To be weak as a Lamb \& smooth as a Dove And not to raise Envy is calld Christian Love But if you raise Envy your Merits to blame For planting such spite in the weak \& the tame

I will humble my Beauty I will not dress fine I will keep from the Ball \& my Eyes shall not shine And if any Girls Lover forsakes her for me I'll refuse him my hand \& from Envy be free t1239

Mary33; E487|
Mary34; E487|

Mary35; E488| She went out in Morning in plain neat attire
Mary36; E488| And came home in Evening bespatterd with mire

Mary37; E488|
Mary38; E488|
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Mary40; E488|

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Mary46; E488|
Mary47; E488|
Mary48; E488|

ED; E488|
title; E488| She went out in Morning attird plain \& neat Proud Marys gone Mad said the Child in the Street

She trembled \& wept sitting on the Bed side She forgot it was Night \& she trembled \& cried She forgot it was Night she forgot it was Morn Her soft Memory imprinted with Faces of Scorn With Faces of Scorn \& with Eyes of disdain Like foul Fiends inhabiting Marys mild Brain She remembers no Face like the Human Divine All Faces have Envy sweet Mary but thine

And thine is a Face of sweet Love in Despair And thine is a Face of mild sorrow \& care And thine is a Face of wild terror \& fear That shall never be quiet till laid on its bier


CrystalCabinet2; E488|
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CrystalCabinet4; E488|

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CrystalCabinet6; E488|
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CrystalCabinet 11; E488| CrystalCabinet12; E488|

The Maiden caught me in the Wild Where I was dancing merrily She put me into her Cabinet And Lockd me up with a golden Key

This Cabinet is formd of Gold And Pearl \& Crystal shining bright
And within it opens into a World
And a little lovely Moony Night ${ }^{t 1240}$

Another England there I saw
Another London with its Tower
Another Thames \& other Hills
And another pleasant Surrey Bower

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CrystalCabinet28; E489|

Another Maiden like herself
Translucent lovely shining clear Threefold each in the other closd O what a pleasant trembling fear

O what a smile a threefold Smile Filld me that like a flame I burnd I bent to Kiss the lovely Maid And found a Threefold Kiss returnd

I strove to sieze the inmost Form With ardor fierce \& hands of flame

But burst the Crystal Cabinet And like a Weeping Babe became

A weeping Babe upon the wild And Weeping Woman pale reclind And in the outward air again I filld with woes the passing Wind

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title; E489
The Grey Monk ${ }^{\text {t124t }}$

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TheGreyMonk4; E489|

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TheGreyMonk12; E489|

I die I die the Mother said
My Children die for lack of Bread t1242
What more has the merciless Tyrant said The Monk sat down on the Stony Bed ${ }^{t 1243}$

The blood red ran from the Grey Monks side His hands \& feet were wounded wide His Body bent his arms \& knees Like to the roots of ancient trees

His eye was dry no tear could flow
A hollow groan first spoke his woe He trembled \& shudderd upon the Bed ${ }^{\text {tl244 }}$ At length with a feeble cry he said

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TheGreyMonk36; E490|

When God commanded this hand to write t1245
In the studious hours of deep midnight
He told me the writing I wrote should prove ${ }^{t 1246}$
The Bane of all that on Earth I lovd ${ }^{t 247}$

My Brother starvd between two Walls
His Childrens Cry my Soul appalls
I mockd at the wrack \& griding chain ${ }^{t 1248}$
My bent body mocks their torturing pain ${ }^{t 1249}$

Thy Father drew his sword in the North
With his thousands strong he marched forth t1250
Thy Brother has armd himself in Steel ${ }^{\text {t1251 }}$
To avenge the wrongs thy Children feel ${ }^{t / 252}$

But vain the Sword \& vain the Bow
They never can work Wars overthrow
The Hermits Prayer \& the Widows tear Alone can free the World from fear

For a Tear is an Intellectual Thing ${ }^{t 1253}$
And a Sigh is the Sword of an Angel King

And the bitter groan of the Martyrs woe t1254 Is an Arrow from the Almighties Bow

The hand of Vengeance found the Bed t1255
To which the Purple Tyrant fled The iron hand crushd the Tyrants head
And became a Tyrant in his stead ${ }^{t 1256}$

| AuguriesOflnno.1; E490\| | To see a World in a Grain of Sand |
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| AugurieSOfInno.2; E490\| | And a Heaven in a Wild Flower |
| Auguriesoflnno.3; E490\| | Hold Infinity in the palm of your hand |
| AuguriesOflnno.4; E490\| | And Eternity in an hour |

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A Robin Red breast in a Cage Puts all Heaven in a Rage
A Dove house filld with doves \& Pigeons
Shudders Hell thro all its regions
A dog starvd at his Masters Gate
Predicts the ruin of the State
A Horse misusd upon the Road
Calls to Heaven for Human blood
Each outcry of the hunted Hare
A fibre from the Brain does tear
A Skylark wounded in the wing
A Cherubim does cease to sing
The Game Cock clipd \& armd for fight
Does the Rising Sun affright
Every Wolfs \& Lions howl
Raises from Hell a Human Soul
The wild deer wandring here \& there
Keeps the Human Soul from Care
The Lamb misusd breeds Public strife
And yet forgives the Butchers Knife The Bat that flits at close of Eve Has left the Brain that wont Believe
The Owl that calls upon the Night Speaks the Unbelievers fright He who shall hurt the little Wren Shall never be belovd by Men He who the Ox to wrath has movd Shall never be by Woman lovd The wanton Boy that kills the Fly Shall feel the Spiders enmity

He who torments the Chafers sprite Weaves a Bower in endless Night The Catterpiller on the Leaf Repeats to thee thy Mothers grief Kill not the Moth nor Butterfly For the Last judgment draweth nigh He who shall train the Horse to War Shall never pass the Polar Bar The Beggers Dog \& Widows Cat Feed them \& thou wilt grow fat The Gnat that sings his Summers song Poison gets from Slanders tongue The poison of the Snake \& Newt Is the sweat of Envys Foot

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AuguriesOfInno.92; E492|

The Poison of the Honey Bee
Is the Artists jealousy
The Princes Robes \& Beggars Rags
Are Toadstools on the Misers Bags ${ }^{\text {t1258 }}$
A truth thats told with bad intent
Beats all the Lies you can invent
It is right it should be so
Man was made for Joy \& Woe
And when this we rightly know
Thro the World we safely go
Joy \& Woe are woven fine
A Clothing for the soul divine
Under every grief \& pine
Runs a joy with silken twine
The Babe is more than swadling Bands
Throughout all these Human Lands
Tools were made \& Born were hands
Every Farmer Understands
Every Tear from Every Eye
Becomes a Babe in Eternity
This is caught by Females bright
And returnd to its own delight
The Bleat the Bark Bellow \& Roar
Are Waves that Beat on Heavens Shore
The Babe that weeps the Rod beneath
Writes Revenge in realms of death
The Beggars Rags fluttering in Air Does to Rags the Heavens tear
The Soldier armd with Sword \& Gun
Palsied strikes the Summers Sun
The poor Mans Farthing is worth more
Than all the Gold on Africs Shore.

One Mite wrung from the Labrers hands
Shall buy \& sell the Misers Lands
Or if protected from on high
Does that whole Nation sell \& buy
He who mocks the Infants Faith
Shall be mock'd in Age \& Death
He who shall teach the Child to Doubt
The rotting Grave shall neer get out He who respects the Infants faith
Triumphs over Hell \& Death
The Childs Toys \& the Old Mans Reasons
Are the Fruits of the Two seasons

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AuguriesOfInno.132; E493|

The Questioner who sits so sly
Shall never know how to Reply
He who replies to words of Doubt Doth put the Light of Knowledge out
The Strongest Poison ever known
Came from Caesars Laurel Crown
Nought can Deform the Human Race
Like to the Armours iron brace
When Gold \& Gems adorn the Plow
To peaceful Arts shall Envy Bow
A Riddle or the Crickets Cry
Is to Doubt a fit Reply
The Emmets Inch \& Eagles Mile
Make Lame Philosophy to smile
He who Doubts from what he sees
Will neer Believe do what you Please
If the Sun \& Moon should Doubt
Theyd immediately Go out
To be in a Passion you Good may Do
But no Good if a Passion is in you
The Whore \& Gambler by the State Licencd build that Nations Fate
The Harlots cry from Street to Street
Shall weave Old Englands winding Sheet
The Winners Shout the Losers Curse
Dance before dead Englands Hearse
Every Night \& every Morn
Some to Misery are Born
Every Morn \& every Night
Some are Born to sweet delight
Some are Born to sweet delight
Some are Born to Endless Night
We are led to Believe a Lie
When we see not Thro the Eye ${ }^{t 1259}$

Which was Born in a Night to perish in a Night
When the Soul Slept in Beams of Light
God Appears \& God is Light
To those poor Souls who dwell in Night
But does a Human Form Display
To those who Dwell in Realms of day

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Long John Brown \& Little Mary Bell ${ }^{\text {t1260 }}$

LongJohnBrown1; E496| Little Mary Bell had a Fairy in a Nut
LongJohnBrown2; E496| Long John Brown had the Devil in his Gut LongohnBrown3; E496| Long John Brown lovd Little Mary Bell
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title; E496| William Bond
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I wonder whether the Girls are mad And I wonder whether they mean to kill

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And I wonder if William Bond will die For assuredly he is very ill He went to Church in a May morning Attended by Fairies one two \& three

But the Angels Of Providence drove them away And he returnd home in Misery

He went not out to the Field nor Fold He went not out to the Village nor Town But he came home in a black black cloud And took to his Bed \& there lay down

And an Angel of Providence at his Feet And an Angel of Providence at his Head And in the midst a Black Black Cloud And in the midst the Sick Man on his Bed

And on his Right hand was Mary Green
And on his Left hand was his Sister Jane
And their tears fell thro the black black Cloud
To drive away the sick mans pain
O William if thou dost another Love ${ }^{t 1261}$
Dost another Love better than poor Mary
Go \& take that other to be thy Wife
And Mary Green shall her Servant be

Yes Mary I do another Love Another I Love far better than thee
And Another I will have for my Wife Then what have I to do with thee

For thou art Melancholy Pale
And on thy Head is the cold Moons shine
But she is ruddy \& bright as day
And the sun beams dazzle from her eyne

Mary trembled \& Mary chilld And Mary fell down on the right hand floor That William Bond \& his Sister Jane
Scarce could recover Mary more

WilliamBond37; E497| When Mary woke \& found her Laid
WilliamBond38; E497| On the Right hand of her William dear
WilliamBond39; E497|
WilliamBond40; E497|

WilliamBond41; E497|
WilliamBond42; E497|
WilliamBond43; E497|
WilliamBond44; E497|
WilliamBond45; E497|
WilliamBond46; E497|

WilliamBond47; E498|
WilliamBond48; E498|

WilliamBond49; E498|
WilliamBond50; E498|
WilliamBond51; E498|
WilliamBond52; E498|
The Fairies that fled from William Bond Danced around her Shining Head
They danced over the Pillow white
And the Angels of Providence left the Bed I thought Love livd in the hot sun Shine But O he lives in the Moony light

I thought to find Love in the heat of day But sweet Love is the Comforter of Night

Seek Love in the Pity of others Woe In the gentle relief of anothers care
In the darkness of night \& the winters snow In the naked \& outcast Seek Love there

ED; E498| *

ED; E498| [Mrs Blake's record] t1262
title; E498| Mr Blake's Nursery Rhyme


# [The Pickering Manuscript] 

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N-MottoSIE1; E499|
N-MottoSIE2; E499|
N-MottoSIE3; E499|
N-MottoSIE4; E499|

N-MottoSIE5; E499|
N-MottoSIE6; E499|
N-MottoSIE7; E499|
N-MottoSIE8; E499|

The Good are attracted by Mens perceptions And Think not for themselves Till Experience teaches them to catch And to cage the Fairies \& Elves

And then the Knave begins to snarl And the Hypocrite to howl And all his good Friends shew their private ends And the Eagle is known from the Owl

ED; E499| * t1264

N-"LetTheBrothels" 1; E499|
N-"LetTheBrothels"2; E499|
N-"LetTheBrothels"3; E499| N-"LetTheBrothels"4; E499|

N-"LetTheBrothels"5; E499|
N-"LetTheBrothels"6; E499|
N-"LetTheBrothels"7; E499|
N-"LetTheBrothels"8; E499|

N-"LetTheBrothels"9; E499|
N-"LetTheBrothels"10; E499|
N-"LetTheBrothels"11; E499|
N-"LetTheBrothels"12; E499|

N-"LetTheBrothels"13; E500|
N-"LetTheBrothels"14; E500|
N-"LetTheBrothels"15; E500|
N-"LetTheBrothels" 16; E500|

N-"LetTheBrothels"17; E500|

Let the Brothels of Paris be opened
With many an alluring dance
To awake the Physicians thro the city ${ }^{t 1265}$
Said the beautiful Queen of France

Then old Nobodaddy aloft
Farted \& belchd \& coughd
And said I love hanging \& drawing \& quartering
Every bit as well as war \& slaughtering ${ }^{t 1266}$

Then he swore a great \& solemn Oath ${ }^{t 1267}$
To kill the people I am loth
But If they rebel they must go to hell
They shall have a Priest \& a passing bell

The King awoke on his couch of gold As soon as he heard these tidings told Arise \& come both fife \& drum
And the [Famine] shall eat both crust \& crumb ${ }^{t 1268}$

The Queen of France just touchd this Globe

N-"LetTheBrothels"18; E500|

And the Pestilence darted from her robe tl269 But our good Queen quite grows to the ground And a great many suckers grow all around $\quad 1270$

N-"WhoWillExchange" $1 ; ~ E 500 \mid$
N-"WhoWillExchange"2; E500|
N-"WhoWillExchange"3; E500|
N-"WhoWillExchange"4; E500|

N-"WhoWillExchange"5; E500|
N-"WhoWillExchange"6; E500|
N-"WhoWillExchange"7; E500|
N-"WhoWillExchange"8; E500|

N-"WhoWillExchange"9; E500|
N-"WhoWillExchange"10; E500|
N-"WhoWillExchange" 11 ; E500|
N-"WhoWillExchange"12; E500|

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ED; E500| * t1271
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\mathrm{ED} ; \mathrm{E} 500 \mid \quad * \quad t 1275
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N-"WhenKlopstock"1; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"2; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"3; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"4; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"5; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"6; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"7; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"8; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"9; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"10; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"11; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"12; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"13; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"14; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"15; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"16; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"17; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"18; E500|
N-"WhenKlopstock"19; E500|

Who will exchange his own fire side For the stone of anothers door ${ }^{t 1272}$
Who will exchange his wheaten loaf For the links of a dungeon floor

Fayette beheld the King \& Queen In curses \& iron bound ${ }^{t 1273}$
But mute Fayette wept tear for tear
And guarded them around

O who would smile on the wintry seas \& Pity the stormy roar t1274
Or who will exchange his new born child For the dog at the wintry door

When Klopstock England defied
Uprose terrible Blake in his pride
For old Nobodaddy aloft
Farted \& Belchd \& coughd
Then swore a great oath that made heavn quake
And calld aloud to English Blake
Blake was giving his body ease
At Lambeth beneath the poplar trees
From his seat then started he
And turnd himself round three times three t1276
The Moon at that sight blushd scarlet red
The stars threw down their cups \& fled
And all the devils that were in hell ${ }^{t 1277}$
Answered with a ninefold yell
Klopstock felt the intripled turn ${ }^{t 1278}$
And all his bowels began to churn ${ }^{t 1279}$
And his bowels turned round three times three ${ }^{t 1280}$
And lockd in his soul with a ninefold key
That from his body it neer could be parted

N-"WhenKlopstock"22; E501|
N-"WhenKlopstock"23; E501|
N-"WhenKlopstock"24; E501|
N-"WhenKlopstock"25; E501|
N-"WhenKlopstock"26; E501|
N-"WhenKlopstock"27; E501|
N-"WhenKlopstock"28; E501|
N-"WhenKlopstock"29; E501|
N-"WhenKlopstock"30; E501|
N-"WhenKlopstock"31; E501|
N-"WhenKlopstock"32; E501|

Till to the last trumpet it was farted Then again old nobodaddy swore

He neer had seen such a thing before Since Noah was shut in the ark Since Eve first chose her hell fire spark Since twas the fashion to go naked Since the old anything was created And in pity he begd him to turn again And ease poor Klopstocks nine fold pain From pity then he redend round ${ }^{t 1281}$ And the ninefold Spell unwound ${ }^{t 1282}$
If Blake could do this when he rose up from shite ${ }^{t 1283}$
What might he not do if he sat down to write

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N-tite; E501| On the Virginity of the Virgin Mary \& Johanna Southcott

N-OnTheVirginityOf1; E501|
N-OnTheVirginityOf2; E501|
N-OnTheVirginityOf3; E501| N-OnTheVirginityOf4; E501|

ED; E501|

N-"YouDontBelieve"1; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"2; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"3; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"4; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"5; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"6; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"7; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"8; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"9; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"10; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"11; E501|
N-"YouDontBelieve"12; E501|

Whateer is done to her she cannot know And if youll ask her she will swear it so t1284 Whether tis good or evil none's to blame No one can take the pride no one the shame

You dont believe I wont attempt to make ye t1285
You are asleep I wont attempt to wake ye Sleep on Sleep on while in your pleasant dreams Of Reason you may drink of Lifes clear streams Reason and Newton they are quite two things For so the Swallow \& the Sparrow sings Reason says Miracle. Newton says Doubt
Aye thats the way to make all Nature out ${ }^{t 2886}$
Doubt Doubt \& dont believe without experiment
That is the very thing that Jesus meant
When he said Only Believe Believe \& try ${ }^{\text {t1287 }}$
Try Try \& never mind the Reason why

N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"1; E501|
N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"2; E501|
N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"3; E501| N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"4; E501|

N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"5; E501|
N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"6; E501|
N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"7; E501|
N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"8; E501|
N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"9; E501|
N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"10; E501|

N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"11; E502|
N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"12; E502|
N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"13; E502|
N-"IfItIsTrueWhat"14; E502|

ED; E502| *

N-"IamNoHomersHero"1; E502|
N-"IamNoHomersHero"2; E502|
N-"IamNoHomersHero"3; E502|
N -"IamNoHomersHero"4; E502|
N-"IamNoHomersHero"5; E502|
N-"IamNoHomersHero"6; E502|

ED; E502|

N-"TheAngelThatPresided"1; E502|
N-"TheAngelThatPresided"2; E502|
N -"TheAngelThatPresided"3; E502|

ED; E502| *

N-"SomeMenCreatedFor"1; E502|
N-"SomeMenCreatedFor"2; E502|
N-"SomeMenCreatedFor"3; E502|
N-"SomeMenCreatedFor"4; E502|

If it is True What the Prophets write That the heathen Gods are all stocks \& stones Shall we for the sake of being Polite Feed them with the juice of our marrow bones

And if Bezaleel \& Aholiab drew
What the Finger of God pointed to their View
Shall we suffer the Roman \& Grecian Rods
To compell us to worship them as Gods
They stole them from the Temple of the Lord
And Worshippd them that they might make Inspired Art Abhorrd ${ }^{\text {t1288 }}$

The Wood \& Stone were calld The Holy Things-And their Sublime Intent given to their Kings
All the Atonements of Jehovah spurnd And Criminals to Sacrifices Turnd

I am no Homers Hero you all know
I profess not Generosity to a Foe
My Generosity is to my Friends
That for their Friendship I may make amends
The Generous to Enemies promotes their Ends
And becomes the Enemy \& Betrayer of his Friends

The Angel that presided oer my birth
Said Little creature formd of Joy \& Mirth ${ }^{\text {t1289 }}$
Go love without the help of any King on Earth ${ }^{t 1290}$

Some Men created for destruction come Into the World \& make the World their home Be they as Vile \& Base as Eer they can ${ }^{t 1291}$ Theyll still be called 'The Worlds' honest man ${ }^{\text {t1292 }}$

N-"IfferrGrow"1; E502 If I eer Grow to Mans Estate
N-"IfferrGrow"2; E502| O Give to me a Womans fate
N-"IfferrGrow"3; E502| May I govern all both great \& small
N-"IflerrGrow"4; E502| Have the last word \& take the wall

ED; E502| *

N-title; E502| From Cratetos

ED; E502 *

N-"IfMenWillAct"1; E502|
N-"IfMenWillAct"2; E502|

N-"IfMenWillAct"3; E502|
N-"IfMenWillAct"4; E502|
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { N-"IfMenWillAct"5; E502| } & \text { False Friends fie fie our Friendship you shant sever tl293 }\end{array}$
N-"IfMenWillAct"6; E502
In spite we will be greater friends than ever ${ }^{t 1294}$
If Men will act like a maid smiling over a Churn They ought not when it comes to anothers turn

To grow sower at what a friend may utter Knowing \& feeling that we all have need of Butter

ED; E503| *

N-"Anger\&Wrath" 1; E503|
N-"Anger\&Wrath"2; E503|
N-"Anger\&Wrath"3; E503|
N-"Anger\&Wrath"4; E503|

ED; E503| *

N-title; E503| An Epitaph

N-AnEpitaph1; E503| Come knock your heads against this stone

N-title; E503| Another

N-Another[a]1; E503| I was buried near this Dike
N-Another[a]2; E503| That my Friends may weep as much as they like

ED; E503| *

N-title; E503| Another

N-Another[b]1; E503|
N-Another[b]2; E503|
N-Another[b]3; E503|
N-Another[b]4; E503|

ED; E503| *

N-"HeIsACock"1; E503|
N-"HeIsACock"2; E503|

ED; E503| * t1296

N-"AndHisLegs" $1 ;$ E503|
N-"AndHisLegs"2; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs"3; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs"4; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs"5; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs"6; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs"7; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs"8; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs"9; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs" 10; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs"11; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs" 12; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs" 13; E503|
N-"AndHisLegs" $14 ;$ E503|

Here lies John Trot the Friend of all mankind He has not left one Enemy behind Friends were quite hard to find old authors say But now they stand in every bodies way

And would be a Cock if he could

And his legs carried it like a long fork Reachd all the way from Chichester to York From York all across Scotland to the Sea This was a Man of Men as seems to me Not only in his Mouth his own Soul lay ${ }^{t 1297}$ But my Soul also would he bear away Like as a Pedlar bears his weary Pack
So Stewhards Soul he buckld to his Back ${ }^{t 1298}$
But once alas committing a Mistake
He bore the wr[et]ched Soul of William Blake
That he might turn it into Eggs of Gold
But neither Back nor mouth those Eggs could hold His underjaw dropd as those Eggs he laid And Stewhards Eggs are addled \& decayd

N-"AndHisLegs" 15; E504
N-"AndHisLegs"16; E504
N-"AndHisLegs" 17; E504|
N-"AndHisLegs"18; E504|
N-"AndHisLegs" 19; E504|
N-"AndHisLegs"20; E504|
N-"AndHisLegs"21; E504|
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N-"AndHisLegs"47; E504|
N-"AndHisLegs"48; E504|
N-"AndHisLegs"49; E504|
N-"AndHisLegs"50; E504|
N-"AndHisLegs"51; E504|

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ED; E504| *
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N-"WasI_angry"1; E504| N-"WasI_angry"2; E504| N-"WasI_angry"3; E504| N-"WasI_angry"4; E504|

The Examiner whose very name is Hunt ${ }^{t 1300}$
Calld Death a Madman trembling for the affront
Like trembling Hare sits on his weakly paper
On which he usd to dance \& sport \& caper
Yorkshire Jack Hemp \& gentle blushing Daw
Clapd Death into the corner of their jaw
And Felpham Billy rode out every morn
Horseback with Death over the fields of corn
Who with iron hand cuffd in the afternoon
The Ears of Billys Lawyer \& Dragoon
And Cur my Lawyer \& Dady Jack Hemps Parson ${ }^{\text {tl302 }}$
Both went to Law with Death to keep our Ears on
For how to starve Death we had laid a plot
Against his Price but Death was in the Pot
He made them pay his Price alack a day
He knew both Law \& Gospel better than they
O that I neer ha[d] seen that William Blake
Or could from death Assassinetti wake
We thought Alas that such a thought should be That Blake would Etch for him \& draw for me
For twas a kind of Bargain Screwmuch made That Blakes Designs should be by us displayed
Because he makes designs so very cheap
Then Screwmuch at Blakes soul took a long leap
Twas not a Mouse twas Death in a disguise
And I alas live to weep out mine Eyes
And Death sits laughing on their Monuments t1303
On which hes written Recievd the Contents ${ }^{t 1304}$
But I have writ so sorrowful my thought is t1305
His Epitaph for my tears are aqua fortis
Come Artists knock your heads against This stone ${ }^{t 1306}$
For Sorrow that our friend Bob Screwmuchs gone t1307
And now the Men upon me smile \& Laugh
Ill also write my own dear Epitaph
And Ill be buried near a Dike
That my friends may weep as much as they like
Here lies Stewhard the Friend of All \&c ${ }^{t 1308}$

Was I angry with Hayley who usd me so in Or can I be angry with Felphams old Mill ${ }^{t 1309}$ Or angry with Flaxman or Cromek or Stothard Or poor Schiavonetti whom they to death botherd

N-"WasI_angry"5; E504|
N-"WasI_angry"6; E504|
N-"WasI_angry"7; E504| N-"WasI_angry"8; E504|

Or angry with Macklin or Boydel or Bowyer t1310 Because they did not say O what a Beau ye are tl311 At a Friends Errors Anger shew
Mirth at the Errors of a Foe

N-title; E505| Blakes apology for his Catalogue ${ }^{\text {t1312 }}$

N-Blake'sApology1; E505|
N-Blake'sApology2; E505|
N-Blake'sApology3; E505|
N-Blake'sApology4; E505|
N-Blake'sApology5; E505|
N-Blake'sApology6; E505|
N-Blake'sApology7; E505|
N-Blake'sApology8; E505|
N-Blake'sApology9; E505|
N-Blake'sApology 10; E505|
N-Blake'sApology 11; E505|
N-Blake'sApology 12; E505|
N-Blake'sApology 13; E505|
N-Blake'sApology 14; E505|
N-Blake'sApology 15; E505|
N-Blake'sApology 16; E505|
N-Blake'sApology 17; E505|
N-Blake'sApology 18; E505|
N-Blake'sApology 19; E505|
N-Blake'sApology20; E505|
N-Blake'sApology21; E505|
N-Blake'sApology22; E505|

ED; E505| *

[^1]Having given great offence by writing in Prose Ill write in Verse as Soft as Bartolloze ${ }^{11313}$
Some blush at what others can see no crime in But nobody sees any harm in Rhyming Dryden in Rhyme cries Milton only plannd Every Fool shook his bells throughout the land
Tom Cooke cut Hogarth down with his clean graving Thousands of Connoisseurs with joy ran raving t1314 Thus Hayley on his Toilette seeing the Sope Cries Homer is very much improvd by Pope ${ }^{t 1315}$ Some say Ive given great Provision to my foes ${ }^{t 1316}$ And that now I lead my false friends by the nose ${ }^{t 1317}$ Flaxman \& Stothard smelling a sweet savour Cry Blakified drawing spoils painter \& Engraver While I looking up to my Umbrella Resolvd to be a very contrary fellow
Cry looking quite from Skumference to Center 11318
No one can finish so high as the original Inventor Thus Poor Schiavonetti died of the Cromek A thing thats tied around the Examiners neck 13319
This is my sweet apology to my friends That I may put them in mind of their latter Ends

Cosway Frazer \& Baldwin of Egypts Lake
Fear to Associate with Blake
This Life is a Warfare against Evils They heal the sick he casts out Devils Hayley Flaxman \& Stothard are also in doubt Lest their Virtue should be put to the rout One grins tother spits \& in corners hides ${ }^{t 1320}$ And all the Virtuous have shewn their backsides ${ }^{\text {t1321 }}$

N-"MyTitleAs"1; E505| My title as [a] Genius thus is provd ${ }^{t 1322}$
N-"MyTitleas"2; E505| Not Praisd by Hayley nor by Flaxman lovd

ED; E505| *

N-title; E505| To H ${ }^{\text {t1323 }}$

N-ToH1; E505| You think Fuseli is not a Great Painter Im Glad
N-ToH2; Es05| This is one of the best compliments he ever had

ED; E505| *

N-"P---LovedMe"1; E505|
N-"P---LovedMe"2; E505|

N-"P---LovedMe"3; E506|
N-"P---LovedMe"4; E506|
N-"P---LovedMe"5; E506|
N-"P---LovedMe"6; E506|

ED; E506| *

N-"TheSussexMen"1; E506|
N-"TheSussexMen"2; E506|
N-"TheSussexMen"3; E506|
N-"TheSussexMen"4; E506|

P----loved me, not as he lovd his Friends ${ }^{\text {tl324 }}$
For he lovd them for gain to serve his Ends

He loved me and for no Gain at all ${ }^{t 1325}$
But to rejoice \& triumph in my fall
To forgive Enemies H . does pretend
Who never in his Life forgave a friend

N-OfH'sBirth1; E506|
N-OfH'sBirth2; E506|

Of H s birth this was the happy lot
His Mother on his Father him begot

That is the Very thing hell set you to
If you break not your Neck tis not his fault But pecks of poison are not pecks of salt ${ }^{t 1328}$ And when he could not act upon my wife Hired a Villain to bereave my Life

ED; E506| *
N-title; E506| To H-----

ED; E506| *

N-title; E506| On H----- the Pick thank

N-OnH----The1; E506| I write the Rascal Thanks till he \& I
N-OnH----The2; E506| With Thanks \& Compliments are quite drawn dry

N-tite; E506| Imitation of Pope A Compliment to the Ladies

N-ImitationOfPope1; E506|
N-ImitationOfPope2; E506|
N-ImitationOfPope3; E506|
N-ImitationOfPope4; E506|

Wondrous the Gods more wondrous are the Men More Wondrous Wondrous still the Cock \& Hen More wondrous still the Table Stool \& Chair But Ah More wondrous still the Charming Fair

For this is being a Friend just in the nick Not when hes well but waiting till hes sick He calls you to his help be you not movd ${ }^{t 1330}$ Untill by being Sick his wants are provd t1331

Do you believe it a Confounded lie
Till some Bookseller \& the Public Fame
Proves there is truth in his extravagant claim

For tis atrocious in a Friend you love ${ }^{t 1332}$
To tell you any thing that he cant prove
And tis most wicked in a Christian Nation
For any Man to pretend to Inspiration

N-"TheOnlyMan"1; E507|
N-"TheOnlyMan"2; E507|
N-"TheOnlyMan"3; E507|
N-"TheOnlyMan"4; E507|

ED; E507| *

N-"MadmanI_Have"1; E507|
N-"MadmanI_Have"2; E507|

The only Man that eer I knew
Who did not make me almost spew
Was Fuseli he was both Turk \& Jew
And so dear Christian Friends how do you do ${ }^{t 1333}$

Madman I have been calld Fool they Call thee I wonder which they Envy Thee or Me

[^2]Hes a Blockhead who wants a proof of what he Can't Percieve And he's a Fool who tries to make such a Blockhead believe t1335

N-ToNancyF------1; E507|
N-ToNancyF------2; E507|

How can I help thy Husbands copying Me Should that make difference twixt me \& Thee

ED; E508 *

N-title; E508| To F------

N-ToF-----[b]l; E508| You call me Mad tis Folly to do so
N-ToF-----[b]2; E508] To seek to turn a Madman to a Foe
N-ToF-----[b]3; E508] If you think as you speak you are an Ass
N-ToF-----[b]4; E508| If you do not you are but what you was ${ }^{\text {t1337 }}$

ED; E508| *

N-"S------InChildhood"1; E508|
N-"S------InChildhood"2; E508|
N-"S------InChildhood"3; E508|
N-"S------InChildhood"4; E508|

S------- in Childhood on the Nursery floor t1338 Was extreme Old \& most extremely poor He is grown old \& rich \& what he will He is extreme old \& extreme poor still

ED; E508| * t1339

N-"HeHasObserved"1; E508| He has observd the Golden Rule
N-"HeHasObserved"2; E508 Till hes become the Golden Fool

N-title; E508|
To S------d t1340

N-ToS------d1; E508|
N-ToS------d2; E508|
N-ToS------d3; E508|
N-ToS------d4; E508|
N-ToS------d5; E508|
N-ToS------d6; E508|

You all your Youth observed the Golden Rule t1341
Till youre at last become the golden Fool t1342
I sport with Fortune Merry Blithe \& Gay
Like to the Lion Sporting with his Prey
Take you the hide \& horns which you may wear ${ }^{\text {tl343 }}$
Mine is the flesh the bones may be your Share tl344

N-OnS-------1; E508|
N-OnS-------2; E508|
N-OnS-------3; E508|
N-OnS-------4; E508|

You say reserve \& modesty he has Whose heart is iron his head wood \& his face brass ${ }^{t 1346}$
The Fox the Owl the Beetle \& the Bat By sweet reserve \& modesty get Fat ${ }^{\text {t1347 }}$

N-"OldAcquaintance"1; E508|
N-"OldAcquaintance"2; E508|
old acquaintance well renew ${ }^{t 1348}$
Prospero had One Caliban \& I have Two

| N-OnF------\&S------3; E509 | Tis Excellent to turn a thorn to a pin |
| :--- | :--- |
| N-OnF----\&S----4; E509 | A Fool to a bolt a knave to a glass of gin t1352 |

N-tite; E509| Mr Stothard to Mr Cromek ${ }^{\text {tl353 }}$

| N-MrStothardTo1; E509\| | For Fortunes favours you your riches bring |
| :--- | :--- |
| N-MrStothardTO2; E509\| | But Fortune says she gave you no such thing |
| N-MrStothardTo3; E509\| | Why should you be ungrateful to your friends |
| N-MrStothardTo4; E509\| | Sneaking \& Backbiting \& Odds \& Ends ${ }^{\text {t1354 }}$ |

N-title; E509| Mr Cromek to Mr Stothard

N-MrCromekTo1; E509|
N-MrCromekTo2; E509|
N-MrCromekTo3; E509|
N-MrCromekTo4; E509|

Fortune favours the Brave old Proverbs say But not with Money. that is not the way
Turn back turn back you travel all in vain
Turn thro the iron gate down Sneaking Lane

N-"Cr----Loves"1; E509|
N-"Cr----Loves"2; E509|

Cr---- loves artists as he loves his Meat He loves the Art but tis the Art to Cheat t1355

ED; E509| *
N-"APettyneaking" $1 ;$ E509 $\quad$ A Petty sneaking Knave I knew

N-"APettySneaking"2; E509| O Mr Cr---- how do ye do
ED; E509| *

N-tite; E509| Cromek Speaks ${ }^{\text {t1356 }}$

N-CromekSpeaks1; E509| I always take my judgment from a Fool
N-CromekSpeaks2; E509| Because his judgment is so very Cool ${ }^{\text {tl357 }}$
N-CromekSpeaks3; E509| Not prejudicd by feelings great or small
N-CromekSpeaks4; E509| Amiable state he cannot feel at all tl358

ED; E509| *

N-title-1st; E509| English Encouragement of Art tl359

ED; E509| [First reading]

N-EngEncourArt[| 1st]1; E509| If you mean to Please Every body you will
N-EngEncourArt[1st]2; E509| Set to work both Ignorance \& skill
N-EngEncourArt[1 14 ] $3 ;$ E509|
N-EngEncourArt[1st]4; E509|
N-EngEncourArt[1st]5; E509|
N-EngEncourArt[1st]6; E509|
N-EngEncourArt[1st]7; E509|
N-EngEncourArt[1st]8; E509|

For a great multitude are Ignorant tl360 And skill to them seems raving \& rant Like putting oil \& water into a lamp Twill make a great splutter with smoke \& damp For there is no use as it seems to me Of lighting a Lamp when you dont wish to see

ED; E510| [Final reading]

If you mean to Please Every body you will
Menny wouver both Bunglishness \& skill ${ }^{\text {t1361 }}$
For a great Conquest are Bunglery And Jenous looks to ham like mad Rantery ${ }^{\text {tl362 }}$
Like displaying oil \& water into a lamp
Twill hold forth a huge splutter with smoke \& damp
For its all sheer loss as it seems to me
Of displaying up a light when we want not to see

N-"WhenYouLook"1; E510|
N-"WhenYouLook"2; E510|
N-"WhenYouLook"3; E510|
N-"WhenYouLook"4; E510|
N-"WhenYouLook"5; E510|
N-"WhenYouLook"6; E510|
N-"WhenYouLook"7; E510|
N-"WhenYouLook"8; E510|

ED; E510 *

ED; E510 *

When you look at a picture you always can see If a Man of Sense has Painted he Then never flinch but keep up a Jaw About freedom \& jenny suck awa' ${ }^{\text {t1363 }}$
And when it smells of the Lamp we can ${ }^{t 1364}$
Say all was owing to the Skilful Man
For the smell of water is but small
So een let Ignorance do it all

N: E510| The Cunning sures \& the Aim at yours tl365

ED; E510| *

N-"AllPicturesThats"1; E510|
N-"AllPicturesThats"2; E510|
N-"AllPicturesThats"3; E510|
N-"AllPicturesThats"4; E510|
N-"AllPicturesThats"5; E510|
N-"AllPicturesThats"6; E510|
N-"AllPicturesThats"7; E510|
N-"AllPicturesThats"8; E510|

All Pictures thats Panted with Sense \& with Thought ${ }^{t 1366}$ Are Painted by Madmen as sure as a Groat For the Greater the Fool in the Pencil more blest And when they are drunk they always pant best Thy never can Rafael it Fuseli it nor Blake it If they cant see an outline pray how can they make it When Men will draw outlines begin you to jaw them Madmen see outlines \& therefore they draw them

ED; E510| *

N-"YouSayTheir"1; E510|
N-"YouSayTheir"2; E510|
N-"YouSayTheir"3; E510| N-"YouSayTheir"4; E510|

You say their Pictures well Painted be
And yet they are Blockheads you all agree Thank God I never was sent to school To be Flogd into following the Style of a Fool

N-"TheErrors"1; E510|
N-"TheErrors"2; E510|

ED; E511|

N-"GreatThings"1; E511|
N-"GreatThings"2; E511|

ED; E511|

N-"IfYouPlay"1; E511|
N-"IfYouPlay"2; E511|

ED; E511|

N-"NoRealStyle"1; E511|
N-"NoRealStyle"2; E511|
N-"NoRealStyle"3; E511|
N-"NoRealStyle"4; E511|

ED; E511|
N-"CanThereBe"1; E511|
N-"CanThereBe"2; E511|
N-"CanThereBe"3; E511|
N-"CanThereBe"4; E511|
N-"CanThereBe"5; E511|
N-"CanThereBe"6; E511|

The Errors of a Wise Man make your Rule Rather than the Perfections of a Fool

Great things are done when Men \& Mountains meet This is not Done by jostling in the Street

If you play a Game of Chance know before you begin If you are benevolent you will never win

No real Style of Colouring ever appears But advertising in the News Papers
Look there youll see Sr Joshuas Colouring Look at his Pictures All has taken Wing ${ }^{t l 368}$

Can there be any thing more mean
More Malice in disguise
Than Praise a Man for doing what ${ }^{t 1369}$
That Man does most despise
Reynolds Lectures Exactly so ${ }^{\text {tl370 }}$
When he praises Michael Angelo

ED; E511| * t1371

N-"SirJoshuaPraises" $1 ;$ E511|
N-"SirJoshuaPraises"2; E511| N -"SirJoshuaPraises"3; E511|
N-"SirJoshuaPraises"4; E511| N-"SirJoshuaPraises"5; E511|

Sir Joshua Praises Michael Angelo
Tis Christian Mildness when Knaves Praise a Foe tl372
But Twould be Madness all the World would say ${ }^{t 1373}$
Should Michael Angelo praise Sir Joshua ${ }^{\text {t1374 }}$
Christ usd the Pharisees in a rougher way tl375

N-"SirJoshuaPraised"1; E511|
N-"SirJoshuaPraised"2; E511|
N-"SirJoshuaPraised"3; E511|
N-"SirJoshuaPraised"4; E511|
N-"SirJoshuaPraised"5; E511|
N-"SirJoshuaPraised"6; E511|

Sir Jo[s]hua praised Rubens with a Smile By Calling his the ornamental Style
And yet his praise of Flaxman was the smartest ${ }^{t 1376}$
When he calld him the Ornamental Artist But sure such ornaments we well may spare As Crooked limbs \& louzy heads of hair ${ }^{t 1377}$

N-title; E511] Florentine Ingratitude

N-FlorentineIngrat1; E511|
N-FlorentineIngrat2; E511|
N-FlorentineIngrat3; E511|
N-FlorentineIngrat4; E511|
N-FlorentineIngrat5; E511|
N-FlorentineIngrat6; E511|
N-FlorentineIngrat7; E511|

N-FlorentineIngrat8; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat9; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat10; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat1 1; E512|
N -FlorentineIngrat 12; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat13; E512|
N -FlorentineIngrat14; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat15; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat 16; E512|
N -FlorentineIngrat17; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat 18; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat19; E512|
N -FlorentineIngrat20; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat21; E512|
N -FlorentineIngrat22; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat23; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat24; E512|

N -FlorentineIngrat25; E512|
N -FlorentineIngrat26; E512|
N-FlorentineIngrat27; E512|

> Sir Joshua sent his own Portrait to
> The birth Place of Michael Angelo
> And in the hand of the simpering fool
> He put a Dirty paper scroll
> And on the paper to be polite
> Did Sketches by Michel Angelo write ${ }^{t 1378}$
> The Florentines said Tis a Dutch English bore

Michael Angelos Name writ on Rembrandts door
The Florentines call it an English Fetch
For Michael Angelo did never Sketch
Every line of his has Meaning
And needs neither Suckling nor Weaning
Tis the trading English Venetian Cant ${ }^{t 1379}$
To speak Michael Angelo \& Act Rembrandt
It will set his Dutch friends all in a roar
To write Mch Ang on Rembrandts Door
But You must not bring in your hand a Lie
If you mean that the Florentines should buy
Ghiottos Circle or Apelles Line
Were not the Work of Sketchers drunk with Wine
Nor of the City Clarks merry hearted Fashion
Nor of Sir Isaac Newtons Calculation
Nor of the City Clarks Idle Facilities t1380
Which sprang from Sir Isaac Newtons great Abilities

These Verses were written by a very Envious Man tl381 Who whatever likeness he may have to Michael Angelo Never can have any to Sir Jehoshuan

N-title; E512 A Pitiful Case ${ }^{\text {t1382 }}$

N-APitifulCase1; E512|
N-APitifulCase2; E512|
N-APitifulCase3; E512|
N-APitifulCase4; E512|

N-APitifulCase5; E512|
N-APitifulCase6; E512|
N-APitifulCase7; E512|
N-APitifulCase8; E512|

The Villain at the Gallows tree
When he is doomd to die
To assuage his misery
In Virtues praise does cry

N-title; E512| To the Royal Academy

N-ToTheRoyalAcademy1; E512|
N-ToTheRoyalAcademy2; E512| N-ToTheRoyalAcademy3; E512| N-ToTheRoyalAcademy4; E512|

N-ToTheRoyalAcademy5; E512|
N-ToTheRoyalAcademy6; E512|
N-ToTheRoyalAcademy7; E512| N-ToTheRoyalAcademy8; E512|

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N-"TheCrippleEveryStep"1; E513|
N-"TheCrippleEveryStep"2; E513|
N-"TheCrippleEveryStep"3; E513|
N-"TheCrippleEveryStep"4; E513|
N-"TheCrippleEveryStep"5; E513|
N-"TheCrippleEveryStep"6; E513|
N-"TheCrippleEveryStep"7; E513|
N-"TheCrippleEveryStep"8; E513|

A strange Erratum in all the Editions
Of Sir Joshua Reynoldss Lectures
Shou[1]d be corrected by the Young Gentlemen
And the Royal Academys Directors

Instead of Michael Angelo
Read Rembrandt for it is fit ${ }^{t 1384}$
To make meer common honesty tl385
In all that he has writ

The Cripple every Step Drudges \& labours
And says come learn to walk of me Good Neighbours
Sir Joshua in astonishment cries out
See what Great Labour Pain him \& Modest Doubt
Newton \& Bacon cry being badly Nurst.
He is all Experiments from last to first
He walks \& stumbles as if he crep
And how high labourd is every step

Ed; E513| [For other verses on Joshua Reynolds see Marginalia, pages 641, 642, 656.]

ED; E513| *

N-"I_RubensAm"1; E513|
N-"I_RubensAm"2; E513|

I Rubens am a Statesman \& a Saint ${ }^{\text {t1386 }}$ Deceptions? O no--so I'll learn to Paint ${ }^{t 1387}$

ED; E513| *

N-title; E513|
To English Connoisseurs

N-"ToEngConnoisseurs"1; E513|
N-"ToEngConnoisseurs"2; E513|
N-"ToEngConnoisseurs"3; E513|
N-"ToEngConnoisseurs"4; E513|
N-"ToEngConnoisseurs"5; E513|
N-"ToEngConnoisseurs"6; E513|

ED; E513| *

N-"SwelledLimbs"1; E513|
N-"SwelledLimbs"2; E513|
N-"SwelledLimbs"3; E513|
N-"SwelledLimbs"4; E513|

ED; E513|

N-title-PrettyEpigram1; E513|
N-title-PrettyEpigram1; E513|

> You must agree that Rubens was a Fool
> And yet you make him master of Your School
> And give more money for his Slobberings
> Than you will give for Rafaels finest Things
> I understood Christ was a Carpenter
> And not a Brewers Servant my good Sir

Swelld limbs with no outline that you can descry That Stink in the Nose of a Stander by But all the Pulp washd painted finishd with labour Of an hundred journeymens how dye do Neighbour

A Pretty Epigram for the Entertainment of those who have Paid ${ }^{t 1388}$ Great Sums in the Venetian \& Flemish Ooze

Nature \& Art in this together Suit
What is Most Grand is always most Minute Rubens thinks Tables Chairs \& Stools are Grand But Rafael thinks A Head a foot a hand

N-"TheseAreThe"1; E513|
N-"TheseAreThe"2; E513|
N-"TheseAreThe"3; E513|
N-"TheseAreThe"4; E513|
N -"TheseAreThe"5; E513|

N-"TheseAreThe"6; E514|
N -"TheseAreThe"7; E514|
N-"TheseAreThe"8; E514|

ED; E514|

N-"RafaelSublime"1; E514|
N-"RafaelSublime"2; E514|
N-"RafaelSublime"3; E514|
N-"RafaelSublime"4; E514|
N-"RafaelSublime"5; E514|
N-"RafaelSublime"6; E514|
N-"RafaelSublime"7; E514|

These are the Idiots chiefest arts t1389
To blend \& not define the Parts
The Swallow sings in Courts of Kings
That Fools have their high finishings
And this the Princes golden rule

The Laborious stumble of a Fool
To make out the parts is the wise mans aim
But to lose them the Fool makes his foolish Game

Rafael Sublime Majestic Graceful Wise His Executive Power must I despise ${ }^{t 1390}$ Rubens Low Vulgar Stupid Ignorant His power of Execution I must grant Learn the Laborious stumble of a Fool ${ }^{\text {t1391 }}$ And from an Idiots Actions form my rule Go send your Children to the Slobbering School

ED; E514|
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| N-title; E514\| On the Great Encouragement |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| N-tite-GreatEncour2; E514\| | Given by English Nobility \& Gentry to Correggio Rubens |
| t1392 |  |
| N-tite-GreatEncour3; E514\| | Rembrandt Reynolds Gainsborough Catalani |
| N-title-GreatEncour4; E514\| | DuCrowe \& Dilberry Doodle |

N-OnTheGreatEncour1; E514|
N-OnTheGreatEncour2; E514|
N-OnTheGreatEncour3; E514|
N-OnTheGreatEncour4; E514|
N-OnTheGreatEncour5; E514|
N-OnTheGreatEncour6; E514|

As the Ignorant Savage will sell his own Wife
For a Sword or a Cutlass a dagger or Knife ${ }^{\text {t1393 }}$
So the Taught Savage Englishman spends his whole Fortune ${ }^{\text {tl394 }}$
On a smear or a squall to destroy Picture or Tune ${ }^{t 1395}$
And I call upon Colonel Wardle
To give these Rascals a dose of Cawdle

N-"GivePensionsTo"1; E514| N-"GivePensionsTo"2; E514| N-"GivePensionsTo"3; E514| N-"GivePensionsTo"4; E514|

Give pensions to the Learned Pig Or the Hare playing on a Tabor Anglus can never see Perfection But in the Journeymans Labour

N-"WhenI_See"1; E514|
N-"WhenI_See"2; E514|
N-"WhenI_See"3; E514|
N-"WhenI_See"4; E514|
N-"WhenI_See"5; E514|
N-"WhenI_See"6; E514|
N-"WhenI_See"7; E514|
N-"WhenI_See"8; E514|

ED; E514| *

N-"DelicateHands"1; E514|
N-"DelicateHands"2; E514|

When I see a Rubens Rembrant Correggio tl396 I think of the Crippled Harry \& Slobbering Joe And then I question thus are artists rules $\quad t 397$ To be drawn from the works of two manifest fools Then God defend us from the Arts I say Send Battle Murder Sudden Death O pray ${ }^{t 1398}$ Rather than be such a blind Human Fool $t 1399$ Id be an Ass a Hog a Worm a Chair a Stool

Delicate Hands \& Heads will never appear While Titians \&c as in the Book of Moonlight p 5 tl400

ED; E515 $\quad * \quad t 1401$

N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"1; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"2; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"3; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"4; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"5; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"6; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"7; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"8; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"9; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"10; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"11; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"12; E515|

N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"13; E515|
N-"I_AskdMyDearFriend"14; E515|

N-"ODearMotherOutline"1; E515|
N-"ODearMotherOutline"2; E515|
N-"ODearMotherOutline"3; E515| N-"ODearMotherOutline"4; E515|

I askd my Dear Friend Orator Prigg
Whats the first part of Oratory he said a great wig And what is the second then dancing a jig
And bowing profoundly he said a great wig And what is the third then he snord like a pig And puffing his cheeks he replied a Great wig ${ }^{\text {t1402 }}$ So if a Great Panter with Questions you push Whats the first Part of Panting hell say a Pant Brush And what is the second with most modest blush Hell smile like a Cherub \& say a pant Brush ${ }^{t 1403}$ And what is the third hell bow like a rush With a lear in his Eye hell reply a Pant Brush

Perhaps this is all a Painter can want But look yonder that house is the house of Rembrant

O dear Mother outline of knowledge most sage tl405 Whats the First Part of Painting she said Patronage And what is the second to Please \& Engage ${ }^{t l 406}$ She frownd like a Fury \& said Patronage

And what is the Third she put off Old Age And smild like a Syren \& said Patronage

N-title; E515| To Venetian Artists

N-ToVenetianArtists1; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists2; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists3; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists4; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists5; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists6; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists7; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists8; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists9; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists10; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists11; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists12; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists13; E515|
N-ToVenetianArtists14; E515|

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N-"GreatMen\&Fools"1; E515|
N-"GreatMen\&Fools"2; E515|

N-"SomePeople"1; E516|
N-"SomePeople"2; E516|
N-"SomePeople"3; E516|
N-"SomePeople"4; E516|

ED; E516| *

N-"HerWholeLife"1; E516| N-"HerWholeLife"2; E516| ED; E516| *

> That God is Colouring Newton does shew tl407 And the devil is a Black outline all of us know Perhaps this little Fable may make us merry A dog went over the water without a wherry A bone which he had stolen he had in his mouth He cared not whether the wind was north or south As he swam he saw the reflection of the bone This is quite Perfection, one Generalizing Tone ${ }^{t 1408}$ Outline Theres no outline Theres no such thing tl409 All is Chiaro Scuro Poco Piu its all Colouring Snap. Snap! he has lost shadow \& substance too ${ }^{t 1410}$ He had them both before now how do ye do A great deal better than I was before Those who taste colouring love it more \& more ${ }^{\text {tl411 }}$

Great Men \& Fools do often me Inspire But the Greater Fool the Greater Liar

Some people admire the work of a Fool
For its sure to keep your judgment cool It does not reproach you with want of wit It is not like a lawyer serving a writ

Her whole Life is an Epigram smack smooth \& nobly pend ${ }^{t 1412}$ Platted quite neat to catch applause with a sliding noose at the end

When a Man has Married a Wife he finds out whether

N-"WhenAMan"3; E516|
N-"WhenAMan"4; E516|

Her knees \& elbows are only glued together ${ }^{t 1413}$

N-"GrownOld"1; E516| Grown old in Love from Seven till Seven times Seven N-"GrownOld"2; E516| I oft have wishd for Hell for Ease from Heaven

The Hebrew Nation did not write it Avarice \& Chastity did shite it

# N-ToGod2; E516| Go into it yourself \& see how you would do 

ED; E516| *

N-"SinceAllheRiches"1; E516| Since all the Riches of this World $t 1414$
N-"SinceAllTheRiches"2; E516|
N-"SinceAllTheRiches"3; E516|
N-"SinceAllTheRiches"4; E516|

ED; E516| *


To Chloes breast young Cupid slily stole But he crept in at Myras pocket hole

PhoenixToMrsButts2; E517|
PhoenixToMrsButts3; E517|
PhoenixToMrsButts4; E517|
PhoenixToMrsButts5; E517|
PhoenixToMrsButts6; E517|
PhoenixToMrsButts7; E517|
PhoenixToMrsButts8; E517|
PhoenixToMrsButts9; E517|
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PhoenixToMrsButts22; E517|
PhoenixToMrsButts23; E517|
PhoenixToMrsButts24; E517|
PhoenixToMrsButts; E517|

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N-"NailHisNeck"1; E517|
N-"NailHisNeck"2; E517|

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N-"AWomanScaly"1; E517|
N-"AWomanScaly"2; E517|
N-"AWomanScaly"3; E517|

As a Bird rises from its Nest
With sweetest Songs I ever heard
It sang I am Mrs Butts's Bird
And then I saw a Fairy gay
That with this beauteous Bird would play
From a golden cloud she came
She calld the sweet Bird by its name
She call'd it Phoenix! Heavens Dove!
She call'd it all the names of Love
But the Bird flew fast away
Where little Children sport \& play
And they strok'd it with their hands
All their cooe's it understands
The Fairy to my bosom flew
Weeping tears of morning dew
I said: Thou foolish whimpring thing
Is not that thy Fairy Ring
Where those Children sport \& play
In Fairy fancies light \& gay
Seem a Child \& be a Child
And the Phoenix is beguild
But if thou seem'st a Fairy thing
Then it flies on glancing Wing
WILLIAM BLAKE

Nail his neck to the Cross nail it with a nail
Nail his neck to the Cross ye all have power over his tail

A Woman Scaly \& a Man all Hairy
Is such a Match as he who dares
Will find the Womans Scales Scrape off the Mans Hairs

ED; E518| [m] t1417

EG[m]1; E518| I will tell you what Joseph of Arimathea
EG[m]2; E518| Said to my Fairy was not it very queer $t 1418$
EG[m]3; E518| Pliny \& Trajan what are You here
EG[m]4; E518| Come listen to Joseph of Arimathea
EG[m]5; E518| Listen patient \& when Joseph has done
EG[m]6; E518| Twill make a fool laugh \& a Fairy Fun

ED; E518|

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EG[n]1; E518|
EG[n]2; E518|
EG[n]3; E518|
EG[n]4; E518|

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EG[k]2; E518|
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What can be done with such desperate Fools
Who follow after the Heathen Schools
I was standing by when Jesus died
What I calld Humility they calld Pride

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The Everlasting Gospel

Was Jesus Humble or did he
Give any Proofs of Humility
Boast of high Things with Humble tone
And give with Charity a Stone
When but a Child he ran away
And left his Parents in Dismay
When they had wanderd three days long
These were the words upon his tongue
No Earthly Parents I confess
I am doing my Fathers business
When the rich learned Pharisee

Came to consult him secretly
Upon his heart with Iron pen He wrote Ye must be born again He was too proud to take a bribe He spoke with authority not like a Scribe He says with most consummate Art

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Follow me I am meek \& lowly of heart
As that is the only way to escape
The Misers net \& the Gluttons trap
He who loves his Enemies betrays his Friends ${ }^{11420}$
This surely is not what Jesus intends
But the sneaking Pride of Heroic Schools
And the Scribes \& Pharisees Virtuous Rules
For he acts with honest triumphant Pride ${ }^{\text {t142l }}$
And this is the cause that Jesus died ${ }^{t 1422}$
He did not die with Christian Ease
Asking Pardon of his Enemies
If he had Caiphas would forgive
Sneaking submission can always live
He had only to say that God was the devil
And the devil was God like a Christian Civil
Mild Christian regrets to the devil confess
For affronting him thrice in the Wilderness ${ }^{\text {tl423 }}$
He had soon been bloody Caesars Elf
And at last he would have been Caesar himself
Like dr Priestly \& Bacon \& Newton ${ }^{t 1424}$
Poor Spiritual Knowledge is not worth a button
For thus the Gospel Sr Isaac confutes
God can only be known by his Attributes
And as for the Indwelling of the Holy Ghost
Or of Christ \& his Father its all a boast
And Pride \& Vanity of Imagination
That disdains to follow this Worlds Fashion
To teach doubt \& Experiment
Certainly was not what Christ meant
What was he doing all that time
From twelve years old to manly prime
Was he then Idle or the Less
About his Fathers business
Or was his wisdom held in scorn
Before his wrath began to burn
In Miracles throughout the Land
That quite unnervd Lord Caiaphas hand ${ }^{t 1425}$
If he had been Antichrist Creeping Jesus
Hed have done any thing to please us
Gone sneaking into Synagogues

And not usd the Elders \& Priests like dogs
But Humble as a Lamb or Ass
Obeyd himself to Caiaphas
God wants not Man to Humble himself

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This is the trick of the ancient Elf
This is the Race that Jesus ran ${ }^{t 1426}$
Humble to God Haughty to Man
Cursing the Rulers before the People
Even to the temples highest Steeple
And when he Humbled himself to God
Then descended the Cruel Rod
If thou humblest thyself thou humblest me ${ }^{t 1427}$
Thou also dwellst in Eternity
Thou art a Man God is no more
Thy own humanity learn to adore
For that is my Spirit of Life
Awake arise to Spiritual Strife
And thy Revenge abroad display
In terrors at the Last Judgment day
Gods Mercy \& Long Suffering
Is but the Sinner to Judgment to bring
Thou on the Cross for them shalt pray
And take Revenge at the Last Day ${ }^{t 1428}$
Jesus replied \& thunders hurld
I never will Pray for the World
Once [I] did so when I prayd ill the Garden ${ }^{11429}$
I wishd to take with me a Bodily Pardon
Can that which was of Woman born
In the absence of the Morn
When the Soul fell into Sleep
And Archangels round it weep
Shooting out against the Light
Fibres of a deadly night
Reasoning upon its own Dark Fiction
In Doubt which is Self Contradiction
Humility is only Doubt
And does the Sun \& Moon blot out
Rooting over with thorns \& stems
The buried Soul \& all its Gems
This Lifes dim Windows of the Soul
Distorts the Heavens from Pole to Pole
And leads you to Believe a Lie
When you see with not thro the Eye
That was born in a night to perish in a night
When the Soul slept in the beams of Light.

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| EG[f]4; E521] | Mary was found in Adulterous bed |
| EG[ff]; E521] | Earth groand beneath \& Heaven above |
| EG[f][]; E521] | Trembled at discovery of Love |
| EG[f]7; E521] | Jesus was sitting in Moses Chair |
| EG[f]]; E521] | They brought the trembling Woman There |
| EG[f]9; E521] | Moses commands she be stoned to Death |
| EG[f] 10 ; E521] | What was the sound of Jesus breath tl430 |
| EG[f] $11 ; \mathrm{E} 521$ | He laid his hand on Moses Law |
| EG[f] 12 ; E521] | The Ancient Heavens in Silent Awe |
| EG[f] 13 ; E521] | Writ with Curses from Pole to Pole |
| EG[f] 14 ; E521] | All away began to roll |
| EG[f] $15 ;$ E521] | The Earth trembling \& Naked lay |
| EG[f] 16 ; E52] | In secret bed of Mortal Clay |
| EG[f] 17 ; E521] | On Sinai felt the hand Divine |
| EG[f] 18 ; E521] | Putting back the bloody shrine |
| EG[f] 19 e E521] | And she heard the breath of God |
| EG[f]20; E521] | As she heard by Edens flood |
| EG[f] 1 1; E521] | Good \& Evil are no more ${ }^{\text {tl431 }}$ |
| EG[f]22; E521] | Sinais trumpets cease to roar |
| EG[f]23; E521] | Cease finger of God to Write |
| EG[f]24; E521] | The Heavens are not clean in thy Sight |
| EG[f]25; E521] | Thou art Good \& thou Alone |
| EG[f\|26; E521] | Nor may the sinner cast one stone |
| EG[fl27 E521\| | To be Good only is to be |
| EG[f]28; E521] | A Devil or else a Pharisee ${ }^{t 1432}$ |
| EG[f[\|29; E521] | Thou Angel of the Presence Divine |
| EG[f] $] 0$; E521] | That didst create this Body of Mine |
| EG[f]31; E521\| | Wherefore has[t] thou writ these Laws |
| EG[f] $]$; E521] | And Created Hells dark jaws |
| EG[f]33; E521] | My Presence I will take from thee |
| EG[f]34; E521] | A Cold Leper thou shalt be |
| EG[f] $] 5$; E521] | Tho thou wast so pure \& bright |
| EG[f] $] 6$; E52] | That Heaven was Impure in thy Sight |
| EG[f] 37 ; E521\| | Tho thy Oath turnd Heaven Pale |
| EG[f] 38 ; E52] | Tho thy Covenant built Hells Jail |
| EG[f] $] 9$ E E521] | Tho thou didst all to Chaos roll |
| EG[f] $] 0 ;$ E521] | With the Serpent for its soul |
| EG[f] $41 ;$ E521] | Still the breath Divine does move |
| EG[f]42; E521] | And the breath Divine is Love |
| EG[f] ${ }^{\text {[ }}$; E521] | Mary Fear Not Let me see |

The Seven Devils that torment thee
Hide not from my Sight thy Sin
That forgiveness thou maist win
Has no Man Condemned thee
No Man Lord! then what is he
Who shall Accuse thee. Come Ye forth
Fallen Fiends of Heavnly birth
That have forgot your Ancient love
And driven away my trembling Dove
You shall bow before her feet
You shall lick the dust for Meat
And tho you cannot Love but Hate
Shall be beggars at Loves Gate
What was thy love Let me see it ${ }^{t 1434}$
Was it love or Dark Deceit
Love too long from Me has fled.
Twas dark deceit to Earn my bread
Twas Covet or twas Custom or
Some trifle not worth caring for ${ }^{t 1435}$
That they may call a shame \& Sin ${ }^{t 1436}$
Loves Temple that God dwelleth in ${ }^{t 1437}$
And hide in secret hidden Shrine
The Naked Human form divine
.And render that a Lawless thing
On which the Soul Expands its wing
But this O Lord this was my Sin
When first I let these Devils in
In dark pretence to Chastity
Blaspheming Love blaspheming thee
Thence Rose Secret Adulteries
And thence did Covet also rise
My Sin thou hast forgiven me
Canst thou forgive my Blasphemy
Canst thou return to this dark Hell
And in my burning bosom dwell
And canst thou Die that I may live
And canst thou Pity \& forgive
Then Rolld the shadowy Man away
From the Limbs of Jesus to make them his prey
An Ever devo[u]ring appetite
Glittering with festering Venoms bright
Crying Crucify this cause of distress ${ }^{t 1438}$
Who dont keep the secrets of Holiness ${ }^{t 1439}$
All Mental Powers by Diseases we bind
But he heals the Deaf \& the Dumb \& the Blind
Whom God has afflicted for Secret Ends

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He comforts \& Heals \& calls them Friends
But when Jesus was Crucified
Then was perfected his glittring pride ${ }^{\text {t1440 }}$
In three Nights he devourd his prey
And still he devours the Body of Clay
For Dust \& Clay is the Serpents meat ${ }^{\text {t1441 }}$
Which never was made for Man to Eat

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Was Jesus gentle or did he
Give any marks of Gentility
When twelve years old he ran away
And left his Parents in dismay
When after three days sorrow found
Loud as Sinai's trumpet sound
No Earthly Parents I confess
My Heavenly Fathers business
Ye understand not what I say
And angry force me to obey
Obedience is a duty then
And favour gains with God \& Men
John from the Wilderness loud cried
Satan gloried in his Pride
Come said Satan come away
Ill soon see if youll obey
John for disobedience bled
But you can turn the stones to bread
Gods high king \& Gods high Priest
Shall Plant their Glories in your breast
If Caiaphas you will obey
If Herod you with bloody Prey
Feed with the Sacrifice \& be
Obedient fall down worship me
Thunders \& lightnings broke around
And Jesus voice in thunders sound
Thus I sieze the Spiritual Prey
Ye smiters with disease make way
I come Your King \& God to sieze
Is God a Smiter with disease
The God of this World raged in vain
He bound Old Satan in his Chain

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And bursting forth his furious ire Became a Chariot of fire Throughout the land he took his course And traced Diseases to their Source He cursd the Scribe \& Pharisee

Trampling down Hipocrisy
Where eer his Chariot took its way
There Gates of Death let in the Day
Broke down from every Chain \& Bar
And Satan in his Spiritual War
Dragd at his Chariot wheels loud howld
The God of this World louder rolld
The Chariot Wheels \& louder still
His voice was heard from Zions hill
And in his hand the Scourge shone bright
He scourgd the Merchant Canaanite
From out the Temple of his Mind
And in his Body tight does bind
Satan \& all his Hellish Crew
And thus with wrath he did subdue
The Serpent Bulk of Natures dross
Till he had naild it to the Cross
He took on Sin in the Virgins Womb
And put it off on the Cross \& Tomb ${ }^{\text {tl442 }}$
To be Worshipd by the Church of Rome

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The Vision of Christ that thou dost see Is my Visions Greatest Enemy
Thine has a great hook nose like thine
Mine has a snub nose like to mine
Thine is the Friend of All Mankind
Mine speaks in parables to the Blind
Thine loves the same world that mine hates
Thy Heaven doors are my Hell Gates ${ }^{\text {tl443 }}$
Socrates taught what Melitus
Loathd as a Nations bitterest Curse
And Caiphas was in his own Mind
A benefactor of Mankind
Both read the Bible day \& night
But thou readst black where I read white

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Did Jesus teach Doubt or did he Give any lessons of Philosophy Charge Visionaries with Deceiving Or call Men wise for not Believing

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THE ANCIENT BRITONS--Three Ancient Britons overthrowing the

Army of armed Romans; the Figures full as large as Life--From the Welch Triades. ${ }^{11445}$

In the last Battle that Arthur fought, the most Beautiful was one That return'd, and the most Strong another: with them also return'd The most Ugly, and no other beside return'd from the bloody Field.

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## A DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUE OF PICTURES,

Poetical and Historical Inventions,

Painted by William Blake, in Water Colours, Being the Ancient Method of Fresco Painting Restored: and Drawings, For Public Inspection, and for Sale by Private Contract, <At N 28 Corner of Broad Street-Golden Square> ${ }^{11446}$

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PREFACE.

THE eye that can prefer the Colouring of Titian and Rubens to that of Michael Angelo and Rafael, ought to be modest and to doubt its own powers. Connoisseurs talk as if Rafael and Michael Angelo had never seen the colouring of Titian or Correggio: They ought to know that Correggio was born two years before Michael Angelo, and Titian but four years after. Both Rafael and Michael Angelo knew the Venetian, and contemned and rejected all he did

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with the utmost disdain, as that which is fabricated for the purpose to destroy art.
Mr. B. appeals to the Public, from the judgment of those narrow blinking eyes, that have too long governed art in a dark corner. The eyes of stupid cunning never will be [ P iv] pleased with the work any more than with the look of self-devoting genius. The quarrel of the Florentine with the Venetian is not because he does not understand Drawing, but because he does not understand Colouring. How should he? he who does not know how to draw a hand or a foot, know how to colour it.
Colouring does not depend on where the Colours are put, but on where the lights and darks are put, and all depends on Form or Out-
line. On where that is put; where that is wrong, the Colouring never can be right; and it is always wrong in Titian and Correggio, Rubens and Rembrandt. Till we get rid of Titian and Correggio, Rubens and Rembrandt, We never shall equal Rafael and Albert Durer, Michael Angelo, and Julio Romano.

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## DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUE,

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NUMBER I.
The spiritual form of Nelson guiding Leviathan, in whose wreathings are infolded the Nations of the Earth. ${ }^{11447}$

CLEARNESS and precision have been the chief objects in painting these Pictures. Clear colours unmudded by oil, and firm and determinate lineaments unbroken by shadows, which ought to display and not to hide form, as is the practice of the latter Schools of Italy and Flanders.

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NUMBER II, ITS COMPANION
The spiritual form of Pitt, guiding Behemoth; he is that
Angel who, pleased to perform the Almighty's orders, rides on the whirlwind, directing the storms of war: He is ordering the Reaper ${ }^{11448}$

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## Cities and Towers

This Picture also is a proof of the power of colours unsullied with oil or with any cloggy vehicle. Oil has falsely been supposed to give strength to colours: but a little consideration must shew the fallacy of this opinion. Oil will not drink or absorb colour enough to stand the test of very little time and of the air. It deadens every colour it is mixed with, at its first mixture, and in a little time becomes a yellow mask over all that it touches. Let the works of modern Artists since Rubens' time
[Descriptive Catalogue P 3] witness the villany of some one at that time, who first brought oil Painting into general opinion and practice: since which we have never had a Picture painted, that could shew itself by the side of an earlier production. Whether Rubens or Vandyke, or both, were guilty of this villany, is to be enquired in another work on Painting, and who first forged the silly story and known falshood, about John of Bruges inventing oil colours: in the mean time let it be observed, that before Vandyke's time, and in his time all the genuine Pictures are on Plaster or Whiting grounds and none since.
The two Pictures of Nelson and Pitt are compositions of a mythological cast, similar to those Apotheoses of Persian, Hindoo, and Egyptian Antiquity, which are still preserved on rude monuments, being copies from some stupendous originals now lost or perhaps buried till
some happier age. The Artist having been [Descriptive Catalogue P 4] taken in vision into the ancient republics, monarchies, and patriarchates of Asia, has seen those wonderful originals called in the Sacred Scriptures the Cherubim, which were sculptured and painted on walls of Temples, Towers, Cities, Palaces, and erected in the highly cultivated states of Egypt, Moab, Edom, Aram, among the Rivers of Paradise, being originals from which the Greeks and Hetrurians copied Hercules, Farnese, Venus of Medicis, Apollo Belvidere, and all the grand works of ancient art. They were executed in a very superior style to those justly admired copies, being with their accompaniments terrific and grand in the highest degree. The Artist has endeavoured to emulate the grandeur of those seen in his vision, and to apply it to modern Heroes, on a smaller scale.
No man can believe that either Homer's Mythology, or Ovid's, were the production of Greece, or of Latium; neither will any one [Descriptive Catalogue P 5] believe, that the Greek statues, as they are called, were

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the invention of Greek Artists; perhaps the Torso is the only original work remaining; all the rest are evidently copies, though fine ones, from greater works of the Asiatic Patriarchs. The Greek Muses are daughters of Mnemosyne, or Memory, and not of Inspiration or Imagination, therefore not authors of such sublime conceptions. Those wonderful originals seen in my visions, were some of them one hundred feet in height; some were painted as pictures, and some carved as basso relievos, and some as groupes of statues, all containing mythological and recondite meaning, where more is meant than meets the eye. The Artist wishes it was now the fashion to make such monuments, and then he should not doubt of having a national commission to execute these two Pictures on a scale that is suitable to the grandeur of the nation, who is the parent of his heroes, in high [Descriptive Catalogue P 6] finished fresco, where the colours would be as pure and as permanent as precious stones though the figures were one hundred feet in height. All Frescos are as high finished as miniatures or enamels, and they are known to be unchangeable; but oil being a body itself, will drink or absorb very little colour, and changing yellow, and at length brown, destroys every colour it is mixed with, especially every delicate colour. It turns every permanent white to a yellow and brown putty, and has compelled the use of that destroyer of colour, white lead; which, when its protecting oil is evaporated, will become lead again. This is an awful things to say to oil Painters; they may call it madness, but it is true. All the genuine old little Pictures, called Cabinet Pictures, are in fresco and not in oil, Oil was not used except by blundering ignorance, till after Vandyke's time, but the art of fresco painting [Descriptive Catalogue P 7 ] being lost, oil became a fetter to genius, and a dungeon to art. But one convincing proof among many others, that these assertions are true is, that real gold and silver cannot be used with oil, as they are in all the old pictures and in Mr. B.'s frescos.

## NUMBER III.

Sir Jeffery Chaucer and the nine and twenty Pilgrims on their journey to Canterbury.
THE time chosen is early morning, before sunrise, when the jolly company are just quitting the Tabarde Inn. The Knight and Squire with the Squire's Yeoman lead the Procession, next follow the youthful Abbess, her nun and three priests; her greyhounds attend her.

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Next follow the Friar and Monk; then the Tapiser, the Pardoner, and the Somner and Manciple. After these "Our Host," who oc[P
8]cupies the center of the cavalcade; directs them to the Knight as the person who would be likely to commence their task of each telling a tale in their order. After the Host follow the Shipman, the Haberdasher, the Dyer, the Franklin, the Physician, the Plowman, the Lawyer, the poor Parson, the Merchant, the Wife of Bath, the Miller, the Cook, the Oxford Scholar, Chaucer himself, and the Reeve comes as Chaucer has described:

> "And ever he rode hinderest of the rout."

These last are issuing from the gateway of the Inn; the Cook and the Wife of Bath are both taking their morning's draught of comfort. Spectators stand at the gateway of the Inn, and are composed of an old Man, a Woman and Children.
The Landscape is an eastward view of the country, from the Tabarde Inn, in Southwark, as it may be supposed to have appeared in [Descriptive Catalogue P 9] Chaucer's time; interspersed with cottages and villages; the first beams of the Sun are seen above the horizon; some buildings and spires indicate the situation of the great City; the Inn is a gothic building, which Thynne in his Glossary says was the lodging of the Abbot of Hyde, by Winchester. On the Inn is inscribed its title, and a proper advantage is taken of this circumstance to describe the subject of the Picture. The words written over the gateway of the Inn, are as follow: "The Tabarde Inn, by Henry Baillie, the lodgynge-house for Pilgrims, who journey to Saint Thomas's Shrine at Canterbury." The characters of Chaucer's Pilgrims are the characters which compose all ages and nations: as one age falls, another rises, different to mortal sight, but to immortals only the same; for we see the same characters repeated again and again, in animals, vegetables, minerals, and in men; nothing new occurs in iden[Descriptive Catalogue P 10]tical existence; Accident ever varies, Substance can never suffer change nor decay.
Of Chaucer's characters, as described in his Canterbury
Tales, some of the names or titles are altered by time, but the characters themselves for ever remain unaltered, and consequently they are the
physiognomies or lineaments of universal human life, beyond which

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Nature never steps. Names alter, things never alter. I have known multitudes of those who would have been monks in the age of monkery, who in this deistical age are deists. As Newton numbered the stars, and as Linneus numbered the plants, so Chaucer numbered the classes of men.
The Painter has consequently varied the heads and forms of his personages into all Nature's varieties; the Horses he has also varied to accord to their Riders, the Costume is correct according to authentic monuments.
The Knight and Squire with the Squire's [Descriptive Catalogue P 11] Yeoman lead the procession, as Chaucer has also placed them first in his prologue. The Knight is a true Hero, a good, great, and wise man; his whole length portrait on horseback, as written by Chaucer, cannot be surpassed. He has spent his life in the field; has ever been a conqueror, and is that species of character which in every age stands as the guardian of man against the oppressor. His son is like him with the germ of perhaps greater perfection still, as he blends literature and the arts with his warlike studies. Their dress and their horses are of the first rate, without ostentation, and with all the true grandeur that unaffected simplicity when in high rank always displays. The Squire's Yeoman is also a great character, a man perfectly knowing in his profession:
"And in his hand he bare a mighty bow."

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"Another Nonne also with her had she, "That was her Chaplaine and Priests three."

This Lady is described also as of the first rank; rich and honoured. She has certain peculiarities and little delicate affectations, not unbecoming in her, being accompanied with what is truly grand and really polite; her person and face, Chaucer has described with minuteness; it is very elegant, and was the beauty of our ancestors, till after Elizabeth's time, when voluptuousness and folly began to be accounted beautiful. Her companion and her three priests were no doubt all perfectly delineated in those parts of Chaucer's work which are now lost; we ought to suppose them suitable attendants on rank

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and fashion.
[Descriptive Catalogue PAGE 13] The Monk follows these with the Friar. The Painter has also grouped with these, the Pardoner and the Sompnour and the Manciple, and has here also introduced one of the rich citizens of London. Characters likely to ride in company, all being above the common rank in life or attendants on those who were so.
For the Monk is described by Chaucer, as a man of the first rank
in society, noble, rich, and expensively attended: he is a leader of the age, with certain humourous accompaniments in his character, that do not degrade, but render him an object of dignified mirth, but also with other accompaniments not so respectable.
The Friar is a character also of a mixed kind.
"A friar there was, a wanton and a merry."
[B]ut in his office he is said to be a "full solemn man:" eloquent, amorous, witty, and satyri[Descriptive Catalogue P 14]cal; young, handsome, and rich; he is a complete rogue; with constitutional gaiety enough to make him a master of all the pleasures of the world.
"His neck was white as the flour de lis,
Thereto strong he was as a champioun."

It is necessary here to speak of Chaucer's own character, that I may set certain mistaken critics right in their conception of the humour and fun that occurs on the journey. Chaucer is himself the great poetical observer of men, who in every age is born to record and eternize its acts. This he does as a master, as a father, and superior, who looks down on their little follies from the Emperor to the Miller; sometimes with severity, oftener with joke and sport.
Accordingly Chaucer has made his Monk a great tragedian, one who studied poetical art. [Descriptive Catalogue P 15] So much so, that the generous Knight is, in the compassionate dictates of his soul, compelled to cry out
"Ho quoth the Knyght, good Sir, no more of this, That ye have said, is right ynough I wis;

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And mokell more, for little heaviness, Is right enough for much folk as I guesse.
I say for me, it is a great disease, Whereas men have been in wealth and ease;
To heare of their sudden fall alas, And the contrary is joy and solas."

The Monk's definition of tragedy in the proem to his tale is worth repeating:
"Tragedie is to tell a certain story, As old books us maken memory; Of hem that stood in great prosperity. And be fallen out of high degree, Into miserie and ended wretchedly."

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[Descriptive Catalogue PAGE 16] Though a man of luxury, pride and pleasure, he is a master of art and learning, though affecting to despise it. Those who can think that the proud Huntsman, and noble Housekeeper, Chaucer's Monk, is intended for a buffoon or burlesque character, know little of Chaucer.

For the Host who follows this group, and holds the center of the cavalcade, is a first rate character, and his jokes are no trifles; they are always, though uttered with audacity, and equally free with the Lord and the Peasant, they are always substantially and weightily expressive of knowledge and experience; Henry Baillie, the keeper of the greatest Inn, of the greatest City; for such was the Tabarde Inn in Southwark, near London: our Host was also a leader of the age.
By way of illustration, I instance Shakspeare's Witches in Macbeth. Those who dress [Descriptive Catalogue P 17] them for the stage, consider them as wretched old women, and not as Shakspeare intended, the Goddesses of Destiny; this shews how Chaucer has been misunderstood in his sublime work. Shakspeare's Fairies also are the rulers of the vegetable world, and so are Chaucer's; let them be so considered, and then the poet will be understood, and not else.
But I have omitted to speak of a very prominent character, the Pardoner, the Age's Knave, who always commands and domineers over the high and low vulgar. This man is sent in every age for a rod and scourge, and for a blight, for a trial of men, to divide the classes of men, he is in the most holy sanctuary, and

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he is suffered by Providence for wise ends, and has also his great use, and his grand leading destiny.
His companion the Sompnour, is also a Devil of the first magnitude, grand, terrific, rich and honoured in the rank of which he holds [Descriptive Catalogue P 18] the destiny. The uses to society are perhaps equal of the Devil and of the Angel, their sublimity who can dispute.

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"In daunger had he at his own gise, The young girls of his diocese, And he knew well their counsel, \&c."

The principal figure in the next groupe, is the Good Parson; an Apostle, a real Messenger of Heaven, sent in every age for its light and its warmth. This man is beloved and venerated by all, and neglected by all: He serves all, and is served by none; he is, according to Christ's definition, the greatest of his age. Yet he is a Poor Parson of a town. Read Chaucer's description of the Good Parson, and bow the head and the knee to him, who, in every age sends us such a burning and a shining light. Search O ye rich and powerful, for these men and obey their counsel, then [Descriptive Catalogue P 19] shall the golden age return: But alas! you will not easily distinguish him from the Friar or the Pardoner, they also are "full solemn men," and their counsel, you will continue to follow.
I have placed by his side, the Sergeant at Lawe, who appears delighted to ride in his company, and between him and his brother, the Plowman; as I wish men of Law would always ride with them, and take their counsel, especially in all difficult points. Chaucer's Lawyer is a character of great venerableness, a judge, and a real master of the jurisprudence of his age.

The Doctor of Physic is in this groupe, and the Franklin, the voluptuous country gentleman, contrasted with the Physician, and on his other hand, with two Citizens of London. Chaucer's characters live age after age. Every age is a Canterbury
Pilgrimage; we all pass on, each sustaining one or other
[Descriptive Catalogue P 20]
of these characters; nor can a child be born, who is not one of these characters of Chaucer, The Doctor of Physic is described as the first of his profession; perfect, learned, completely Master and Doctor in his art. Thus the reader will observe, that Chaucer makes every one of his characters perfect in his kind, every one is an Antique Statue; the image of a class, and not of

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an imperfect individual.
This groupe also would furnish substantial matter, on which volumes might be written. The Franklin is one who keeps open table, who is the genius of eating and drinking, the Bacchus; as the Doctor of Physic is the Esculapius, the Host is the Silenus, the Squire is the Apollo, the Miller is the Hercules, \&c. Chaucer's characters are a description of the eternal Principles that exist in all ages. The Franklin is voluptuousness itself most nobly pourtrayed:

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"It snewed in his house of meat and drink."

The Plowman is simplicity itself, with wisdom and strength for its stamina. Chaucer has divided the ancient character of Hercules between his Miller and his Plowman. Benevolence is the plowman's great characteristic, he is thin with excessive labour, and not with old age, as some have supposed.
"He would thresh and thereto dike and delve For Christe's sake, for every poore wight, Withouten hire, if it lay in his might."

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Visions of these eternal principles or characters of human life appear to poets, in all ages; the Grecian gods were the ancient Cherubim of Phoenicia; but the Greeks, and since them the Moderns, have neglected to subdue the gods of Priam. These Gods are visions of the eternal attributes, or divine names, which, when [Descriptive Catalogue P 22] erected into gods, become destructive to humanity. They ought to be the servants, and not the masters of man, or of society. They ought to be made to sacrifice to Man, and not man compelled to sacrifice to them; for when separated from man or humanity, who is Jesus the Saviour, the vine of eternity, they are thieves and rebels, they are destroyers.
The Plowman of Chaucer is Hercules in his supreme eternal state, divested of his spectrous shadow; which is the Miller, a terrible fellow, such as exists in all times and places, for the trial of men, to astonish every neighbourhood, with brutal strength and courage, to get rich and powerful to curb the pride of Man. The Reeve and the Manciple are two characters of the most consummate

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worldly wisdom. The Shipman, or Sailor, is a similar genius of Ulyssean art; but with the highest courage superadded. The Citizens and their Cook are each leaders [Descriptive Catalogue P 23] of a class. Chaucer has been somehow made to number four citizens, which would make his whole company, himself included, thirtyone. But he says there was but nine and twenty in his company.
"Full nine and twenty in a company."

The Webbe, or Weaver, and the Tapiser, or Tapestry Weaver, appear to me to be the same person; but this is only an opinion, for full nine and twenty may signify one more or less. But I dare say that Chaucer wrote "A Webbe Dyer," that is a Cloth Dyer.
"A Webbe Dyer and a Tapiser."

The Merchant cannot be one of the Three Citizens, as his dress is different, and his character is more marked, whereas Chaucer says of his rich citizens:

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The characters of Women Chaucer has divided into two classes, the Lady Prioress and the Wife of Bath. Are not these leaders of the ages of men? The lady prioress, in some ages, predominates; and in some the wife of Bath, in whose character Chaucer has been equally minute and exact; because she is also a scourge and a blight. I shall say no more of her, nor expose what Chaucer has left hidden; let the young reader study what he has said of her: it is useful as a scare-crow. There are of such characters born too many for the peace of the world. I come at length to the Clerk of Oxenford. This character varies from that of Chaucer, as the contemplative philosopher varies from the poetical genius. There are always these two classes of learned sages, the poetical and the philosophical. The painter has put them side by side, as if the youthful clerk had put him[Descriptive Catalogue P 25 ]self under the tuition of the mature poet. Let the Philosopher always be the servant and scholar of inspiration and all will be happy.

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Such are the characters that compose this Picture, which was painted in self-defence against the insolent and envious imputation of unfitness for finished and scientific art; and this imputation, most artfully and industriously endeavoured to be propagated among the public by ignorant hirelings. The painter courts comparison with his competitors, who, having received fourteen hundred guineas and more from the profits of his designs, in that well-known work, Designs for Blair's Grave, have left him to shift for himself, while others, more obedient to an employer's opinions and directions, are employed, at a great expence, to produce works, in succession to his, by which they acquired public patronage. This has hitherto been his lot--to get patronage for
others and then to be left and neglected, and his work, which gained [Descriptive Catalogue P 26] that patronage, cried down as eccentricity and madness; as unfinished and neglected by the artist's violent temper, he is sure the works now exhibited, will give the lie to such aspersions.
Those who say that men are led by interest are knaves. A knavish character will often say, of what interest is it to me to do so and so? I answer, of none at all, but the contrary, as you well know. It is of malice and envy that you have done this; hence I am aware of you, because I know that you act not from interest but from malice, even to your own destruction. It is therefore become a duty which Mr. B. owes to the Public, who have always recognized him, and patronized him, however hidden by artifices, that he should not suffer such things to be done or be hindered from the public Exhibition of his finished productions by any calumnies in future.
The character and expression in this picture could never have been produced with Ruben's [Descriptive Catalogue P 27] light and shadow, or with Rembrandt's, or any thing Venetian or Flemish. The Venetian and
Flemish practice is broken lines, broken masses, and broken colours. Mr. B.'s practice is unbroken lines, unbroken masses, and unbroken colours. Their art is to lose form, his art is to find form, and to keep it. His arts are opposite to theirs in all things.
As there is a class of men, whose whole delight is in the destruction of men, so there is a class of artists, whose whole art and science is fabricated for the purpose of destroying art. Who these are is soon known: "by their works ye shall know them." All who endeavour to raise up a style against Rafael, Mich. Angelo, and the Antique; those who separate Painting from Drawing; who look if a picture is well Drawn; and, if it is,

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immediately cry out, that it cannot be well Coloured-- those are
But to shew the stupidity of this class of [Descriptive Catalogue P 28] men, nothing need be done but to examine my rival's prospectus.
The two first characters in Chaucer, the Knight and the Squire, he has put among his rabble; and indeed his prospectus calls the Squire the fop of Chaucer's age. Now hear Chaucer.
"Of his Stature, he was of even length, And wonderly deliver, and of great strength; And he had be sometime in Chivauchy, In Flanders, in Artois, and in Picardy, And borne him well as of so litele space."
"Well could he sit a horse, and faire ride, He could songs make, and eke well indite Just, and eke dance, pourtray, and well write.

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"Curteis he was, and meek, and serviceable;
And kerft before his fader at the table."

Was this a fop?

It is the same with all his characters; he has done all by chance, or perhaps his fortune, money, money. According to his prospectus he has Three Monks; these he cannot find in Chaucer, who has only One Monk, and that no vulgar character, as he has endeavoured to make him. When men cannot read they should not pretend to paint. To be sure Chaucer is a little difficult to him who has only blundered over novels and catchpenny trifles of booksellers. Yet a little pains ought to be taken even by the ignorant and weak. He has put The Reeve, a vulgar fellow, between his Knight and Squire, as if he was resolved to go contrary in every thing to Chaucer, who says of the Reeve:

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In this manner he has jumbled his dumb dollies together, and is praised by his equals for it; for both himself and his friend are equally masters of Chaucer's language. They both think that the Wife of Bath is a young beautiful blooming damsel; and H [oppner] says, that she is the Fair Wife of Bath, and that the Spring appears in her Cheeks. Now hear what Chaucer has made her say of herself, who is no modest one,
"But Lord when it remembereth me Upon my youth and on my jollity, It tickleth me about the heart root. Unto this day it doth my heart boot, That I have had my world as in my time; But age, alas, that all will envenime, Hath me bireft, my beauty and my pith Let go; farewell: the devil go therewith,

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The flower is gone, there is no more to tell. The bran, as best, I can, I now mote sell; And yet, to be right merry, will I fond, Now forth to tell of my fourth husband."

She has had four husbands, a fit subject for this painter; yet the painter ought to be very much offended with his friend $\mathrm{H}---$, who has called his "a common scene," "and very ordinary forms;" which is the truest part of all, for it is so, and very wretchedly so indeed. What merit can there be in a picture of which such words are spoken with truth.

But the prospectus says that the Painter has represented Chaucer himself as a knave, who thrusts himself among honest people, to make game of and laugh at them; though I must do justice to the painter, and say that he has made him look more like a fool than a knave. But it appears, in all the writings of Chaucer, and particularly in his Canterbury Tales, that [Descriptive Catalogue P 32] he was very devout, and paid respect to true enthusiastic superstition. He has laughed at his knaves and fools as I do
now. But he has respected his True Pilgrims, who are a majority of his company, and are not thrown together in the random manner that Mr. S[tothard] has done. Chaucer has no where called the Plowman old, worn out with age and labour, as the prospectus has represented him, and says, that the picture has done so too. He is worn down with labour, but not with age. How spots of brown and yellow, smeared about at random, can be either young or old, I cannot see. It may be an old man; it may be a young one; it may be any thing that a prospectus pleases. But I know that where there are no lineaments there can be no character. And what connoisseurs call touch, I know by experience, must be the destruction of all character and expression, as it is of every lineament.
The scene of Mr. S------'s Picture is by [Descriptive Catalogue P 33] Dulwich Hills, which was not the way to Canterbury; but, perhaps the painter thought he would give them a ride round about, because they were a burlesque set of scare-crows, not worth any man's respect or care.
But the painter's thoughts being always upon gold, he has introduced a character that Chaucer has not; namely, a Goldsmith; for so the prospectus tells us. Why he has introduced a Goldsmith, and what is the wit of it, the prospectus does not explain. But it takes care to mention the reserve and modesty of the Painter; this makes a good epigram enough.
"The fox, the owl, the spider, and the mole, By sweet reserve and modesty get fat."

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But the prospectus tells us, that the painter has introduced a Sea Captain; Chaucer has a Ship-man, a Sailor, a Trading Master of a Ves[Descriptive Catalogue P 34]sel, called by courtesy Captain, as every master of a boat is; but this does not make him a Sea Captain. Chaucer has purposely omitted such a personage, as it only exists in certain periods: it is the soldier by sea. He who would be a Soldier in inland nations is a sea captain in commercial nations. All is misconceived, and its mis-execution is equal to its misconception. I have no objection to Rubens and Rembrandt being employed, or even to their living in a palace; but it shall not be at the expence of Rafael and Michael Angelo living in a cottage, and in contempt and derision. I have been scorned long enough by these fellows, who owe to me all that they have; it shall be so no longer.

I found them blind, I taught them how to see;

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NUMBER IV.<br>The Bard, from Gray

> On a rock, whose haughty brow
> Frown'd o'er old Conway's foaming flood, Robed in the sable garb of woe,
> With haggard eyes the Poet stood,
> Loose his beard, and hoary hair
> Stream'd like a meteor to the troubled air.

Weave the warp, and weave the woof The winding sheet of Edward's race.

And, now, they know me not, nor yet themselves.

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Weaving the winding sheet of Edward's race by means of sounds of spiritual music and its accompanying expressions of articulate speech is a bold, and daring, and most masterly conception, that the public have embraced and approved with avidity. Poetry consists in these conceptions; and shall Painting be confined to the sordid drudgery of facsimile re[P 36]presentations of merely mortal and perishing substances, and not be as poetry and music are, elevated into its own proper sphere of invention and visionary conception? No, it shall not be so! Painting, as well as poetry and music, exists and exults in immortal thoughts. If Mr. B.'s Canterbury Pilgrims had been done by any other power than that of the poetic visionary, it would have been as dull as his adversary's.
The Spirits of the murdered bards assist in weaving the deadly woof.

With me in dreadful harmony they join, And weave, with bloody hands, the tissue of thy line.

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The connoisseurs and artists who have made objections to Mr. B.'s mode of representing spirits with real bodies, would do well to consider that the Venus, the Minerva, the Jupiter, the Apollo, which they admire in Greek sta[Descriptive Catalogue P 37]tues, are all of them representations of spiritual existences of God's immortal, to

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the mortal perishing organ of sight; and yet they are embodied and organized in solid marble. Mr. B. requires the same latitude and all is well. The Prophets describe what they saw in Vision as real and existing men whom they saw with their imaginative and immortal organs; the Apostles the same; the clearer the organ the more distinct the object. A Spirit and a Vision are not, as the modern philosophy supposes, a cloudy vapour or a nothing: they are organized and minutely articulated beyond all that the mortal and perishing nature can produce. He who does not imagine in stronger and better lineaments, and in stronger and better light than his perishing mortal eye can see does not imagine at all. The painter of this work asserts that all his imaginations appear to him infinitely more perfect and more minutely organized than any thing seen by his
mortal eye. Spi[Descriptive Catalogue P 38]rits are organized men: Moderns wish to draw figures without lines, and with great and heavy shadows; are not shadows more unmeaning than lines, and more heavy? O who can doubt this!
King Edward and his Queen Elenor are prostrated, with their horses, at the foot of a rock on which the Bard stands; prostrated by the terrors of his harp on the margin of the river Conway, whose waves bear up a corse of a slaughtered bard at the foot of the rock. The armies of Edward are seen winding among the mountains.
"He wound with toilsome march his long array."

Mortimer and Gloucester lie spell bound behind their king. The execution of this picture is also in Water Colours, or Fresco.

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The Ancient Britons

In the last Battle of King Arthur only Three Britons escaped, these were the Strongest Man, the Beautifullest Man, and the Ugliest Man; these three marched through the field unsubdued, as Gods, and the Sun of Britain s[e]t, but shall arise again with tenfold splendor when Arthur shall awake from sleep, and resume his dominion over earth and ocean.

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The three general classes of men who are represented by the most Beautiful, the most Strong, and the most Ugly, could not be represented by any historical facts but those of our own country, the Ancient Britons; without violating costume. The Britons (say historians) were naked civilized men, learned, studious, abstruse in thought and contemplation; naked, simple, plain, in their acts and manners; [Descriptive Catalogue P 40] wiser than after-ages. They were overwhelmed by brutal arms all but a small remnant; Strength, Beauty, and Ugliness escaped the wreck, and remain for ever unsubdued, age after age.
The British Antiquities are now in the Artist's hands; all his visionary contemplations, relating to his own country and its ancient glory, when it was as it again shall be, the source of learning and inspiration. Arthur was a name for the constellation Arcturus, or Bootes, the Keeper of the North Pole. And all the fables of Arthur and his round table; of the warlike naked Britons; of Merlin; of Arthur's conquest of the whole world; of his death, or sleep, and promise to return again; of the Druid monuments, or temples; of the pavement of Watlingstreet; of London stone; of the caverns in Cornwall, Wales, Derbyshire, and Scotland; of the Giants of Ireland and Britain; of the elemental beings, called [Descriptive Catalogue P 41] by us by the general name of Fairies; and of these three who escaped, namely, Beauty, Strength, and Ugliness, Mr. B. has in his hands poems of the highest antiquity. Adam was a Druid, and Noah; also Abraham was called to succeed the Druidical
age, which began to turn allegoric and mental signification into corporeal command, whereby human sacrifice would have depopulated the earth. All these things are written in Eden. The artist is an inhabitant of that happy country, and if every thing goes on as it has begun, the world of vegetation and generation may expect to be opened again to Heaven, through Eden, as it was in the beginning.
The Strong man represents the human sublime. The Beautiful man represents the human pathetic, which was in the wars of Eden divided into male and female. The Ugly man represents the human reason. They were originally one man, who was fourfold; he was self-divided, and [Descriptive Catalogue P 42] his real humanity slain on the stems of generation, and the form of the fourth was like the Son of God. How he became divided is a subject of great sublimity and pathos. The Artist has written it under inspiration, and will, if God please, publish it; it is voluminous, and contains

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the ancient history of Britain, and the world of Satan and of Adam. In the mean time he has painted this Picture, which supposes that in the reign of that British Prince, who lived in the fifth century, there were remains of those naked Heroes, in the Welch Mountains; they are there now, Gray saw them in the person of his bard on Snowdon; there they dwell in naked simplicity; happy is he who can see and converse with them above the shadows of generation and death. The giant Albion, was Patriarch of the Atlantic, he is the Atlas of the Greeks, one of those the Greeks called Titans. The stories of Arthur are the acts of Albion, ap[Descriptive Catalogue P 43]plied to a Prince of the fifth century, who conquered Europe, and held the Empire of the world in the dark age, which the Romans never again recovered. In this Picture, believing with Milton, the ancient British History, Mr. B. has done, as all the ancients did, and as all the moderns, who are worthy of fame, given the historical fact in its poetical vigour; so as it always happens, and not in that dull way that some Historians pretend, who being weakly organized themselves, cannot see either miracle or prodigy; all is to them a dull round of probabilities and possibilities; but the history of all times and places, is nothing else but improbabilities and impossibilities; what we should say, was impossible if we did not see it always before our eyes.
The antiquities of every Nation Under Heaven, is no less sacred than that of the Jews. They are the same thing as Jacob Bryant, [Descriptive Catalogue P 44] and all antiquaries have proved. How other antiquities came to be neglected and disbelieved, while those of the Jews are collected and arranged, is an enquiry, worthy of both the Antiquarian and the Divine. All had originally one language, and one religion, this was the religion of Jesus, the everlasting Gospel. Antiquity preaches the Gospel of Jesus. The reasoning historian, turner and twister of causes and consequences, such as Hume, Gibbon and Voltaire; cannot with all their artifice, turn or twist one fact or disarrange self evident action
and reality. Reasons and opinions concerning acts, are not history. Acts themselves alone are history, and these are neither the exclusive property of Hume, Gibbon nor Voltaire, Echard, Rapin, Plutarch, nor Herodotus. Tell me the Acts, O historian, and leave me to reason upon them as I please; away with your reasoning and your rubbish. All that is not action is not [Descriptive Catalogue P 45] worth reading. Tell me the What; I do not want you to tell me the Why, and the How; I can find that out myself, as well as you can, and I will not be fooled by you into opinions, that

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you please to impose, to disbelieve what you think improbable or impossible. His opinions, who does not see spiritual agency, is not worth any man's reading; he who rejects a fact because it is improbable, must reject all History and retain doubts only. It has been said to the Artist, take the Apollo for the model of your beautiful Man and the Hercules for your strong Man, and the Dancing Fawn for your Ugly Man. Now he comes to his trial. He knows that what he does is not inferior to the grandest Antiques. Superior they cannot be, for human power cannot go beyond either what he does, or what they have done, it is the gift of God, it is inspiration and vision. He had resolved to emulate those [Descriptive Catalogue P 46] precious remains of antiquity, he has done so and the result you behold; his ideas of strength and beauty have not been greatly different. Poetry as it exists now on earth, in the various remains of ancient authors, Music as it exists in old tunes or melodies, Painting and Sculpture as it exists in the remains of Antiquity and in the works of more modern genius, is Inspiration, and cannot be surpassed; it is perfect and eternal. Milton, Shakspeare, Michael Angelo, Rafael, the finest specimens of Ancient Sculpture and Painting, and Architecture, Gothic, Grecian, Hindoo and Egyptian, are the extent of the human mind. The human mind cannot go beyond the gift of God, the Holy Ghost. To suppose that Art can go beyond the finest specimens of Art that are now in the world, is not knowing what Art is; it is being blind to the gifts of the spirit. [Descriptive Catalogue PAGE 47] It will be necessary for the Painter to say something concerning his ideas of Beauty, Strength and Ugliness, The Beauty that is annexed and appended to folly, is a lamentable accident and error of the mortal and perishing life; it does but seldom happen; but with this unnatural mixture the sublime Artist can have nothing to do; it is fit for the burlesque. The Beauty proper for sublime art, is lineaments, or forms and features that are capable of being the receptacles of intellect; accordingly the Painter has given in his beautiful man, his own idea of intellectual Beauty. The face and limbs that deviates or alters least, from infancy to old age, is the face and limbs of greatest Beauty and perfection. The Ugly likewise, when accompanied and annexed to imbecility and disease, is a subject for burlesque and not for historical grandeur; the Artist has imagined his Ugly man; one [Descriptive Catalogue P 48 ] approaching to the
beast in features and form, his forehead small, without frontals; his jaws large; his nose high on the ridge, and narrow; his chest and the stamina of his make, comparatively little, and his joints

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and his extremities large; his eyes with scarce any whites, narrow and cunning, and every thing tending toward what is truly Ugly; the incapability of intellect.
The Artist has considered his strong Man as a receptacle of Wisdom, a sublime energizer; his features and limbs do not spindle out into length, without strength, nor are they too large and unwieldy for his brain and bosom. Strength consists in accumulation of power to the principal seat, and from thence a regular gradation and subordination; strength is compactness, not extent nor bulk.
The strong Man acts from conscious superiority, and marches on in fearless dependance on the divine decrees, raging with the inspira[Descriptive Catalogue P 49]tions of a prophetic mind. The Beautiful Man acts from duty, and anxious solicitude for the fates of those for whom he combats. The Ugly Man acts from love of carnage, and delight in the savage barbarities of war, rushing with sportive precipitation into the very teeth of the affrighted enemy. The Roman Soldiers rolled together in a heap before them: "Like the rolling thing before the whirlwind;" each shew a different character, and a different expression of fear, or revenge, or envy, or blank horror, or amazement, or devout wonder and unresisting awe.
The dead and the dying, Britons naked, mingled with armed Romans, strew the field beneath. Among these, the last of the Bards who were capable of attending warlike deeds, is seen falling, outstretched among the dead and the dying; singing to his harp in the pains of death.
[Descriptive Catalogue PAGE 50]Distant among the mountains, are Druid Temples, similar to Stone Hedge. The Sun sets behind the mountains, bloody with the day of battle. The flush of health in flesh, exposed to the open air, nourished by the spirits of forests and floods, in that ancient happy period, which history has recorded, cannot be like the sickly daubs of Titian or Rubens. Where will the copier of nature, as it now is, find a civilized man, who has been accustomed to go naked. Imagination only, can furnish us with colouring appropriate, such as is found in the Frescos of Rafael and Michael Angelo: the disposition of forms always directs colouring in works of true art. As to a modern Man stripped from his load of cloathing, he is like a dead corpse. Hence Rubens, Titian, Correggio, and all of that class, are like leather and chalk; their men are like leather, and their women like chalk, for the disposition of their [Descriptive Catalogue P 51] forms will not admit of grand colouring; in Mr. B.'s Britons, the blood is seen to circulate in their limbs; he defies competition in colouring.

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## A Spirit vaulting from a cloud to turn and wind a fiery

 Pegasus--Shakspeare. The horse of Intellect is leaping from the cliffs of Memory and Reasoning; it is a barren Rock: it is also called the Barren Waste of Locke and NewtonTHIS Picture was done many years ago, and was one of the first Mr. B. ever did in Fresco; fortunately or rather providentially he left it unblotted and unblurred, although molested continually by blotting and blurring demons; but he was also compelled to leave it unfinished for reasons that will be shewn in the following.

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## NUMBER VII.

The Goats, an experiment Picture.

THE subject is taken from the Missionary Voyage and varied from the literal fact, for the sake of picturesque scenery. The savage girls had dressed themselves with vine leaves, and some goats on board the missionary ship stripped them off presently. This Picture was painted at intervals, for experiment, with the colours, and is laboured to a superabundant blackness; it has however that about it, which may be worthy the attention of the Artist and Connoisseur for reasons that follow.

NUMBER VIII.
The spiritual Preceptor, an experiment Picture.

THIS subject is taken from the visions of Emanuel Swedenborg. Universal Theology, [Descriptive Catalogue P 53] No. 623. The Learned, who strive to ascend into Heaven by means of learning, appear to Children like dead horses, when repelled by the celestial spheres. The works of this visionary are well worthy the attention of Painters and Poets; they are foundations for grand things; the reason they have not been more attended to, is, because corporeal demons have gained a predominance; who the leaders of these are, will be shewn below. Unworthy Men who gain fame among Men,

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continue to govern mankind after death, and in their spiritual bodies, oppose the spirits of those, who worthily are famous; and as Swedenborg observes, by entering into disease and excrement, drunkenness and concupiscence, they possess themselves of the bodies of mortal men, and shut the doors of mind and of thought, by placing Learning above Inspiration, O Artist! you may disbelieve all this, but it shall be at your own peril.

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## NUMBER IX.

Satan calling up his Legions, from Milton's Paradise Lost; a composition for a more perfect Picture, afterward executed for a Lady of high rank. An experiment Picture

THIS Picture was likewise painted at intervals, for experiment on colours, without any oily vehicle; it may be worthy of attention, not only on account of its composition, but of the great labour which has been bestowed on it, that is, three or four times as much as would have finished a more perfect Picture; the labor has destroyed the lineaments, it was with difficulty brought back again to a certain effect, which it had at first, when all the lineaments were perfect.
These Pictures, among numerous others painted for experiment, were the result of [Descriptive Catalogue P 55] temptations and perturbations, labouring to destroy Imaginative power, by means of that infernal machine, called Chiaro Oscuro, in the hands of Venetian and Flemish Demons; whose enmity to the Painter himself, and to all Artists who study in the Florentine and Roman Schools, may be removed by an exhibition and exposure of their vile tricks. They cause that every thing in art shall become a Machine. They cause that the execution shall be all blocked up with brown shadows. They put the original Artist in fear and doubt of his own original conception. The spirit of Titian was particularly active, in raising doubts concerning the possibility of executing without a model, and when once he had raised the doubt, it became easy for him to snatch away the vision time after time, for when the Artist took his pencil, to execute his ideas, his power of imagination weakened so much, and darkened, that memory of nature and of Pictures [Descriptive Catalogue P 56] of the various Schools possessed his mind, instead of appropriate execution, resulting from the inventions; like walking in another man's style, or speaking or looking in another man's style and manner,
unappropriate and repugnant to your own individual character; tormenting the true Artist, till he leaves the Florentine, and adopts the Venetian practice, or does as Mr. B. has done, has the courage to suffer poverty and disgrace, till he ultimately conquers.
Rubens is a most outrageous demon, and by infusing the remembrances of his Pictures, and style of execution, hinders all power of individual thought: so that the man who is possessed by this demon, loses all admiration of any other Artist, but Rubens, and those who were his imitators and journeymen, he causes to the Florentine and Roman Artist fear to execute; and though the original conception was all fire and animation, he loads it with
[Descriptive Catalogue P 57] hellish brownness, and blocks up all its gates of light, except one, and that one he closes with iron bars, till the victim is obliged to give up the Florentine and Roman practice, and adopt the Venetian and Flemish.

Correggio is a soft and effeminate and consequently a most cruel demon, whose whole delight is to cause endless labor to whoever suffers him to enter his mind. The story that is told in all Lives of the Painters about Correggio being poor and but badly paid for his Pictures, is altogether false; he was a petty Prince, in Italy, and employed numerous journeymen in manufacturing (as Rubens and Titian did) the Pictures that go under his name. The manual labor in these Pictures of Correggio is immense, and was paid for originally at the immense prices that those who keep manufactories of art always charge to their employers, while they themselves pay their journeymen little enough. But though [Descriptive Catalogue P 58] Correggio was not poor, he will make any true artist so, who permits him to enter his mind, and take possession of his affections; he infuses a love of soft and even tints without boundaries, and of endless reflected lights, that confuse one another, and hinder all correct drawing from appearing to be correct; for if one of Rafael or Michael Angelo's figures was to be traced, and Correggio's reflections and refractions to be added to it, there would soon be an end of proportion and strength, and it would be weak, and pappy, and lumbering, and thick headed, like his own works; but then it would have softness and evenness, by a twelvemonth's labor, where a month would with judgment have finished it better and higher; and the poor wretch who executed it, would be the Correggio that the life writers have written of: a drudge and a miserable man, compelled to softness by poverty. I say again, O Artist, you may disbe[Descriptive Catalogue P 59]lieve all this, but it shall be at your own peril.
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knocked about, without mercy, to try all experiments.

NUMBER X.
The Bramins.--A Drawing.

The subject is, Mr. Wilkin, translating the Geeta; an ideal design, suggested by the first publication of that part of the Hindoo Scriptures, translated by Mr. Wilkin. I understand that my Costume is incorrect, but in this I plead the authority of the ancients, who often deviated from the Habits, to preserve the Manners, as in the instance of Laocoon, who, though a priest, is represented naked.

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NUMBER XI.
The body of Abel found by Adam and Eve; Cain, who was about to bury it, fleeing from the face of his Parents. --A Drawing

NUMBER XII.
The Soldiers casting lots for Christ's Garment.-A Drawing

NUMBER XIII.
Jacob's Ladder, --A Drawing.

NUMBER XIV.
The Angels hovering over the Body of Jesus in the Sepulchre.--A Drawing

The above four drawings the Artist wishes were in Fresco, on an enlarged scale to ornament [Descriptive Catalogue P61] the altars of churches, and to make England like Italy, respected by respectable men of other countries on account of Art. It is not the want of genius, that can hereafter be laid to our charge, the Artist who has done these Pictures and Drawings will take care of that; let those who govern the Nation, take care of the other. The times require that every one should speak out boldly; England expects that every man should do his duty, in Arts, as well as in Arms, or in the Senate.

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THIS Design is taken from that most pathetic passage in the Book of Ruth, where Naomi having taken leave of her daughters in law, with intent to return to her own country; Ruth cannot leave her, but says, "Whither [Descriptive Catalogue P 62] thou goest I will go; and where thou lodgest I will lodge, thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God: where thou diest I will die, and there will I be buried; God do so to me and more also, if ought but death part thee and me."
The distinction that is made in modern times between a Painting and a Drawing proceeds from ignorance of art. The merit of a Picture is the same as the merit of a Drawing. The dawber dawbs his Drawings; he who draws his Drawings draws his Pictures. There is no difference between Rafael's Cartoons and his Frescos, or Pictures, except that the Frescos, or Pictures, are more finished. When Mr. B. formerly painted in oil colours his Pictures were shewn to certain painters and connoisseurs, who said that they were very admirable Drawings on canvass; but not Pictures: but they said the same of Rafael's Pictures. [Descriptive Catalogue P 63] Mr. B. thought this the greatest of compliments, though it was meant otherwise. If losing and obliterating the outline constitutes a Picture, Mr. B. will never be so foolish as to do one. Such art of losing the outlines is the art of Venice and Flanders; it loses all character, and leaves what some people call, expression: but this is a false notion of expression; expression cannot exist without character as its stamina; and neither character nor expression can exist without firm and determinate outline. Fresco Painting is susceptible of higher finishing than Drawing on Paper, or than any other method of Painting. But he must have a strange organization of sight who does not prefer a Drawing on Paper to a Dawbing in Oil by the same master, supposing both to be done with equal care.

The great and golden rule of art, as well as of life, is this: That the more distinct, sharp, [Descriptive Catalogue P 64] and wirey the bounding line, the more perfect the work of art; and the less keen and sharp, the greater is the evidence of weak imitation, plagiarism, and bungling. Great inventors, in all ages, knew this: Protogenes and Apelles knew each other by this line. Rafael and Michael Angelo, and Albert Durer, are known by this and this alone. The want of this determinate and bounding form evidences the want of idea in the artist's mind, and the ${ }^{t 1449}$

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pretence of the plagiary in all its branches. How do we distinguish the oak from the beech, the horse from the ox, but by the bounding outline? How do we distinguish one face or countenance from another, but by the bounding line and its infinite inflexions and movements? What is it that builds a house and plants a garden, but the definite and determinate? What is it that distinguishes honesty from knavery, but the hard and wirey line of rectitude and certainty [Descriptive Catalogue P 65] in the actions and intentions. Leave out this l[i]ne and you leave out life itself; all is chaos again, and the line of the almighty must be drawn out upon it before man or beast can exist. Talk no more then of Correggio, or Rembrandt, or any other of those plagiaries of Venice or Flanders. They were but the lame imitators of lines drawn by their predecessors, and their works prove themselves contemptible dis-arranged imitations and blundering misapplied copies.

NUMBER XVI.
The Penance of Jane Shore in St. Paul's Church.--A Drawing

THIS Drawing was done above Thirty Years ago, and proves to the Author, and he thinks will prove to any discerning eye, that the productions of our youth and of our maturer age [Descriptive Catalogue P 66] are equal in all essential points. If a man is master of his profession, he cannot be ignorant that he is so; and if he is not employed by those who pretend to encourage art, he will employ himself, and laugh in secret at the pretences of the ignorant, while he has every night dropped into his shoe, as soon as he puts it off, and puts out the candle, and gets into bed, a reward for the labours of the day, such as the world cannot give, and patience and time await to give him all that the world can give.

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for the reason of these remarks see the last aphorism
[Blake is referring to 643: "If you mean to know yourself, interline such of these aphorisms as affected you agreeably in reading, and set a mark to such as left a sense of uneasiness with you; and then shew your copy to whom you please." Blake's mark of uneasiness, a large rough $X$ in the margin, is shown here by an X beside the number of the aphorism. His underlining of agreeable passages is represented by italics, and he occasionally supplements the underlining with a square dagger of emphatic approval, as shown.[<dag>] ]

1. Know, in the first place, that mankind agree in essence, as they do in their limbs and senses.
2. Mankind differ as much in essence as they do in form, limbs, and senses-and only so, and not more.

This is true Christian philosophy far above all abstraction [written beside both aphorisms, with a line under each]

## 3. As in looking upward each beholder thinks himself the

 centre of the sky; so Nature formed her individuals, that each must see himself the centre of being.Let me refer here, to a remark on aphorism 533 \& another on. 630

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8. Who pursues means of enjoyment contradictory, irreconcilable, and self-destructive, is a fool, or what is called a sinner-- Sin and destruction of order are the same.
a golden sentence
11. The less you can enjoy, the poorer, the scantier yourself--the more you can enjoy, the richer, the more vigorous. You enjoy with wisdom or with folly, as the gratification of your appetites capacitates or unnerves your powers. [?Doubtful] false for weak is the joy that is never wearied (Written beside the second paragraph)
13. Joy and grief decide character. What exalts prosperity? what imbitters grief? what leaves us indifferent? what interests us? As the interest of man, so his God--as his God, so he.

## All Gold

14. What is a man's interest? what constitutes his God, the ultimate of his wishes, his end of existence? Either that which on every occasion he communicates with the most unrestrained cordiality, or hides from every profane eye and ear with mysterious awe; to which he makes every other thing a mere appendix;--the vortex, the centre, the comparative point from which he sets out, on which he fixes, to which he irresistibly returns;--that, at the loss of which you may safely think him inconsolable;--that which he rescues from the gripe of danger with equal anxiety and boldness.
The story of the painter and the prince is well known: to get at the best piece in the artist's collection, . . .
[All bracketed to this comment:]

## Pure gold

[The story continues, unmarked, and concludes:] . . . of thousands it may be decided what loss, what gain, would affect them most. And suppose we cannot pronounce on others, cannot we determine on ourselves? This the sage of Nazareth meant when he said, WHERE THY TREASURE IS, THERE WILL THY HEART BE ALSO--The object of your love is your God.
This should be written in gold letters on our temples
16. The greatest of characters, no doubt, was he, who, free

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of all trifling accidental helps, could see objects through one grand immutable medium, always at hand, and proof against illusion and time, reflected by every object, and invariably traced through all the fluctuation of things.
this was Christ
20. Distinguish with exactness, in thyself and others, between WISHES and WILL, in the strictest sense. Who has many wishes has generally but little will. Who has energy of will has few diverging wishes. Whose will is bent with energy on ONE, MUST renounce the wishes for MANY things. Who cannot do this is not stamped with the majesty of human nature. The energy of choice, the unison of various powers for one is only WILL, born under the agonies of self-denial and renounced desires.

Regeneration

X21.Calmness of will is a sign of grandeur. The vulgar, far from hiding their WILL, blab their wishes--a single spark of occasion discharges the child of passions into a thousand crackers of desire.
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See 384.
23. Who in the same given time can produce more than many others, has VIGOUR; who can produce more and better, has TALENTS; who can produce what none else can, has GENIUS.
25. WISHES run over into loquacious impotence, WILL presses on with laconic energy. [Horizontal line in left margin]
28. The glad gladdens--who gladdens not is not glad. fatal to others is so to himself--to him, heaven, wisdom, folly, virtue, vice, are equally so--to such an one tell neither good nor bad of yourself. X32. Let the degree of egotism be the measure of confidence.
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X36. Who begins with severity, in judging of another, ends commonly with falsehood.
false
Severity of judgment is a great virtue

X37. The smiles that encourage severity of judgment, hide malice and insincerity.
false
Aphorisms should be universally true
X39. Who, without pressing temptation, tells a lie, will, without pressing temptation, act ignobly and meanly. uneasy
false
a man may lie for his own pleasure. but if any one is hurt by his lying will confess his lie see N 124
40. Who, under pressing temptations to lie, adheres to truth, nor to the profane betrays aught of a sacred trust, is near the summit of wisdom and virtue.
Excellent
43. As the present character of a man, so his past, so his future Who knows intuitively the history of the past, knows his destiny to come.
44. YOU can depend on no man, on no friend, but him who can depend on himself. He only who acts consequentially toward himself will act so toward others, and VICE VERSA.
Man is for ever the same; the same under every form, in all situations and relations that admit of free and unrestrained exertion. The same regard which you have for yourself, you have for others, for nature, for the invisible NUMEN, which you call God--Who has witnessed one free Jand unconstrained act of yours, has witnessed all.

X54.Frequent laughing has been long called a sign of a little mind--whilst the scarcer smile of harmless quiet has been complimented as the mark of a noble heart--But to abstain from laughing, and exciting laughter, merely not to offend, or to risk giving offence, or not to debase the inward dignity of character--is a power unknown to many a vigorous mind.

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59. A sneer is often the sign of heartless malignity. damn Sneerers
60. Who courts the intimacy of a professed sneerer, is a professed knave.
61. I know not which of these two I should wish to avoid most; the scoffer at virtue and religion, who, with heartless villany, butchers innocence and truth; or the pietist, who crawls, groans, blubbers, and secretly says to gold, thou art m hope! and to his belly, thou art my god!
I hate crawlers
62. All moral dependence on him, who has been guilty Of ONE act of positive cool villanyagainst an acknowledged, virtuous and noble character, is credulity, imbecility, or insanity. is being like him rather
63. The most stormy ebullitions of passion, from blasphemy to murder, are less terrific than one single act of cool villany: a still RABIES is more dangerous than the paroxisms of a fever--Fear the boisterous savage of passion less than the sedate grin of villany. bravo
66. Can he love truth who can take a knave to his bosom? --No
67. There are offences against individuals, to all appearance trifling, which are capital offences against the human race--fly him who can commit them.
68. There ought to be a perpetual whisper in the ear of plain honesty--take heed not even to pronounce the name of a knave--he will make the very sound of his name a handle of mischief. And do you think a knave begins mischief to leave off? Know this-whether he overcome or be foiled, he will wrangle on.

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69. Humility and love, whatever obscurities may involve religious tenets, constitute the essence of true religion. The humble is formed to adore; the loving to associate with eternal love.
Sweet.

X70. Have you ever seen a vulgar mind warm or humble? or a proud one that could love?--where pride begins, love ceases--as love, so humility--as both, so the still real power of man.
<pride may love> (over a deletion)

X71. Every thing may be mimicked by hypocrisy, but humility and love united. The humblest star twinkles most in the darkest night--the more rare humility and love united, the more radiant where they meet.
all this may be mimicked very well. this Aphorism certainly was an oversight for what are all crawlers but mimickers of humility \& love
X73.Modesty is silent when it would not be improper to speak: the humble, without being called upon, never recollects to say any thing of himself. uneasy
78. The wrath that on conviction subsides into mildness, is the wrath of a generous mind. 80. Thousands are hated, whilst none are ever loved, without a real cause. The amiable alone can be loved.
81. He who is loved and commands love, when he corrects or is the cause of uneasiness, must be loveliness itself; and
82. He who can love him, in the moment of correction, is the most amiable of mortals,
83. He, to whom you may tell any thing, may see every thing, and will betray nothing.

X86. The freer you feel yourself in the presence of

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another, the more free is he: who is free makes free rather uneasy

X92. Who instantly does the best that can be done, what no other could have done, and what all must acknowledge to be the best, is a genius and a hero at once. uneasy
93. The discovery of truth, by slow progressive meditation, is wisdom--Intuition of truth, not preceded by perceptible meditation, is genius
94. The degree of genius is determined by its velocity, clearness, depth, simplicity, copiousness, extent of glance (COUP $\left.D^{\prime} O E I L\right)$, and instantaneous intuition of the whole at once. copiousness of glance

X96. Dread more the blunderer's friendship than the calumniator's enmity.

I doubt this

X97. He only, who can give durability to his exertions, has genuine power and energy of mind.
uneasy
Sterling

X98. Before thou callest a man hero or genius, investigate whether his exertion has features of indelibility; for all that is celestial, all genius, is the offspring of immortality. uneasy Sterling
99. Who despises all that is despicable, is made to he impressed with all that is grand.
107. Who takes from you, ought to give in his turn, or he is a thief: I distinguish taking and accepting, robbing and receiving. many give already by the mere wish to give; their still unequivocal wish of improvement and gratitude, whilst it draws from us, opens treasures within us, that might have remained locked up, even to ourselves.
Noble \& Generous

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114. Who writes as he speaks, speaks as he writes, looks as he speaks and writes--is honest.
115.A habit of sneering marks the egotist, or the fool, or the knave--or all three.
--all three

X121. Who knows not how to wait with YES, will often be with shame reduced to say No. Letting "I DARE NOT wait upon I WOULD" uneasy
124. Who has a daring eye, tells downright truths and downright lies.
contrary to $N 39$ but most True

X141. Many trifling inattentions, neglects, indiscretions--are so many unequivocal proofs of dull frigidity, hardness, or extreme egotism.
rather uneasy

X150. As your enemies and your friends, so are you. very uneasy

X151. You may depend upon it that he is a good man whose intimate friends are all good, and whose enemies are characters decidedly bad. uneasy
I fear I have not many enemies
157. Say not you know another entirely, till you have divided an inheritance with him.
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X163. Who, at the pressing solicitation of bold and noble confidence, hesitates one moment before he consents, proves
himself at once inexorable.
uneasy
I do not believe it

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X164. Who, at the solicitations of cunning, self-interest, silliness, or impudence, hesitates one moment before he refuses, proves himself at once a silly giver.
uneasy
165. Examine carefully whether a man is fonder of exceptions than of rules; as he makes use of exceptions he is sagacious; as he applies them against the rule he is wrong-headed. I heard in one day a man, who thought himself wise, . . . sophist's character. . . (Vertical line in margin of passage from "rules" to "wise")

X168.Whenever a man undergoes a considerable change, in consequence of being observed by others, whenever he assumes another gait, another language, than what he had before he thought himself observed, be advised to guard yourself against him.
rather uneasy
170. I am prejudiced in favour of him who can solicit boldly, without impudence--he has faith in humanity--hhas faith in himself. No one, who is not accustomed to give grandly, can ask nobly and with boldness.
176. As a man's salutation, so the total of his character: in nothing do we lay ourselves so open as in our manner of meeting and salutation.
177. Be afraid of him who meets you with friendly aspect, and, in the midst of a flattering salutation, avoids your direct open look
185. All finery is a sign of littleness.
not always
200. The more honesty a man has, the less he affects the air of a saint--the affectation of sanctity is a blotch on the face of piety bravo
201. There are more heroes than saints; (heroes I call

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rulers over the minds and destinies of men); more saints than humane characters, Him, who humanises all that is within and around himself, adore: I know but of one such by tradition.
Sweet
203. Who seeks those that are greater than himself, their greatness enjoys, and forgets his greatest qualities in their greater ones, is already truly great
I hope I do not flatter my self that this is pleasant to me
219. <dag>None love without being loved; and none beloved is without loveliness
225. The friend of order has made half his way to virtue
X226. There is no mortal truly wise and restless at once--wisdom is the repose of minds.
rather uneasy
242. The connoisseur in painting discovers an original by some great line, though covered with dust, and disguised by daubing; so he who studies man discovers a valuable character by some original trait, though unnoticed, disguised, or debased--ravished at the discovery, he feels it his duty to restore it to its own genuine splendour. Him who, in spite of contemptuous pretenders, has the boldness to do this, choose for your friend
244. Who writes what he should tell, and dares not tell what he writes, is either like a wolf in sheep's clothing, or like a sheep in a wolfs skin.
Some cannot tell what they can write tho they dare
248. Know that the great art to love your enemy consists in never losing sight of MAN in him: humanity has power over all that is human; the most inhuman man still remains man, and never CAN throw off all taste for what becomes a man--but you must learn to wait.
none can see the man in the enemy if he is ignorantly so, he is not truly an enemy if maliciously not a man
I cannot love my enemy for my enemy is not man but beast \&

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devil if I have any. I can love him as a beast \& wish to beat him

## 253. Who welcomes the look of the good is good himself

254. I know deists, whose religiousness I venerate, and atheists, whose honesty and nobleness of mind I wish for; but I have not yet seen the man who could have tempteme to think him honest who[m] I knew publicly acted the Christian whilst privately he was a positive deist
bravo
(Whom corrected to who, in accord with Errata list)
255. He who laughed at you till he got to your door, flattered you as you opened it--felt the force of your argument whilst he was with you--applauded when he rose, and, after he went away, blasts you--has the most indisputable title to an archdukedom in hell
Such a one I can never forgive while he continues such a one

X261. Ask not only, am I hated? but, by whom?--am I loved? but why?--as the GOOD love thee, the BAD will hate thee uneasy
272. Who can act or perform as if each workor action were the first, the last, and only one in his life, is great [in his sphere.
(The last three words deleted by Blake)

X276. We can do all by speech and silence. He , who understands the double art of speaking opportunely to the moment, and of saying not a syllable more or less than it demanded--and he who can wrap himself up in silence when every word would be in vain--will understand to connect energy with patience. uneasy
278. Let the unhappiness you feel at another's errors, and the happiness you enjoy in their perfections, be the measure of your progress in wisdom and virtue

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279. Who becomes every day more sagacious, in observing his own faults, and the perfections of another, without either envying him or despairing of himself, is ready to mount the ladder on which angels ascend and descend.
Noble
282. The more there is of mind in your solitary employments, the more dignity there is in your character
285. He, who can at all times sacrifice pleasure to duty, approaches sublimity
(Vertical line in margin; also underlined)
287. The most eloquent speaker, the most ingenious writer, and the most accomplished statesman, cannot effect so much as the mere presence of the man [who tempers his wisdom and his vigour with, humanity.]
(The last nine words deleted by Blake) unsophisticated
289. Between the best and the worst, there are, you say, innumerable degrees--and you are right; but admit that I am right too, in saying that the best and the worst differ only in one thing--<dag> in the object of their love. <dag>would to God that every one would consider this
290. What is it you love in him you love? what is it you hate in him you hate? Answer this closely to yourself, pronounce it loudly, and you will know yourself and him.
All Gold
292. If you see one cold and vehement at the same time, set him down for a fanatic.
i.e. hypocrite
295. Who can hide magnanimity, stands on the supreme degree of human nature, and is admired by the world of spirits

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301. He has not a little of the devil in him who prays and bites.
there is no other devil, he who bites without praying is only a beast
302. He who, when called upon to speak a disagreeable truth, tells it boldly and has done, is both bolder and milder than he who nibbles in a low voice, and never ceases nibbling.
damn such
305. Be not the fourth friend of him who had three before and lost them. an excellent rule

X308. Want of friends argues either want of humility or courage, or both.
uneasy
309. He who, at a table of forty covers, thirty-nine of which are exquisite, and one indifferent, lays hold of that, and with a "damn your dinner" dashes it in the landlord's face, should be sent to Bethlem or to Bridewell--and whither he, who blasphemes a book, a work of art, or perhaps a man of nine-and-thirty good and but one bad quality, and calls those fools or flatterers who, engrossed by the superior number of good qualities, would fain forget the bad one<?> (Question marked added by Blake) to hell till he behaves better. mark that I do not believe there is such a thing litterally. but hell is the being shut up in the possession of corporeal desires which shortly weary the man for all life is holy
328. Keep him at least three paces distant who hates bread, music, and the laugh of a child the best in the book
333. Between passion and lie there is not a finger's breadth.
Lie, is the contrary to Passion

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334.. Avoid, like a serpent, him who writes impertinently, yet speaks politely
a dog get a stick to him
X338. Search carefully if one patiently finishes what he boldly began.
uneasy
339. Who comes from the kitchen smells of its smoke; who adheres to a sect has something of its cant: the college-air pursues the student, and dry inhumanity him who herds with literary pedants.
341. Call him truly religious who believes in something higher, more powerful, more living, than visible nature; and who, clear as his own existence, feels his conformity to that superior being.
342. [Superstition] <Hipocrisy> always inspires littleness, religion grandeur of mind: the [superstitious] <hypocrite> raises beings inferior to himself to deities.
no man was ever truly superstitious who was not truly religious as far as he knew
True superstition is ignorant honesty \& this is beloved of god \& man
I do not allow that there is such a thing as Superstition taken in the strict sense of the word A man must first decieve himself before he is <thus> Superstitious \& so he is a hypocrite Hipocrisy. is as distant from superstition. as the wolf from the lamb.
343. Who are the saints of humanity? those whom perpetual habits of goodness and of grandeur have made nearly unconscious that what they do is good or grand--<dag> heroes with infantine simplicity
<dag>this is heavenly
345. The jealous is possessed by a "fine mad devil*" and a dull spirit at once.
*Shakspeare.

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pity the jealous
352. He alone has energy that cannot be deprived of it
353. Sneers are the blasts that precede quarrels. hate the sneerer
354. Who loves will not be adored. false
359. No great character cavils. 365. He can love who can forget all and nothing.
366. The purest religion is the most refined Epicurism. He, who in the smallest given time can enjoy most of what he never shall repent, and what furnisheenjoyments, still more unexhausted, still less changeable--is the most religious and the most voluptuous of men.
True Christian philosophy
370. The generous, who is always just--and the just, who is always generous--may, unannounced, approach the throne of God.
376. Spare the lover without flattering his passion; to make the pangs of love the butt of ridicule, is unwise and harsh--soothing meekness and wisdom subdue in else unconquerable things. and consider that love is life
377. There is none so bad to do the twentieth part of the evil he might, nor any so good as to do the tenth part of the good it is in his power to do. Judge of yourself by the good you might do and neglect--and of others by the evil they might do and omit--and your judgment will be poised between too much indulgence for yourself and too much severity on others. Most Excellent
380. To him who is simple, and inexhaustible, like nature, simple and inexhausted nature resigns her sway

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383. How can he be pious who loves not the beautiful, whilst piety is nothing but the love of beauty? Beauty we Call the MOST VARIED ONE, the MOST UNITED VARIETY. Could there be a man who should harmoniously unite each variety of knowledge and of powers--were he not the most beautiful? were he not your god?
this is our Lord
384. Incredible are his powers who DESIRES nothing that he CANNOT WILL.
See 20 \& 21

X385. The unloved cannot love. doubtful

X386. Let the object of love be careful to lose none of its loveliness.

X389. We cannot be great, if we calculate how great we and how little others are, and calculate not how great others, how minute, how impotent ourselves.
uneasy
391. He loves unalterably who keeps within the bounds of love; who always shews somewhat less than what he is possessed of--nor ever utters a syllable, or gives a hint, of more than what in fact remains behind--is just and friendly in the same degree.

## 396. Who kindles love loves warmly.

400. There is a manner of forgiving so divine, that you are ready to embrace the offender for having called it forth. this I cannot conceive
401. Expect the secret resentment of him whom your forgiveness has impressed with a sense of his inferiority; expect the resentment of the woman whose proffered love you have repulsed; yet surer still expect the unceasing rancour of envy

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against the progress of genius and merit--renounce the hopes of reconciling him: but know, that whilst you steer on, mindless of his grin, allruling destiny will either change his rage to awe, or blast his powers to their deepest root.
If you expect his resentment you do not forgive him now. tho you did once forgiveness of enemies can only come upon their repentance
407. Whatever is visible is the vessel or veil of the invisible past, present, future--as man penetrates to this more, or perceives it less, he raises or depresses his dignity of being.
A vision of the Eternal Now--
408. Let none turn over books, or roam the stars in quest of God, who sees him not in man
409. He alone is good, who, though possessed of energy, prefers virtue, with the appearance of weakness, to the invitation of acting brilliantly ill
Noble But Mark Active Evil is better than Passive Good.

X410. Clearness, rapidity, comprehension of look, glance (what the French call 'COUP D'OEIL'), is the greatest, simplest, most inexhausted gift a mortal can receive from heaven: who has that has all; and who has it not has little of what constitutes the good and great.
uneasy
doubtful
413. As the presentiment of the possible, deemed impossible, so genius, so heroism--every genius, every hero, is a prophet

X414. He who goes one step beyond his real faith, or presentiment, is in danger of deceiving himself and others. uneasy

416 He , who to obtain much will suffer little or nothing, can never be called great; and none ever little, who, to obtain one great object, will suffer much.

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the man who does this is a Sectary therefore not great
419. You beg as you question.; you give as you answer
Excellent
424. Love sees what no eye sees; love hears what no ear hears; and what never rose in the heart of man love prepares for itobject.
Most Excellent
426. Him, who arrays malignity in good nature and treachery in familiarity, a miracle of Omnipotence alone can make an honest man.
no Omnipotence can act against order
427. He, who sets fire to one part of a town to rob more safely in another, is, no doubt, a villain: what will you call him, who, to avert suspicion from himself, accuses the innocent of a crime he knows himself guilty of, and means to commit again?
damn him
432. The richer you are, the more calmly you bear the reproach of poverty: the more genius you have, the more easily you bear the imputation of mediocrity 435. There is no instance of a miser becoming a prodigal without losing his intellect; but there are thousands of prodigals becoming misers; if, therefore, your turn be profuse, nothing is so much to be avoided as avariceand, if you be a miser, procure a physician who can cure an irremediable disorder. Excellent
437. Avarice has sometimes been the flaw of great men, but never of great minds; great men produce effects that cannot be produced by a thousand of the vulgar; but great minds are stamped with expanded benevolence, unattainable by most.

X440. He is much greater and more authentic, who produces one thing entire and perfect, than he who does many by halves.

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X444. Say what you please of your humanity, no wise man will ever believe a syllable while I and MINE are the two only gates at which you sally forth and enter, and through which alone all must pass who seek admittance.
uneasy
447. Who hides love, to bless with unmixed happiness, is great, like the king of heaven.
I do not understand this or else I do not agree to it I know not what hiding love means

X449. Trust not him with your secrets, who, when left alone in your room, turns over your papers. uneasy yet I hope I should not do it
450. A woman whose ruling passion is not vanity, is superior to any man of equal faculties Such a woman I adore
451. He who has but one way of seeing every thing is as important for him who studies man as fatal to friendship. this I do not understand
452. Who has written will write again, says the Frenchman; [he who has written against you will write against you again]: he who has begun certain things is under the [curse] <blessing> of leaving off no more. (Text altered by Blake)

X460. Nothing is more impartial than the stream-like public; always the same and never the same; of whom, sooner or later, each misrepresented character obtains justice, and each calumniated, honour: he who cannot wait for that, is either ignorant of human nature, or feels that he was not made for honour.
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462. The obstinacy of the indolent and weak is less conquerable than that of the fiery and bold

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463. Who, with calm wisdom alone, imperceptibly directs the obstinacy of others, will be the most eligible friend or the most dreadful enemy.
this must be a grand fellow

X 465 . He is condemned to depend on no man's modesty and honour who dares not depend on his own. uneasy
477. The frigid smiler, crawling, indiscreet, obtrusive, brazen-faced, is a scorpion-whip of destiny-avoid him! \& never forgive him till he mends

X486. Distrust your heart and the durability of your fame, if from the stream of occasion you snatch a handful of foam; deny the stream, and give its name to the frothy bursting bubble.
Uneasy
this I lament that I have done
487. If you ask me which is the real hereditary sin of human nature, do you imagine I shall answer pride? or luxury? or ambition? or egotism? no; I shall say indolence--who conquers indolence will conquer all the rest.
Pride fullness of bread \& abundance of Idleness was the sin of Sodom. See Ezekiel Ch xvi. 49 ver
489. An entirely honest man, in the severe sense of the word, exists no more than an entirely dishonest knave: the best and the worst are only approximations of those qualities. Who are those that never contradict themselves? yet honesty never contradicts itself: who are those that always contradict themselves? yet knavery is mere self-contradiction. Thus the knowledge of man determines not the things themselves, but their proportions, the quantum of congruities and incongruities. Man is a twofold being. one part capable of evil \& the other capable of good that which is capable of good is not also capable of evil. but that which is capable of evil is also capable of good. this aphorism seems to consider man as simple \& yet capable of evil. now both evil \& good cannot exist in a simple being. for thus 2 contraries would. spring from one

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essence which is impossible. but if man is considerd as only evil. \& god only good. how then is regeneration effected which turns the evil to good. by casting out the evil. by the good. See Matthew XII. Ch. 26. 27. 28. 29 vs
496. Sense seeks and finds the thought; the thought seeks and finds genius.
\& vice. versa. genius finds thought without seekg \& thought thus, producd finds sense
506. The poet, who composes not before the moment of inspiration, and as that leaves him ceases--composes, and he alone, for all men, all classes, all ages Most Excellent
507.He, who has frequent moments of complete existence, is a hero, though not laurelled, is crowned, and without crowns, a king: he only who has enjoyed immortal moments can reproduce them
O that men would seek immortal moments O that men would converse with God
508. The greater that which you can HIDE, THE GREATER YOURSELF (The last words triply underlined by Blake) Pleasant

X514. He, who cannot forgive $\langle\mathrm{a}>$ trespass of malice to his enemy, has never yet tasted the most sublime enjoyment of love.
uneasy this I know not

X518. You may have hot enemies without having a warm friend; but not a fervid friend without a bitter enemy. The qualities of your friends will be those of your enemies: cold friends, cold enemies--half friends, half enemies--fervid enemies, warm friends.
very Uneasy indeed but truth
521.He, who reforms himself, has done more toward reforming the public than a crowd of noisy, impotent patriots

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523. He will do great things who can avert his words and thoughts from past irremediable evils.
.not if evils are past sins. for these a man should never avert his thoughts from

X526. He, who is ever intent on great ends, has an eagle-eye for great means, and scorns not the smallest. Great ends never look at means but produce them spontaneously
532. Take from LUTHER his roughness and fiery courage; from CALVIN his hectic obstinacy; from ERASMUS his timid prudence; hypocrisy and fanaticism from CROMWELL; from HENRY IV, his sanguine character; mysticism from FENELON; from HUME his all-unhinging wit; love of paradox and brooding suspicion from ROUSSEAU; naivete and elegance of knavery from VOLTAIRE; from MILTON the extravagance of his all-personifying fancy; from RAFFAELLE his dryness and nearly hard precision; and from RUBENS his supernatural luxury of colours:--deduct this oppressive EXUBERANCE from each; rectify them according to your own taste--what will be the result? your own correct, pretty, flat, useful--for me, to be sure, quite convenient vulgarity. And why this amongst maxims of humanity? that you may learn to know this EXUBERANCE, this LEVEN, of each great character, and its effects on contemporaries and posterity--that you may know where d, e, f, is, there must be $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{c}$ : he alone has knowledge of man, who knows the ferment that raises each character, and makes it that which it shall be, and something more or less than it shall
be.
Deduct from a rose its redness. from a lilly its whiteness from a diamond its hardness from a spunge its softness from an oak its heighth from a daisy its lowness \& [chaos] rectify every thing in Nature as the Philosophers do. \& then we shall return to Chaos \& God will be compelld to be Excentric if he Creates O happy Philosopher
Variety does not necessarily suppose deformity, for a rose \&a lilly. are various. \& both beautiful Beauty is exuberant but not of ugliness but of beauty \& if ugliness is adjoined
to beauty it is not the exuberance of beauty. so if Rafael is

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hard \& dry it is not his genius but an accident acquired for how can Substance \& Accident be predicated of the same Essence! I cannot concieve
But the substance gives tincture to the accident \& makes it physiognomic
Aphorism 47. speaks of the heterogeneous, which all extravagance is. but exuberance not.
(47: Man has an inward sense of consequence--of all that is pertinent. This sense is the essence of humanity: this, developed and determined, characterises him--this, displayed, is his education. The more strict you are in observing what is pertinent and impertinent, (or heterogeneous) in character, actions, works of art and literature--the wiser, nobler, greater, the more humane yourself.)
533. I have often, too often, been tempted, at the daily relation of new knaveries, to despise human nature in every individual, till, on minute anatomy of each trick, I found that the knave was only an ENTHUSIAST or MOMENTARY FOOL. This discovery of momentary folly, symptoms of which assail the wisest and the best, has thrown a great consolatory light on my inquiries into man's moral nature: by this the theorist is enabled to assign to each class and each individual its own peculiar fit of vice or folly; and, by the same, he has it in his power to contrast the ludicrous or dismal catalogue with the more pleasing one of sentiment and virtue, more properly their own.
man is the ark of God the mercy seat is above upon the ark cherubims guard it on either side \& in the midst is the holy law. man is either the ark of God or a phantom of the earth \& of the water if thou seekest by human policy to guide this ark. remember Uzzah II Sam 1. [erasure] VI Ch:
knaveries are not human nature knaveries are knaveries See N 554
this aphorism seems to me to want discrimination
534. He, who is the master of the fittest moment to crush his enemy, and magnanimously neglects it, is born to be a conqueror.
this was old George the second
539. A great woman not imperious, a fair woman not vain, a woman of common talents not jealous, an accomplished woman, who scorns to shine--are four wonders, just great enough to be

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divided among the four quarters of the globe.
let the men do their duty \& the women will be such wonders, the female life $[f r o]$ lives from the light of the male. see a mans female dependants you know the man
543. Depend not much upon your rectitude, if you are uneasy in the presence of the good; [Line drawn by Blake]
easy

X nor trust to your humility if you are mortified when you are not noticed.
uneasy
549. He, who [hates] <loves> the wisest and best of men, [hates] <loves> the Father of men; for where is the Father of men to be seen but in the most perfect of his children
this is true worship
552. He, who adores an impersonal God, has none; and, without guide or rudder, launches on an immense abyss that first absorbs his powers, and next himself
Most superlatively beautiful \& Most affectionatly Holy \& pure would to God that all men would consider it
554. The enemy of art is the enemy of nature; art is nothing but the highest sagacity and exertion of human nature; and what nature will he honour who honours not the human
human nature is the image of God
556. Where there is much pretension, much has been borrowed--nature never pretends
557. Do you think him a common man who can make what is common exquisite
559. Whose promise may you depend upon? his who dares refuse what he knows he cannot perform; who promises calmly, strictly, conditionally, and never excites a hope which he may

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560. You promise as you speak.
562. Avoid him who speaks softly, and writes sharply
Ah rogue I could be thy hangman
566.Neither patience nor inspiration can give wings to a snail--you waste your own force, you destroy what remained of energy in the indolent, by urging him to move beyond his rate of power.
573. Your humility is equal to your desire of being unnoticed, unobserved in your acts of virtue true humility
574. There are certain light characteristic momentary features of man, which, in spite of masks and all exterior mummery, represent him as he is and shall be. If once in an individual you have discovered one ennobling feature, let him debase it, let it at times shrink from him, no matter; he will, in the end, prove superior to thousands of his critics
the wise man falleth 7 times in a day \& riseth again \&/c
576. The man who has and uses but one scale for every thing, for himself and his enemy, the past and the future, the grand and the trifle, for truth and error, virtue and vice, religion, superstition, infidelity; for nature, art, and works of genius and art-is truly wise, just, great.
this is most true but how does this agree with 451

X577. The infinitely little constitutes the infinite difference in works of art, and in the degrees of morals and religion; the greater the rapidity; precision, acuteness, with which this is observed and determined, the more authentic, the greater the observer.
uneasy
580. Range him high amongst your saints, who, with

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all-acknowledged powers, and his own stedfast scale for every thing, can, on the call of judgment or advice, submit to transpose himself into another's situation, and to adopt his point of sight
582. No communications and no gifts can exhaust genius, or impoverish charity Most Excellent
585. Distrust yourself if you fear the eye of the sincere; but be afraid of neither God or man, if you have no reason to distrust yourself
586. Who comes as he goes, and is present as he came and went, is sincere

X588. He loves grandly (I speak of friendship) who is not jealous when he has partners of love. uneasy but I hope to mend
590. He knows himself greatly who never opposes his genius
Most Excellent

596 "Love as if you could hate and might be hated;"--a maxim of detested prudence in real friendship, the bane of all tenderness, the death of all familiarity. Consider the fool who follows it as nothing inferior to him who at every, bit of bread trembles at the thought of its being poisoned Excellent
597. "Hate as if you could love or should be loved;"--him who follows this maxim, if all the world were to declare an idiot and enthusiast, I shall esteem, of all men, the most eminently formed for friendship. Better than Excellent
600. Distinguish with exactness, if you mean to know yourself and others, what is so often mistaken--the SINGULAR, the ORIGINAL, the EXTRAORDINARY, the GREAT, and the SUBLIME man: the SUBLIME alone unites the singular, original,

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extraordinary, and great, with his own uniformity and simplicity: the GREAT, with many powers, and uniformity of ends, is destitute of that superior calmness and inward harmony which soars above the atmosphere of praise: the EXTRAORDINARY is distinguished by copiousness, and a wide range of energy: the ORIGINAL need not be very rich, only that which he produces is unique, and has the exclusive stamp of individuality: the SINGULAR, as such, is placed between originality and whim, and often makes a trifle the medium of fame.
601. Forwardness nips affection in the bud. the more is the pity

X602. If you mean to be loved, give more than what is asked, but not more than what is wanted; [and ask less than what is expected.] this is human policy as it is calld-this whole aphorism is an oversight
603. Whom smiles and [tears] <frowns> make equally lovely, [all]<only good> hearts [may] <can or dare> court.
604. Take here the grand secret--if not of pleasing all, yet of displeasing none--court mediocrity, avoid originality, and sacrifice to fashion.
\& go to hell
605. He who pursues the glimmering steps of hope, with stedfast, not presumptuous, eye, may pass the gloomy rock, on either side of which [superstition] <hypocrisy> and incredulity their dark abysses spread.
Superstition has been long a bug bear by reason of its being united with hypocrisy. but let them be fairly seperated \& then superstition will be honest feeling \& God who loves all honest men. will lead $[t h e m]$ the poor enthusiast in the paths of holiness
606. The public seldom forgive twice.
let us take their example

X607. Him who is hurried on by the furies of immature, impetuous wishes, stern repentance shall drag, bound and

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reluctant, back to the place from which he sallied: where you hear the crackling of wishes expect intolerable vapours or repining grief. uneasy
608. He submits to be seen through a microscope, who suffers himself to be caught in a fit of passion. \& such a one I dare love
609. Venerate four characters; the sanguine, who has checked volatility and the rage for pleasure; the choleric, who has subdued passion and pride; the phlegmatic, emerged from indolence; and the melancholy, who has dismissed avarice, suspicion, and asperity
4 most holy men
610. All great minds sympathize.
612. Men carry their character not seldom in their pockets: you night decide on more than half of your acquaintance, had you will or right to turn their pockets inside out.
I seldom carry money in my pockets they are generally full of paper [for (6 or 7 words erased)]
615. Not he who forces himself on opportunity, but he who watches its approach, and welcomes its arrival by immediate use, is wise
616. Love and hate are the genius of invention, the parents of virtue and of vice--forbear to decide on yourself till you have had opportunities of warm attachment or deep dislike True Experience

X619. Each heart is a world of nations, classes, and individuals; full of friendships, enmities, indifferences; . . . the number and character of your friends within bears an exact resemblance to your external ones; . . . Be assured then, that to know yourself perfectly you have only to set down a true statement of those that ever loved or hated you. uneasy because I cannot do this

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623. Avoid connecting yourself with characters whose good and bad sides are unmixed, and have not fermented together; they resemble phials of vinegar and oil, or pallets set with colours: they are either excellent at home and intolerable abroad, or insufferable within doors and excellent in public; they are unfit for friendship, merely because their stamina, their ingredients of character, are too single, too much apart; let them be finely ground up with each other, and they will be incomparable. Most Excellent

X624. The fool separates his object from all surrounding ones; all abstraction is temporary folly. uneasy because I once thought otherwise but now know it is Truth
626. Let me repeat it--He only is great who has the habits of greatness; who, after performing what none in ten thousand could accomplish, passes on, like Samson, and "TELLS NEITHER FATHER NOR MOTHER OF IT.
This is Excellent
630. A GOD, an ANIMAL, a PLANT, are not companions of man; nor is the FAULTLESS--then judge with lenity of all; the coolest, wisest, best, all without exception, have their points, their moments of enthusiasm, fanaticism, absence of mind, faint-heartedness, stupidity--if you allow not for these, your criticisms on man will be a mass of accusations or caricatures.
It is the God in all that is our companion \& friend, for our God himself says, you are my brother my sister \& my mother; \& St John. Whoso dwelleth in love dwelleth in God \& God in him. \& such an one cannot judge of any but in love. \& his feelings will be attractions or repulses
See Aphorisms 549 \& 554
God is in the lowest effects as well as in the highest causes for he is become a worm that he may nourish the weak
For let it be rememberd that creation is. God descending according to the weakness of man for our Lord is the word of God \& every thing on earth is the word of God \& in its essence is God 631. Genius always gives its best at first, prudence at last

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633. You think to meet with some additions here to your stock of moral knowledge--and not in vain, I hope: but know, a great many rules cannot be given by him who means not to offend, and many of mine have perhaps offended already;

Those who are offended $[b u]$ with any thing in this book would be offended with the innocence of a child \& for the same reason. because it reproaches him with the errors of acquired folly.
believe me, for him who has an open ear and eye, every minute teems with observations of precious import, yet scarcely communicable to the most faithful friend; so incredibly weak, so vulnerable in certain points, is man: forbear to meddle with these at your first setting out, and make amusement the minister of reflection: sacrifice all egotism--sacrifice ten points to one, if that one have the value of twenty; and if you are happy enough to impress your disciple with respect for himself, with probability of success in his exertions of growing better; and, above all, with the idea of your disinterestedness--you may perhaps succeed in making one proselyte to virtue. --lovely.
635. Keep your heart from him who begins his acquaintance with you by indirect flattery of your favourite paradox or foible.
unless you find it to be his also. previous to your acquaintance
636. Receive no satisfaction for premeditated impertinence--forget it, forgive it--but keep him inexorably at a distance who offered it.
This is a paradox

X638. Let the cold, who offers the nauseous mimickry of warm affection, meet with what he deserves--a repulse; but from that moment depend on his irreconcilable enmity. uneasy because I do not know how to do this but I will try to [xxxx] do it the first opportunity
640. The moral enthusiast, who in the maze of his refinements loses or despises the plain paths of honesty and duty, is on the brink of crimes.

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Most True
[p224] End of Vol. 1.
I hope no one will call what I have written cavilling because he may think my remarks of small consequence For I write from the warmth of my heart. \& cannot resist the impulse I feel to rectify what I think false in a book I love so much. \& approve so generally
[p225, blank]
Man is bad or good. as he unites himself with bad or good spirits. tell me with whom you go \& Ill tell you what you do As we cannot experience pleasure but by means of others. [As we are] who experience either pleasure or pain thro us. And as all of us on earth are united in thought, for it is impossible to think without images of somewhat on earth--So it is impossible to know God or heavenly things without conjunction with those who know God \& heavenly things. therefore, all who converse in the spirit, converse with spirits. [\& these are either Good or Evil]
For these reasons I say that this Book is written by consultation with Good Spirits because it is Good. \& that the name Lavater. is the amulet of those who purify the heart of man.
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There is a strong objection to Lavaters principles (as I understand them) \& that is He makes every thing originate in its accident he makes the
vicious propensity <not only> a leading feature of the man but the Stamina on which all his virtues grow. But as I understand Vice it is a Negative--It does not signify what the laws of Kings \& Priests have calld Vice we who are philosophers ought not to call the Staminal Virtues of Humanity by the same name that we call the omissions of intellect springing from poverty Every mans <leading> propensity ought to be calld his leading Virtue \& his good Angel But the Philosophy of Causes \& Consequences misled Lavater as it has all his cotemporaries. Each thing is its own cause \& its own effect Accident is the omission of act in self \& the hindering of act in another, This is Vice but all Act [<from Individual propensity>] is

Virtue. To hinder another [P 227, blank] is not an act it is the contrary it is a restraint on action both in ourselves \& in the person hinderd. for he who hinders another omits his own duty. at the time
Murder is Hindering Another
Theft is Hindering Another
Backbiting. Undermining C[i]rcumventing \& whatever is Negative is Vice
But the or[i]gin of this mistake in Lavater \& his cotemporaries, is, They suppose that Womans Love is Sin. in consequence all the Loves \& Graces with them are Sin

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HALF-TITLE [inscribed in pencil in a hand not Blake's] "And as Imagination bodies forth y[e] forms of things unseen-turns them to shape \& gives to airy Nothing a local habitation \& a Name."Sh.
[Blake's comment, in crayon]Thus Fools quote Shakespeare The Above is Theseus's opinion Not Shakespeares You might as well quote Satans blasphemies from Milton \& give them as Miltons Opinions

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 William, Blake[pencil note in another hand: "belonged to Blake the Artist"]
[P 206, paragraphs 333 and 334, scored by someone in left margin by erased pencil or by fingernail] 333. Little Children . . . appear in Heaven . . . in the province of the eyes . . . because the Lord appears to the Angels of his Spiritual Kingdom, fronting the left eye; and to the Angels of the Celestial Kingdom, fronting the right eye; see above, n. 118. Little Children being thus in the province of the eyes, denotes them to be under the immediate guardianship and protection of the Lord.
334. How Infants are educated in Heaven shall here briefly be told. They are first taught to speak by those that have the care of them: their first utterance is only a kind of affectionate sound, which, by degrees, grows more distinct, as their minds become furnished with ideas; for
the ideas of the mind springing from the affectionate part, immediately give birth and form to the speech of the Angels, as mentioned above, n. 234 to 245. . . .

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south, as their understanding and wisdom more particularly consist in the distinct knowledges of good and truth. The places set apart for instructing are towards the north. . . .
<dag>See N 73 Worlds in Universe. for account of Instructing Spirits ${ }^{t 1462}$;
[P 389, PARAGRAPH 588] . . That the Hells are so many and various, appears from it's being given me to know, that under every mountain, hill, rock, plain, and valley, there were particular Hells of different extent in length, breadth, and depth. In a word, both Heaven and the World of Spirits may be considered as convexities, under which are arrangements of those infernal mansions. So much concerning the Plurality of Hells. under every Good is a hell. i.e hell is the outward or external of heaven. \& is of the body of the lord. for nothing is destroyd

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There can be no Good-Will. Will is always Evil It is pernicious to others or selfish If God is any thing he is Understanding He is the Influx from that into the Will Thus Good to others or benevolent Understanding can [?\&?does] Work [?harm] ignorantly but never can ?the Truth [be ?evil] because Man is only Evil [when he wills an untruth] H[eaven] \& Hell Chapter 425
Understanding or Thought is not natural to Man it is acquired by means of Suffering \& Distress i.e Experience. Will, Desire, Love, Rage, Envy, \& all other Affections are Natural. but Understanding is Acquired But Observe. without these is to be less than Man. Man could ?never [have received] ?light from heaven ?without [aid of the] affections one would be ?limited to the ?five [?heavens \&] ?hells [\& live] in different periods of

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1. . . . Doth it not happen that in Proportion as the Affection which is of Love groweth cold, the Thought, Speech and Action grow cold also? And that in Proportion as it is heated, they also are heated? But this a wise Man perceiveth, not from a Knowledge that Love is the Life of Man, but from Experience of this Fact.
They also percieve this from Knowledge but not with the natural part
2. No one knoweth what is the Life of Man, unless he knoweth that it is Love; if this be not known. . . . This was known to me \& thousands
3. That the Divine or God is not in Space . . . cannot be comprehended by any merely natural Idea, but it may by a spiritual Idea: The Reason why it cannot be comprehended by a

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natural Idea, is, because in that Idea there is Space; . . .
What a natural Idea is--

Nevertheless, Man may comprehend this by natural Thought, if he will only admit into such Thought somewhat of spiritual Light; . . . (bracketed by Blake)
Mark this

A spiritual Idea doth not derive any Thing from Space, but it derives every Thing appertaining to it from State: . . . Poetic idea
8. Hence it may appear, that Man from a merely naturaIdea cannot comprehend that the Divine is every where, and yet not in Space; and yet that Angels and Spirits clearly comprehend this; consequently that Man also may, if so be he will admit something of spiritual Light into his Thought;
Observe the distinction here between Natural \& Spiritual as seen by Man
the Reason why Man may comprehend it is, because his Body doth not think, but his Spirit, therefore not his natural but his spiritual [Part]
Man may comprehend. but not the natural or external man.
10. It hath been said, that in the spiritual World Spaces appear equally as in the natural World. . . . Hence it is that the Lord, although he is in the Heavens with the Angels every where, nevertheless appears high above them as a Sun: And whereas the Reception of Love and Wisdom constitutes Affinity with him, therefore those Heavens appear nearer to him where the Angels are in a nearer Affinity from Reception, than where they are in a more remote Affinity: . . .
He who Loves feels love descend into him \& if he has wisdom may percieve it is from the Poetic Genius which is the Lord
> 11. In all the Heavens there is no other Idea of God than that of a Man: . . .
> Man can have no idea of any thing greater than Man as a cup cannot contain more than its capaciousness But God is a man not because he is so percievd by man but because he is the creator of

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[Quotation from Swedenborg's The Last Judgment, No. 74] The Gentiles, particularly the Africans . . . entertain an Idea of God as of a Man, and say that no one can have any other Idea of God: When they hear that many form an Idea of God as existing in the Midst of a Cloud, they ask where such are; . . .

Think of a white cloud. as being holy you cannot love it but think of a holy man within the cloud love springs up in your thought. for to think of holiness distinct from man is impossible to the affections. Thought alone can make monsters, but the affections cannot
12. . . . they who are wiser than the common People pronounce God to be invisible, . . .
Worldly wisdom or demonstration by the senses is the cause of this
13. . . . The Negation of God constitutes Hell, and in the Christian World the Negation of the Lord's Divinity. the Negation of the Poetic Genius
14. . . . when Love is in Wisdom then it existeth. These two are such a ONE, that they may be distinguished indeed in Thought, but not in Act. Thought without affection makes a distinction between Love \& Wisdom as it does between body \& Spirit
27. What Person of Sound Reason doth not perceive, that the Divine is not divisible; . . . If another, who hath no Reason, should say that it is possible there may be several Infinities, Uncreates, Omnipotents and Gods, provided they have the same Essence, and that thereby there is one Infinite, Uncreate, Omnipotent and God--is not one and the same Essence but one and the same Identity?
Answer Essence is not Identity but from Essence proceeds Identity \& from one Essence may proceed many Identities as from one Affection may proceed. many thoughts Surely this is an oversight
That there is but one Omnipotent Uncreate \& God I agree but that there is but one Infinite I do not. for if all but God is not Infinite they shall come to an End which God forbid

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If the Essence was the same as the Identity there could be but one Identity. which is false Heaven would upon this plan be but a Clock but one \& the same Essence is therefore Essence \& not Identity
40. . . . Appearances are the first Things from which the human Mind forms it's Understanding, and . . . it cannot shake them off but by an Investigation of the Cause, and if the Cause lies very deep, it cannot investigate it, without keeping the Understanding some Time in Spiritual Light, . . this Man can do while in the body--
41. . . . it cannot be demonstrated except by such Things as a Man can perceive by his bodily Senses, . . .
Demonstration is only by bodily Senses.
49. With Respect to God, it is not possible that he can love and be reciprocally beloved by others, in whom there is . . . any Thing Divine; for if there was..... any Thing Divine in them, then it would not be beloved by others, but it would love itself; . . .
False Take it so or the contrary it comes to the same for if a thing loves it is infinite Perhaps we only differ in the meaning of the words Infinite \& Eternal
68. . . . Man is only a Recipient of Life. From this Cause it is, that Man, from his own hereditary Evil, reacts against God; but so far as he believes that all his Life is from God, and every Good of Life from the Action of God, and every Evil of Life from the Reaction of Man, Reaction thus becomes correspondent with Action, and Man acts with God as from himself. [Bracketed by Blake]
Good \& Evil are here both Good \& the two contraries Married
69. . . . But he who knows how to elevate his Mind above the Ideas of Thought which are derived from Space and Time, such a Man passes from Darkness to Light, and becomes wise in Things spiritual and Divine . . . and then by Virtue of that Light he shakes off the Darkness of natural Light, and removes its Fallaciesfrom the Center to the Circumference . When the fallacies of darkness are in the circumference they cast a bound about the infinite

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70. Now inasmuch as the Thoughts of the Angels derive nothing from Space and Time, but from States of Life, it is evident that they do not comprehend what is meant when it is said, that the Divine fills Space, for they do not know what Space is, but that they comprehend clearly, when it is said, without any Idea of Space, that the Divine fills all Things.

## Excellent

## PART THE SECOND

[Title heading Nos. 163-166] That without two Suns, the one living and the other dead, there can be no Creation. False philosophy according to the letter. but true according to the spirit
164. . . . it follows that the one Sun is living and that the other Sun is dead, also that the dead Sun itself was created by the living Sun from the Lord. how could Life create death
165. The reason why a dead Sun was created is to the End that in the Ultimates all Things may be fixed. . . . On this and no other Ground Creation is founded: The terraqueous Globe . . . is as it were the Basis and Firmament. . . . they exist literally about the sun \& not about the earth
166. That all Things were created from the Lord by the living Sun, and nothing by the dead Sun, may appear from this Consideration. . . .
the dead Sun is only a phantasy of evil Man

## PART THE THIRD

181. . . . It is the same upon Earth with Men, but with this Difference, that the Angels feel that [spiritual] Heat, and see that [spiritual] Light, whereas Men do not. . . . He speaks of Men as meer earthly Men not as receptacles of spirit, or else he contradicts N 257

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Now forasmuch as Man, whilst he is in natural Heat and Light, knoweth nothing of spiritual Heat and Light in himself, and this cannot be known but by Experience from the spiritual World. . . .
This is certainly not to be understood according to the letter for it is false by all experience. Who does not or may not know of love \& wisdom in himself
220. . . . From these Considerations a Conclusion was drawn, that the Whole of Charity and Faith is in Works, . .

The Whole of the New Church is in the Active Life \& not in Ceremonies at all
237. These three Degrees of Altitude are named Natural, Spiritual and Celestial. . . . Man, at his Birth, first comes into the natural Degree, and this increases in him by Continuity according to the Sciences, and according to the Understanding acquired by them, to the Summit of Understanding which is called Rational: . . .
Study Sciences till you are blind
Study intellectuals till you are cold
Yet Science cannot teach intellect
Much less can intellect teach Affection
How foolish then is it to assert that Man is born in only one degree when that one degree is reception of the 3 degrees. two of which he must destroy or close up or they will descend, if he closes up the two superior then he is not truly in the 3d but descends out of it into meer Nature or Hell
See N 239
Is it not also evident that one degree will not open the other \& that science will not open intellect but that they are discrete \& not continuous so as to explain each other except by correspondence which has nothing to do with
demonstration for you cannot demonstrate one degree by the other for how can science be brought to demonstrate intellect, without making them continuous \& not discrete
238. Man, so long as he lives in the World, does not know any Thing of the opening of these Degrees in himself. . . .

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239. . . . in every Man there is a natural, spiritual and celestial Will and Understanding, in Power from his Birth, and in Act whilst they are opening.
Mark this it explains N 238

In a Word, the Mind of Man . . . is of three Degrees, so that . . .a Man thereby may be elevated to Angelic Wisdom, and possess it, while he lives in the World, but nevertheless he does not come into it till after Death, if he becomes an Angel, and then he speaks Things ineffable and incomprehensible to the natural Man
Not to a Man but to the natural Man
241. . . . Every one who consults his Reason, whilst it is in the Lightmay see, that Man's Love is the End of all Things appertaining to him. . . .
244. And hence it also follows, that the Understanding does not lead the Will, or that Wisdom does not produce Love, but that it only teaches and shows the Way, it teaches how a Man ought to live, and shows the Way in which he ought to walk.(Bracketed by Blake) Mark this
256. . . . From this it is evident, that Man, so long as he lives in the World, and is thereby in the natural Degree cannot be elevated into Wisdom itself. . . .
See Sect. 4 of the next Number
257. . . . IV. . . . But still Man, in whom the spiritual

Degree is open, comes into that Wisdom when he dies, and may also come into it by laying asleep the Sensations of the Body, and by Influx from above at the same Time into the Spirituals of his Mind. (Bracketed by Blake) this is while in the Body
This is to be understood as unusual in our time but common in ancient
V. The natural Mind of Man consists of spiritual Substances, and at the same Time of natural Substances; from its spiritual Substances Thought is produced, but not from

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its natural Substances; . . .
Many perversely understand him. as if man while in the body was only conversant with natural Substances, because themselves are mercenary \& worldly \& have no idea of any but worldly gain
267. . . . for the natural Man can elevate his Understanding to superior Light as far as he desires it, but he who is principled in Evils and thence in Things false, does not elevate it higher than to the superior Region of his natural Mind; . .

Who shall dare to say after this that all elevation is of self \& is Enthusiasm \& Madness \&is it not plain that self derived intelligence is worldly demonstration

## PART THE FOURTH

294. Forasmuch as the Things, which constitute the Sun of the spiritual World, are from the Lord, and not the Lord, therefore they are not Life in itself, . . .
This assertion that the spiritual Sun is not Life explains how the natural Sun is dead

This is an Arcanum, which the Angels by their spiritual Ideas can see in Thought and also express in Speech, but not Men by their natural Ideas; . . . (Double underlining by Blake)
How absurd then would it be to say that no man on earth has a spiritual idea after reading N 257
295. That there is such a Difference between the Thoughts of Angels and Men, was made known to me by this Experience: They were told to think of something spiritually, and afterwards to tell me what they thought of; when this was done and they would have told me, they could not. . . . they could not tell him in natural ideas how absurd must men be to understand him as if he said the angels could not express themselves at all to him
304..Forasmuch as there is such a Progression of the Fibres and Vessels in a Man from first Principles to Ultimates, therefore there is a similar Progression of their States; their States are the Sensations, Thoughts and Affections; these also

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from their first Principles where they are in the Light, pervade to their Ultimates, where they are in Obscurity; or from their first Principles, where they are in Heat, to their Ultimates where they are not in Heat: . . . .
We see here that the cause of an ultimate is the absence from heat \& light
315. It is to be observed, that the Heat, Light and Atmospheres of the natural World conduce nothing to this Image of Creation. . . .
Therefore the Natural Earth \& Atmosphere is a Phantasy.

The Heat, Light and Atmospheres of the natural World only open Seeds; . . . but this not by Powers derived from their own Sun, . . . [Bracketed by Blake]
Mark this
. . . but by Powers from the spiritual Sun, for the Image of Creation is spiritualnevertheless that it may appear, and furnish Use in the natural World, . . . it must be clothed in Matter, . . .
316. . . . it is evident, that as there is a Resemblance of Creation in the Forms of Vegetables, so there is also in the Forms of Animals, viz. that there is a Progression from first Principles to Ultimates, and from Ultimates to first Principles. A going forth \& returning
324. . . . there doth not exist any Thing in the created Universe, which hath not Correspondence with something of Man, not only with his Affections and his Thoughts thence derived, but also with the Organs and Viscera of his Body, not with them as Substances, but with them as Uses.
Uses \& substances are so different as not to correspond
336. . . . The Reason why the Things which do hurt to Man are called Uses, is, because they are of Use to the Wicked to do Evil, and because they contribute to absorb Malignities, therefore also they contribute as Cures: Use is applied in both Senses, in like Manner as Love, for we speak of good Love and evil Love, and Love calls all that Use, which is done by itself.

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404. . . .Thought indeed exists first, because it is of the natural Mind, but Thought from the Perception of Truth, which is from the Affection of Truth, exists last; this Thought is the Thought Of Wisdom, but the other is Thought from the Memory by the Sight of the natural Mind. [Bracketed as well as underlined]
Note this
405. . . .From these Things it may be seen, that Love or the Will joins itself to Wisdom or the Understandingand not that Wisdom or the Understanding joins itself to Love or the Will. . . (Bracketed and underlined; lower part of the bracket shaped like a finger pointing down the page) Mark this

Thoughts, Perceptions, and Knowledges, thence derived, flow indeed from the spiritual World, but still they are not received by the Understanding, but by the Love according to it's Affections in the Understanding [Bracketed and underlined]
Mark this

It appears also as if the Understanding joined itself to Love or the Will, but this also is a Fallacy; Love or the Will joins itself to the Understanding, and causeth the Understanding to be reciprocally joined to it: . . . [Bracketed and underlined]
Mark this
. . . For the Life of Man is his Love. . . . that is, according as he has exalted his Affections by Truths. . . .
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411. . . . From these Considerations it is also evident, that Love joins itself to the Understanding, and not vice versa....

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412. . . . He who knows all the Fabric of the Lungs from Anatomy, if he compares them with the Understanding, may clearly see that the ;Understanding does nothing from itself, that it does not<em>perceive nor think from itself, but all from Affections which are of the Love, which in the Understanding are called the Affection of knowing, of understanding, and of seeing it, which were treated of above: . . . [Bracketed] Mark

From the Structure of the Lungs . . .I was fully convinced that the Love by it's Affections joins itself to the Understanding, and that the Understanding does not join itself to any Affection of the Love. . . [Bracketed] Mark this

## 413. XIII. THAT WISDOM OR THE UNDERSTANDING BY MEANS OF THE POWER GIVEN IT BY LOVE, CAN BE ELEVATED, AND RECEIVE

THINGS WHICH ARE OF THE LIGHT FROM HEAVEN, AND PERCEIVE
[Bracketed]
Mark this

414 Love however, or the Will, is elevated into the Heat of Heaven, but the Understanding into the Light of Heaven, and if they are both elevated, a Marriage of them is effected there, which is called the celestial Marriage. . . .
Is it not false then, that love recieves influx thro the understandg as was asserted in the society
419. . . . and moreover this Love became impure by Reason of the Separation of celestial Love from it in the Parents.

Therefore it was not created impure \& is not naturally so
.. . . so far the Love is purged of its Uncleannesses, and purified, that is, so far it is elevated into the Heat of Heaven, and joined to the Light of Heaven, in which the Understanding is, and Marriage is effected, which is called the Marriage of Good and Truth, that is, of Law and Wisdom.

Therefore it does not recieve influx thro the understanding

# 421. XVII. THAT LOVE OR THE WILL IS DEFILED IN THE UNDERSTANDING, AND BY IT, IF THEY ARE NOT ELEVATED 

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Mark this they are elevated together
422. . . .The Understanding is not made spiritual and celestial, but the Love isand when the Love is, it also maketh the Understanding it's Spouse spiritual and celestial. [Bracketed]
[Concluding Number, headed "What the Beginning or Rudiment of Man is from Conception."]
432. . . . Moreover it was shown in the Light of Heaven. . . .that the interior Compages of this little Brain was . . . in the Order and form of Heaven; and that it's exterior Compages was in Opposition to that Order and Form. Heaven \& Hell are born together.

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## TRANSLATOR'S PREFACE

PAGE V Perhaps there never was a Period . . . which required a Vindication and Elucidation of the Divine Providence of the Lord, more than the present. . . .
For if we allow a GENERAL Providence, and yet deny a PARTICULAR one, or if we allow a PARTICULAR one, and yet deny a SINGULAR one, that is, one extending to Things and Circumstances most SINGULAR and minute, what is this but denying a GENERAL Providence?
Is not this Predestination?

PAGE xviii . . . Nothing doth IN GENERAL so contradict Man's natural and favourite Opinions as TRUTH, and . . . all the grandest and purest Truths of Heaven must needs seem obscure and perplexing to the natural Man at first View--
Lies \& Priestcraft Truth is Nature
--until his intellectual [p xix] Eye becomes
accustomed to the Light, and can thereby behold it with

## Satisfaction

that is: till he agrees to the Priests interest

## CHAPTER THREE

69. But the Man who doth not suffer himself to be led to, and enrolled in Heaven, is prepared for his Place in Hell; for Man from himself continually tends to the lowest Hell, but is continually with-held by the Lord;
What is Enrolling but Predestination
and he, who cannot be with-held, is prepared for a certain

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Place there, in which he is also enrolled immediately after his Departure out of the World; and this Place there is opposite to a certain Place in Heaven, for Hell is in Opposition to Heaven; Query Does he also occupy that place in Heaven.---See N. 185 \& 329 at the End See 277 \& 307. \& 203 where he says that a Place for Every Man is Foreseen \& at the same time provided.

## CHAPTER NINE

185. . . . after Death . . . the . . . great and rich . . . at first speak of God, and of the Divine Providence, as if they acknowledged them in their Hearts; But whereas they then manifestly see the Divine Providence, and from it their final Portion, which is that they are to be in Hell, they connect themselves with Devils there,. . ..
What could Calvin Say more than is Said in this Number Final Portion is Predestination See N 69 \& 329 at the End \& 277 \& 203 Where he says A Place for Each Man is Foreseen \& at the same time Provided

## CHAPTER TEN

201. If it should be alledged, that the Divine Providence is an universal Government, and that not any Thing is governed, but only kept in it's Connection, and the Things which relate to Government (illuquae Regiminis sunt) are disposed by others, can this be called an universal Government? No King hath such a Government as this; for if a King were to allow his Subjects to govern every Thing in his Kingdom, he would no longer be a King, but would only be called a King, therefore would have only a nominal Dignity and no real Dignity: Such a King cannot be said to hold the Government ,much less universal Government. [Cited in Blake's note on 220]
202. Since every Man therefore lives after Death to Eternity, and according to his Life here hath his Place assigned to him either in Heaven or in Hell. . . . it follows, that the Human Race throughout the whole World is under the Auspices of the Lord, and that everyone, from his Infancy even to the End of his Life, is led of Him in the most minute Particulars, and his

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Place foreseen, and at the same Time provided Devils \& Angels are Predestinated.

## CHAPTER ELEVEN

220. . . . when a Man . . . cannot but think . . . that the State was made for him, and not he for the State; he is like a King who thinks his Kingdom and all the Men in it are for him, and not he for the Kingdom and all the Men of which it consists. . . .
He says at N 201 No King hath such a Government as this for all Kings are Universal in their Government otherwise they are No Kings

## CHAPTER THIRTEEN

274. That a Doubt may be inferred against Divine Providence, because it was not known heretofor[i.e. before Swedenborg's preaching], that Man liveth after Death; and this was not discovered till now. . . . But yet all who have any Religion, have in them an inherent Knowledge, that Men live after Death. . .[Bracketed]
It was not Known \& yet All Know

## CHAPTER FOURTEEN

277.2. . . he who is in Evil in the World, the same is in Evil after he goes out of the World; wherefore if Evil be not removed in the World, it cannot be removed afterwards Cursed Folly!
where the Tree falls, there it lieth; so also it is with the Life of Man; as it was at his Death, such it remaineth; everyone also is judged according to his Actions, not that they are enumerated, but because he returns to them, and does the like again; for Death is a Continuation of Life; with this Difference, that then Man cannot be reformed.
Predestination after this Life is more Abominable than Calvins \& Swedenborg is Such a Spiritual Predestinarian--witness this Number \& many others See 69 \& 185 \& 329 \& 307

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## CHAPTER FIFTEEN

307....... That the Wicked, who are in the World, are governed in Hell by the Lord; . . . because Man with Respect to his Spirit is in the spiritual World. . . . in an infernal

Society if he is wicked, and in a celestial Society if good; . . . wherefore according to his Life and the Changes thereof, he is translated by the Lord from one Society of Hell to another, [or] led out of Hell and introduced into Heaven, and there also . . . translated from one Society to another, and this until the Time of his Death, after which he is no longer carried from one Society to another, because he is then no longer in any State of Reformation, but remains in that in which he is according to his Life; wherefore when a Man dies, he is inscribed in his own Place. . . .
Predestination

## CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

329. . . . there is not wanting to any Man a Knowledge of the Means whereby he may be saved, nor the power of being saved if he will; from which it follows, that all are predestined or intended for Heaven, and none for Hell. But forasmuch as there prevails among some a Belief in Predestination to no Salvation, which is Predestination to Damnation, and such a Belief is hurtful, and cannot be dispelled, unless Reason also sees the Madness and Cruelty of it, therefore it shall be treated of in the following Series. 1.That any other Predestination, than Predestination to Heaven, is contrary to the Divine Love and it's Infinity. 2. That any other Predestination, than Predestination to Heaven, is contrary to the Divine Wisdom and it's Infinity. 3. That it is an insane Heresy, to suppose that they only are saved who are born within the Church. 4.That it is a cruel Heresy, to suppose that any of the human Race are predestined to be damned.
Read N 185 \& There See how Swedenborg contradicts himself \& N 69
See also 277 \& 203 where he Says that a Place for Each Man is foreseen $\&$ at the same time provided

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Notes on the B[ishop] of L[andaff]'s Apology for the Bible by
William Blake
[An asterisk marks a point from which Blake drew a line to his comment.]

To defend the Bible in this year 1798 would cost a man his life
The Beast \& the Whore rule without controls ${ }^{t 1468}$

It is an easy matter for a Bishop to triumph over Paines attack but it is not so easy for one who loves the Bible The Perversions of Christs words \& acts are attackd by Paine \&also the perversions of the Bible; Who dare defend [them] either the Acts of Christ or the Bible Unperverted?
But to him who sees this mortal pilgrimage in the light that I see it. Duty to $[m y]$ <his> country is the first consideration \&safety the last
Read patiently take not up this Book in all idle hour the consideration of these things is the [ent(ire)] whole duty of man \& the affairs of life \& death trifles sports of time <But> these considerations business of Eternity I have been commanded from Hell not to print this as it is what our Enemies wish

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## [BISHOP WATSON'S PREFACE]

PAGE [iii]. . . the deistical writings of Mr. Paine are circulated . . . amongst the unlearned part of the community, especially in large manufacturing towns; . . . this Defence of Revealed Religion might. . . be efficacious in stopping that

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torrent of infidelity which endangers alike the future happiness of individuals, and the present safety of allchristian
states. . . .
Paine has not Attacked Christianity. Watson has defended Antichrist.

PAGE [iv]
Read the XXIII Chap of Matthew \& then condemn Paines hatred of Priests if you dare
[Books by Bishop Watson] 7. The Wisdom and Goodness of God, in having made both RICH and POOR; a Sermon.
God made Man happy \& Rich but the Subtil made the innocent Poor
This must be a most wicked \& blasphemous book

## LETTER I

## PAGE [1]

If this first Letter is written without Railing \& Illiberality I have never read one that is. To me it is all Daggers \& Poison. the sting of the serpent is in every Sentence as well as the glittering Dissimulation Achilles' wrath is blunt abuse Thersites' sly insinuation Such is the Bishops If such is the characteristic of a modern polite gentleman we may hope to see Christs discourses Expung'd I have not the Charity for the Bishop that he pretends to have for Paine. I believe him to be a State trickster

THE AGE OF REASON, part the second, . . . Extraordinary . . . not from any novelty in the objections which you have produced against revealed religion, (for I find little or no novelty in them,) . . .
Dishonest Misrepresentation

I give you credit for your sincerity, how much soever I may question your wisdom,....
Priestly Impudence
. . . I . . . lament, that these talents have not been applied in a manner more useful to human kind, and more

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creditable to yourself
Contemptible Falshood \& Detraction

I hope there is no want of charity in saying, that it would have been fortunate for the christian world, had your life been terminated before you had fulfilled your intention Presumptuous Murderer dost thou O Priest wish thy brothers death when God has preserved him
. . . you will have unsettled the faith of thousands; . . . you will have given the reins to the domination of every passion, and have thereby contributed to the introduction of the public insecurity, and of the private unhappiness usually and almost necessarily accompanying a state of corrupted morals. Mr Paine has not extinguishd \& cannot Extinguish Moral rectitude. he has Extinguishd Superstition which took the Place of Moral Rectitude what has Moral Rectitude to do with Opinions concerning historical fact
[p 2] . . . absolution, as practised in the church of Rome, . . . I cannot, with you, attribute the guillotine-massacres* to that cause.

To what does the Bishop attribute the English Crusade against France. is it not to State Religion. blush for shame

Men's minds were not prepared . . . for the commission of . . .crimes, by any doctrines of the church of Rome . . . but by their not thoroughly believing even that religion. What may not society expect from those, who shall imbibe the principles of your book
Folly \& Impudence! [Can] <Does> the thorough belief of Popery hinder crimes or can the man who writes the latter sentiment be in the good humour the bishop Pretends to be. If we are to expect crimes from Paine \& his followers. are we to believe that Bishops do not Rail I should Expect that the man who wrote this sneaking sentence would be as good an inquisitor as any other Priest

What is conscience? . . . an internal monitor implanted in us by the Supreme Being, and dictating . . . what is right or wrong? Or is it merely our own judgment of the

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moral rectitude or turpitude of our own actions? I take the word (with Mr. Locke) in the latter, as in the only intelligible sense. Conscience in those that have it is unequivocal, it is the voice of God Our judgment of right \& wrong is Reason I believe that the Bishop laught at the Bible in his slieve \& so did Locke
... it can be no criterion of moral* rectitude, even when it is certain, . . .
If Conscience is not a Criterion of Moral Rectitude What is it? He who thinks that Honesty is changeable knows nothing about it
because the certainty of an opinion is no proof. . . .
Virtue is not Opinion
[p 3] . . . [not] that he will, in obeying the dictates of his conscience, <dag>on all occasions act right. <dag>Always, or the Bible is false

> An inquisitor . . . a Robespierre . . . a robber . . . a thousand perpetrators of different crimes, may all followthe dictates of conscience. . .
> Contemptible Falshood \& Wickedness

. . . their conscientious composure can be no proof to others of the rectitude of their principles, ... Virtue \& honesty or the dictates of Conscience are of no doubtful Signification to any one
Opinion is one Thing. Princip[le] another. No Man can change his Principles Every Man changes his opinions. He who supposes that his Principles are to be changed is a Dissembler who Disguises his Principles \& calls that change
if you have made the best examination you can, and yet reject revealed religion. . . .
Paine is either a Devil or an Inspired man. Men who give themselves to their Energetic Genius in the manner that Paine does [is] <are> no [modest Enquirers]
<Examiners>. If they are not determinately wrong they must be Right or the Bible [P 4] is false. as to [modest
Enquirers] <Examiners in these points> they will [always
be found to be neither cold nor hot \& will] be spewed out. The Man who pretends to be a modest enquirer into the truth of a

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evident thing is a Knave The truth \& certainty of Virtue \& Honesty i.e Inspiration needs no one to prove it it is Evident as the Sun \& Moon [What doubt is virtuous even Honest that depends upon Examination] He who stands doubting of what he intends whether it is Virtuous or Vicious knows not what Virtue means. no man can do a Vicious action \& think it to be Virtuous. no man can take darkness for light. he may pretend to do so \& may pretend to be a modest Enquirer. but $[I t]<$ he> is a Knave
[p 3]--I think that you are in error; but whether that error be to you a vincible or an invincible error, I presume not to determine. Serpentine Dissimulation
[p 4] You hold it impossible that the Bible can be the Word of God, because it is therein said, that the Israelites [p 5] destroyed the Canaanites by the express command of God: and to believe the Bible to be true, we must, you affirm, unbelieve all our belief of the moral justice of God; . . . I am astonished that so acute a reasoner should . . . bring . . . forward this exploded . . . objection. . . The Word of God is in perfect harmony with his work; crying or smiling infants are subjected to death in both. [p 5]
To me who believe the Bible \& profess myself a Christian a defence of the Wickedness of the Israelites in murdering so many thousands under pretence of a command from God is altogether Abominable \& Blasphemous. Wherefore did Christ come was it not to abolish the Jewish Imposture Was not Christ murderd because he taught that God loved all Men \& was their father \& forbad all contention for Worldly prosperity in opposition to the Jewish Scriptures which are only an Example of the wickedness \& deceit of the Jews \& were written as an Example of the possibility of Human Beastliness in all its branches. Christ died as an Unbeliever . \& if the Bishops had their will so would Paine. <see page $1>$ but he who speaks a word against the Son of man shall be forgiven let the Bishop prove that he has not spoken against [p 6] the Holy Ghost who in Paine strives with Christendom as in Christ he strove with the Jews
[p 6]. . . God not only primarily formed, but . . . hath through all ages executed, the laws of nature; . . . for the
general happiness of his creatures, . . . you have no right, in fairness of reasoning, to urge any apparent deviation from moral justice, as an argument against revealed religion, because you do not urge an equally apparent deviation from it, as an argument against natural religion: . . .
The Bible says that God formed Nature perfect but that Man perverted the order of Nature since which time the Elements are filld with the Prince of Evil who has the power of the air Natural Religion is the voice of God \& not the result of reasoning on the Powers of Satan
[p 6] Now, I think, it will be impossible to prove, that it was aproceeding contrary to God's moral justice, to exterminate so wicked a people
Horrible the Bishop is an Inquisitor God never makes one man murder another nor one nation [p 7] There is a vast difference between an accident brought on by a mans own carelessness \& a destruction from the designs of another. The Earthquakes
at Lisbon \&/c were the Natural result of Sin. but the destruction of the Canaanites by Joshua was the Unnatural design of wicked men To Extirpate a nation by means of another nation is as wicked as to destroy an individual by means of another individual which God considers (in the Bible) as Murder \& commands that it shall not be done
Therefore the Bishop has not answerd Paine
[P 7] Human kind, by long experience; . . . . is in a far more distinguished situation, as to thpowers of the mind, than it was in the childhood of the world. That mankind are in a less distinguishd situation with regard to mind than they were in the time of Homer Socrates Phidias. Glycon. Aristotle \&/c let all their works witness [the Deists]<Paine> say<s> that Christianity put a stop to improvement \& the Bishop has not shewn the contrary

It appears incredible to many, that God Almighty [P 8] should have had colloquial intercourse with our first parents; . . . That God does \& always did converse with honest Men Paine never denies. he only denies that God conversd with Murderers \& Revengers such as the Jews were. \& of course he holds that the Jews conversed with their own [self will] <State

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Religion> which they calld God \& so were liars as Christ says [P 8] . . . that he should have . . . become the God and governor of one particular nation; . . . .
That the Jews assumed a right <Exclusively> to the benefits of God. will be a lasting witness against them. \& the same will it be [of] against Christians
[P 8] . . . when I consider how nearly man, in a savage state, approaches to the brute creationas to intellectual excellence;
Read the Edda of Iceland the Songs of Fingal the accounts of North American Savages (as they are calld) Likewise Read Homers Iliad. he was certainly a Savage. in the Bishops sense. He knew nothing of God. in the Bishops sense of the word \& yet he was no fool
[P 9] . . . the jewish and christian dispensations mediums to convey to all man . . that knowledge concerning himself, which he had vouchsafed to give immediately to the first. The Bible or <Peculiar> Word of God, Exclusive of Conscience or the Word of God Universal, is that Abomination which like the Jewish ceremonies is for ever removed \& henceforth every man may converse with God \& be a King \& Priest in his own house

I own it is strange, very strange, that he should have made an immediate manifestation of himself . . . but what is there that is not strange? It is strange that you and I are here--. . . that there is a sun, and moon, and stars-- . . .
It is strange that God should speak to man formerly \& not now. because it is not true but the Strangeness of Sun Moon or Stars is Strange on a contrary account
. . . the plan of providence, in my opinion, so obviously wise and good, ...
The Bible tells me that the plan of Providence was Subverted at the Fall of Adam \& that it was not restored till [we
in] Christ [?made ?restoration]

I will . . . examine what you shall produce, with as much coolness and respect, as if you had given the priests no provocation; as if you were a man of the most unblemished character, ... Is not this Illiberal has not the Bishop given himself the

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lie in the moment the first words were out of his mouth Can any man who writes so pretend that he is in a good humour. Is not this the Bishops cloven foot. has he not spoild the hasty pudding

## LETTER II

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The trifles which the Bishop has combated in the following Letters are such as do nothing against Paines Arguments none of which the Bishop has dared to Consider. One for instance, which is That the books of the Bible were never believd willingly by any nation \& that none but designing Villains ever pretended to believe That the Bible is all a State Trick, thro which tho' the People at all times could see they never had. the power to throw off Another Argument is that all the Commentators on the Bible are Dishonest Designing Knaves who in hopes of a good living adopt the State religion this he has shewn with great force which calls upon His Opponent loudly for an answer. I could name an hundred such
[P 11] If it be found that the books ascribed to Moses, Joshua, and Samuel, were not written by Moses, Joshua, and Samuel. . . . they may still contain a true account of real transactions, . . .
He who writes things for true which none could write. but the actor. such are most of the acts of Moses. must either be the actor or a fable writer or a liar. If Moses did not write the history of his acts, it takes away the authority altogether it ceases to be history \& becomes a Poem of probable impossibilities fabricated for pleasure as moderns say but I say by Inspiration.
[P 11] Had, indeed, Moses said that he wrote the five first [P 12] books . . . and had it been found, that Moses . . . did not write these books; then, I grant, the authority of the whole would have been gone at once; . . . . [P 12]
If Paine means that a history tho true in itself is false When it is attributed to a wrong author. he's a fool. But he says that Moses being proved not the author of that history which is written in his name \& in which he says I did so \& so Undermines the veracity intirely the writer says he is Moses if this is proved false the history is false Deut xxxi v 24 But perhaps Moses is not the author \& then the Bishop loses his Author

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[P 12] . . . the evidence for the miracles recorded in the Bible is. . . so greatly superior to that for the prodigies mentioned by Livy, or the miracles related by Tacitus, as to justify us in giving credit to the one as the work of God, and in with-holding it from the other as the effect of superstition and imposture.
Jesus could not do miracles where unbelief hinderd hence we must conclude that the man who holds miracles to be ceased puts it out of his own power to ever witness one The manner of a miracle being performd is in modern times considerd as an arbitrary command of the
agent upon the patient but this is an impossibility not a miracle neither did Jesus ever do such a miracle. Is it a greater miracle to feed five thousand men with five loaves than to overthrow all [P13] the armies of Europe with a small pamphlet. look over the events of your own life \& if you do not find that you have both done such miracles \& lived by such you do not see as I do True I cannot do a miracle thro experiment \& to domineer over \& prove to others my superior power as neither could Christ But I can \& do work such as both astonish \& comfort me \& mine How can Paine the worker of miracles ever doubt Christs in the above sense of the word miracle But how can Watson ever believe the above sense of a miracle who considers it as an arbitrary act of the agent upon an unbelieving patient. whereas the Gospel says that Christ could not do a miracle because of Unbelief [P 14] If Christ could not do miracles because of Unbelief the reason alledged by Priests for miracles is false for those who believe want not to be confounded by miracles. Christ \& his Prophets \& Apostles were not ambitious miracle mongers
[P 14] You esteem all prophets to be such lying rascals, that I dare not venture to predict the fate of your book. Prophets in the modern sense of the word have never existed Jonah was no prophet in the modern sense for his prophecy of Nineveh failed Every honest man is a Prophet he utters his opinion both of private \& public matters/Thus/If you go on So/the result is $\mathrm{So} / \mathrm{He}$ never says such a thing shall happen let you do what you will. a Prophet is a Seer not an Arbitrary Dictator. It is mans fault if God is not able to do him good. for he gives to the just \& to the unjust but the unjust reject his gift

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[P 15] What if I should admit, that SAMUEL, or EZRA, or . . .composed these books, from public records, many years after the death of Moses?. . . every fact recorded in them may be true , . . . Nothing can be more contemptible than to suppose Public RECORDS to be True Read them \& Judge. if you are not a Fool. Of what consequence is it whether Moses wrote the Pentateuch or no. If Paine trifles in some of his objections it is folly to confute him so seriously in them \& leave his more material ones unanswered Public Records as If Public Records were True *Impossible for the facts are such as none but the actor could tell, if it is True Moses \& none but he could write it unless we allow it to be Poetry \& that poetry inspired [P 16] If historical facts can be written by inspiration Miltons Paradise Lost is as true as Genesis. or Exodus. but the Evidence is nothing for how can he who writes what he has neither seen nor heard of. be an Evidence of The Truth of his history
[P 17]. . . kings and priests . . . never, I believe, did you any harm; but you have done them all the harm you could, . .
.Paine says that Kings \& Priests have done him harm from his birth

## LETTER III

[P 22] Having done with . . .the grammatical evidence . . . you come to your historical and chronological evidence; . . . I cannot concieve the Divinity of the <books in the> Bible to consist either in who they were written by or at what time or in the historical evidence which may be all false in the eyes of one man \& true in the eyes of another but in the Sentiments \& Examples which whether true or Parabolic are Equally useful as Examples given to us of the perverseness of some \& its consequent evil \& the honesty of others \& its consequent good This sense of the Bible is equally true to all \& equally plain to all. none can doubt the impression which he recieves from a book of Examples. If he is good he will abhor wickedness in David or Abraham if he is wicked he will make their wickedness an excuse for his \& so he would do by any other book
[P 25] Moses would have been the wretch you represent him, had he acted by his own authority alone; but you may as
reasonably attribute cruelty and murder to the judge of the land in condemning criminals to death, as butchery and massacre to Moses in executing the command of God.
All Penal Laws court Transgression \& therefore are cruelty \& Murder
The laws of the Jews were (both ceremonial \& real) the basest \& most oppressive of human codes. \& being like all other codes given under pretence of divine command were what Christ pronouncd them The Abomination that maketh desolate. i.e State Religion which [P26] is the Source of all Cruelty

## LETTER IV

[P 29] [Suppose an unsigned contemporary] history of the reigns of George the first and second, . . .would any man, three or four hundreds or thousands of years hence, question the authority of that book, . . .
Hundreds or Thousands of Years O very fine Records as if he Knew that there were Records the Ancients Knew Better
[P 29] If I am right in this reasoning, . . . as if Reasoning was of any Consequence to a Question Downright Plain Truth is Something but Reasoning is Nothing
[P 31] . . . the gospel of St. Matthew . . . was written not many centuries, probably . . . not a quarter of one century after the death of Jesus; . . .
There are no Proofs that Matthew the Earliest of all the Writings of the New Testament was written within the First Century See P 94 \& 95
[P 33] . . y you do not perfectly comprehend what is meant by the expression--the Word of God--or the divine authority of the scriptures: . . . [P 34] God . . . has interposed his more immediate assistance. . . .
They seem to Forget that there is a God of This World. A God Worshipd in this World as God \& Set above all that is calld God
[P 35] You proceed to shew that these books were not written by Samuel, ...
Who gave them the Name of Books of Samuel it is not of Consequence

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[P 36]. . .what has been conjectured by men of judgment, . . .a passage from Dr. Hartley's Observations of Man. Hartley a Man of Judgment then Judgment was a Fool what Nonsense

## LETTER V

[P 48] [Solomon's] admirable sermon on the vanity of every thing but piety and virtue.
Piety \& Virtue is Seneca Classical O Fine Bishop
[P 49] What shall be said of you, who, either designedly, or ignorantly represent one of the most clear and important prophecies in the Bible [Isaiah 44-45], as an historical compliment, written above an hundred and fifty years after the death of the prophet?
The Bishop never saw the Everlasting Gospel any more than Tom Paine

## LETTER IX

[P 95] Did you ever read the apology for the christians, which Justin Martyr presented to the emperor . . . not fifty years after the death of St. John, . . .
A:D: 150
. . . probably the gospels, and certainly some of
St. Paul's epistles, were known. . . yet I hold it to be a
certain fact, that all the books, . . .were
written, . . .within a few years after his death.
This is No Certain Fact Presumption is no Proof

## LETTER X

[P 108] . . . The moral precepts of the gospel. . . . The Gospel is Forgiveness of Sins \& has No Moral Precepts these belong to Plato \& Seneca \& Nero
[P 109] Two precepts you particularize as inconsistent with the dignity and the nature of man--that of not resenting injuries, and that of loving enemies.

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Well done Paine

Who but yourself ever interpreted literally. . . . Did
Jesus himself turn the othercheek when the officer of the high priest smothim?
Yes I have no doubt he did

It is evident, that a patient acquiescence under slight personal injuries is here enjoined; . . .
O Fool Slight Hypocrite \& Villain
[P 117] The importance of revelation . . . apparent . . .
by the discordant sentiments of learned and good men (for I speak not of the ignorant and immoral) on this point. O how Virtuous Christ came not to call the Virtuous
[P 118] . . . if we are to live again, we are interested in knowing--whether it be possible for us to do any thing whilst we live here, which may render that future life, an happy one.--
Do or Act to Do Good or to do Evil who Dare to judge but God alone

These are tremendous truths to bad men; . . . a cogent motive to virtuous action. . . .
Who does the Bishop call Bad Men Are they the Publicans \& Sinners that Christ loved to associate with Does God Love The Righteous according to the Gospel or does he not cast them off.
[P 119] For who is really Righteous It is all Pretension
[P 120, last page of book]
It appears to me Now that Tom Paine is a better Christian than the Bishop
I have read this Book with attention \& find that the Bishop has only hurt Paines heel while Paine has broken his head the Bishop has not answerd one of Paines grand objections

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This is Certain If what Bacon says Is True what Christ says Is False If Caesar is Right Christ is Wrong both in Politics \& Religion since they will divide them in Two

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## PAGE i

I am astonishd how such Contemptible Knavery \& Folly as this Book contains can ever have been calld Wisdom by Men of Sense
but perhaps this never Was the Case \& all Men of Sense have despised the Book as Much as I do
Per WILLIAM BLAKE ${ }^{11470}$

## PAGE iv Editor's Preface

But these Essays, written at a period of better taste, and on subjects of immediate importance to the conduct of common life "such as come home to men's business and bosoms," are still read with pleasure. . . . Erratum to Mens Pockets

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Every Body Knows that this is Epi[c]urus and Lucretius \& Yet Every Body Says that it is Christian Philosophy how is this Possible Every Body must be a Liar \& deciever but Every Body does not do this But The Hirelings of Kings \& Courts who make themselves Every Body \& Knowingly propagate Falshood It was a Common opinion in the Court of Queen Elizabeth that Knavery Is Wisdom: Cunning Plotters were considerd as wise Machiavels

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## OF TRUTH <br> PAGE 1

Self Evident Truth is one Thing and Truth the result of Reasoning is another Thing Rational Truth is not the Truth of Christ but of Pilate It is the Tree of the Knowledge of Good \& Evil

What is truth? said jesting Pilate, and would not stay for an answer. Certainly there be that delight in giddiness, and count it a bondage to fix a belief; affecting free-will in thinking, as well as in acting: and, though the sects of philosophers of that kind be gone, yet there remain certain discoursing wits which are of the same veins, though there be not so much blood in them as was in those of the ancients. But more Nerve if by Ancients he means Heathen Authors

But it is not only the difficulty and labour which men take in finding out of truth; nor again, that, when it is found, it imposeth upon men's thoughts, that doth bring lies in favour; [PAGE 2] but a natural, though corrupt love of the lie itself. One of the later school of the Grecians examineth the matter, and is at a stand to think what should be in it, that men should love lies, where neither they make for pleasure, as with poets; nor for advantage, as with the merchant; but for the lie's sake. But I cannot tell: this same truth is a naked and open daylight, that doth not shew the masques, and mummeries, and triumphs of the world half so stately and daintily as candlelights. What Bacon calls Lies is Truth itself

PAGE 3 But howsoever these things are thus in men's depraved judgments and affections, yet truth, which only doth judge itself, teacheth that the inquiry of truth, which is the love-making, or wooing of it; the knowledge of truth, which is the presence of it;and the belief of truth, which is the enjoying of it, is the sovereign good of human nature. The first creature of God, in the works of the days, was the light of the sense; the last was the light of reason; and his sabbath work, ever since, is the illumination of his Spirit.
Pretence to Religion to destroy Religion

PAGE 4 To pass from theological and philosophical truth to the truth of civil business, it will be acknowledged; even by those that practise it not, that clear and round dealing is the
honour of man's nature, and that mixture of falsehood is like allay in coin of gold and silver. ...
Christianity is Civil Business Only There is \& can Be No Other to Man what Else Can Be Civil is Christianity or Religion or whatever is Humane

PAGE 5 Surely the wickedness of falsehood and breach of faith cannot possibly be so highly expressed as in that it shall be the last peal to call the judgments of God upon the generations of men: it being foretold, that when "Christ cometh," he shall not "find faith upon earth".
Bacon put an End to Faith

## OF DEATH

PAGES 5-6 You shall read in some of the friars books of mortification, that a man should think with himself what the pain is, if he have but his finger's end pressed, or tortured, and thereby imagine what the pains of death are when the whole body is corrupted and dissolved; when many times death passeth with less pain than the torture of a limb; for the most vital parts are not the quickest of sense: and by him that spake only as a philosopher and natural man, it was well said, "Pompa mortis magis terret, quam mors ipsa".
Bacon supposes all Men alike

6 Revenge triumphs over death; love [s]lights it; honour aspireth to it; grief flieth to it; fear pre-occupieth it; nay, we read, after Otho the emperor had slain himself, pit (which is the tenderest of affections) provoked many to die out of mere compassion to their sovereign, and as the truest sort of followers.
One Mans Revenge or Love is not the same as Anothers The tender Mercies of some Men are Cruel

## OF UNITY IN RELIGION

PAGE 8 Religion being the chief band of human society, it is a happy thing when itself is well contained within the true band of unity. The quarrels and divisions about religion were evils unknown to the heathen.
False O Satan

The reason was, because the religion of the heathen

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consisted rather in rites and ceremonies, than in any constant belief: for you may imagine what kind of faith theirs was, when the chief doctors and fathers of their church were the poets. Prophets

PAGE 9 The fruits of unity (next unto the well-pleasing of God, which is all in all) are two; the one towards those that are without the church; the other towards. those that are within. For the former, it is certain, that heresies and schisms are of all others the greatest scandals; yea, more than corruption of manners: for as in the natural body a wound or solution of continuity is worse than a corrupt humour, so in the spiritual: . . .
False

PAGES 9-10 The doctor of the Gentiles (the propriety of whose vocation drew him to have a special care of those without) saith, "If an heathen come in, and hear you speak with several tongues, will he not say that you are mad?" and, certainly, it is little better: when atheists and profane persons do hear of so many discordant and contrary opinions in religion, it doth avert them from the church, and maketh them "to sit down in the chair of the scorners". It is but a light thing to be vouched in so serious a matter, but yet it expresseth well the deformity.

## Trifling Nonsense

PAGES 11-12 Men ought to take heed of rending God's church by two kinds of controversies; the one is, when the matter of the point controverted is too small and light, not worth the heat and strife about it, kindled only by contradiction; for, as it is noted by one of the fathers, Christ's coat indeed had no seam, but the church's vesture was of divers colours; whereupon he saith, "in veste varietas sit, scissura non sit", they be two things, unity and uniformity: the other is when the matter of the point controverted is great, but it is driven to an over-great subtility and obscurity,so that it becometh a thing rather ingenious than substantial.
Lame Reasoning upon Premises This Never can Happen

PAGE 14 It was great blasphemy when the devil said, "I will ascend and be like the Highest"; but it is greater blasphemy to personate God, and bring him in saying, "I will descend, and be like the prince of darkness."

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Did not Jesus descend \& become a Servant The Prince of darkness is a Gentleman \& not a Man he is a Lord Chancellor

## OF REVENGE

PAGE 17 This is certain, that a man that studieth revenge keeps his own wounds green, which otherwise would heal and do well. Public revenges are for the most part fortunate.
A Lie

## OF SIMULATION AND DISSIMULATION

PAGE 22 In a few words, mysteries are due to secrecy. Besides (to say truth) nakedness is uncomely, as well in mind as in body.
This is Folly Itself

## OF ENVY

PAGE 32 A man that hath no virtue in himself ever envieth virtue in others: for men's minds will either feed upon their own good, or upon others evil; and who wanteth the one will prey upon the other, and whoso is out of hope to attain to another's virtue, will seek to come at even hand by depressing another's fortune.

What do these Knaves mean by Virtue Do they mean War \& its horrors \& its Heroic Villains

PAGE 37 Lastly, to conclude this part, as we said in the beginning that the act of envy had somewhat in it of witchcraft, so there is no other cure of envy but the cure of witchcraft; and that is, to remove the lot, (as they call it), and to lay it upon another; for which purpose, the wiser sort of great persons bring in ever upon the stage some body upon whom to derive the envy that would come upon themselves.
Politic Foolery \& most contemptible Villainy \& Murder Now to speak of public envy: there is yet some good in public envy, whereas in private there is none; for public envy is as an ostracism, that eclipseth men when they grow too great.
Foolish \& tells into the hands of a Tyrant

PAGE 38 This public envy seemeth to beat [bear] chiefly upon principal officers or ministers, rather than upon kings and estates themselves.
A Lie Every Body hates a King Bacon was afraid to say

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that the Envy was upon a King but is This Envy or Indignation

## OF GREAT PLACE

PAGE 44 But power to do good is the true and lawful end of aspiring; for good thoughts (though God accept them), yet towards men are little better than good dreams, except they be put in act.
Thought is Act. Christs Acts were Nothing to Caesars if this is not so

PAGE 45 In the discharge of thy place set before thee the best examples; for imitation is a globe of precepts; and after a time set before thee thine own example; and examine thyself strictly whether thou didst not best at first. Here is nothing of Thy own Original Genius but only Imitation what Folly

PAGE 48 Be not too sensible or too remembering of thy place in conversation and private answers to suitors, but let it rather be said, "When he sits in place he is another man." A Flogging Magistrate I have seen many such fly blows of Bacon

## OF GOODNESS AND GOODNESS OF NATURE

PAGE 54 And beware how in making the portrait thou breakest the pattern: for divinity maketh the love of ourselves the pattern; the love of our neighbours but the portraiture: "Sell all thou hast, and give it to the poor, and follow me:" but sell not all thou hast, except thou come and follow me; that is except thou have a vocation wherein thou mayest do as much good with little means as with great.
Except is Christ You Lie Except did anyone <ever> do this \& not follow Christ who Does by Nature

PAGE 55 [A drawing of] The devils arse [with a chain of excrement ending in] A King
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## OF A KING

PAGE 56 A king is a mortal god on earth, unto whom the living God hath lent his own name as a great honour.
O Contemptible \& Abject Slave

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PAGE 58 That king which is not feared is not loved; and he that is well seen in his craft must as well study to be feared as loved; yet not loved for fear, but feared for love.
Fear Cannot Love

PAGE 60 He then that honoureth him [the King] not is next an atheist, wanting the fear of God in his heart.
Blasphemy

## OF NOBILITY

PAGE 60 We will speak of nobility first as a portion of an estate, then as a condition of particular persons.
Is Nobility a portion of a State i.e Republic

A monarchy, where there is no nobility at all, is ever a pure and absolute tyranny, as that of the Turks; for nobility attempers sovereignty, and draws the eyes of the people somewhat aside from the line royal: but for democracies they need it not; and they are commonly more quiet, and less subject to sedition, than where there are stirps of nobles. Self Contradiction Knave \& Fool

PAGE 62 Those that are first raised to nobility, are commonly more virtuous, but less innocent than their descendants; for there is rarely any rising but by a commixture of good and evil arts.
Virtuous I supposed to be Innocents was I Mistaken or is Bacon a Liar

On the other side, nobility extinguisheth the passive envy from others towards them, because they are in possession of honour. Certainly, kings that have able men of their nobility shall find ease in employing them, and a better slide into their business; but people naturally bend to them as born in some sort to command.
Nonsense

## OF SEDITIONS AND TROUBLES

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Shepherds of all people had need know the calendars of tempests in state, which are commonly greatest when things grow to equality.
What Shepherds does he mean Such as Christ describes by Ravening Wolves

PAGE 65 Also, when discords, and quarrels, and factions are carried openly and audaciously it is a sign the reverence of government is lost.
When the Reverence of Government is Lost it is better than when it is found Reverence is all For Reverence

PAGE 66 So when any of the four pillars of government are mainly shaken, or weakened, (which are religion, justice, counsel, and treasure, men had need to pray for fair weather.
Four Pillars of different heights and Sizes

Concerning the materials of sedition, it is a thing well to be considered. . . . The matter of sedition is of two kinds, much poverty and much discontentment. These are one Kind Only

PAGE 67 As for discontentments, they are in the politic body like to humours in the natural, which are apt to gather a preternatural heat and to enflame; and let no prince measure the danger of them by this, whether they be just or unjust. A Tyrant is the Worst disease \& the Cause of all others
. . . in great oppressions, the same things that provoke the patience, do withal mate the courage.
a lie

PAGES 68-69 The first remedy or prevention is to remove by all means possible that material cause of sedition whereof we speak, which is want and poverty in the estate; to which purpose serveth the opening and well balancing of trade; the cherishing of manufactures; the banishing of idleness; the repressing of waste and excess by sumptuary laws; the improvement and husbanding of the soil; the regulating of prices of things vendible; the moderating of taxes and tributes, and the

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like.
You cannot regulate the price of Necessaries without destruction All False

PAGES 69-70 It is likewise to be remembered, that forasmuch as the increase of any estate must be upon the foreigner, (for whatsoever is somewhere gotten is somewhere lost,) there be but three things which one nation selleth unto another: the commodity as nature yieldeth it; the manufacture; and the vecture or carriage: so that if these two [three] wheels go, wealth will flow as in a spring tide.
The Increase of a State as of a Man is from Internal
Improvement or Intellectual Acquirement. Man is not Improved by the hurt of another States are not Improved at the Expense of Foreigners
Bacon has no notion of any thing but Mammon

PAGE 71 The poets feign that the rest of the Gods would have bound Jupiter, which he hearing of by the counsel of Pallas, sent for Briareus with his hundred hands to come in to his aid: an emblem, no doubt, to shew bow safe it is for monarchs to make sure of the goodwill of common people.
Good Advice for the Devil

PAGES 71-72 Certainly, the politic and artificial nourishing and entertaining of hopes, and carrying men from hopes to hopes is one of the best antidotes against the poison of discontentments.
Subterfuges

PAGE 74 Lastly, let princes against all events, not be without some great person, one or rather more, of military valour, near unto them, for the repression of seditions in their beginnings.
Contemptible Knave Let the People look to this . . . but let such military persons be assured and well reputed of, rather than factious and popular.
Factious is Not Popular \& never can be except Factious is Christianity

## OF ATHEISM

PAGE 75 I had rather believe all the fables in the Legend, and

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the Talmud, and the Alcoran than that this universal frame is without a mind: and, therefore, God never wrought miracle to convince atheism, because his ordinary works convince it.

The Devil is the Mind of the Natural Frame

It is true that a little philosophy inclineth man's mind to atheism; but depth in philosophy bringeth men's minds about to religion; for while the mind of man looketh upon second causes scattered, it may sometimes rest in them and go no farther. There is no Such Thing as a Second Cause nor as a Natural Cause for any Thing in any Way

## PAGE 76

He who says there are Second Causes has already denied a First The Word Cause is a foolish Word

PAGE 77 The contemplative atheist is rare, a Diagoras, a Bion, a Lucian perhaps, and some others.
A Lie! Few believe it is a New Birth Bacon was a Contemplative Atheist Evidently an Epicurean Lucian disbelievd Heathen Gods he did not perhaps disbelieve for all that Bacon did

PAGES 77-78-79 The causes of atheism are, divisions in religion, if they be many; . . . another is, scandal of priests $\ldots$. . a third is, a custom of profane scoffing in holy matters . . ; and, lastly, learned times, especially with peace and prosperity; for troubles and adversities do more bow men's minds to religion.
a Lie

They that deny a God destroy man's nobility; for certainly man is of kin to the beasts by his body; and, if he be not of kin to God by his spirit, he is a base and ignoble creature. [Bracketed by Blake] an artifice

It destroys likewise magnanimity, and the raising of human nature; for take an example of a dog, and mark what a generosity and courage he will put on when he finds himself maintained by a man, who to him is instead of a God, or "melior natura"; which

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courage is manifestly such as that creature, without that confidence of a better nature than his own, could never attain;
Self Contradiction
. . . therefore, as atheism is in all respects hateful, so in this, that it depriveth human nature of the means to exalt itself above human frailty. An Atheist pretending to talk against Atheism

## OF SUPERSTITION

PAGE 79 It were better to have no opinion of God at all, than such an opinion as is unworthy of him.
Is this true is it better

PAGE $80 \ldots$ as the contumely is greatertowards God, so the dangeis greater towards men. Atheism leaves a man to sense, to philosophy, to natural piety, to laws, to reputation; all which maybe guideto an outward moral virtue, though religion were not;
Praise of Atheism
but superstition dismounts all these, and erecteth an absolute monarchy in the minds of men: therefore atheism did never perturb states; for it makes men wary of themselves, as looking no farther, and we see the times inclined to atheism, (as the time of Augustus Caesar,) were civil times.
Atheism is thus the best of all Bacon fools us

The master of superstition is the people, and in all superstition wise men follow fools; and arguments are fitted to practise in a reversed order. What must our Clergy be who Allow Bacon to be Either Wise or even of Common Capacity I cannot

PAGE 82 There is a superstition in avoiding superstition, when men think to do best if they go farthest from the superstition formerly received; therefore care should be had that, (as it fareth in ill purgings,) the good be not taken away with the bad, which commonly is done when the people is

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the reformer.
Who is to be the Reformer Bacons [Reformer] Villain is a King or Who ${ }^{t 1471}$

## OF TRAVEL

PAGE 83 The things to be seen and observed are the courts of princes, especially when they give audience to ambassadors; the courts of justice . . . the churches and monasteries . . . the walls and fortifications . . . and so the havens and harbours, antiquities and ruins, libraries, colleges, disputations, and lectures where any are; shipping and navies; houses and gardens of state and pleasure near great cities; armories, arsenals, magazines, exchanges, burses, warehouses, exercises of horsemanship, fencing, training of soldiers, and the like; comedies . . . treasures of jewels and robes; cabinets and rarieties; . . .
The Things worthy to be seen are all the Trumpery he could rake together
Nothing of Arts or Artists or Learned Men or of Agriculture or any Useful Thing His Business \& Bosom was to be Lord Chancellor

PAGE 84. As for triumphs, masks, feasts, weddings, funerals, capital executions, and such shews, men need not to be put in mind of them; yet are they not to be neglected. Bacon supposes that the Dragon Beast \& Harlot are worthy of a Place in the New Jerusalem Excellent Traveller Go on \& be damnd

If you will have a young man to put his travel into a little room, and in short time to gather much, this you must do . . . let him not stay long in one city or town, more or less as the place deserveth, but not long; nay, when he stayeth in one city or town, let him change his lodging from one end and part of the town to another, which is a great adamant of acquaintance; Harum Scarum who can do this
let him sequester himself from the company of his countrymen and diet in such places where there is good company of the nation where he travelleth; let him upon his removes from one place to another procure recommendation to some person of quality residing in the place whither he removeth...
The Contrary is the best Advice

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PAGE 85 As for the acquaintance which is to be sought in travel, that which is most of all profitable is acquaintance with the secretaries and employed men of ambassadors. Acqua[i]ntance with Knaves

## OF EMPIRE

PAGE 86 It is a miserable state of mind to have few things to desire, and many things to fear.
He who has few Things to desire cannot have many to fear

PAGE 87 . . . the mind of man is more cheered and refreshed by profiting in small things, than by standing at a stay in great.

## A lie

## OF COUNSEL

PAGE 98 For weakening of authority the fable sheweth the remedy: nay, the majesty of kings is rather exalted than diminished when they are in the chair of council; neither was there ever prince bereaved of his dependances by his council, except where there hath been either an over greatness in one counsellor, or an over-strict combination in divers, which are things soon found and holpen. [Bracketed]
Did he mean to Ridicule a King \& his Council

PAGE 101 In choice of committees for ripening business for the council, it is better to choose indifferent persons, than to make an indifferency by putting in those that are strong on both sides.
better choose Fools at once

## OF CUNNING

PAGE 104 There be that can pack the cards, and yet cannot play well; so there are some that are good in canvases and factions, that are otherwise weak men.
Nonsense

Again, it is one thing to understand persons, and another thing to understand matters; for many are perfect in men's humours that are not greatly capable of the real part of business, which is the constitution of one that hath studied men more than books.

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Nonsense

Such men are fitter for practice than for counsel, and they are good but in their own ally.
How absurd

PAGE 105 If a man would cross a business that he doubts some other would handsomely and effectually move, let him pretend to wish it well, and move it himself in such sort as may foil it.
None but a Fool can act so

PAGE 106-107 I knew one that, when he wrote a letter, he would put that which was most material in the post-script, as if it had been a bye matter.
I knew another that, when he came to have speech, he would pass over that that he intended most; and go forth, and come back again, and speak of it as of a thing that he had almost forgot.
What Fools

PAGES 107-108 It is a point of cunning to let fall those words in a man's own name which he would have another man learn and use, and thereupon take advantage. I knew two that were competitors for the secretary's place in queen Elizabeth's time, $\ldots$ and the one of them said, that to be a secretary in the declination of a monarchy was a ticklish thing, and that he did not affect it: the other straight way caught up those words, and discoursed with divers of his friends, that he had no reason to desire to be secretary in the declination of a monarchy. The first man took hold of it, and found means it was told the queen; who hearing of a declination of a monarchy took it so ill, as she would never after hear of the other's suit.
This is too Stupid to have been True

## OF INNOVATIONS

PAGE 113 As the births of living creatures at first are ill shapen, so are all innovations, which are the births of time.
What a Cursed Fool is this Ill Shapen are Infants or small Plants ill shapen because they are not yet come to their maturity What a contemptible Fool is This Bacon

OF FRIENDSHIP
PAGES 123-124 L. Sylla, when he commanded Rome, raised Pompey . . . to that height, that Pompey vaunted himself for Sylla's over-match; . . . With Julius Caesar Decimus Brutus had obtained that interest as he set him down in his testament for heir in remainder after his nephew; . . . Augustus raised Agrippa, (though of mean birth,) to that height, as, when he consulted with Mecaenas about the marriage of his daughter Julia, Mecaenas took the liberty to tell him, that he must either marry his daughter to Agrippa, or take away his life.
The Friendship of these Roman Villains is a strange Example to alledge for our imitation \& approval

## OF EXPENSE

PAGE 133 Certainly, if a man will keep but of even hand, his ordinary expenses ought to be but to the half of his receipts; and if he think to wax rich, but to the third part.
If this is advice to the Poor, it is mocking them--If to the Rich, it is worse still it is The Miser If to the Middle Class it is the direct Contrary to Christs advice

PAGE 134 He that can look into his estate but seldom, it behoveth him to turn all to certainties.
Nonsense

## OF THE TRUE GREATNESS OF KINGDOMS AND ESTATES

PAGE 135 The speech of Themistocles the Athenian, which was haughty and arrogant in taking so much to himself, had been a grave and wise observation and censure, applied at large to others. Desired at a feast to touch a lute, he said, "he could not fiddle, but yet he could make a small town a great city". These words, (holpen with a little metaphor,) may express two differing abilities in those that deal in business of estate.
a Lord Chancellor's opinions as different from Christ as those of Caiphas or Pilate or Herod what such Men call Great is indeed detestable

PAGE 136 . . . let us speak of the work; that is, the true greatness of kingdoms and estates; and the means thereof. An argument fit for great and mighty princes to have in their hand; to the end, that neither by over-measuring their

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forces they lose themselves in vain enterprises . . .
Powers Powers
Powers of darkness

PAGE 137 The Kingdom of heaven is compared, not to any great Kernal or nut but, to a grain of mustard seed; which is one of the least grains, but hath in it a property and spirit hastily to get up and spread.
The Kingdom of Heaven is the direct Negation of Earthly domination

PAGES 137-138 Walled towns, stored arsenals and armories, goodly races of horse, chariots of war, elephants; ordnance, artillery, and the like; all this is but a sheep in lion's skin, except the breed and disposition of the people be stout and warlike. Nay, number (itself) in armies importeth not much, where the people is of weak courage. . . The army of the Persians, in the plains of Arbela was such a vast sea of people as it did somewhat astonish the commanders in Alexander's army, who came to him therefore, and wished him to set upon them by night; but he answered, he would not pilfer the victory; and the defeat was easy.
Bacon knows the Wisdom of War if it is Wisdom

PAGE 142 Never any state was, in this point, so open to receive strangers into their body as were the Romans; therefore it sorted with them accordingly, for they grew to the greatest monarchy.
Is this Great Is this Christian No

PAGES 143-144 It is certain, that sedentary and within-door arts, and delicate manufactures, (that require rather the finger than the arm,) have in their nature a contrariety to a military disposition;. . . therefore it was great advantage in the ancient states of Sparta, Athens, Rome, and others that they had the use of slaves, which commonly did rid those manufactures; but that is abolished, in greatest part, by the christian law. That which cometh nearest to it is, to leave those arts chiefly to strangers $\ldots$. and to contain the principal bulk of the vulgar natives within those three kinds, tillers of the ground, free servants, and handicraftmen of strong and manly arts; as smiths, masons, carpenters, \&c. not reckoning professed soldiers. Bacon calls Intellectual Arts Unmanly Poetry Painting

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Music are in his opinion Useless \& so they are for Kings \& Wars \& shall in the End Annihilate them

PAGE 147 No body can be healthful without exercise, neither natural body nor politic; and, certainly, to a kingdom or estate a just and honourable war is the true exercise. Is not this the Greatest Folly

PAGE 149 There be now, for martial encouragement, some degrees and orders of chivalry, which, nevertheless, are conferred promiscuously upon soldiers and no soldiers, and some remembrance perhaps upon the escutcheon . . . what can be worse than this or more foolish

OF REGIMEN OF HEALTH
PAGE 151 . . strength of nature in youth passeth over many excesses which are owing a man til his age.
Excess in Youth is Necessary to Life

Beware of sudden change in any great point of diet, and if necessity enforce it, fit the rest to it; Nonsense
for it is a secret both in nature and state, that it is safer to change many things than one.
False

PAGE 152 If you fly physic in health altogether, it will be too strange for your body when you shall need it. Very Pernicious Advice The work of a Fool to use Physic but for Necessity

PAGE 153 In sickness, respect health principally; and in health, action: for those that put their bodies to endure in health, may in most sicknesses which are not very sharp, be cured only with diet and tendering.
Those that put their Bodies To endure are Fools

Celsus could never have spoken it as a physician, had he not been a wise man withal, when he giveth it for one of the great precepts of health and lasting, that a man do vary and

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interchange contraries;
Celsus was a bad adviser
but with an inclination to the more benign extreme: use fasting and full eating, but rather full eating; watching and sleep, but rather sleep; sitting and exercise, but rather exercise, and the like: so shall nature be cherished, and yet taught masteries. [Bracketed] Nature taught to Ostentation

## OF SUSPICION

PAGE 154. Suspicions amongst thoughts are like bats amongst birds, they ever fly by twilight; certainly they are to be repressed, or, at the least, well guarded.
What is Suspition in one Man is Caution in Another \& Truth or Discernment in Another \& in Some it is Folly.

## OF DISCOURSE

PAGE 156 Some in their discourse desire rather commendation of wit, in being able to hold all arguments, than of judgment, in discerning what is true; as if it were a praise to know what might be said, and not what should be thought.
Surely the Man who wrote this never talked to any but Coxcombs

PAGE 158 Discretion of speech is more than eloquence; and to speak agreeably to him with whom we deal, is more than to speak in good words, or in good order.
Bacon hated Talents of all Kinds Eloquence is discret[io]n of Speech

## OF RICHES

PAGE 169 Be not penny-wise; riches have wings, and sometimes they fly away of themselves, sometimes they must be set flying to bring in more.
Bacon was always a poor Devil if History says true how should one so foolish know about Riches Except Pretence to be Rich if that is it

## OF NATURE IN MEN

PAGE 182 Neither is the ancient rule amiss, to bend nature as a wand to a contrary extreme, whereby to set it right;

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understanding it where the contrary extreme is no vice. Very Foolish

## OF FORTUNE

PAGE 187 It cannot be denied but outward accidents conduce much to fortune; favour, opportunity, death of others, occasion fitting virtue; but chiefly, the mould of a man's fortune is in his own hands.
What is Fortune but an outward Accident for a few years sixty at most \& then gone

## OF USURY

PAGE 190
Bacon was a Usurer

PAGE 191 The discommodities of usury are, first, that it makes fewer merchants; for were it not for this lazy trade of usury, money would not lie still, but would in great part be employed upon merchandizing.
A Lie it makes Merchants \& nothing Else

PAGE 192 On the other side, the commodities of usury are first, that howsoever usury in some respect hindereth merchandizing, yet in some other it advanceth it. Commodities of Usury can it Be

PAGE 193 I remember a cruel monied man in the country, that would say, "The devil take this usury, it keeps us from forfeitures of mortgages and bonds".
It is not True what a Cruel Man says

To speak now of the reformation and reglement of usury; how the discommodities of it may be best avoided, and the commodities retained.
Bacon is in his Element on Usury it is himself \& his Philosophy

## OF YOUTH AND AGE

PAGE 197 The errors of young men are the ruin of business; but the errors of aged men amount but to this, that more might have been done, or sooner.

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PAGE 198 . . . and age doth profit rather in the powers of understanding, than in the virtues of the will and affections.
a Lie

PAGE 199 There be some have an over-early ripeness in their years, which fadeth betimes: these are, first, such as have brittle wits, the edge whereof is soon turned; such as was Hermogenes the rhetorician, whose books are exceeding subtile, who afterwards waxed stupid.
Such was Bacon Stupid Indeed

## OF DEFORMITY

PAGE 202 Certainly there is a consent between the body and the mind, and where nature erreth in the one, she ventureth in the other.
False
Contemptible

Whosoever hath any thing fixed in his person that doth induce contempt, hath also a perpetual spur in himself to rescue and deliver himself from scorn; therefore all deformed persons are extreme bold.
Is not this Very Very Contemptible Contempt is the Element of the Contemptible

PAGE 203 Kings in ancient times (and at this present in some countries,) were wont to put great trust in eunuchs, because they that are envious towards all are more obnoxious and officious towards one. because Kings do it is it Wisdom

## OF BUILDING

PAGE 206 First, therefore, I say you cannot have a perfect palace, except you have two several sides; a side for the banquet, as is spoken of in the book of Esther, and a side for the household.
What Trifling Nonsense \& Self Conceit

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OF FACTION
PAGE 235 The even carriage between two factions proceedeth not always of moderation, but of a trueness to a man's self, with end to make use of both. Certainly, in Italy they hold it a little suspect in popes, when they have often in their mouth "Padre commune"; and take it to be a sign of one that meaneth to refer all to the greatness of his own house.
None but God is This

PAGES 235-236 Kings had need beware how they side themselves . . . The motions of factions under Kings, ought to be like the motions, (as the astronomers speak,) of the inferior orbs; which may have their proper motions, but yet still are quietly carried by the higher motion of "primum mobile". King James was Bacons Primum Mobile

## OF CEREMONIES AND RESPECTS

PAGE 236 . . . for the proverb is true, "That light gains make heavy purses"; for light gains come thick, whereas great come but now and then: so it is true, that small matters win great commendation, because they are continually in use and in note.
Small matters What are They Caesar seems to me a Very Small Matter \& so he seemd to Jesus is the Devil Great Consider

OF PRAISE
PAGE 239 Praise is the reflection of virtue; but it is as the glass or body which giveth the reflection: if it be from the common people, it is commonly false and nought, and rather followeth vain persons, than virtuous.
Villain did Christ Seek the Praise of the Rulers

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## A COMPARATIVE VIEW OF THE INFERNO, with some other POEMS relative to the ORIGINAL PRINCIPLES OF HUMAN NATURE

PAGE 35 [But] the most daring flights of fancy, the most accurate delineations of character, and the most artful conduct of fable, are [not, even] when combined together, sufficient of themselves to make a poem interesting. [Deletions by Blake]

PAGES 35-36 The discord of Achilles and Agamemnon may produce the most tragical consequences; but if we, who are cool and impartial in the affair . . . cannot enter warmly into the views of either party, the story, though adorned with all the genius of an Homer, will be read by us with some degree of nonchalance. The superstition that led the Crusaders to rescue the Holy Land from the Infidels, instead of interesting us, appear frigid, if not ridiculous. We cannot be much concerned for the fate of such a crew of fanatics, notwithstanding the magic numbers of a Tasso . . . we cannot sympathise with Achilles for the loss of his Mistress, when we feel that he gained her by the massacre of her family.
nobody considers these things while they read Homer or Shakespear or Dante

PAGE 37 When a man, where no interest is concerned, no provocation given, lays a whole nation in blood merely for his glory; we, to whom his glory is indifferent, cannot enter into his resentment.
false All poetry gives the lie to this

PAGES 37-38 Such may be good poetical characters, of that mixt kind that Aristotle admits; but the most beautiful mixture of light and shade has no attraction, unless it warms <or freezes> the heart. It must have something that engages the sympathy, something that appeals to the [moral sense] <passions \& senses>; for nothing can thoroughly captivate the fancy, however artfully delineated, that does not awake the sympathy and interest the passions [that enlist on the side

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of Virtue] and appeal to our native notions of right and wrong. [Deletions and insertions by Blake]

PAGES 38-38 It is this that sets the Odyssey, in point of sentiment, so far above the Iliad. We feel the injuries of Ulysses; . . . we seem to feel the generous indignation of the young Telemachus, and we tremble at the dangers of the fair Penelope . . . we can go along with the resentment of Ulysses, because it is just, but our feelings must tell us that Achilles carries his resentment to a savage length, a length where we cannot follow him.
If Homers merit was only in these Historical combinations \& Moral sentiments he would be no better than Clarissa

PAGES 39-40 ILIACOS EXTRA MUROS PECCATUR; ET INTRA. It is a contest between barbarians, equally guilty of injustice, rapine, and bloodshed; and we are not sorry to see the vengeance of Heaven equally inflicted on both parties.
Homer meant this

Aeneas indeed is a more amiable personage than Achilles; he seems meant for a perfect character. But compare his conduct with respect to Dido with the self-denial of Dryden's Cleomenes, or with the conduct of Titus in the Berenice of Racine, we will then see what is meant by making a character interesting. Every body naturally hates a perfect character because they are all greater Villains than the imperfect as Eneas is here shewn a worse man than Achilles in leaving Dido

PAGES 45-46 Antecedent to and independent of all laws, a man may learn to argue on the nature of moral obligation, and the duty of universal benevolence, from Cumberland, Wollaston, Shaftesbury, Hutcheson . . . but, would he feel what vice is in itself . . . let him enter into the passions of Lear, when he feels the ingratitude of his children; of Hamlet, when he learns the story of his father's murder; . . . and he will know the difference of right and wrong much more clearly than from all the moralists that ever wrote.
the grandest Poetry is Immoral the Grandest characters
Wicked. Very Satan. Capanius Othello a murderer.
Prometheus. Jupiter. Jehovah, Jesus a wine bibber
Cunning \& Morality are not Poetry but Philosophy the Poet is Independent \& Wicked the Philosopher is Dependent \& Good

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Poetry is to excuse Vice \& show its reason \& necessary purgation

PAGE 49 The industrious knave cultivates the soil; the indolent good man leaves it uncultivated. Who ought to reap the harvest? . . . The natural course of things decides in favour of the villain; the natural sentiments of men in favour of the man of virtue.
false

PAGES 56-67 As to those who think the notion of a future Life arose from the descriptions and inventions of the Poets, they may just as well suppose that eating and drinking had the same original . . The Poets indeed altered the genuine sentiments of nature, and tinged the Light of Reason by introducing the wild conceits of Fancy . . . But still the root was natural, though the fruit was wild. All thatnature teacheis, that there is a future life, distinguished into different states of happiness and misery.
False
Nature Teaches nothing of Spiritual Life but only of Natural Life

## HISTORICAL ESSAY OF THE STATE OF AFFAIRS IN THE THIRTEENTH AND FOURTEENTH CENTURIES: WITH RESPECT TO THE HISTORY OF FLORENCE

[P 74, blank at the end of "A Comparative View"] Every Sentiment \& Opinion as well as Every Principle in Dante is in these Preliminary Essays Controverted \& proved Foolish by his Translator If I have any Judgment in Such Things as Sentiments Opinions \& Principles

PAGE 118 . . . horrors of a civil war. <dagger>--Dante was at this time Prior of Florence and it was he who gave the advice, ruinous to himself, and pernicious to his country, of calling in the heads of the two factions to Florence.
<dagger>Dante was a Fool or his Translator was Not That is Dante was Hired or Tr was Not It appears to Me that Men are hired to Run down Men of Genius under the Mask of Translators, but Dante gives too much

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Caesar he is not a Republican Dante was an Emperors <a Caesars> Man Luther also left the Priest \& joind the Soldier

PAGES 129-130 The fervours of religion have often actuated the passions to deeds of the wildest fanaticism. The booted Apostles of Germany, and the Crusades of Florence, carried their zeal to a very guilty degree. But the passion for any thing laudable will hardly carry men to a proper pitch, unless it be so strong as sometimes to push them beyond the golden mean. How very Foolish all this Is

PAGE 131 Such were the effects of intolerance even in the extreme. In a more moderate degree, every well-regulated government, both ancient and modern, wereso far intolerantas not to admit the pollutions of every superstition and every pernicious opinion. It was from a regard to the morals of the people, that the Roman Magistrates expelled the Priest of Bacchus, in the first and most virtuous ages of the republic. It was on this principle that the Persians destroyed thetemples of Greece wherever they came
If Well regulated Governments act so who can tell so well as the hireling Writer whose praise is contrary to what he Knows to be true
Persians destroy the Temples \& are praised for it

PAGES 133-134. The Athenians and Romans kept a watchful eye, not only over the grosser superstitions, but over impiety . . . Polybius plainly attributes the fall of freedom in Greece to the prevalence of atheism . . . It was not till the republic was verging to its fall, that Caesar dared in open senate to laugh at the SPECULATIVE opinion of a future state. These were the times of universal toleration, when every pollution, from every clime, flowed to Rome, whence they had carefully been kept out before.
What is Liberty without Universal Toleration

PAGES 135-136 I leave it to these who are best acquainted with the spirit of antiquity, to determine whether a species of religion . . . had or had not a very principal share in raising those celebrated nations to the summit of their glory: their decline and fall, at least, may be fairly attributed to
irreligion, and to the want of some general standard of morality, whose authority they all allowed, and to which they all appealed. The want of this pole-star left them adrift in the boundless ocean of conjecture; the disputes of their philosophers were endless, and their opinions of the grounds of morality were as different as their conditions, their tastes, and their pursuits.
Yet simple country Hinds are Moral Enthusiasts Indignant against Knavery without a Moral criterion other than Native Honesty untaught while other country Hinds are as indignant against honesty \& Enthusiasts for Cunning \& Artifice

PAGE 148 . . . but there are certain bounds even to liberty...
If it is thus the extreme of black is white \& of sweet sower \& of good Evil \& of Nothing Something

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## TITLE PAGE

This Man was Hired to Depress Art This is the opinion of Will Blake my Proofs of this Opinion are given in the following Notes

## <Advice of the Popes who succeeded the Age of Rafael>

Degrade first the Arts if you'd Mankind degrade, Hire Idiots to Paint with cold light \& hot shade: Give high Price for the worst, leave the best in disgrace, And with Labours of Ignorance fill every place.

## [BACK OF TITLE PAGE]

Having spent the Vigour of my Youth \& Genius under the Opression of $\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Joshua \& his Gang of Cunning Hired Knaves Without Employment \& as much as could possibly be Without Bread, The Reader must Expect to Read in all my Remarks on these Books Nothing but Indignation \& Resentment While Sr Joshua was rolling in Riches Barry was Poor \& [independent]
<Unemployd except by his own Energy> Mortimer was [despised \& Mocked] <calld a Madman> [I now despise \& Mock in turn although Suffring Neglect] <\& only Portrait Painting applauded \& rewarded by the Rich \& Great.> Reynolds \& Gainsborough Blotted \& Blurred one against the other \& Divided all the English World between them Fuseli Indignant <almost> hid himself--I [was] <am> hid tl474

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The Arts \& Sciences are the Destruction of Tyrannies or Bad Governments Why should A Good Government endeavour to Depress What is its Chief \& only Support

The advantages proceeding from the Institution of a Royal Academy.
The Foundation of Empire is Art \& Science Remove them or

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Degrade them \& the Empire is No More--Empire follows Art \& Not Vice Versa as Englishmen suppose

On peut dire que la Pape Leon Xme en encourageant les Etudes donna les armes contre lui-meme. J'ai oui dire a un Seigneur Anglais qu'il avait vu une Lettre du Seigneur Polus, ou de La Pole, depuis Cardinal, a ce Pape; dans laquelle, en le felicitant sur ce qu'il etendait le progres de Science en Europe, il l'avertissait qu'il etait dangereux de rendre les hommes trop Savans-VOLTAIRE Moeurs de [s] Nation[s], Tome 4
O Englishmen! why are you still of this foolish Cardinals opinion?

Much copying discountenanced
To learn the Language of Art Copy for Ever. is My Rule
[BLANK PAGE FACING DEDICATION]
Who will Dare to Say that [Fine] <Polite> Art is Encouraged, or Either Wished or Tolerated in a Nation where The Society for the Encouragement of Art. Sufferd Barry to Give them, his Labour for Nothing A Society Composed of the Flower of the English Nobility \& Gentry--[A Society] Suffering an Artist to Starve while he Supported Really what They under pretence of Encouraging were Endeavouring to Depress--Barry told me that while he Did that Work--he Lived on Bread \& Apples

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O Society for Encouragement of Art--O King \& Nobility of England! Where have you hid Fuseli's Milton Is Satan troubled at his Exposure

## TO THE KING.

The regular progress of cultivated life is from necessaries to accommodations, from accommodations to ornaments. The Bible says That Cultivated Life. Existed First-Uncultivated Life. comes afterwards from Satans Hirelings[.] Necessaries Accomodations \& Ornaments [are Lifes Wants] <are the whole of Life> [First were Created Wine \& Happiness ?Good ? Looks \& Fortune] Satan took away Ornament First. <Next he took away Accomodations \& Then he became Lord \& Master of > Necessaries [last]
[P ii] To give advice to those who are contending for royal

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liberality, . .
Liberality! We want not Liberality We want a Fair Price \& Proportionate Value < \& a General Demand for Art> <Let not that Nation where Less than Nobility is the Reward. Pretend that Art is Encouraged by that Nation: Art is the First in Intellectuals \&Ought to be First in Nations>
[P iii]
<Invention depends Altogether upon Execution or Organization. as that is right or wrong so is the Invention perfect or imperfect. Whoever is set to Undermine the Execution of Art is set to Destroy Art Michael Angelos Art Depends on Michael Angelos Execution Altogether>
[P viii, Malone on Reynolds' boyhood:] . . . Richardson's Treatise on Painting; the perusal of which so delighted and inflamed his mind, that Raffaelle appeared to him superior to the most illustrious . . .
Why <then> did he not follow Rafaels Track
[P ix, note 7, quoting Walpole on Thomas Hudson, Reynolds' first master] The better taste introduced by Sir Joshua Reynolds, put an end to Hudson's reign, . . . Hudson Drew Correctly
[ P xiv: the keeper of the Vatican informed Reynolds that "the works of Raffaelle" frequently made "little impression" on visitors.]
Men who have been Educated with Works of Venetian Artists. under their Eyes Cannot see Rafael unless they are born with Determinate Organs
[Reynolds quoted:] . . . I remember very well my own disappointment, when I first visited the Vatican; . . . I am happy I cannot say that Rafael Ever was from my Earliest Childhood hidden from Me. I saw \& I Knew immediately the difference between Rafael \& Rubens

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<Some look. to see the sweet Outlines
And beauteous Forms that Love does wear
Some look. to find out Patches. Paint.

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[Reynolds:] . . . though disappointed and mortified at not finding myself enraptured with the works of this great master, I did not for a moment conceive or suppose that the name of Raffaelle,
and those admirable paintings in particular, owed their reputation to the ignorance and prejudice of mankind; . . . Here are Mocks on those who Saw Rafael [But not Sir Joshua]
. . . I felt my ignorance, and stood abashed.
A Liar he never was Abashed in his Life \& never felt his Ignorance
[P xvi] . . . I was convinced that I had originally formed a false opinion of the perfection of art, ... All this Concession is to prove that Genius is Acquired as follows in the Next page
[P xvii] . . I am now clearly of opinion, that a relish for the higher excellencies of art is an acquired taste, which no man ever possessed without long cultivation, and great labour . .
[Fool]
. . . as if . . . our minds, like tinder, should instantly catch fire from the divine spark of Raffaelle's genius. A Mock
. . . the excellence of his style . . . lies deep; and at the first view is seen but mistily.
A Mock

It is the florid style, which strikes at once, and captivates the eye for a time, . . .
A Lie The Florid Style such as the Venetian \& the Flemish. Never Struck Me at Once nor At-All.

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[P xviii] [to good Artists] The Style that Strikes the Eye is the True Style But A Fools Eye is Not to be. a Criterion

I consider general copying (he adds)as a delusive kind of industry:. . .
Here he Condemns Generalizing which he almost always Approves \& Recommends
[ P xix] How incapable of producing any thing of their own, those are, who have spent most of their time in making finished copies, . . .
Finishd. What does he Mean Niggling Without the Correct <\& Definite> Outline If he means That Copying Correctly is a hindrance he is a Liar. for that is the only School to the Language of Art
[P xxix] It is the thoughts expressed in the works of Michael Angelo, Correggio, Raffaelle, Parmegiano, and perhaps some of the old Gothick masters, . . . which we seek after with avidity.
Here is an Acknowledgment of all that I could wish But if it is True. Why are we to be told that Masters who Could Think had not the judgment to Perform the Inferior Parts of Art as Reynolds artfully calls them. But that we are to Learn to Think from Great Masters \& to Learn to Perform from Underlings? Learn to Design from Rafael \& to Execute from Rubens [line cut away]?
[P xxxi] Thus Bacon became a great thinker, by first entering into and making himself master of the thoughts of other men.
[This is the Character of a Knave]

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a royal charter; Reynolds is not named among the eight "principal artists" active in "this scheme"; William Chambers is credited with helpful "access" to the King.] [Reynolds . . . thought . . . but Painters ?attention without xxx Reynolds Sir Wm Chambers . . . ?through]
[Pp xli-xlv, note 28: Malone scotching rumors that the Discourses were written by Johnson or Burke.]
The Contradictions in Reynolds's Discourses are Strong Presumptions that they are the Work of Several Hands But this is no Proof that Reynolds did not Write them The Man Either Painter or Philosopher who Learns or Acquires all he Knows from Others. Must be full of Contradictions

> [P xlvii, Reynolds' eulogy of George Moser as "the FATHER of the present race of Artists".]
> I was once looking over the Prints from Rafael \& Michael Angelo. in the Library of the Royal Academy Moser came to me \& said You should not Study these old Hard Stiff \& Dry Unfinishd Works of Art, Stay a little \& I will shew you what you should Study. He then went \& took down Le Bruns \& Rubens's Galleries How I did secretly Rage. I also spoke my Mind [line cut away] I said to Moser, These things that you call Finishd are not Even Begun how can they then, be Finishd? The Man who does not know The Beginning, never can know the End of Art
[P xlix, Reynolds on his own "merits and defects" ] I consoled myself..... by remarking that these ready inventors, are extremely apt to acquiesce in imperfection; . . . Villainy a Lie
[P 1] . . . Metastasio . . . complained of the great difficulty he found in attaining correctness, in consequence of having been in his youth an IMPROVVISATORE. I do not believe this Anecdote
[P liii, from Reynolds' 11th Discourse] . . . the general effect of the whole. . . . requires the painter's entire mind; whereas the PARTS may be finishing by nice touches, while his mind is engaged on other matters: . . . indolence. . . .
A Lie Working up Effect is more an operation of Indolence than the Making out of the Parts: as far as Greatest is more than

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Least I speak here of Rembrandts \& Rubenss \& Reynolds's Effect.--For Real Effect. is Making out the Parts \& it is Nothing Else but That
[P lvii, note 34, Malone on Reynolds' efforts to recover the secrets of the Venetian colourists] Our great painter . . . had undoubtedly attained a part of the ancient process used in the

Venetian School; and by various methods of his own invention produced a similar, though perhaps not quite so brilliant an effect of colour.
Oil Colours will not Do--
Why are we told that Reynolds is a Great Colourist \& yet inferior to the Venetians ${ }^{t 1475}$
[P lx, note 36] A notion prevails . . . that in the MAJORITY of his works the colours have entirely faded . . . ; but [most] have preserved their original hue. . . . I do not think that the Change is so much in the Pictures as in the Opinions of the Public
[P lxx, note 38, quoting Dr Johnson in 1761] Reynolds is without a rival, and continues to add thousands to thousands.
How much did Barry Get
[ P lxxii, Malone, on the French plundering] . . . of the most celebrated works of the Flemish School in the Netherlands (for I will not gratify our English republicans by calling it BELGIUM)....
[why then gratify Flemish, Knaves \& Fools]
[P lxxii] . . . he . . . devoted several days to contemplating the productions of that great painter [Rubens].
If Reynolds had Really admired Mich Angelo he never would have followd Rubens
[P lxxxiii, note 48 on the Literary Club] The original members were, Sir Joshua Reynolds, Dr. Johnson, Mr. Burke, Dr. Nugent, Mr. Langton, Mr. Antony Chamier, Sir John Hawkins, the Hon. Topham Beauclerk, and Dr. Goldsmith.
[Oliver Goldsmith ?never should have known such

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[P lxxxvi, Malone on Reynolds' sincerity] His ardent love of truth. . . . his strong antipathy to all false pretensions. . .

[O Shame False]

[P lxxxvii, note 49] He had painted, as he once observed to me, TWO GENERATIONS of the beauties of England. [God blasts Them As Though ?he ?were lost ?Eurydice] [P lxxxix, note 51, on Reynolds' deafness] When in company with only one person, he heard very well, . . .
A Sly Dog So can Every body; but bring Two People \& the Hearing is Stopped
[ Pxc , note 53 quoting Goldsmith's epitaph on Reynolds]
Such Men as Goldsmith ought not to have been Acquainted with such Men as Reynolds
s [P xci; Malone comparing Reynolds to Laelius]
[Why should Laelius be considered Sir Joshuas

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[Who dares ?worship ?a ?man Whod have Driven you long Ago Insane]
[ P xcvi, summing up: If Reynolds had been an orator, he would have resembled Laelius rather than Galba] He certainly would have been more like a Fool Than a Wise Man
[PP xcvii-xcviii, note 54, Burke on Reynolds] But this disposition to abstractions, to generalizing and classification, is the great glory of the human mind, . . .
To Generalize is to be an Idiot To Particularize is the Alone Distinction of Merit--General Knowledges are those Knowledges that Idiots possess [As do Fools that adore Things \& ?ideas x x x of General Knowledge]

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laboured as hard with his pencil, as any mechanick . . . . The Man who does not Labour more than the Hireling must be a poor Devil.
[ P ciii] [Malone, praising Reynolds' endorsement of Burke's anti-revolutionary sagacity, applies Dryden--"They led their wild desires to woods and caves, / And thought that all but SAVAGES were slaves"--to those who would assimilate England "to the model of the FEROCIOUS and ENSLAVED Republick of France!"] When France got free Europe 'twixt Fools \& Knaves Were Savage first to France, \& after; Slaves
[P civ, Malone on Reynolds' good fortune to have escaped the present era of sedition] . . England is at present in an unparalleled state of wealth and prosperity. . . . These FACTS ought to be sounded from one end of England to the other, . . . a complete answer to all the SEDITIOUS DECLAMATIONS. . . . This Whole Book was Written to Serve Political Purposes [?First to Serve Nobility \& Fashionable Taste \& Sr. Joshua]
[P cix, on Reynolds' death Feb 23 1792, from "the inordinate growth" of his liver]
When Sr Joshua Reynolds died
All Nature was degraded;
The King dropd a tear into the Queens Ear; And all his Pictures Faded.
[ P cxi, the Dukes, Marquisses, and other noblemen at Reynolds' funeral]
A Mock
[ P cxv] To each of the gentlemen who attended . . . was presented a print engraved by Bartolozzi. . . .
[Funeral granted to Sir Joshua for having destroyd Art However the (?gentlemen were rewarded) for standing Near]
[P cxvi, note 65: Reynolds' wish to have St Paul's decorated by paintings prevented by the Bishop of London] [The Rascals who ?See Painting want to Destroy Art \& Learning]

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men of this time. <dag> <dag>Is not this a Manifest Lie
Barry Painted a Picture for Burke equal to Rafael or Mich Ang or any of the Italians Burke used to shew this Picture to his friends \& to say I gave Twenty Guineas for this horrible Dawb \& if any one would give [line cut away] Such was Burkes Patronage of Art \& Science

## DISCOURSE I

[P 2, back of title]
I consider Reynolds's Discourses to the Royal Academy as the Simulations of the Hypocrite who Smiles particularly where he means to Betray. His Praise of Rafael is like the Hysteric Smile of Revenge His Softness \& Candour. the hidden trap. \& the poisoned feast, He praises Michael Angelo for Qualities which Michael Angelo Abhorrd; \& He blames Rafael for the only Qualities which Rafael Valued, Whether Reynolds. knew what he was doing. is nothing to me; the Mischief is just the same, whether a Man does it Ignorantly or Knowingly: I always consider'd True Art \& True Artists to be particularly Insulted \& Degraded by the Reputation of these Discourses As much as they were Degraded by the Reputation of Reynolds's Paintings. \& that Such Artists as Reynolds, are at all times Hired by the Satan's. for the Depression of Art A Pretence of Art: To Destroy Art [3 or 4 erased lines follow]
[P 3, beginning Reynolds' foreword "To The Members of The Royal Academy"]
The Neglect of Fuselis Milton in a Country pretending to the Encouragement of Art is a Sufficient Apology for My Vigorous Indignation if indeed the Neglect of My own Powers had not been Ought not the <? Patrons \& > Employers [Imbecility] of Fools to be Execrated in future Ages. They Will \&Shall Foolish Men Your own real Greatness depends on your Encouragement of the Arts \& your Fall will depend on [your] <their> Neglect \& Depression
What you Fear is your true Interest Leo X was advised not to Encourage the Arts he was too Wise to take this Advice
[P 4, misnumbered "[iv]", at end of foreword]
The Rich Men of England form themselves into a Society. to
Sell \& Not to Buy Pictures The Artist who does not throw his Contempt on such Trading Exhibitions. does not know either his own Interest or his Duty. [Are there Artists who live upon

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Assasinations of other Men] tl476
<When Nations grow Old. The Arts grow Cold
And Commerce settles on every Tree
And the Poor \& the Old can live upon Gold
For all are Born Poor. Aged Sixty three>
[P 5]
Reynoldss Opinion was that Genius May be Taught \& that all Pretence to Inspiration is a Lie \& a Deceit to say the least of it [If the Inspiration is Great why Call it Madness]
<For if it is a Deceit the Whole Bible is Madness> This Opinion
originates in the Greeks Caling the Muses Daughters of Memory

An Academy, in which the Polite Arts may be regularly cultivated, .. .
<The Enquiry in England is not whether a Man has Talents. \&Genius? But whether he is Passive \& Polite \& a Virtuous Ass: \&obedient to Noblemens Opinions in Art \& Science. If he is; he is a Good Man: If Not he must be Starved>
[P 7] There are, at this time, a greater number of excellent artists than were ever known before at one period in this nation.
[Artists . . . ?Heavens ?Fool the hxxx Pxxxx as
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[P7] . . . the wisdom and generosity of the Institution: .
3 Farthings $[x x x x x]^{t 1478}$
[P 9] Raffaelle . . . had not the advantage of studying in an Academy; but all Rome, and the works of Michael Angelo in particular, were to him, an Academy.
I do not believe that Rafael taught Mich. Angelo or that Mich. Ang: taught Rafael., any more than I believe that the Rose teaches the Lilly how to grow or the Apple tree teaches the [Pine tree to bear Fruit] <Pear tree how to bear Fruit.> I do not believe the tales of Anecdote writers when they militate against Individual Character
... the minute accidental discriminations of particular .
. .objects, . . .

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Minute Discrimination is Not Accidental All Sublimity is founded on Minute Discrimination
[P 11] . . . models . . . for their imitation, not their criticism.
<Imitation is Criticism>
[P 13] A facility in composing,--a lively, and what is called a masterly, handling of the chalk or pencil, are, it must be confessed, captivating qualities to young minds, and become of course the objects of their ambition.
<I consider> The Following sentence is Supremely Insolent <for the following Reasons Why this Sentence should be begun by the Words A Facility in Composing I cannot tell unless it was to cast [an Eye]<a stigma> upon Real facility in Composition by Assimilating it with a Pretence to \& Imitation of Facility in Execution or are we to understand him to mean that Facility in Composing. is a Frivolous pursuit. A Facility in Composing is the Greatest Power of Art \&Belongs to None but the Greatest Artists i.e. the Most Minutely Discriminating \& Determinate> tl479
[P 14] Whilst boys . . . they have taken the shadow for the substance; and make the mechanical felicity the chief excellence of the art, . . . ${ }^{\text {tl480 }}$
<Mechanical Excellence is the Only Vehicle of Genius>
. . . pleased with this premature dexterity in their pupils,
. . . praised their dispatch at the expence of their correctness.
<This is all False \& Self-Contradictory
. . . frivolous ambition of being thought masters of execution, . . .
<Execution is the Chariot of Genius>
[P 15] . . . youth . . . disgusted at the slow approaches. .
. .labour is the only price of solid fame, . . . whatever their force of genius may be, ...
<This is All Self-Contradictory! Truth \& Falshood jumbled Together>

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When we read the lives of the most eminent Painters, every page informs us, that no part of their time was spent in dissipation.
The Lives of Painters say that Rafael died of Dissipation Idleness is one Thing \& Dissipation Another He who has Nothing to Dissipate Cannot Dissipate
the Weak Man may be Virtuous Enough but will Never be an Artist [?What painters have only been dissipated without wildness] <Painters are noted for being Dissipated \& Wild.>
[P 16] . . . they then painted the picture, and after all re-touched it from the life <This is False>

The Students, instead of vying with each other which shall have the readiest hand, should be taught to contend who shall have the purest and most correct out-line; . . . <Excellent>
[P 17] . . . a habit of drawing correctly what we see, will . . .give a proportionable power of drawing correctly what we imagine.
<This is Admirably Said. Why does he not always allow as much>
[P 18] [Nice copying teaches] exactness and precision, . . <Excellent>

## DISCOURSE II

[P 22, back of title]
<The Labourd Works of Journeymen employed by Correggio.
Titian Veronese \& all the Venetians ought not to be shewn to the
Young Artist as the Works of original Conception any more than the Engravings of Strange Bartollozzi or Woollett. They are Works of Manual Labour>
[P 23] MUCH COPYING DISCOUNTENANCED . . . ARTISTS . . .SHOULD BE EMPLOYD IN LAYING UP MATERIALS. . . .

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<What is Laying up materials but Copying>
[P 25] . . . once enabled to express himself . . . he must . . . amass a stock of ideas . . . . he is now to consider the Art itself as his master.
After having been a Fool a Student is to amass a Stock of Ideas \& [then to be insolent in his Foolery] <knowing himself to be a Fool he is to assume the Right to put other Mens Ideas into his Foolery>
[P 26]. . . he must still be afraid of trusting his own judgment, and of deviating into any track where he cannot find the footsteps of some former master.
Instead of Following One Great Master he is to follow a Great Many Fools
[P 28] A Student unacquainted with the attempts [P 29] of former adventurers, is always apt to over-rate his own abilities; to mistake . . . every coast new to him, for a new-found country. <Contemptible Mocks>
[P 29] The productions of such minds . . . . differ . . . from their predecessors . . . only in irregular sallies, and trifling conceits.
<Thus Reynolds Depreciates the Efforts of Inventive Genius Trifling Conceits are better than Colouring without any meaning at all>
[P 30] On whom then can [the student] rely . . . ? . . . those great masters who have travelled the same road with success.
[This is Encouragement for Artists . . . (about 4 illegible words) . . . to those who are born for it]
[P 32] How incapable those . . . who have spent much of their time in making finished copies. . . .
This is most False <for no one can ever Design till he has learnd the Language of Art by making many Finishd Copies both of Nature \& Art \& of whatever comes in his way from Earliest Childhood> <The difference between a bad Artist \& a Good One Is the Bad Artist Seems to Copy a Great Deal: The Good one Really Does Copy

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a Great Deal>
[P 33] The great use in copying, if it be at all useful, should seem to be in learning to colour; . . . <Contemptible>
. . . yet even colouring will never be perfectly attained by servilely copying the model before you.
<Servile Copying is the Great Merit of Copying>
[P 34] . . you cannot do better than have recourse to nature herself, who is always at hand . . . .
<Nonsense--Every Eye Sees differently As the Eye--Such the Object>
[P 35] Labour to invent on their general principles. . . . how a Michael Angelo or a Raffaelle would have treated this subject: . . .
<General Principle[s] Again! Unless. You Consult. Particulars. You Cannot. even Know or See Mich: Ang. or Rafael or any Thing Else>

But as mere enthusiasm will carry you but a little way. . .

## [Damn The Fool]

Meer Enthusiasm is the All in All!-- Bacons Philosophy has Ruind England <Bacon is only Epicurus over again>
[P 36] . . . enter into a kind of competition, by . . . making a companion to any picture that you consider as a model. .
. . and compare them
[What but a Puppy will dare to do this]
. . . a severe and mortifying task, . . .
[?Why, should ?comparing [or ?copying]
Great Masters [be done] Painfully]
[P 37] [To compare one's work with a Great Master's] requires not only great resolution, but great humility.
[Who will or Can ?endure ?such Humiliation (?either ?he
?is) dishonest ?or he is ?Insane]

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Few have been taught to any purpose, who have not been their own teachers.
True!
[P 38] . . . to choose . . . models, . . . take the world's opinion rather than your own.
[Fools opinions \& Endeavours destroy Invention!]
[P 40] A facility of drawing . . . cannot be acquired but by an infinite number of acts.
True
[P 41] . . . endeavour to draw the figure by memory. [And persevere] in this custom, . . . .
Good Advice
. . . remember, that the pencil [i.e. paint brush] is the instrument by which . . . to obtain eminence <Nonsense>
[P 42 ] The Venetian and Flemish schools, which owe much of their fame to colouring, . . . <because they could not Draw>
[P 43] [Titian, Paul Veronese, Tintoret, the Bassans] Their sketches on paper are as rude as their pictures are excellent in . . .harmony of colouring.
<All the Pictures said to be by these Men are the Laboured fabrication of journey-work>
. . . finished drawings . . . sold under [their] names . . .
are [copies]
<They could not Draw>
[P 47] . . . he who would have you believe that he is waiting for the inspirations of Genius, is in reality at a loss how to begin; and is at last delivered of his monsters, with difficulty and pain.
A Stroke at Mortimer

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[ P 48 ] [The well-grounded painter] is contented that all shall be as great as himself, who have undergone the same fatigue; . . .
The Man who asserts that there is no Such Thing as Softness in Art \& that every thing in Art is Definite \& Determinate has not been told this by Practise but by Inspiration \& Vision because Vision is Determinate \& Perfect \& he Copies That without Fatigue Every thing being Definite \& determinate Softness is Produced Alone by Comparative Strength \& Weakness in the Marking out of the Forms
I say These Principles could never be found out by the Study of Nature without Con or Innate Science

## DISCOURSE III

[P 50, back of title]
<A Work of Genius is a Work "Not to be obtaind by the Invocation of Memory \& her Syren Daughters. but by Devout prayer to that Eternal Spirit. who can enrich with all utterance \& knowledge \& sends out his Seraphim with the hallowed fire of his Altar to touch \& purify the lips of whom he pleases." Milton <The following [Lecture] <Discourse> is particularly Interesting to Blockheads. as it Endeavours to prove That there is No such thing as Inspiration \& that any Man of a plain Understanding may by Thieving from Others. become a Mich Angelo>
[P 52] . . . the genuine painter . . . instead of endeavouring to amuse mankind with the minute neatness of his imitations, must endeavour to improve [P 53] them by the grandeur of his ideas; . . .
Without Minute Neatness of Execution. The. Sublime cannot Exist! Grandeur of Ideas is founded on Precision of Ideas
[P 54] The Moderns are not less convinced than the Ancients of this superior power [i.e. something beyond mere imitation] existing in the art; nor less sensible of its effects. <I wish that this was True>
[P 55, an introductory remark by Blake:]
Now he begins to Degrade [\&] to Deny [destroy] \& <to> Mock

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Such is the warmth with which both the Ancients and Moderns speak of this divine principle of the art; ...
And such is the Coldness with which Reynolds speaks! And such is his Enmity
. . . enthusiastick admiration seldom promotes knowledge.
Enthusiastic Admiration is the first Principle of Knowledge \& its last

He examines his own mind, and perceives there nothing of . . . divine inspiration, . . .
The Man who on Examining his own Mind finds nothing of Inspiration ought not to dare to be an Artist he is a Fool. \& a Cunning Knave suited to the Purposes of Evil Demons
[P 56] [He never] travelled to heaven to gather new ideas; The Man who never in his Mind \& Thoughts traveld to Heaven Is No Artist
. . . no other qualifications than what . . . a plain understanding can confer.
Artists who are above a plain Understanding are Mockd \& Destroyd by this President of Fools
. . . figurative declamation [makes art seem] out of the reach of human industry. But . . . we ought to distinguish how much is to be given to enthusiasm, and how much to reason . . . not . . . vague admiration, . . .
It is Evident that Reynolds Wishd none but Fools to be in the Arts \& in order to this, he calls all others Vague Enthusiasts or Madmen <What has Reasoning to do with the Art of Painting?>
[P 57] Could we teach taste or genius by rules, they would be no longer taste and genius.
[This must be how Liars Reason]
. . . most people err . . . from not knowing what object to pursue.
The Man who does not know what Object to Pursue is an Idiot

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This great ideal perfection and beauty are not to be sought in the heavens, but upon the earth.
A Lie

They are about us, and upon every side of us.
A Lie

But the power of discovering . . . can be acquired only by experience; ...
A Lie
[P 58] . . . art [must] get above all singular forms, local customs, particularities, and details of every kind.
A Folly
Singular \& Particular Detail is the Foundation of the Sublime

The most beautiful forms have something about them like weakness, minuteness, or imperfection.
Minuteness is their whole Beauty
[P 59] This idea [acquired by habit of observing] . . . which the Artist calls the Ideal Beauty, is the great leading principle. . .
Knowledge of Ideal Beauty. is Not to be Acquired It is Born with us Innate Ideas. are in Every Man Born with him. they are <truly> Himself. The Man who says that we have No Innate Ideas must be a Fool \& Knave. Having No Con-Science <or Innate Science>
[P 60] . . . an artist becomes possessed of the idea of that central form . . . from which every deviation is deformity. One Central Form Composed of all other Forms being Granted it does not therefore follow that all other Forms are Deformity
. . . the ancient sculptors . . . being indefatigable in the school of nature, have left models of that perfect form. . .

All Forms are Perfect in the Poets Mind. but these are not Abstracted nor Compounded from Nature <but are from Imagination>

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[P 61] [Even the] great Bacon treats with ridicule the idea of confining proportion to rules, or of producing beauty by selection.
The Great Bacon he is Calld I call him the Little Bacon ${ }^{\text {tl481 }}$ says that Every Thing must be done by Experiment his first princip[le] is Unbelief And Yet here he says that Art must be producd Without such Method. He is Like $S^{r}$ Joshu[a] full of Self-Contradiction \& Knavery

There is a rule, obtained out of general nature. . . . What is General Nature is there Such a Thing what is General Knowledge is there such a Thing [Strictly Speaking] All Knowledge is Particular
[P 62] . . it may be objected, that in every particular species there are various central forms . . . . Here he loses sight of A Central Form. \& Gets into Many Central Forms
[P 63] . . still none of them is the representation of an individual, but of a class.
Every Class is Individual
. . . . in each of these classes. . . . childhood and age. . . there is a common form. . . .
There is no End to the Follies of this Man Childhood \& Age are Equally, belonging to Every Class
. . . that form which is taken from them all, and which partakes equally of the activity of the Gladiator, of the delicacy of the Apollo, and. . . .
Here he comes again to his Central Form
[P 64] There is . . . a kind of symmetry, or proportion, which may properly be said to belong to deformity. A figure lean or corpulent . . . though deviating from beauty. . . .
The Symmetry of Deformity is a Pretty Foolery Can any Man who Thinks. [argue] <Talk> so? Leanness or Fatness is not Deformity. but Reynolds thought Character Itself Extravagance \& Deformity

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Age \& Youth are not Classes but [Accidents] [<Situations>] <Properties> of Each Class so are Leanness \& Fatness
[P 65] . . . when [the Artist] has reduced the variety of nature to the abstract idea; What Folly
his next task will be to become acquainted with the genuine habits of nature, as distinguished from those of fashion. [Is Fashion the concern of Artists The Knave Calls any thing found in Nature ${ }^{11482}$ fit for Art]
[P 67] . . [the painter] must divest himself of all prejudices . . . disregard all local and temporary ornaments, and look only on those general habits. . . .
Generalizing in Every thing the Man would soon be a Fool but a Cunning Fool
[P71] . . a wrong direction . . . without ever knowing there was a nobler to pursue. Albert Durer, as Vasari has justly remarked,
[Albert Durer would never have got his Manners from the Nobility] t1483
would, probably, have been one of the first painters of his age, (and he lived in all era of great artists,) had he been initiated into those great principles. . . .
What does this mean "Would have been" one of thefirst
Painters of his Age? Albert Durer IsNot would have been! Besides. let them look at Gothic Figures \& Gothic Buildings, \& not talk of Dark Ages or of Any Age! Ages are All Equal. But Genius is Always Above The Age
[P74] I [do not mean] to countenance a careless or indetermined manner of painting. For though the painter is to overlook the accidental discriminations of nature, Here he is for Determinate \& yet for Indeterminate
he is to exhibit [general forms] distinctly, and with precision, . . .

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## Distinct General Form Cannot Exist Distinctness is Particular Not General

[P 75] A firm and determined outline is one of the characteristics of the great style in painting; and . . . he who possesses the knowledge of the exact form which every part of nature ought to have, will be fond of expressing that knowledge with correctness and precision in all his works.

## A Noble Sentence

Here is a Sentence Which overthrows all his Book
. . . I have endeavoured to reduce the idea of beauty to general principles: . . . the only means of advancing science; of clearing the mind ...
[Sir Joshua Proves that] Bacons Philosophy makes
both Statesmen \& Artists Fools \& Knaves

## DISCOURSE IV

[P 78, back of title]
The <Two> Following Discourse<s> [is] <are>
Particularly Calculated for the Setting Ignorant \& Vulgar Artists as Models of Execution in Art. Let him who will, follow such advice I will not. I know that The Mans Execution is as his Conception \& No better
[P 79] The value and rank of every art is in proportion to the mental labour employed in it, or the mental pleasure produced by it.
Why does he not always allow This
[P 80] [The principle of] leaving out particularities, and retaining only general ideas . . . extends itself to every part of the Art. . . .
General Ideas <again>

Invention in Painting does not imply the invention of the subject; for that is commonly supplied by the Poet or Historian.
All but Names of Persons \& Places is Invention both in Poetry \& Painting

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[P 82] . . . the . . . most dangerous error is on the side of minuteness; . . .
<Here is Nonsense!>
[P 83] All smaller things, however perfect in their way, are to be sacrificed without mercy to the greater. <Sacrifice the Parts. What becomes of the Whole>

Even in portraits, the grace, and . . . the likeness, consists more in taking the general air, than in observing the exact similitude of every feature.
How Ignorant
[P 86] A painter of portraits retains the individual likeness; a painter of history shews the man by shewing his actions.
<If he does not shew the Man as well as the Action he is a poor Artist>
[P 87] . . . be well studied in the analysis of those circumstances, which constitute dignity of appearance in real life.
<Here he allows an Analysis of Circumstances>

Those expressions alone should be given to the figures which their respective situations generally produce.
[Nonsense]
[P 89] . . . the distinct blue, red, and yellow . . . in the draperies of the Roman and Florentine schools . . . effect of grandeur. . . . Perhaps these distinct colours strike the mind more forcibly, from there not being any great union between them;

These are Fine \& just Notions Why does he not always allow as much
[P 90] . . . the historical Painter never enters into the detail of colours [nor] does he debase his conceptions with minute attention to the discriminations of Drapery. Excellent Remarks

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Carlo Maratti [thought] that the disposition of drapery was a more difficult art than even that of drawing the human figure;

I do not believe that Carlo Maratti thought so or that any body can think so. the Drapery is formed alone by the Shape of the Naked
[next word cut away in binding]
[P 92] . . . the Venetians . . . accomplished perfectly tile thing they attempted. But as mere elegance is their principal object, . . .
They accomplishd Nothing <As to Elegance they have not a Spark>
[P 93] To this question [why Veronese had put his principal figure in shade-Reynolds answers that he was] an ornamental Painter [whose] intention was solely to produce an effect of light and shadow; . . .
This is not a Satisfactory Answer
To produce an Effect of True Light \& Shadow [Nothing must be sacrificd

Light \& Shadow depends on Distinctness of Form] <is Necessary to the Ornamental Style-- which altogether depends on Distinctness of Form. The Venetian ought not to be calld the Ornamental Style>
[P 94] The language of Painting must indeed be allowed these masters [the Venetians]; . . .
The Language of Painters cannot be allowd them if Reynolds says right at p. 97 he there says that the Venetian Will Not Correspond with the Great Style
<The Greek Gems are in the Same Style as the Greek Statues>
[P 95] Such as suppose that the great style might happily be blended with the ornamental, that the simple, grave and majestick dignity of Raffaelle could unite with the glow and bustle of a Paolo, or Tintoret, are totally mistaken.
What can be better Said, on this Subject? but Reynolds contradicts what he says Continually He makes little Concessions, that he may take Great Advantages

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[P 97] And though in [colouring] the Venetians must be allowed extraordinary skill, yet even that skill, as they have employed it, will but ill correspond with the great style. <Somebody Else wrote this page for Reynolds I think that Barry or Fuseli wrote it or [said] <dictated> it>
[P 98] . . . Michael Angelo [thought] that the principal attention of the Venetian painters [was to] the study of colours, to the neglect of the IDEAL BEAUTY OF FORM,. . . .
Venetian Attention is to a Contempt \& Neglect of Form Itself
\& to the Destruction of all Form or Outline <Purposely \& Intentionally>
But if general censure was given to that school from the sight of a picture of Titian. . . .
As if Mich. Ang. had seen but One Picture of Titians
Mich. Ang. Knew \& Despised all that Titian could do

## <On the Venetian Painter

He makes the Lame to walk we all agree
But then he strives to blind those who can see. >
[P 99]
<If the Venetians Outline was Right his Shadows would destroy it \& deform its appearance
A Pair of Stays to mend the Shape
Of crooked Humpy Woman:
Put on O Venus! now thou art, Quite a Venetian Roman.>
[P 100] . . . there is a sort of senatorial dignity about [Titian]...
<Titian as well as the other Venetians so far from
Senatorial Dignity appears to me to give always the Characters of
Vulgar Stupidity>
Why should Titian \& The Venetians be Named in a discourse on Art
Such Idiots are not Artists
<Venetian; all thy Colouring is no more
Than Boulsterd Plasters on a Crooked Whore.>
[P 101] The Venetian is indeed the most splendid of the

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schools of elegance; . . .
<Vulgarity \& not Elegance--The Word Elegance ought to be applied to Forms. not to Colours>
[P 102] . . elaborate harmony Of colouring, a brilliancy of tints, a soft and gradual transition from one to another, . . <Broken Colours \& Broken Lines \& Broken Masses are Equally Subversive of the Sublime>

Such excellence . . . is weak . . . when the work aspires to grandeur and sublimity.
Well Said <Enough>
[P 103] But it must be allowed in favour of the Venetians, that [Rubens] was more gross than they. . . . <How can that be calld the Ornamental Style of which Gross Vulgarity forms the Principal Excellence>
[P 104] Some inferior dexterity, some extraordinary mechanical power is apparently that from which [the Dutch school] seek distinction.
<The Words Mechanical Power should not be thus Prostituted>
[P 106] An History-painter paints mall in general; a Portrait- painter, a particular man,
A History Painter Paints The Hero, \& not Man in General. but most minutely in Particular
[P 109] Thus . . . a portrait-painter leaves out all the minute breaks and peculiarities in the face. . . .
Folly! Of what consequence is it to the Arts what a Portrait Painter does
[P 110] . . . the composite style, . . . Correggio. . . . modern grace and elegance, . .
There is No Such <a> Thing as A Composite Style
[P 111] The errors of genius, however, are pardonable. . .
<Genius has no Error it is Ignorance that is Error>

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[P 112] On the whole . . . one presiding principle. . . .
The works . . . built upon general nature, live for ever; . .
<All Equivocation \& Self-Contradiction>

## DISCOURSE V

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Gainsborough told a Gentleman of Rank \& Fortune that the Worst Painters always chose the Grandest Subjects. I desired the Gentleman to Set Gainsborough about one of Rafaels Grandest Subjects Namely Christ delivering the Keys to $S^{t}$ Peter. \& he would find that in Gainsboroughs hands it would be a Vulgar Subject of Poor Fishermen \& a Journeyman Carpenter The following Discourse is written with the same End in View. that Gainsborough had in making the Above assertion Namely To Represent Vulgar Artists as the Models of Executive Merit
[P 116] That which is most worthy of esteem in its allotted sphere, becomes an object . . . of derision, when it is forced into a higher, to which it is not suited; . . .
Concessions to Truth for the sake of Oversetting Truth
. . . keep your principal attention fixed upon the higher excellencies. . . . you may be very imperfect; but still, you are an imperfect artist of the highest order.
[Caesar said hed rather be the (first in) a Village (than) second in Rome was not Caesar(a) Dutch Painter] ${ }^{\text {tl484 }}$
[P 117-118] . . . to preserve the most perfect beauty IN ITS MOST PERFECT STATE, you cannot express the passions, all of which produce distortion and deformity, more or less, in the most beautiful faces.
What Nonsense
Passion \& Expression is Beauty Itself--The Face that is Incapable of Passion \& Expression is Deformity Itself Let it be Painted <\& Patchd> \& Praised \& Advertised for Ever <it will only be admired by Fools>
[P 119] . . . pictures of Raffaelle, where the Criticks have

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described their own imaginations;
If Reynolds could not see. variety of Character in Rafael Others Can

We can easily . . . suppose a Jupiter to be possessed of all . . . powers and perfections. Yet [in art the ancients] confined his character to majesty alone.
False
The Ancients were chiefly attentive to Complicated \& Minute Discrimination of Character it is the Whole of Art

Pliny . . . wrong when he speaks of . . . [P 120] three different characters [in one statue].
Reynolds cannot bear Expression

A statue in which you endeavour to unite . . . dignity . . . elegance . . . valour, must surely possess none of these. . .

Why not? <O Poverty!>

The summit of excellence seems to be an assemblage of contrary qualities, . . . such . . . that no one part is found to counteract the other.
A Fine Jumble
[P 121] If any man shall be master of . . . highest . . . lowest, flights of art, . . . he is fitter to give example than to receive instruction. <Mocks>
[P 123] . . FRESCO, a mode of painting which excludes attention to minute elegancies: . . .
This is False
Fresco Painting is the Most Minute
<Fresco Painting is Like Miniature Painting; a Wall is a Large Ivory>
[P 124] Raffaelle . . . foremost [for] his excellence in the higher parts. . . . His easel-works . . . lower . . . never arrived at . . . perfection. . . .
Folly \& Falshood. The Man who can say that Rafael knew not

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the smaller beauties of the Art ought to be Contemnd \& I accordingly hold Reynolds in Contempt for this Sentence in particular
[P 125] When he painted in oil, his hand seemed to be so cramped and confined, . . .
Rafael did as he Pleased. He who does not admire Rafaels Execution does not Even See Rafael

I have no desire to degrade Raffaelle from the high rank. . .
A Lie
[P 126] . . . Michael Angelo . . . did not possess so many excellencies as Raffaelle, but. . . .
According to Reynolds Mich Angelo was worse still \& Knew
Nothing at all about Art as an object of Imitation
Can any Man be such a fool as to believe that Rafael \& Michael Angelo were Incapable of the meer Language of Art \& That Such Idiots as Rubens. Correggio \& Titian Knew how to Execute what they could not Think or Invent

He never attempted those lesser elegancies and graces in the art. Vasari says, he never painted but one picture in oil, and resolved never to paint another.
Damnd Fool ${ }^{1485}$

If any man had a right to look down . . . it was certainly Michael Angelo; . . .
O. Yes!
[P 127] . . . together with these [graces and embellishments], which we wish he had more attended to, he has rejected all the false . . . ornaments, . . .
Here is another Contradiction If. Mich Ang. Neglected any thing. that <Titian or> Veronese did: He Rejected it. for Good Reasons. Sr Joshua in other Places owns that the Venetian Cannot Mix with the Roman or Florentine What then does he Mean when he says that Mich. Ang. \& Rafael were not worthy of Imitation in the Lower parts of Art
[P 128] . . Raffaelle had more Taste and Fancy, Michael

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Angelo more Genius and imagination.
<What Nonsense>
[P 129] [Michael Angelo] never needed . . . help. [Raffaelle had] propriety, beauty, and majesty . . . judicious contrivance . . . correctness of Drawing, purity of Taste, . . .
If all this is True Why does not Reynolds recommend The Study of Rafael \& Mich: Angelos Execution at page 97 he allows that the Venetian Style will Ill correspond with the Great Style
[P 131] Such is the great style, . . . [in it] search after novelty . . . has no place.
<The Great Style is always Novel or New in all its Operations>

But there is another style . . . inferior. . . . the original or characteristical style, . . .
<Original \& Characteristical are the Two Grand Merits of the Great Style Why should these words be applied to such a Wretch as Salvator Rosa>
[P 132] . . Salvator Rosa. . . . a peculiar cast of nature . . . though void of all grace, . . .
Salvator Rosa was precisely what he Pretended Not to be. His Pictures. are high Labourd pretensions to Expeditious Workmanship. He was the Quack Doctor of Painting His Roughnesses \& Smoothnesses. are the Production of Labour \& Trick. As to Imagination he was totally without Any.
[P 133] . . . yet . . . that sort of dignity which belongs to savage and uncultivated nature: . . .
Savages are [Fribbles \& Fops] <Fops \& Fribbles> more than any other Men

Every thing is of a piece: his Rocks, Trees, Sky, even to his handling, ...
Handling is All that he has. \& we all know this
Handling is Labour \& Trick <Salvator Rosa employd Journeymen>
[P 134] . . . Rubens . . . a remarkable instance of the same

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mind being seen in all the various parts of the art. The whole is so much of a piece, ...
All Rubens's Pictures are Painted by journeymen \& so far from being all of a Piece. are The most wretched Bungles
[P 135] His Colouring, in which he is eminently skilled, is . . . too much . . . tinted. <To My Eye Rubens's Colouring is most Contemptible His Shadows are of a Filthy Brown somewhat of the Colour of Excrement these are filld with tints \& messes of yellow \& red His lights are all the Colours of the Rainbow laid on Indiscriminately \& broken one into another. Altogether his Colouring is Contrary to The Colouring. of Real Art \& Science>

Opposed to this . . . [is the] correct style of Poussin. . .
<Opposed to Rubenss Colouring Sr Joshua has placd Poussin but he ought to put All Men of Genius who ever Painted. Rubens \& the Venetians are Opposite in every thing to True Art \& they Meant to be so they were hired for this Purpose>
[P 137] [Poussin's later pictures] softer and richer, . . .
[but not] at all comparable to many in his [early] dry manner which we have in England.
<True>

The favourite subjects of Poussin were Ancient Fables; and no painter was ever better qualified
<True>
[P 138] Poussin seemed to think that the style and the language [should preserve] some relish of the old way of painting, . . .
<True>
[P 139] . . . if the Figures . . . had a modern air . . . how ridiculous would Apollo appear instead of the Sun; . .
<These remarks on Poussin are Excellent>
[P 141] . . . the lowest style will be the most popular . . .

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ignorance...
<Well said>
[P 142] . . . our Exhibitions . . . a mischievous tendency, . . . seducing the Painter to an ambition of pleasing indiscriminately the mixed multitude. . . . <Why then does he talk in other places of pleasing Every body>

## DISCOURSE VI

 When a Man talks of Acquiring Invention \& of learning how to produce Original Conception he must expect to be calld a Fool <by Men of Understanding but such a Hired Knave cares not for the Few. His Eye is on the Many. or rather on the Money>[P 147] Those who have [written of art as inspiration are better receive] than he who attempts to examine, coldly, whether there are any means by which this art may be acquired. . . .
<Bacons Philosophy has Destroyd all Art \& Science> The Man who that the Genius is not Born. but Taught.--Is a Knave It is very natural for those. . . . who have never observed the gradation by which art is acquired . . . to conclude . . . that it is not only inaccessible to themselves. <O Reader behold the Philosophers Grave. He was born quite a Fool: but he died quite a Knave>
[P 149] It would be no wonder if a student . . . should . . consider it as hopeless, to set about acquiring by the imitation of any human master, what he is taught to suppose is matter of inspiration from heaven.
<How ridiculous it would be to see the Sheep Endeavouring to walk like the Dog, or the Ox striving to trot like the Horse just as Ridiculous it is see One Man Striving to Imitate Another Man varies from Man more than Animal from Animal of Different Species>
[P 152] . . . DEGREE Of excellence [of] GENIUS is different, in different times and different places <Never!>

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and what shews it to be so is, that mankind have often changed their opinion upon this matter.
Never!
[P 153] . . . if genius is not taken for inspiration, but as the effect of close observation experience. <Damnd Fool>
[P 154] . . as . . . art shall advance, its powers will be still more and more fixed by rules.
<If Art was Progressive We should have had Mich Angelo's \& Rafaels to Succeed \& to Improve upon each other But it is not so. Genius dies Possessor \& comes not again till Another is Born with It>
[155] . . . even works of Genius, like every other effect, .
. . must have their cause, . . .
<Identities or Things are Neither Cause nor Effect They are Eternal>
[P 157] . . . our minds should . . . continue a settled intercourse with all the true examples of grandeur. <Reynolds Thinks that Man Learns all that he Knows I say on the Contrary That Man Brings All that he has or Can have Into the World with him. Man is Born Like a Garden ready Planted \& Sown This World is too poor to produce one Seed>

The mind is but a barren soil; a soil which is soon exhausted, and will produce no crop, . . .
<The Mind that could have produced this Sentence must have been Pitiful a Pitiable Imbecillity. I always thought that the Human Mind was the most Prolific of All Things \& Inexhaustible <I certainly do Thank God that I am not like Reynolds>>
[P 158] . . . or only one, unless it be continually fertilized and enriched with foreign matter.
Nonsense
[P 159] Nothing can come of nothing. <Is the Mind Nothing?>

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. . . Michael Angelo, and Raffaelle, were . . . possessed of all the knowledge in the art . . . of their predecessors.
If so. they knew all that Titian \& Correggio knew Correggio was two Years older than Mich. Angelo
Correggio born < 1472> Mich Angelo [on] <born 1474>
[P 161] . . any endeavour to copy the exact peculiar colour . . . of another man's mind . . . must always be . . . ridiculous. . . .
<Why then Imitate at all?>
[P 163] Art in its perfection is not ostentatious; it lies hid, and works its effect, itself unseen. <This is a Very Clever Sentence who wrote it God knows>
[P 165] Peculiar marks . . . generally . . . defects; . .
Peculiar Marks. are the Only Merit

Peculiarities . . . so many blemishes; which, however, both in real life, and in painting, cease to appear deformities, ... Infernal Falshood
[P 166] Even the great name of Michael Angelo may be used, to keep in countenance a deficiency . . . of colouring, and every [other ornamental part]
No Man who can see Michael Angelo. can say that he wants either Colouring or Ornamental parts of Art. in the highest degree. for he has Every [perquisite] <Thing> of Both [ $O$ what Wisdom \& Learning ?adorn his Superiority--]
[P 167] . . these defects . . . have a right to our pardon, but not to our admiration.
He who Admires Rafael Must admire Rafaels Execution
He who does not admire Rafaels Execution Cannot Admire Rafael
[P 172] . . . a want which cannot be completely supplied; that is, want of strength of parts.

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A Confession
[P 176] . . . very finished artists in the inferior branches....
This Sentence is to Introduce another in Condemnation \& Contempt of Alb. Durer

The works of Albert Durer . . . afford a rich mass of genuine materials, which wrought up and polished, . . . A Polishd Villain <who Robs \& Murders>
[P 177] Though Coypel wanted a simplicity of taste, . . . [O Yes Coypel indeed]
[P 178] The greatest style . . . would receive "an additional grace by . . . precision of pencil. . . . What does Precision of Pencil mean? If it does not mean Outline it means Nothing
[P 179] [Jan Steen if taught by Michael Angelo and Raffaelle] would have ranged with the great. . . . Jan Stein was a Boor \& neither Rafael nor Mich Ang. could have made him any better
[P 180] Men who although . . . bound down by . . . early habits, have still exerted. . . .
He who Can be bound down is No Genius Genius cannot be Bound it may be Renderd Indignant \& Outrageous ${ }^{\text {t1486 }}$
"Opression makes the Wise Man Mad"
Solomon

## DISCOURSE VII

[P 188, back of title]
<The Purpose of the following Discourse is to Prove That Taste \& Genius are not of Heavenly Origin \& that all who have Supposed that they Are so. Are to be Considerd as Weak headed Fanatics
The obligations Reynolds has laid on Bad Artists of all Classes will at all times make them his Admirers but most especially for this Discourse in which it is proved that the Stupid are born with Faculties Equal to other Men Only they have

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not Cultivated them because they thought it not worth the trouble>
[P 194] . . obscurity . . . is one source of the sublime. <Obscurity is Neither the Source of the Sublime nor of Any Thing Else>
[That] liberty of imagination is cramped by . . . rules; . . . smothered . . . by too much judgment; . . . [are] notions not only groundless, but pernicious.
<The Ancients \& the wisest of the Moderns were of the opinion that Reynolds Condemns \& laughs at>
[P 195] . . . scarce a poet is to be found, . . . whose latter works are not as replete with . . . imagination, as those [of] his more youthful days. <As Replete but Not More Replete>

To understand literally these metaphors . . . seems . . absurd. ...
<The Ancients did not mean to Impose when they affirmd their belief in Vision \& Revelation Plato was in Earnest. Milton was in Earnest. They believd that God did Visit Man Really \& Truly \& not as Reynolds pretends
[P 196] [idea absurd that a winged genius] did really inform him in a whisper what he was to write; . . . How very Anxious Reynolds is to Disprove \& Contemn Spiritual Perception
[P 197] It is supposed that . . . under the name of genius great works are produced. . . . without our being under the least obligation to reason, precept, or experience. <Who Ever said this>
. . . scarce state these opinions without exposing their absurdity; yet . . . constantly in the mouths of . . .
artists.
<He states Absurdities in Company with Truths \& calls both Absurd>

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[P 198] . . prevalent opinion . . . considers the principles of taste $\ldots$ as having less solid foundations, than . . . they really have. . . . [and imagines taste of too high origin] to submit to the authority of all earthly tribunal. <The Artifice of the Epicurean Philosophers is to Call all other Opinions Unsolid \& Unsubstantial than those which are Derived from Earth>

We often appear to differ in sentiments . . . merely from the inaccuracy of terms, . . .
It is not in Terms that Reynolds \& I disagree Two Contrary Opinions can never by any Language be made alike. I say Taste \& Genius are Not Teachable or Acquirable but are born with us Reynolds says the Contrary
[P 199] . . . take words as we find them; . . . distinguish the THINGS to which they are applied.
<This is False the Fault is not in Words. but in Things Lockes Opinions of Words \& their Fallaciousness are Artful Opinions \& Fallacious also>
[P 200] It is the very same taste which relishes a demonstration in geometry, that is pleased with the resemblance of a picture to an original, and touched with the harmony of musick.
<Demonstration Similitude \& Harmony are Objects of Reasoning Invention Identity \& Melody are Objects of Intuition>
[P 201] . . . as true as mathematical demonstration; . .
<God forbid that Truth should be Confined to Mathematical Demonstration >

But beside real, there is also apparent truth, . . . <He who does not Know Truth at Sight is unworthy of Her Notice>
. . . taste . . . approaches . . . a sort of resemblance to real science, even where opinions are . . . no better than prejudices.
<Here is a great deal to do to Prove that All Truth is
Prejudice for All that is Valuable in Knowledge $[s]$ is

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Superior to Demonstrative Science such as is Weighed or Measured>
[P 202] As these prejudices become more narrow, . . . this secondary taste becomes more and more fantastical; . . . <And so he thinks he has proved that Genius \& Inspiration are All a Hum>
... I shall [now] proceed with less method, . . . <He calls the Above proceeding with Method>

We will take it for granted, that reason is something invariable...
<Reason or A Ratio of All We have Known is not the Same it shall be when we know More. ${ }^{t 1487}$ be therefore takes a Falshood for granted to set out with>
[P 203] [Whatever of taste we can] fairly bring under the dominion of reason, must be considered as equally exempt from change.
<Now this is Supreme Fooling>

The arts would lie open for ever to caprice . . . if those who . . . judge had no settled principles. . . . <He may as well say that if Man does not. lay down settled Principles. The Sun will not rise in a Morning>
[P 204] My notion of nature comprehends . . . also the . . . human mind and imagination. <Here is a Plain Confession that he Thinks Mind \& Imagination not to be above the Mortal \& Perishing Nature. Such is the End of Epicurean or Newtonian Philosophy it is Atheism>
[P 208] [Poussin's Perseus and Medusa's head] . . . I remember turning from it with disgust, . . .
<Reynolds's Eye. could not bear Characteristic Colouring or Light \& Shade>

A picture should please at first sight, . . .
Please! Whom? Some Men Cannot See a Picture except in a Dark Corner

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[P 209] No one can deny, that violent passions will naturally emit harsh and disagreeable tones: . . .
Violent Passions Emit the Real Good \& Perfect Tones
[P 214] . . . Rubens . . . thinking it necessary to make his work so very ornamental, . . .
<Here it is calld Ornamental that the Roman \& Bolognian
Schools may be Insinuated not to be Ornamental>
[P 215] Nobody will dispute but some of the best of the Roman or Bolognian schools would have produced a more learned and more noble work [than that of Rubens]. <Learned \& Noble is Ornamental>
... weighing the value of the different classes of the art, ...
<A Fools Balance is no Criterion because tho it goes down on the heaviest side we ought to look what he puts into it. >
[P 228] Thus it is the ornaments, rather than the proportions of architecture, which at the first glance distinguish the different orders from each other; the Dorick is known by its triglyphs, the Ionick by its volutes, and the Corinthian by its acanthus.
[He could not tell Ionick from the Corinthian or Dorick or one column from another].
[P 232] [European meeting Cherokee Indian . . . which ever first feels himself provoked to laugh, is the barbarian. <Excellent>
[P 242] [In the highest] flights of . . . imagination, reason ought to preside from first to last, . . . <If this is True it is a Devilish Foolish Thing to be An Artist>

## DISCOURSE VIII

## [P 244, back of title]

<Burke's Treatise on the Sublime \& Beautiful is founded on the Opinions of Newton \& Locke on this Treatise Reynolds has

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grounded many of his assertions. in all his Discourses I read Burkes Treatise when very Young at the same time I read Locke on Human Understanding \& Bacons Advancement of Learning on Every one of these Books I wrote my Opinions \& on looking them over find that my Notes on Reynolds in this Book are exactly Similar. I felt the Same Contempt \& Abhorrence then; that I do now. They mock Inspiration \& Vision Inspiration \& Vision was then \& now is \& I hope will
always Remain my Element my Eternal Dwelling place. how can I then hear it Contemnd without returning Scorn for Scorn-->

## [P 245] THE PRINCIPLES OF ART . . . IN THEIR EXCESS BECOME DEFECTS. ... <br> <Principles according to $\mathrm{S}^{r}$ Joshua become Defects>

. . . form an idea of perfection from the . . . various schools. . . .
In another Discourse he says that we cannot Mix the Florentine \& Venetian
[P 251] [Rembrandt] often . . . exhibits little more than one spot of light in the midst of a large quantity of shadow: . . . Poussin . . . has scarce any principal mass of light. . .

Rembrandt was a Generalizer Poussin was a Particularizer Poussin knew better tha[n] to make all his Pictures have the same light \& shadow any fool may concentrate a light in the Middle
[P 256] . . Titian, where dignity . . . has the appearance of an unalienable adjunct; . . .
Dignity an Adjunct
[P 260] [Young artist made vain by] certain animating words, of Spirit, Dignity, Energy, Grace, greatness of Style, and brilliancy of Tints, . . . Mocks
[P 262] But this kind of barbarous simplicity, would be better named Penury, . . .

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Mocks
[The ancients'] simplicity was the offspring, not of choice, but necessity.
A Lie
[Painters who] ran into the contrary extreme [should] deal out their abundance with a more sparing hand, ... Abundance of Stupidity
[P 264] . . . the painter must add grace to strength, if he desires to secure the first impression in his favour. If you Endeavour to Please the Worst you will never Please the Best To please All Is Impossible
[P 266] [Raffaelle's St Paul preaching at Athens] . . . add contrast, and the whole energy and unaffected grace of the figure is destroyed.
Well Said
[ P 267] It is given as a rule by Fresnoy, That the principle figure . . . must appear . . . under the principal light, . . . What a Devil of a Rule
[P 272] . . . bad pictures will instruct as well as good.
Bad Pictures are always $\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Joshuas Friends
[Rules of colouring of the] Venetian painters, . . .
Colouring formed upon these Principles is destructive of All Art because it takes away the possibility of Variety \& only promotes Harmony or Blending of Colours one into another
[P 274] . . . harmony of colouring was not [attended to by Poussin]
Such Harmony of Colouring is destructive of Art One Species of General Hue over all is the Cursed Thing calld Harmony it is like the Smile of a Fool
[P 275] The illuminated parts of objects are in nature of a

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warmer tint than those that are in the shade: . . .
Shade is always Cold \& never as in Rubens \& the Colourists Hot \& Yellowy Brown
[P 277] . . . fulness of manner . . . Correggio . . . Rembrandt. . . . by melting and losing the shadows in a ground still darker. . . .
All This is Destructive of Art
[P 279] . . must depart from nature for a greater advantage. [Cannot paint moon as relatively bright as in nature.]
<These are Excellent Remarks on Proportional Colour>
[P 281] [Rembrandt made head too dark to preserve contrast with bright armour, but] it is necessary that the work should be seen, not only without difficulty . . . but with pleasure. . .

If the Picture ought to be seen with Ease surely The Nobler parts of the Picture such as the Heads ought to be Principal but this Never is the Case except in the Roman \& Florentine Schools Note I Include the Germans in the Florentine School
[P 284] From a slight undetermined drawing . . . the imagination supplies more than the painter himself, probably, could produce; . . .
What Falshood
[P 285] . . . indispensable rule . . . that everything shall be carefully and distinctly expressed. . . . This is what with us is called Science, and Learning; . . .
Excellent \& Contrary to his usual Opinions
[P 286] Falconet . . . thinks meanly of this trick of concealing, ...
<I am of Falconets opinion>

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## Annotations to Spurzheim's Observations on Insanity tl488

## London, 1817

[P 106] . . . In children . . . the disturbances of the organization appear merely as organic diseases, because the functions are entirely suppressed.
Corporeal disease. to which I readily agree. Diseases of the mind I pity him. Denies mental health and perfection Stick to this all is right. But see page 152
[ P 152] As the functions depend on the organization, disturbed functions will derange the organization, and one deranged cerebral part will have an influence on others, and so arises insanity. . . . Whatever occupies the mind too intensely or exclusively is hurtful to the brain, and induces a state favourable to insanity, in diminishing the influence of will.
[P 154] Religion is another fertile cause of insanity. Mr. Haslam, though he declares it sinful to consider religion as a cause of insanity, adds, however, that he would be ungrateful, did he not avow his obligation to Methodism for its supply of numerous cases. Hence the primitive feelings of religion may be misled and produce insanity; that is what I would contend for, and in that sense religion often leads to insanity. Methodism \&/c p. 154. Cowper came to me \& said. O that I were insane always I will never rest. Can you not make me truly insane. I will never rest till I am so. O that in the bosom of God I was hid. You retain health \& yet are as mad as any of us all--over us all--mad as a refuge from unbelief--from Bacon Newton \& Locke

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Dublin, 1744
[P 203] God knoweth all things, as pure mind or intellect, but nothing by sense, nor in nor through a sensory. Therefore to suppose a sensory of any kind, whether space or any other, in God would be very wrong, and lead us into false conceptions of his nature.
Imagination or the Human Eternal Body in Every Man
[P 204] But in respect of a perfect spirit, there is nothing hard or impenetrable: there is no resistance to the deity. Nor hath he any Body: Nor is the supreme being united to the world, as the soul of an animal is to its body, which necessarily implieth defect, both as an instrument and as a constant weight and impediment.
Imagination or the Divine Body in Every Man
[P 205] Natural phaenomena are only natural appearances. . . . They and the phantomes that result from those appearances, the children: of imagination grafted upon sense, such for example as pure space, are thought by many the very first in existence and stability, and to embrace and comprehend all beings.
The All in Man The Divine Image or Imagination The Four Senses are the Four Faces of Man \& the Four Rivers of the Water of Life
[P 212] Plato and Aristotle considered God as abstracted or distinct from the natural world. But the Aegyptians considered God and nature as making one whole, or all things together as making one universe.
They also considerd God as abstracted or distinct from the Imaginative World but Jesus as also Abraham \& David considerd God as a Man in the Spiritual or Imaginative Vision
Jesus considerd Imagination to be the Real Man \& says I will not leave you Orphanned and I will manifest myself to you he says also the Spiritual Body or Angel as little Children always

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behold the Face of the Heavenly Father
[ P 213] The perceptions of sense are gross: but even in the senses there is a difference. Though harmony and proportion are not objects of sense, yet the eye and the ear are organs, which offer to the mind such materials, by means whereof she may apprehend both the one and the other.
Harmony [\&] Proportion are Qualities \& Not Things The Harmony \& Proportion of a Horse are not the same with those of a Bull Every Thing has its
own Harmony \& Proportion Two Inferior Qualities in it For its Reality is Its Imaginative Form
[P 214] By experiments of sense we become acquainted with the lower faculties of the soul; and from them, whether by a gradual evolution or ascent, we arrive at the highest. These become subjects for fancy to work upon. Reason considers and judges of the imaginations. And these acts of reason become new objects to the understanding.
Knowledge is not by deduction but Immediate by Perception or Sense at once Christ addresses himself to the Man not to his Reason Plato did not bring Life \& Immortality to Light Jesus only did this
[P 215] There is according to Plato properly no knowledge, but only opinion concerning things sensible and perishing, not because they are naturally abstruse and involved in darkness: but because their nature and existence is uncertain, ever fleeting and changing.
Jesus supposes every Thing to be Evident to the Child \& to the Poor \& Unlearned Such is the Gospel
The Whole Bible is filld with Imaginations \& Visions from End to End \& not with Moral virtues that is the baseness of Plato \& the Greeks \& all Warriors The Moral Virtues are continual Accusers of Sin \& promote Eternal Wars \& Domineering over others
[P 217] Aristotle maketh a threefold distinction of objects according to the three speculative sciences. Physics he supposeth to be conversant about such things as have a principle of motion in themselves, mathematics about things permanent but not abstracted, and theology about being abstracted and
immoveable, which distinction may be seen in the ninth book of his metaphysics.
God is not a Mathematical Diagram
[P 218] It is a maxim of the Platonic philosophy, that the soul of man was originally furnished with native inbred notions, and stands in need of sensible occasions, not absolutely for producing them, but only for awakening, rousing or exciting, into act what was already preexistent, dormant, and latent in the soul.
The Natural Body is an Obstruction to the Soul or Spiritual Body
[P 219] . . . Whence, according to Themistius, . . . it may be inferred that all beings are in the soul. For, saith he, the forms are the beings. By the form every thing is what it is. And, he adds, it is the soul that imparteth forms to matter, . .

This is my Opinion but Forms must be apprehended by Sense or the Eye of Imagination
Man is All Imagination God is Man \& exists in us \& we in him

PAGE 241 What Jesus came to Remove was the Heathen or Platonic Philosophy which blinds the Eye of Imagination The Real Man

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The Lord's Prayer, Newly Translated tl494

London, 1827

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## [TITLE PAGE]

I look upon this as a Most Malignant \& Artful attack upon the Kingdom of Jesus By the Classical Learned thro the Instrumentality of $\mathrm{D}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Thornton The Greek \& Roman Classics is the Antichrist I say Is \& not Are as most expressive \& correct too
[PAGE ii] Doctor Johnson on the Bible.
["]The BIBLE is the most difficult book in the world to comprehend, nor can it be understood at all by the unlearned, except through the aid of CRITICAL and EXPLANATORY notes. . . . "
Christ \& his Apostles were Illiterate Men Caiphas Pilate \& Herod were Learned.
The Beauty of the Bible is that the most Ignorant \& Simple
Minds Understand it Best--Was Johnson hired to Pretend to Religious Terrors while he was an Infidel or how was it

LORD BYRON on the Ethics of CHRIST.
". . . What made SOCRATES the greatest of men? His moral truths--his ethics. What proved JESUS
CHRIST to be the SON OF GOD, HARDLY LESSthan his miracles did? His moral precepts. . . ."
If Morality was Christianity Socrates was The Savior.
[PAGE 1]
Such things as these depend on the Fashion of the Age In a book where all may Read \& \|
In a book which all may Read \& \} are Equally Right In a book that all may Read |
That Man who \&/c is equally so The Man that \& the Man which

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THE LORD'S PRAYER,
(Translated from the Greek,) by Dr. Thornton.
[The Greek text after the second and third verses is supplied by Blake.]
Come let us worship, and bow down, and kneel, before the LORD, OUR MAKER Psalm xcv.
O FATHER OF MANKIND, THOU, who dwellest inthe highest of the HEAVENS, Reverenc'd be THY Name <Greek text>

May THY REIGN be, every where, proclaim'd so that
THY Will may, be done uponthe
Earth_, as it is in the MANSIONS of HEAVEN:
<Greek text>

Grant unto me, and the whole world, day by day, an abundant supply of spiritual and corporeal FOOD:

FORGIVE US OUR TRANSGRESSIONS against THEE, AS WE extend OUR Kindness, and Forgiveness, TO ALL:

O GOD! ABANDON us not, when surrounded, by TRIALS;

> But PRESERVE us from the Dominion of SATAN: For THINE only, is THE SOVEREIGNTY, THE POWER, and THE GLORY, throughout ETERNITY!!!
> AMEN.
> Men from their childhood have been so accustomed to mouth the LORD'S PRAYER, that they continue this through life, and call it "Saying their Prayers.. . .
> It is the learned that Mouth \& not the Vulgar

Lawful Bread Bought with Lawful Money \& a Lawful Heaven seen thro a Lawful Telescope by means of Lawful Window Light The Holy

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Spirits are Lawful but not Ghosts especially Royal Gin is Lawful Spirit [real] No Smuggling <real>British Spirit \& Truth
[PAGE 2] Critical and Explanatory Notes.
Give us the Bread that is our due \& Right by taking away Money or a Price or Tax upon what is Common to all in thy Kingdom
[PAGE 3]
Jesus our Father who art in <thy> Heaven<s> calld by thy Name the Holy Ghost Thy Kingdom on Earth is Not nor thy Will done but [?Beelzebub] <[his] <Satans> Will who is the God of this World> The Accuser [Let his Judgment be Forgiveness that he may be cons[u]md in his own Shame] < [His

Judgment] <His Accusation> shall be Forgiveness [and he shall] <that he may> be consumd in his own Shame>
Give [me] <us> This Eternal Day [my] <our>
[Ghostly] <own right> Bread \& take away Money or Debt or Tax <a Value or Price> as we have all things common among us Every Thing has as much right to Eternal Life as God who is the Servant of Man
Leave us not in [?Poverty ?and ?Want] Parsimony
<Satans Kingdom> [but deliver] <liberate> us from the Natural Man \& want or Jobs Kingdom
For thine is the Kingdom \& the Power \& the Glory \& not Caesars or Satans Amen.
(Many illegible erasures, partial restorations, and repetitions probably meant to replace one another have been omitted from this transcript.)
[PAGE 5] Dim at best are the conceptions we have of the SUPREME BEING, who, as it were, keeps the human race in suspense, neither discovering, nor hiding HIMSELF; . . .
a Female God
[PAGE 6] What is the WILL of GOD we are ordered to obey? . . . Let us consider whose WILL it is. . . . It is the

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WILL of our MAKER. . . . It is finally the WILL. of HIM, who is uncontrolably powerful; ...
So you See That God is just such a Tyrant as Augustus Caesar \& is not this Good \& Learned \& Wise \& Classical
[PAGE 9] Reasons for a New Translation of the Whole Bible.
The only thing for Newtonian \& Baconian Philosophers to Consider is this Whether Jesus did not suffer himself to be Mockd by Caesars Soldiers Willingly \& [I hope they will] <to>Consider this to all Eternity will be Comment Enough
[PAGE 10, blank]
This is Saying the Lords Prayer Backwards which they say
Raises the Devil
Doctor Thorntons <Tory> Translation Translated out of its disguise in the <Classical \&> Scotch language into
[plain] <the vulgar> English
Our Father Augustus Caesar who art in these thy <Substantial Astronomical Telescopic> Heavens Holiness to thy Name <or Title \& reverence to thy Shadow> Thy Kingship come upon Earth first \& thence in Heaven Give us day by day our Real Taxed <Substantial Money bought> Bread [\& take] <deliver from the Holy Ghost <so we call Nature> whatever cannot be Taxed> [debt that was owing to him] <for all is debts \& Taxes between Caesar \& us \& one another> lead us not to read the Bible <but let our Bible be Virgil \& Shakspeare > \& deliver us from Poverty in Jesus <that Evil one> For thine is the Kingship <or Allegoric Godship> \& the Power or War \& the Glory or Law Ages after Ages in thy Descendents <for God is only an Allegory of Kings \& nothing Else> Amen
I swear that Basileia <Greek here> is not Kingdom but Kingship I Nature Hermaphroditic Priest \& King Live in Real Substantial Natural Born Man \& that Spirit is the Ghost of Matter or Nature \& God is The Ghost of the Priest \& King who Exist whereas God exists not except from [them] <their Effluvia>

Here is Signed Two Names which are too Holy to be Written Thus we see that the Real God is the Goddess Nature \& that God Creates nothing but what can be Touchd \& Weighed \& Taxed \& Measured all else is Heresy \& Rebellion against Caesar Virgils Only God See Eclogue i \& for all this we thank $D^{r}$ Thornton

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[note said to be in Cennini's Trattato della Pittura
(Roma, 1821) but probably in Benvenuto Cellini'sTrattato dell' Oreficeri(1568, 1731, [1795] or 1811)]
[Cellini's 8th chapter tells of a commission from Pope Paul III for a gift for Emperor Charles V. Cellini suggested an allegorical group of "Faith, Hope, and Charity" upholding a crucifix of gold. The Pope was induced to order instead a breviary of the Virgin bound in jeweled gold.] The Pope supposes Nature and the Virgin Mary to be the same allegorical personages, but the Protestant considers Nature as incapable of bearing a child.

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| EDAnnYoung; E670\| | In his watercolor illumination (NT 199) of Night |
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| EDAnnYoung; E670 | you sit, / In Wisdom shallow: pompous Ignorance!"), Blake |
| EDAnnYoung; E670 | identifies the pictured volumes of pompous ignorance by the |
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Her Ears of Jet \& Emrald Eyes
She saw \& purr'd applause"
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The hapless nymph with wonder saw
A Whisker first \& then a Claw \&/c"
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Full many a sprightly race
Who foremost \&/c"
5. "The captive linnet"

The rolling circle"
murmuring labours" \&/c
6. Yet see how all around them wait . . .

The vultures of the Mind
7. Ambition this shall tempt to rise

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1. A Widower \& children
2. Grief among the roots of trees
3. "Purple tyrant vainly groans"
4. "Stern rugged Nurse"

Virtue Nursd in the Lap of Adversity
5. "In thy Gorgon terrors clad

Screaming horrors funeral cry
Despair \& Fell Disease \& ghastly Poverty"
6. "Oh gently on thy suppliants head

Dread Goddess lay thy chastening hand"

GrayPoesy; E678| The Progress of Poesy

GrayPoesy; E678| 1. The Beginning of Poesy. The blind begging Bard
GrayPoesy; E678| 2. Study
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The Bard.

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1. A Welch Bard.
2. The Slaughterd Bards, taken from the line
"The famishd Eagle screams \& passes by" Page 98.
3. The Bard weaving Edwards fate
4. Edward \& his Queen \& Nobles astonishd at the Bards Song

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## 5. "Hark how each Giant Oak \& Desart Cave

Sigh to the Torrents awful voice beneath"
6. "On yonder cliffs. "I see them Sit"
7. "Oer thy country hangs" The scourge of heaven"

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GraySisters; E679| 10. A Battle.

| GrayOdin; E680\| | The Descent of Odin |
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| GrayOdin; E680\| | 1. The Serpent who girds the Earth |
| GrayOdin; E680\| | 2. Spectres |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | \| 3. "Him the Dog of Darkness spied" |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | 4. "Right against the eastern gate |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | \| By the moss grown Pile he sat." |
| GrayOdin; E680\| | 5. The Prophetess Rising from her Grave |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | \| 6. "Tis the Drink of Balder bold" |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | \| 7. "A wondrous boy shall Rinda bear |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | 0 Who neer shall comb his raven hair |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | o Nor wash his visage in the stream |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | \| Till he on Hoders corse shall smile" |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | \| 8. "Ha! No traveller art thou |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | O King of Men I know thee Now" |
| GrayOdinQUOTE; E680\| | 9. "Hie thee hence" |
| GrayOdin; E680\| | 10. The Serpent \& the Wolvish Dog. two terrors in the Northern |

GrayOwen; E680| The Triumphs of Owen

| GrayOwen; E680\| | 1. A Standard bearer fainting in the routed battle |
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| GrayOwn: E680\| | 2. A [xxxx] <Festal> board |
| GrayOwn; E680\| | 3. The Bard singing Owens praise |
| GrayOwnQuote; E680 | 4. "Dauntless on his native sands |
| GrayOwnQuote; E680 | The Dragon son of Mona stands" |
| GrayOwnQuote; E680\| | 5. "Fear to Stop \& Shame to fly" |
| GrayOwn; E680\| | 6. The liberal Man inviting the traveller into his house |

GrayMusic; E680| Ode for Music.

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1. Fame.
2. A bird singing
3. A Genius driving away "Comus \& his midnight crew"
4. Milton struck the corded Shell

Newtons self bends from his state sublime

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10. Fame.
5. "I wood the gleam of Cynthia silver bright Where willowy Comus lingers with delight"
6. "Great Edward with the lillies on his brow

To hail the festal morning come"
7. "Leaning from her golden cloud

The venerable Margaret"
8. "The Laureate wreathe"
9. "Nor fear the rocks nor seek the Shore"

Epitaph

1. The mourner at the tomb
2. Her infant image here below

Sits smiling on a Fathers woe

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GrayElegy; E681| 2. Contemplation among Tombs

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3. "The Plowman homeward plods his weary way

And leaves the world to darkness \& to me"
4. "For him no more the blazing hearth shall burn

Nor children run to lisp their sires return"
5. "Oft did the Harvest to their sickle yield"
6. "Chill penury repressd their noble rage"
7. "Some Village Hampden that with dauntless breast

The little Tyrant of his Fields withstood"
8. "Many a holy text around she strews"
9. "Some kindred spirit shall enquire thy fate

Haply some hoary beaded swain may say
Oft \&c"
10. "Slow thro the Churchway path we saw him borne"

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11. A Shepherd reading the Epitaph
12. A Spirit conducted to Paradise

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Mirth. Allegro

1 Heart easing Mirth.
Haste thee Nymph \& bring with thee
Jest \& Youthful Jollity
Quips \& Cranks \& Wanton Wiles
Nods \& Becks \& wreathed smiles
Sport that wrinkled Care derides
And Laughter holding both his Sides
Come \& trip it as you go
On the light phantastic toe
And in thy right hand lead with thee

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The Mountain Nymph Sweet Liberty

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These Personifications are all brought together in the First Design. Surrounding the Principal Figure which is Mirth herself

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2 To hear the Lark begin his flight
And singing startle the dull Night
From his Watch Tower in the Skies
Till the dappled Dawn does rise
The Lark is an Angel on the Wing Dull Night starts from his Watch Tower on a Cloud. The Dawn with her dappled Horses arises above the Earth The Earth beneath awakes at the Larks Voice

3 Sometime walking not unseen By hedgerow Elms on Hillocks green

Right against the Eastern Gate
When the Great Sun begins his state Robed in Flames \& amber Light The Clouds in thousand Liveries dight
While the Plowman near at hand
Whistles o'er the Furrow'd Land
And the Milkmaid singeth blithe
And the Mower whets his Scythe
And every Shepherd tells his Tale
Under the Hawthorn in the Dale
The Great Sun is represented clothed in Flames Surrounded by the Clouds in their Liveries, in their various Offices at the Eastern Gate. beneath in Small Figures Milton walking by Elms on Hillocks green The Plowman. The Milkmaid The Mower whetting his Scythe. \& The Shepherd \& his Lass under a Hawthorn in the Dale

4 Sometimes with secure delight The upland Hamlets will invite When the merry Bells ring round And the jocund Rebecks Sound To many a Youth \& many a Maid Dancing in the chequerd Shade And Young \& Old come forth to play On a Sunshine Holiday
In this Design is Introduced
Mountains on whose barren breast
The Labring Clouds do often rest
Mountains Clouds Rivers Trees appear Humanized on the

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Sunshine Holiday. The Church Steeple with its merry bells The Clouds arise from the bosoms of Mountains While Two Angels sound their Trumpets in the Heavens to announce the Sunshine -Holiday

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5 Then to the Spicy Nut brown Ale
With Stories told of many a Treat
How Fairy Mab the junkets eat
She was pinchd \& pulld she said
And he by Friars Lantern led
Tells how the drudging Goblin sweat
To earn his Cream Bowl duly set
When in one Night e'er glimpse of Morn
His shadowy Flail had threshd the Corn
That ten day labourers could not end
Then crop-full out of door he flings
E'er the first Cock his Matin rings
The Goblin crop full flings out of doors from his Laborious task dropping his Flail \& Cream bowl. yawning \& stretching vanishes into the Sky. In which is seen Queen Mab Eating the Junkets. The Sports of the Fairies are seen thro the Cottage where "She" lays in Bed "pinchd \& pulld" by Fairies as they dance on the Bed the Cieling \& the Floor \& a Ghost pulls the Bed Clothes at her Feet. "He" is seen following the Friars Lantern towards the Convent

6 There let Hymen oft appear
In Saffron Robe with Taper clear
With Mask \& Antique Pageantry
Such sights as Youthful Poets dream
On Summers Eve by haunted Stream
Then lo the well trod Stage anon
If Johnsons learned Sock be on
Or Sweetest Shakespeare Fancys Child
Warble his native wood notes wild
The youthful Poet sleeping on a bank by the Haunted Stream by Sun Set sees in his Dream the more bright Sun of Imagination. under the auspices of Shakespeare \& Johnson. in which is Hymen at a Marriage \& the Antique Pageantry attending it

## Melancholy. Pensieroso

7 Come pensive Nun devout \& pure
Sober stedfast \& demure
All in Robe of darkest grain
Flowing with majestic train

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Come but keep thy wonted state
With even step \& musing gait
And looks commercing with the Skies

And join with thee calm Peace \& Quiet
Spare Fast who oft with Gods doth diet
And hears the Muses in a ring
Ay. round about Jove altar sing And add to these retired Leisure
Who in trim Gardens takes his pleasure
But first \& Chiefest with thee bring
Him who yon soars on golden Wing
Guiding the Fiery wheeled Throne
The Cherub Contemplation
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Less Philomel will deign a song
In her sweetest saddest plight
Smoothing the rugged Brow of Night
While Cynthia Checks her dragon yoke
Gently o'er the accustomd Oak
These Personifications are all brought together in this
design surrounding the Principal Figure Who is Melancholy herself

8 To behold the wandring Moon
Riding near her highest Noon
Like one that has been led astray
Thro the heavens wide pathless way
And oft as if her head she bowd
Stooping thro' a fleecy Cloud
Oft on a plat of rising ground
I hear the far off Curfew sound
Over some wide waterd shore
Swinging slow with sullen roar
Milton in his Character of a Student at Cambridge. Sees the Moon terrified as one led astray in the midst of her path thro heaven. The distant Steeple
seen across a wide water indicates the Sound of the Curfew Bell

Where I may oft outwatch the Bear
With thrice great Hermes or unsphear

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The Spirit of Plato to unfold
What Worlds or what vast regions hold
The Immortal Mind that has forsook Its
Mansion in this Fleshly nook
And of those Spirits that are found
In Fire. Air. Flood. \& Underground
The Spirit of Plato unfolds his Worlds to Milton in
Contemplation. The Three destinies sit on the Circles of Platos Heavens weaving the Thread of Mortal Life these Heavens are Venus Jupiter \& Mars, Hermes flies before as attending on the Heaven of Jupiter the Great Bear is seen in the Sky beneath Hermes \& The Spirits of Fire. Air. Water \& Earth Surround Miltons Chair

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11 There in close covert by some Brook
Where no profaner Eye may look
With such concert as they keep
Entice the dewy featherd Sleep
And let some strange mysterous Dream
Wave on his Wings in airy stream
Of liveliest Portraiture displayd
On my Sleeping eyelids laid
And as I wake sweet Music breathe
Above; about: or underneath:
Sent by some Spirit to Mortals good
Or the unseen Genius of the Wood
Milton sleeping on a Bank. Sleep descending with a Strange
Mysterious Dream upon his Wings of Scrolls \& Nets \& Webs unfolded
by Spirits in the Air \& in the Brook around Milton are Six
Spirits or Fairies hovering on the air with Instruments of Music

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12 And may at last my weary Age
Find out the peaceful Hermitage
The hairy Gown the mossy Cell
Where I may sit \& rightly spell
Of every Star that heavn doth shew

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And every Herb that sips the dew
Till old Experience do attain
To somewhat like Prophetic strain Milton in his Old Age sitting in his Mossy Cell Contemplating the Constellations. surrounded by the Spirits of the Herbs \& Flowers. bursts forth into a rapturous Prophetic Strain

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Can you think I can endure to be considered as <a> vapour arising from your food? I I will leave you if you doubt I am of no [more] <greater> importance than a Butterfly
Spiritual communication to mr Blake
Empress Maud not very tall

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[Opposite drawing by Blake of Queen Maud, mother of King Henry II, in bed in a Gothic room:] the Empress Maud said rose water was in the vessel under the table octr. 29 friday. 11 P M. 1819.
\& said there were closets which containd all the conveniences for the bedchamber

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it is allways to keep yourself collected $\quad t 1512$

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## Hotspur said ${ }^{t 1513}$

any \& we shoud have had the Battle had it not been for those cursd Stars
Hotspur said he was indignant to have been killd [by] through the Stars Influence by <such> a Person as Prince Hen[r]y who was so much his inferior

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[Note on a Pencil Drawing of Nine Grotesque Heads] All Genius varies Thus Devils are various Angels are all alike

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[Lightly inscribed on the platein its fourth state, ca 1820:]

The Use of Money \& its Wars
An Allegory of Idolatry or Politics
[Inscriptions on Blake'sIllustrations of the Book of Job, 1825]
[Blake's verbal variants from his source, the King James Bible]

I there was born . . . Sons \& . . . Daughters there were born (Job 1:1-2)
[After "It is Spiritually Discerned" Blake first wrote
Prayer to God is a Study of Imaginative Art".
II The Angel of the Divine Presence
[identified in Hebrew as "King Jehovah"] (not in the Bible)
We shall awake up in thy Likeness
... With thy likeness (Psalm xvii:15)
the Sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord \&
Satan came also among them to present himself before the Lord $\ldots$ and Satan came also among them (Job i:6)
III the four faces of the house
the four corners . . .(Job i:19)
IV the Sabeans came down \& they have slain the
Young Men with the Sword
. . . fell upon them . . . yea, they have slain
the servants with the edge of the sword (Job i:14-15)
Going to \& fro $\ldots$. \& walking
From going to and fro . . . and from walking (Job i:7)
the flocks \& the Young Men the sheep, and the servants (Job i:16)

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V my Soul afflicted for the Poor
my soul grieved . . (Job xxx:25)
VI to the crown of his head unto his crown (Job ii:7)
VII every Man . . . towards heaven
every one . . .toward heaven (Job ii:12)
IX putteth no trust in his Saints . . . chargeth with folly
put no trust in his servants . . . charged . . . (Job iv:17-18)
XI shall come forth like gold
. . . as gold (Job xxiii:10)
up like a flower . . . such a one
forth like a flower . . .such an one (Job xiv:1-3)
XI With Dreams upon my bed thou searest me \& affrightest me with Visions
Then thou searest me with dreams, and terrifiest me through visions (Job vii:14)
Oh that my words were printed in a Book
... words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book! (Job xix:22-27)
latter days
latter day (Job xix:22-27)
destroy thou This body
worms destroy this body (Job xix:22-27)
consumed be my wrought Image
my reins be consumed within me (Job xix:22-27)

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Ed; E688] [Chapter Titles in Blake's Illustrated Manuscript. A Fragment]

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Chap: 1 The Creation of the Natural Man
Ch. 2 The Natural Man divided into Male \& Female \& of the
Tree of Life \& of the Tree of Good \& Evil
Chap. 3. Of the Sexual Nature \& its Fall into Generation \& Death
Chap IV How Generation \& Death took Possession of the Natural Man \& of the Forgiveness of Sins written upon the Murderers Forehead

XII deep Slumberings
deep sleep . . . in slumberings (Job xxxiii:15)
He observeth
He seeth (Job xxxiv:21)
XIV Two Great Lights Sun Moon
two great lights (Genesis i:16)
XV the bright cloud also it is turned about his bright cloud: And it is turned round about (Job xxxvii:11-12)

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XVI higher than Heaven . . . deeper than Hell
as high as heaven. . . deeper than hell (Job xi:8)
XVII work of thy hands
work of thy fingers (Psalm viii:3-4)
XVIII maketh his sun to shine
. . . to rise (Matthew v:45)
XX There were not found Women fair as the Daughters of Job in all the Land
And in all the land were no women found so fir as the daughters of Job (Job xlii:15) XXI Below "In burnt Offerings for Sin thou hast had no Pleasure"

Blake first wrote
"Praise to God is the Exercise of Imaginative Art"

ED; E688| [Blake's signature on the drawing for job design XIV] ${ }^{t 1516}$ ED; E688] [From a tracing] <image here>

ED; E688] [On Blake's Illustrations to Dante] ${ }^{t 1518}$

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On design No 1, "HELL Canto 1"
[LAGO] LAGO del CUOR

On design No 3, "Hell Canto 2", a Jehovah figure
with outstretched hands and with one human and one cloven
foot:
The Angry God of This World \& his ?Porch in Purgatory
[Lightning below his hands:]
The Thunder of Egypt
[Kneeling figure with symbols of empire:]
Caesar

On design No 4, "HELL Canto 3", Inscription over
Hell-Gate, with Blake's translation;
Lasciate ogni Speranza voi che inentrate
Leave every Hope you who in Enter

On design No 7, "HELL Canto 4", figure with sword and laurel crown, in center of diagram of celestial Universe: labeled "Homer" above his crown and "Satan" between his head and his sword
[Spheres from outer to inner]

Vacuum Starry Heaven Saturn Jupiter Mars Sun Venus Mercury Moon [all marked as:]
Limbo of Weak Shadows
[then:]
Terrestrial Paradise It is an Island in Limbo Purgatory
Every thing in Dantes Comedia shews That for Tyrannical
Purposes he has made This World the Foundation of All \& the Goddess Nature \& not the Holy Ghost as Poor Churchill said Nature thou art my Goddess
[Reading after insertions:]
. . . \& the Goddess Nature <Memory> <is his Inspirer>
\& not <Imagination> the Holy Ghost. . . .
Round Purgatory is Paradise \& round Paradise is Vacuum or Limbo. so that Homer is the Center of All I mean the Poetry of the Heathen Stolen \& Perverted from the Bible not by Chance but by design by the Kings of Persia and their Generals The Greek Heroes \& lastly by The Romans
Swedenborg does the same in saying that in this World is the Ultimate of Heaven
This is the most damnable Falshood of Satan \& his Antichrist

On sketch for No 10 (on verso of No 56)
One of the Whirlwinds of Love
Hell Canto 5 Paulo \& Francesca

On engraving of No 10 (in mirror writing) The Whirlwind of Lovers From Dantes Inferno Canto V

> On design No 14, Plutus
> [Coins in sack labeled:]
> Money

On design No 15, "HELL Canto 7"
[Battle under water labeled:]
The Stygian Lake

On design No 16, "HELL Canto 7", [Goddess of
Fortune in a pit]
The hole of a Shit house
The Goddess Fortune is the devils servant ready to Kiss any ones Arse

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Celestial Globe Terrestrial Globe

On design No 17, "HELL Canto 7"
Stygian Lake

On verso of No 36, erased pencil:
N ?61 last in the Inferno unless ?include Dante lifted by
Virgil ?from ?the ?window

On design No 38, "HELL Canto 21"
Virgil Casella Dante Venus

On verso of No 56, in pencil:
Vanni Fucci Hell Canto 24

On design No 72, "P-g Canto 2"
Cato

On design No 86, "P-g Canto 27"
Leah \& Rachel Dantes Dream

On design No 99, Mary and Beatrice on sunflower Saturn (or ?Sun)
Mary Scepter Looking Glass
[Two sphinxes labeled]
Thrones Dominion[s]
[sitting on closed volumes, one labeled]
corded round
[the other]
Bible chaind round
[near open volumes labeled]
Homer Aristotle

On design No 101, diagram of the 9 Circles of Hell t1519
This is Upside Down When viewd from Hells Gate
[Written in reverse direction:]
But right When Viewd from Purgatory after they have passed the Center
In Equivocal Worlds Up \& Down are Equivocal Limbo
1 Charon 3 Cerberus

2 Minos 4 Plutus \& Phlegyas
5 City of Dis furies \& Queen of Endless Woe Lesser
Circle Point of the Universe Canto Eleventh line 68
6 Minotaur The City of Dis seems to occupy the Space between the Fifth \& Sixth Circles or perhaps it occupies both Circles with its Environs
7 Centaurs Most likely Dante describes the 78 \& 9 Circles in Canto XI v 183 Compartments Dante calls them Cerchietti 8 Geryon Malebolge Containing 10 Gulphs
9 Lucifer Containing 9 Rounds
It seems as if Dantes supreme Good was something Superior to the Father or Jesus [as] <for> if he gives his rain to the Evil \& the Good \& his Sun to the just \& the Unjust He could never have Builded Dantes Hell nor the Hell of the Bible neither in the way our Parsons explain it It must have been originally Formed by the Devil Himself \& So I understand it to have been

Whatever Book is for Vengeance for Sin \& whatever Book is Against the Forgiveness of Sins is not of the Father but of Satan the Accuser \& Father of Hell

ED; E691] [On Blake's Epitome of Hervey's Meditations among the Tombs] ${ }^{t 1520}$

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[Reading from left to right, bottom to top]
Babe Widow Father Baptism. Hervey Angel of Death
Virgin Wife Old Age Infancy Husband Angel of Providence Guardian Angel Child Angel of Death Mother Where is your Father The Lost Child Sophronia died in Childbed She died on the Wedding Day Orphan Moses Elias JESUS David Solomon Protecting Angel Aaron Abraham believed God These died for love Ministering Angels Mother of Leah \& Rachel Mother of Rebecca Recording Angels Protecting Angel Orphans NOAH Enoch Cain Serpent Abel Eve Adam God out of Christ is a Consuming Fire ${ }^{t 1521}$
MERCY WRATH

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TO THE PUBLIC October 10, 1793.

The Labours of the Artist, the Poet, the Musician, have been proverbially attended by poverty and obscurity; this was never the fault of the Public, but was owing to a neglect of means to propagate such works as have wholly absorbed the Man of Genius. Even Milton and Shakespeare could not publish their own works. This difficulty has been obviated by the Author of the following productions now presented to the Public; who has invented a method of Printing both Letter-press and Engraving in a style more ornamental, uniform, and grand, than any before discovered, while it produces works at less than one fourth of the expense.
If a method of Printing which combines the Painter and the Poet is a phenomenon worthy of public attention, provided that it exceeds in elegance all former methods, the Author is sure of his reward.
Mr. Blake's powers of invention very early engaged the attention of many persons of eminence and fortune; by whose means he has been regularly enabled to bring before the Public works (he is not afraid to say) of equal magnitude and consequence with the productions of any age or country: among which are two large highly finished engravings (and two more are nearly ready) which will commence a Series of subjects from the Bible, and another from the History of England.
The following are the Subjects of the several Works now published and on Sale at Mr. Blake's, No. 13, Hercules Buildings, Lambeth.

1. Job, a Historical Engraving. Size $1 \mathrm{ft} .71 / 2$ in. by 1
ft. 2 in.: price $12 s$.
2. Edward and Elinor, a Historical Engraving. Size 1 ft. 6
$1 / 2$ in. by 1 ft .: price 10 s . $6 d$.
3. America, a Prophecy, in Illuminated Printing. Folio, with 18 designs: price 10 s .6 d .
4. Visions of the Daughters of Albion, in Illuminated Printing. Folio, with 8 designs, price 7 s .6 d .
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6. The Marriage of Heaven and Hell, in Illuminated Printing. Quarto, with 14 designs, price $7 s$.
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7. Songs of Innocence, in Illuminated Printing. Octavo, with 25 designs, price 5 s.
8. Songs of Experience, in Illuminated Printing. Octavo, with 25 designs, price 5 s.
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[Paragraph in A Father's Memoirs of his Child, by Benjamin Heath Malkin. London, 1806, pp 33-34]

They are all firm, determinate outline, or identical form. Had the hand which executed these little ideas been that of a plagiary, who works only from the memory, we should have seen blots, called masses; blots without form, and therefore without meaning. These blots of light and dark, as being the result of labour, are always clumsy and indefinite; the effect of rubbing out and putting in, like the progress of a blind man, or of one in the dark, who feels his way, but does not see it. These are not so. Even the copy from Raphael's Cartoon of St. Paul preaching, is a firm, determinate outline, struck at once, as Protogenes struck his line, when he meant to make himself known to Apelles. The map of Allestone has the same character of the firm and determinate. All his efforts prove this little boy to have had that greatest of all blessings, a strong imagination, a clear idea, and a determinate vision of things in his own mind.

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I say I shant live five years
And if I live one it will be a
Wonder June 1793

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From Bells Weekly Messenger Augst 4. 1811. ${ }^{t 1523}$

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A Bill of Indictment was preferred against Peter Le Cave for Felony but returnd Ignoramus by the Grand jury. It appeard that he was in extreme indigence but was an Artist of very superior Merit[.] while he was in Wilton [Jail] <Goal> he painted many Pieces in the Style of Morland some of which are stated to be even superior to the performances of that Artist. with whom Le Cave lived many years as a Professional Assistant \& he states that many Paintings of his were

| ED; E695\| | PAGE 67 |
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| N-p67; E695\| | 23 May 1810 found the Word Golden |

ED; E695| PAGE 72
N-p72; E695| Jesus does not treat [?all ?alike] because he makes a Wide
N-p72; E695| Distinction between the Sheep \& the Goats consequently he is Not N-p72; E695| Charitable

ED; E695| [Paper cut away]

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N-p96; E695| Who shall bind the Infinite

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N-p92; E695|
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N-p92; E695|
Every thing which is in harmony with me I call In harmony-But there may be things which are Not in harmony with Me \& yet are in a More perfect Harmony

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n-p101; E695| |O Lapwing \&c
N-p101; E695| |An answer to the Parson
N-p101; E695| on 1 Plate \{Experiment
N-p101; E695| |Riches
N-p101; E695| |If you \&c

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only Varnished over by Morland \& sold by that Artist as his own. Many of the Principal Gentlemen of the County have visited Le Cave in the Goal \& declared his drawings \& Paintings in many instances to excel Morlands. The Writer of this Article has seen many of Le Caves Works \& tho he does not pretend to the knowledge of ail artist yet he considers them as Chaste delineations of Rural Objects.

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Such is the Paragraph It confirms the Suspition I entertained concerning those two [Prints] I Engraved
From for J. R. Smith. That Morland could not have Painted them as they were the works of a Correct Mind \& no Blurrer

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I always thought that Jesus Christ was a Snubby or I should not have worshipd him if I had thought he had been one of those long spindle nosed rascals
ED; E696| [Fortunes in Bysshe] ${ }^{t 1525}$

N-Bysshe; E696| <South Molton Street>
N-Byshe; E696| Sunday August . 1807 My Wife was told by a Spirit to look
N-Bysshe; E696| for her fortune by opening by chance a book which she had in her
N-Bysshe; E696| hand it was Bysshes Art of Poetry. She opend the following
N-BysheQuote; E696| I saw 'em kindle with Desire
N-Byshequote; E696| While with soft sighs they blew the fire
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He growing more fierce \& she less coy
Saw how they mingled melting rays
Exchanging Love a thousand ways
Kind was the force on every side
Her new desire she could not hide
Nor would the shepherd be denied
The blessed minute he pursud
Till she transported in his arms
Yields to the Conqueror all her charms
His panting breast to hers now joind
They feast on raptures unconfind
Vast \& luxuriant such as prove
The immortality of Love
For who but a Divinity
Could mingle souls to that degree And melt them into Extasy
Now like the Phoenix both expire
While from the ashes of their fire
Spring up a new \& soft desire
Like charmers thrice they did invoke
The God \& thrice new Vigor took
BEHN

I was so well pleased with her Luck that I thought I would try my Own \& opend the following

As when the winds their airy quarrel try Justling from every quarter of the Sky This way \& that the Mountain oak they bear His boughs they shatter \& his branches tear

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With leaves \& falling mast they spread the Ground The hollow Valleys Eccho [the] to the Sound Unmovd the royal plant their fury mocks Or shaken clings more closely to the rocks For as he shoots his lowring head on high So deep in earth his fixd foundations lie DRYDENS VIRGIL

ED; E697] [Inscriptions in the ms of The Four Zoas]

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FZ56inscr; E697] Christs Crucifix shall be made an excuse for Executing FZ56inscr; E697|

ED; E697| PAGE 88 On a leaf of the ms cut from a print of Edward \& Elenor(1793)
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FZ93inscr; E697|
FZ93inscr; E697| The Christian Religion teaches that No Man is Indifferent to you but that every one is Either Your friend or your enemy. he must necessarily be either the one [of] or the other And that he will be equally profitable both ways if you treat him as he deserves

Unorganizd Innocence, All Impossibility Innocence dwells with Wisdom but never with Ignorance

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ED; E697] [Riddles Answered] ${ }^{t 1526}$
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[be]cause he is always thinking of his End which has brimstone at both Ends
Pair of Spectacles
Ring her hands
the Garden of Eden
Duck
[wh]en he calls her A Love lie Girl
[t]hat LoveErrs
forwards
an Ell taken from London is Undone
because they are [Isinglass] Eyes in Glass

Ed; E698| [Blake's Autograph in the Album of William Upcott] t1527
Autograph; E698| WILLIAM BLAKE one who is very much delighted with being in
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Autograph; E698| good Company
Born 28 Novr 1757 in London
\& has died several times since
January 16
1826
The above was written \& the drawing annexed by the desire of Mr Leigh how far it is an Autograph is a Question I do not think an Artist can write an Autograph especially one who has Studied in the Florentine \& Roman Schools as such an one will Consider what he is doing but an Autograph as I understand it, is Writ helter skelter like a hog upon a rope or a Man who walks without Considering whether he shall run against a Post or a House or a Horse or a Man \& I am apt to believe that what is done without meaning is very different from that which a Man Does with his Thought \& Mind \& ought not to be Calld by the Same Name. I consider the Autograph of Mr Cruikshank which very justly stands first in the Book \& that Beautiful Specimen of Writing by Mr Comfield \& my own; as standing [in] the same Predicament they are in some measure Works of Art \& not of Nature or Chance
Heaven born the Soul a Heavenward Course must hold

For what delights the Sense is False \& Weak
Beyond the Visible World she soars to Seek
Ideal Form, The Universal Mold
Michael Angelo. Sonnet as Translated by Mr Wordsworth

## [The Letters]

1 [To Willey Reveley ca October 18, 1791]
2 [To] G[eorge] Cumberland Esqr 6 Decembr 1795
3 [To George Cumberland] 23 Decembr 1796
4 To the Revd Dr Trusler Augst 16. 1799
5 [To] Revd Dr Trusler August 23, 1799
$6[\mathrm{To}] \mathrm{Mr}$ [George] Cumberland Augst 26. 1799
7 [To William Halley 18 February 1800$]$
8 [To] William Halley Esqr 1 April 1800
9 [To] William Halley Esqr May 6, 1800
10 [To] Mr [George] Cumberland 2 July 1800
11 [To] Mr [John] Flaxman 12 Sp. 1800
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12 [Mrs Blake to Mrs Flaxman] 14 Sepr 1800
To my dear Friend Mrs Anna Flaxman
13 [To William Halley] Sept 16. 1800
14 [To] Mr [John] Flaxman Septr 21, 1800
15 [To] Mr [Thomas] Butts Sep. 231800
16 [ To] Mr [Thomas] Butts Octr 2d 1800
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17 [To William Halley 26 November 1800$]$
18 [To Thomas Butts] 10 May 1801
19 [To] Mr [Thomas] Butts September 11. 1801
20 [To Thomas Butts ca Sept-Oct 1801]
21 To Mr [John] Flaxman Oct 191801
22 [To] Mr Butts Novr. 22: 1802
23 [To Thomas Butts 22 November 1802]
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24 [To] Mr Butts Jany 10. 1803
25 [To James Blake] Jany 30--1803.
26 [To] Mr Butts April 25. 1803
27 [To Thomas Butts] July 6, 1803
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29 Blake's Memorandum . . . [August 1803$]$
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31 To William Hayley Esqre October 7. 1803
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60 To Mr Hayley 27 Novr 1805
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63 [To] Richard Phillips Oct 14 [1807]
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67 To Dawson Turner Esqre 9 June, 1818
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70 [To] J. Linnell Esqre Wednesday [March 1825]
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72 [To] Mrs Linnell 11 October, 1825

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[On or after 18 October 1791]
Mr Blakes Compts to Mr Reveley tho full of work [as Mr R said he should be by then [tho] the plates were put in hand] he is glad to embrace the offer of engraving such beautiful things. \& will do what he can by the end of January
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[To] G[eorge] Cumberland Esq ${ }^{\text {r }}$ Bishopsgate near Egham, Surrey

Lambeth, 6 Decembr 1795 [Postmark: 10 December] Dear Sir<br>I congratulate you not on any atchievement. because I know. that the Genius that produces. these Designs can execute them in any manner. notwithstanding the pretended Philosophy which teaches that Execution is the power of One \& Invention of Another--Locke says it i[s the $]$ same faculty that Invents Judges, \& I say he who can Invent can Execute.

As to laying on the Wax it is as follows Take a cake of Virgins wax <([if it can be found] [if such be]< I dont know what animal produces it>)> \& stroke it regularly over the surface of a warm Plate. (the Plate must be warm enough to melt the Wax as it passes over) then immediately draw a feather over it \& you will get all even surface which when cold will recieve any impression minutely
Note The danger is in not covering the PlateAll
ove
Now You will I hope shew all the family of Antique Borers, that Peace \& Plenty \& Domestic Happiness is the Source of Sublime Art, \& prove to the Abstract Philosophers--that Enjoyment \& not Abstinence is the food of Intellect.
Yours sincerely
WILL BLAKE
Health to Mr Cumberland \& Family
The pressure necessary to roll off the lines is the same as when you print, or not quite so great. I have not been able to send a proof of the bath tho I have done the corrections. my paper not being in order.
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Lambeth 23 Decembr 1796 a Merry Christmas

Dear Cumberland
I have lately had some pricks of conscience on account of not acknowledging your friendship to me [before] immediately on the reciet of your. beautiful book. I have likewise had by me all the summer 6 Plates which you desired me to get made for you. they have laid on my shelf. without speaking to tell me whose they were or that they were [there] at all \& it was some time (when I found them) before I could divine whence they came or whither they were bound or whether they were to lie there to eternity. I have now sent them to you to be transmuted, thou real Alchymist!
Go on Go on. such works as yours Nature \& Providence the Eternal Parents demand from their children how few produce them in such perfection how Nature smiles on them. how Providence rewards them. How all your Brethren say, The sound of his harp \& his flute heard from his secret forest chears us to the labours of life. \& we plow \& reap forgetting our labour
Let us see you sometimes as well as sometimes hear from you \& let us often See your Works
Compliments to Mr Cumberland \& Family Yours in head \& heart WILL BLAKE
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To The Rev ${ }^{\text {d }}{ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ Trusler

Hercules Buildgs Lambeth Augst 16. 1799
Rev ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Sir
I find more \& more that my Style of Designing is a Species by itself. \& in this which I send you have been compelld by my Genius or Angel to follow where he led if I were to act otherwise it would not fulfill the purpose for which alone I live. which is in conjunction with such men as my friend Cumberland to renew the lost Art of the Greeks
I attempted every morning for a fortnight together to follow your Dictate. but when I found my attempts were in vain. resolvd to shew an independence which I know will please an Author better than slavishly following the track of another however admirable that track may be At any rate my Excuse must be: I could not do otherwise, it was out of my power!
I know I begged of you to give me your Ideas \& promised to build on them here I counted without my host I now find my mistake
The Design I have Sent. Is
A Father taking leave of his Wife \& Child. Is watchd by Two Fiends incarnate. with intention that when his back is turned they will murder the mother \& her infant--If this is not Malevolence with a vengeance I have never seen it on Earth. \& if you approve of this I have no doubt of giving you Benevolence with Equal Vigor. as also Pride \& Humility. but cannot previously describe in words what I mean to Design for fear I should Evaporate [some of $m$ ] the Spirit of my Invention. But I hope that none of my Designs will be destitute of Infinite Particulars which will present themselves to the Contemplator. And tho I call them Mine I know that they are not Mine being of the same opinion with Milton when he says That the Muse visits his Slumbers \& awakes \& governs his Song when Morn purples The East. \& being also in the predicament of that prophet who says I cannot go beyond the command of the Lord to speak good or bad If you approve of my Manner \& it is agreeable to you. I would rather Paint Pictures in oil of the same dimensions than make Drawings. \& on the same terms. by this means you will have a
number of Cabinet pictures. which I flatter myself will not be unworthy of a Scholar of Rembrant \& Teniers. whom I have Studied no less than Rafael \& Michael angelo--Please to send me your orders respecting this \& In my next Effort I promise more Expedition
I am Rev ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Sir
Your very humble serv ${ }^{t}$
WILL ${ }^{m}$ BLAKE
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[To] Rev ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Dr Trusler, Englefield Green, Egham, Surrey

13 Hercules Buildings,.Lambeth, August 23, 1799 [Postmark: 28 August]

Rev ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Sir
I really am sorry that you are falln out with the Spiritual World Especially if I should have to answer for it I feel very sorry that your Ideas \& Mine on Moral Painting differ so much as to have made you angry with my method of Study. If I am wrong I am wrong in good company. I had hoped your plan comprehended All Species of this Art \& Especially that you would not reject that Species which gives Existence to Every other. namely Visions of Eternity You say that I want somebody to Elucidate my Ideas. But you ought to know that What is Grand is necessarily obscure to Weak men. That which can be made Explicit to the Idiot is not worth my care. The wisest of the Ancients considerd what is not too Explicit as the fittest for Instruction because it rouzes the faculties to act. I name Moses Solomon Esop Homer Plato But as you have favord me with your remarks on my Design permit me in return to defend it against a mistaken one, which is. That I have supposed Malevolence without a Cause.--Is not Merit in one a Cause of Envy in another \& Serenity \& Happiness \& Beauty a Cause of Malevolence. But Want of Money \& the Distress of A Thief can never be alledged as the Cause of his Thievery. for many honest people endure greater hard ships with Fortitude We must therefore seek the Cause elsewhere than in want of Money for that is the Misers passion, not the Thiefs
I have therefore proved your Reasonings Ill proportiond which you can never prove my figures to be. They are those of Michael Angelo Rafael \& the Antique \& of the best living Models. I percieve that your Eye $[s]$ is perverted by Caricature Prints, which ought not to abound so much as they do. Fun I love but too much Fun is of all things the most loathsom. Mirth is better than Fun \& Happiness is better than Mirth--I feel that a Man may be happy in This World. And I know that This World Is a World of Imagination \& Vision I see Every thing I paint In This

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World, but Every body does not see alike. To the Eyes of a Miser a Guinea is more beautiful than the Sun \& a bag worn with the use of Money has more beautiful proportions than a Vine filled with Grapes. The tree which moves some to tears of joy is in the Eyes of others only a Green thing that stands in the way. Some See Nature all Ridicule \& Deformity \& by these I shall not regulate my proportions, \& Some Scarce see Nature at all But to the Eyes of the Man of Imagination Nature is Imagination itself. As a man is So he Sees. As the Eye is formed such are its Powers You certainly Mistake when you say that the Visions of Fancy are not be found in This World. To Me This World is all One continued Vision of Fancy or Imagination \& I feel Flatterd when I am told So. What is it sets Homer Virgil \& Milton in so high a rank of Art. Why is the Bible more

Entertaining \& Instructive than any other book. Is it not because they are addressed to the Imagination which is Spiritual Sensation \& but mediately to the Understanding or Reason Such is True Painting and such <was> alone valued by the Greeks \& the best modern Artists. Consider what Lord Bacon says "Sense sends over to Imagination before Reason have judged \& Reason sends over to Imagination before the Decree can be acted." See Advancemt of Learning Part 2 P 47 of first Edition
But I am happy to find a Great Majority of Fellow Mortals who can Elucidate My Visions \& Particularly they have been Elucidated by Children who have taken a greater delight in contemplating my Pictures than I even hoped. Neither Youth nor Childhood is Folly or Incapacity Some Children are Fools \& so are some Old Men. But There is a vast Majority on the side of Imagination or Spiritual Sensation
To Engrave after another Painter is infinitely more laborious than to Engrave ones own Inventions. And of the Size you require my price has been Thirty Guineas \& I cannot afford to do it for less. I had Twelve for the Head I sent you as a Specimen, but after my own designs I could do at least Six times the quantity of labour in the same time which will account for the difference of price as also that Chalk Engraving is at least six times as laborious as Aqua tinta. I have no objection to Engraving after another Artist. Engraving is the profession I was apprenticed to, \& should never have attempted to live by any thing else If orders had not come in for my Designs \& Paintings, which I have the pleasure to tell you are Increasing Every Day. Thus If I am a Painter it is not to be attributed to Seeking after. But I am contented whether I live by Painting or Engraving

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[To] Mr [George] Cumberland, Bishopsgate, Windsor Great Park

Hercules Buildings, Lambeth. Augst 26. 1799 Dear Cumberland I ought long ago to have written to you to thank you for your kind recommendation to $\mathrm{D}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Trusler which tho it has faild of success is not the less to be rememberd by me with Gratitude-I have made him a Drawing in my best manner he has sent it back with a Letter full of Criticisms in which he says it accords not with his Intentions which are to Reject all Fancy from his Work. How far he Expects to please I cannot tell. But as I cannot paint Dirty rags \& old Shoes where I ought to place Naked Beauty or simple ornament. I despair of Ever pleasing one Class of Men--Unfortunately our authors of books are among this Class how soon we Shall have a change for the better I cannot Prophecy. $\mathrm{D}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Trusler says
"Your Fancy from what I have seen of it. \& I have seen variety at $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Cumberlands seems to be in the other world or the World of Spirits. which accords not with my Intentions. which whilst living in This World Wish to follow the Nature of it" I could not help Smiling at the difference between the doctrines of $\mathrm{D}^{r}$ Trusler \& those of Christ. But however for his own sake I am sorry that a Man should be so enamourd of Rowlandsons caricatures as to call them copies from life \& manners or fit Things for a Clergyman to write upon Pray let me intreat you to persevere in your Designing it is the only source of Pleasure all your other pleasures depend upon It. It is the Tree Your Pleasures are the Fruit. Your Inventions of Intellectual Visions are the Stamina of every thing you value. Go on if not for your own sake yet for ours who love \& admire your works. but above all For the Sake of the Arts. Do not throw aside for any long time the honour intended you by Nature to revive the Greek workmanship. I study your outlines as usual just as if they were antiques.
As to Myself about whom you are so kindly Interested. I
live by Miracle. I am Painting small Pictures from the Bible. For as to Engraving in which art I cannot reproach myself with any neglect yet I am laid by in a corner as if I did not Exist \& Since my Youngs Night Thoughts have been publishd Even Johnson \& Fuseli have discarded my Graver. But as I know that He who Works \& has his health cannot starve. I laugh at Fortune \& Go on \& on. I think I foresee better Things than I have ever seen. My Work pleases my employer \& I have an order for Fifty small Pictures at One Guinea each which is Something better than mere copying after another artist. But above all I feel myself happy \& contented let what will come having passed now near twenty years in ups \& downs I am used to them \& perhaps a little practise in them may turn out to benefit. It is now Exactly Twenty years since I was upon the ocean of business \& Tho I laugh at Fortune I am perswaded that She Alone is the Governor of Worldly Riches. \& when it is Fit She will call on me till then I wait with Patience in hopes that She is busied among my Friends. With Mine \& My Wifes best compliments to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Cumberland I remain
Yours sincerely
WILL ${ }^{m}$ BLAKE

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[18 February 1800]
[Blake's engraving of a pencil sketch of The Death of Demosthene by Hayley's son Thomas Alphonso]
has been approved by Mr Flaxman.
[Blake adds his hopes that the young artist]
will soon be well enough to make
hundreds of designs both for the engraver and the sculptor. [Extract from Gilchrist, Life of Blake, 1880]

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[To] William Hayley Esqr Eartham, near Chichester, Sussex

Hercules Buildings, Lambeth 1 April 1800
Dear Sir,
With all possible Expedition I send you a proof of my attempt to Express your \& our Much Beloveds Countenance. M ${ }^{\text {r }}$ Flaxman has seen it \& approved of my now sending it to you for your remarks. Your Sorrows and your dear sons May Jesus and his Angels assuage \& if it is consistent with his divine providence restore him to us \& to his labours of Art \& Science in this world. So prays a fellow sufferer \& Your humble servant, WILL ${ }^{m}$ BLAKE

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[To] William Hayley Esqe, Eartham, near Chichester, Sussex

Lambeth May 61800.
Dear Sir
I am very sorry for your immense loss, which is a repetition of what all feel in this valley of misery \& happiness mixed--I send the Shadow of the departed Angel. hope the likeness is improved. The lip I have again lessened as you advised \& done a good many other softenings to the whole--I know that our deceased friends are more really with us than when they were apparent to our mortal part. Thirteen years ago. I lost a brother \& with his spirit I converse daily \& hourly in the Spirit. \& See him in my remembrance in the regions of my Imagination. I hear his advice $\&$ even now write from his Dictate--Forgive me for expressing to you my Enthusiasm which I wish all to partake of Since it is to me a Source of Immortal Joy even in this world by it I am the companion of Angels. May you continue to be so more $\&$ more $\&$ to be more $\&$ more perswaded. that every Mortal loss is an Immortal Gain. The Ruins of Time builds Mansions in Eternity.--I have also sent A Proof of Pericles for your Remarks thanking you for the kindness with which you Express them \& feeling heartily your Grief with a brothers Sympathy
I remain Dear Sir Your humble Servant WILLIAM BLAKE

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[To] Mr [George] Cumberland, Bishopsgate, Windsor Great Park

## 13 Hercules Buildings, Lambeth, 2 July 1800

Dear Cumberland
I have to congratulate you on your plan for a National Gallery being put into Execution. All your wishes shall in due time be fulfilled the immense flood of Grecian light \& glory which is coming on Europe will more than realize our warmest wishes. Your honours will be unbounded when your plan shall be carried into Execution as it must be if England continues a Nation. I hear that it is now in the hands of Ministers That the King shews it great Countenance \& Encouragement, that it will soon be up before Parliament \& that it must be extended \& enlarged to take in Originals both of Painting \& Sculpture by considering Every valuable original that is brought into England or can be purchasd Abroad as its objects of Acquisition. Such is the Plan as I am told \& such must be the plan if England wishes to continue at all worth notice as you have yourself observd only now we must possess Originals as well as France or be Nothing Excuse I intreat you my not returning Thanks at the proper moment for your kind present. No perswasion could make my stupid bead believe that it was proper for me to trouble you with a letter of meer Compliment \& Expression of thanks. I begin to Emerge from a Deep pit of Melancholy, Melancholy without any real reason for it, a Disease which God keep you from \& all good men. Our artists of all ranks praise your outlines \& wish for more. Flaxman is very warm in your commendation \& more and more of A Grecian. M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayley has lately mentiond your Work on outline in Notes to [Epistles on Sculpture] an Essay on Sculpture in Six Epistles to John Flaxman, I have been too little among friends which I fear they will not Excuse \& I know not how to [ $g i$ ] apologize for. Poor Fuseli sore from the lash of Envious tongues praises you \& dispraises with the same breath he is not naturally good natured but he is artificially very ill natured yet even from him I learn the Estimation you are held in among artists \& connoisseurs.
I am still Employd in making Designs \& little Pictures with

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now \& then an Engraving \& find that in future to live will not be so difficult as it has been It is very Extraordinary that London in so few years from a City of meer Necessaries or at l[e]ast a commerce of the lowest order of luxuries should have become a City of Elegance in some degree \& that its once stupid inhabitants should enter into an Emulation of Grecian manners. There are now I believe as many Booksellers as there are Butchers \& as many Printshops as of any other trade We remember when a Print shop was a rare bird in London \& I myself remember when I thought my pursuits of Art a kind of Criminal Dissipation \& neglect of the main chance which I hid my face for not being able to abandon as a Passion which is forbidden by Law \& Religion, but now
it appears to be Law \& Gospel too, at least I hear so from the few friends I have dared to visit in my stupid Melancholy. Excuse this communication of sentiments which I felt necessary to my repose at this time. I feel very strongly that I neglect my Duty to my Friends, but It is not want of Gratitude or Friendship but perhaps an Excess of both.
Let me hear of your welfare. Remember My \& My Wifes Respectful Compliments to Mrs Cumberland \& Family \& believe me to be for Ever
Yours
WILLIAM BLAKE
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[To] M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ [John] Flaxman, Buckingham Street, Fitzroy Square
[Postmark: 2 o'clock 12 Sp. 1800]

My Dearest Friend,
It is to you I owe All my present Happiness It is to you I owe perhaps the Principal Happiness of my life. I have presumd on your friendship in staying so long away \& not calling to know of your welfare but hope, now every thing is nearly completed for our removal [from] <to> Felpham, that I shall see you on Sunday as we have appointed Sunday afternoon to [ca]ll on Mrs Flaxman at Hempstead. I send you a few lines which I hope you will Excuse. And As the time is now arrivd when Men shall again converse in Heaven \& walk with Angels I know you will be pleased with the Intention \& hope you will forgive the Poetry.

## To My Dearest Friend John Flaxman these lines

I bless thee O Father of Heaven \& Earth that ever I saw Flaxmans face Angels stand round my Spirit in Heaven. the blessed of Heaven are my friends

When Flaxman was taken to Italy. Fuseli was giv'n to me for a season And now Flaxman hath given me Hayley his friend to be mine such my lot upon

Now my lot in the Heavens is this; Milton lovd me in childhood \& shewd me Ezra came with Isaiah the Prophet, but Shakespeare in riper years gave me his

Paracelsus \& Behmen appeard to me. terrors appeard in the Heavens above

And in Hell beneath \& a mighty \& awful change threatend the Earth The American War began All its dark horrors passed before my face Across the Atlantic to France. Then the French Revolution commencd in thick

And My Angels have told me. that seeing such visions I could not subsist on
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[Mrs Blake to Mrs Flaxman]

H[ercules] B[uildings] Lambeth, 14 Sepr 1800

## My Dearest Friend

I hope you will not think we could forget your Services to us. or any way neglect to love \& remember with affection even the hem of your garment. we indeed presume on your kindness in neglecting to have calld on you since my Husbands <first> return from Felpham. We have been incessantly busy in our great removal but can never think of going without first paying our proper duty to you \& $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Flaxman. We intend to call on Sunday afternoon in Hampstead. to take farewell All things being now nearly completed for our setting forth on Tuesday Morning. it is only Sixty Miles \& [London] <Lambeth> was On[e]-Hundred for the terrible desart of London was between My husband has been obliged to finish several things necessary to be finishd before our migration the Swallows call us fleeting past our window at this moment. O how we delight in talking of the pleasure we shall have in preparing you a summer bower at Felpham. \& we not only talk but behold the Angels of our journey have inspired a song to you

## To my dear Friend Mrs Anna Flaxman

This Song to the flower of Flaxmans joy
To the blossom of hope for a sweet decoy
Do all that you can or all that you may
To entice him to Felpham \& far away

Away to Sweet Felpham for Heaven is there The Ladder of Angels descends thro the air On the Turret its spiral does softly descend Thro' the village then winds at My Cot $\mathrm{i}[\mathrm{t}]$ does end ${ }^{t 1530}$

You stand in the village \& look up to heaven

The precious stones glitter on flights seventy seven And My Brother is there \& My Friend \& Thine Descend \& Ascend with the Bread \& the Wine

The Bread of sweet Thought \& the Wine of Delight
Feeds the Village of Felpham by day \& by night
And at his own door the blessd Hermit does stand Dispensing Unceasing to all the whole Land W. BLAKE

Recieve my \& my husbands love \& affection \& believe me to be
Yours affectionately [W] CATHERINE BLAKE
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To William Hayley Esqre at Miss Pooles, Lavant near Chichester, Sussex

H[ercules] B[uldings] Lambeth Sept 16. 1800

## Leader of My Angels

My Dear \& too careful \& over joyous Woman has Exhausted her strength to such a degree with expectation \& gladness added to labour in our removal that I fear it will be Thursday before we can get away from this---- City I shall not be able to avail myself of the assistance of Brunos fairies. But I invoke the Good Genii that Surround Miss Pooles Villa to shine upon my journey thro the Petworth road which by your fortunate advice I mean to take but whether I come on Wednesday or Thursday That Day shall be marked on my calendar with a Star of the first magnitude Eartham will be my first temple \& altar My wife is like a flame of many colours of precious jewels whenever she hears it named Excuse my haste \& recieve my hearty Love \& Respect I am Dear Sir
Your Sincere
WILLIAM BLAKE

My fingers Emit sparks of fire with Expectation of my future labours
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[To] M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ [John] Flaxman, Buckingham Street, Fitzroy Square, London

Felpham Septr${ }^{\text {r }}$ 21. . 1800 Sunday Morning

Dear Sculptor of Eternity
We are safe arrived at our Cottage which is more beautiful than I thought it. \& more convenient. It is a perfect Model for Cottages \& I think for Palaces of Magnificence only Enlarging not altering its proportions \& adding ornaments \& not principals. Nothing can be more Grand than its Simplicity \& Usefulness. Simple without Intricacy it seems to be the Spontaneous Effusion of Humanity congenial to the wants of Man. No other formed House can ever please me so well nor shall I ever be perswaded I believe that it can be improved either in Beauty or Use $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayley recievd us with his usual brotherly affection. I have begun to work. Felpham is a sweet place for Study. because it is more Spiritual than London Heaven opens here on all sides her golden Gates her windows are not obstructed by vapours. . voices of Celestial inhabitants are more distinctly heard \& their forms more distinctly seen \& my Cottage is also a Shadow of their houses. My Wife \& Sister are both well. courting Neptune for an Embrace Our journey was very pleasant \& tho we had a great deal of Luggage. No Grumbling all was Chearfulness \& Good Humour on the Road \& yet we could not arrive at our Cottage before half past Eleven at night. owing to the necessary shifting of our Luggage from one Chaise to another for we had Seven Different Chaises \& as many different drivers We s[e]t out between Six \& Seven in the Morning of Thursday. with Sixteen heavy boxes \& portfolios full of prints. And Now Begins a New life. because another covering of Earth is shaken off. I am more famed in Heaven for my works than I could well concieve In my Brain are studies \& Chambers filld with books \& pictures of old which I wrote \& painted in ages of Eternity. before my mortal life \& whose works are the delight \& Study of Archangels. Why then should I be anxious about the riches or fame of mortality. The Lord our
father will do for us \& with us according to his Divine will for our Good
You O Dear Flaxman are a Sublime Archangel My Friend \& Companion from Eternity in the Divine bosom is our Dwelling place I look back into the regions of Reminiscence \& behold our ancient days before this Earth appeard in its vegetated mortality to my mortal vegetated Eyes. I see our houses of Eternity which can never be separated tho our Mortal vehicles should stand at the remotest corners of heaven from Each other Farewell My Best Friend Remember Me \& My Wife in Love \& Friendship to our Dear M ${ }^{\text {rs }}$ Flaxman whom we ardently desire to Entertain beneath our thatched roof of rusted gold \& believe me for ever to remain
Your Grateful \& Affectionate
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[To] M ${ }^{r}$ [Thomas] Butts, Gt Marlborough Street near Oxford Street, London
[Postmark: Sep 23 1800]
Dear Friend of My Angels
We are safe arrived at our Cottage without accident or hindrance tho it was between Eleven \& Twelve OClock at night before we could get home, owing to the necessary shifting of our boxes \& portfolios from one Chaise to another. We had Seven different Chaises \& as many different drivers. All upon the road was chearfulness \& welcome tho our luggage was very heavy there was no grumbling at all. We traveld thro a most beautiful country on a most glorious day. Our Cottage is more beautiful than I thought it also more convenient. for tho Small it is well proportiond \& if I should ever build a Palace it would be only My Cottage Enlarged. Please to tell Mr Butts that we have dedicated a Chamber to her Service \& that it has a very fine view Of the Sea. Mr Hayley recievd me with his usual brotherly affection. My Wife \& Sister are both very well \& courting Neptune for an Embrace, whose terrors this morning made them afraid but whose mildness is often Equal to his terrors The Villagers of Felpham are not meer Rustics they are polite \& modest. Meat is cheaper than in London but the sweet air \& the voices of winds trees \& birds \& the odours of the happy ground makes it a dwelling for immortals. Work will go on here with God speed--. A roller \& two harrows lie before my window. I met a plow on my first going out at my gate the first morning after my arrival \& the Plowboy said to the Plowman. "Father The Gate is Open"--I have begun to Work \& find that I can work with greater pleasure than ever. Hope soon to give you a proof that Felpham is propitious to the Arts.
God bless you. I shall wish for you on Tuesday Evening as usual. Pray give My \& My wife \& sisters love \& respects to Mr. Butts, accept them yourself \& believe me for ever Your affectionate \& obliged Friend WILLIAM BLAKE

My Sister will be in town in a week \& bring with her your account \& whatever else I can finish. Direct to Mr Blake: Felpham near Chichester, Sussex
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[To] M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ [Thomas] Butts, Great Marlborough Street

Felpham Octr $2^{\text {d }} 1800$

## Friend of Religion \& Order

I thank you for your very beautiful \& encouraging Verses which I account a Crown of Laurels \& I also thank you for your reprehension of follies by me
fosterd. Your prediction will I hope be fulfilled in me. \& in future I am the determined advocate of Religion \& Humility the two bands of Society. Having been so full of the Business of Settling the sticks \& feathers of my nest. I have not got any forwarder with the three Marys or with any other of your commissions but hope, now I have commenced a new life of industry to do credit to that new life by Improved Works: Recieve from me a return of verses such as Felpham produces by me tho not such as she produces by her Eldest Son. however such as they are. I cannot resist the temptation to send them to you

To my Friend Butts I write My first Vision of Light On the yellow sands sitting<br>The Sun was Emitting His Glorious beams From Heavens high Streams Over Sea over Land My Eyes did Expand Into regions of air Away from all Care Into regions of fire Remote from Desire The Light of the Morning Heavens Mountains adorning In particles bright

The jewels of Light Distinct shone \& clear--
Amazd \& in fear
I each particle gazed
Astonishd Amazed
For each was a Man
Human formd. Swift I ran
For they beckond to me
Remote by the Sea
Saying. Each grain of Sand
Every Stone on the Land
Each rock \& each hill
Each fountain \& rill
Each herb \& each tree
Mountain hill Earth \& Sea
Cloud Meteor \& Star
Are Men Seen Afar
I stood in the Streams
Of Heavens bright beams
And Saw Felpham sweet
Beneath my bright feet

In soft Female charms
And in her fair arms
My Shadow I knew
And my wifes shadow too
And My Sister \& Friend.
We like Infants descend
In our Shadows on Earth
Like a weak mortal birth
My Eyes more \& more
Like a Sea without shore
Continue Expanding
The Heavens commanding
Till the jewels of Light
Heavenly Men beaming bright
Appeard as One Man
Who Complacent began
My limbs to infold
In his beams of bright gold
Like dross purgd away
All my mire \& my clay
Soft consumd in delight
In his bosom sun bright
I remaind. Soft he smild

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And I heard his voice Mild
Saying This is My Fold O thou Ram hornd with gold
Who awakest from sleep
On the sides of the Deep
On the Mountains around
The roarings resound Of the lion \& wolf The loud sea \& deep gulf These are guards of My Fold O thou Ram hornd with gold
And the voice faded mild
I remaind as a Child All I ever had known Before me bright Shone I saw you \& your wife By the fountains of Life Such the Vision to me Appeard on the Sea
$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Butts will I hope Excuse my not having finishd the Portrait. I wait for less hurried moments. Our Cottage looks more \& more beautiful. And tho the weather is wet, the Air is very Mild. much Milder than it was in London
when we came away. Chichester is a very handsom City Seven miles from us we can get most Conveniences there. The Country is not so destitute of accomodations to our wants as I expected it would be We have had but little time for viewing the Country but what we have seen is Most Beautiful \& the People are Genuine Saxons handsomer than the people [ar] about London. $\mathrm{M}^{\text {rss }}$ Butts will Excuse the following lines

## To M ${ }^{\text {rs }}$ Butts

Wife of the Friend of those I most revere.
Recieve this tribute from a Harp sincere Go on in Virtuous Seed sowing on Mold Of Human Vegetation \& Behold Your Harvest Springing to Eternal life Parent of Youthful Minds \& happy Wife W B--
I am for Ever Yours

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[To William Hayley]

Felpham 26 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ November, 1800

Dear Sir,
Absorbed by the poets Milton, Homer, Camoens, Ercilla, Ariosto, and Spenser, whose physiognomies have been my delightful study, Little Tom has been of late unattended to, and my wife's illness not being quite gone off, she has not printed any more since you went to London. But we can muster a few in colours and some in black which I hope will be no less favour'd tho' they are rough like rough sailors. We mean to begin printing again to-morrow. Time flies very fast and very merrily. I sometimes try to be miserable that I may do more work, but find it is a foolish experiment. Happinesses have wings and wheels; miseries are leaden legged and their whole employment is to clip the wings and to take off the wheels of our chariots. We determine, therefore, to be happy and do all that we can, tho' not all that we would. Our dear friend Flaxman is the theme of my emulation in this industry, as well as in other virtues and merits. Gladly I hear of his full health and spirits. Happy son of the Immortal Phidias, his lot is truly glorious, and mine no less happy in his friendship and in that of his friends. Our cottage is surrounded by the same guardians you left with us; they keep off every wind. We hear the west howl at a distance, the south bounds on high over our thatch, and smiling on our cottage says: "You lay too low for my anger to injure." As to the east and north I believe they cannot get past the turret.

My wife joins me in duty and affection to you. Please to remember us both in love to Mr. and Mrs. Flaxman, and believe me to be your affectionate, Enthusiastic, hope-fostered visionary, WILLIAM BLAKE
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[To Thomas Butts]

Felpham May 10. 1801

## My Dear Sir

The necessary application to my Duty as well to my old as new Friends has prevented me from that respect I owe in particular to you. And your accustomed forgiveness of My want of dexterity in certain points Emboldens me to hope that Forgiveness to be continued to me a little longer. When I shall be Enabled to throw off all obstructions to success.
$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayley acts like a Prince. I am at complete Ease. but I wish to do my Duty especially to you who were the praecursor of my present Fortune[.] I never will send you a picture unworthy of my present proficienc. I soon shall send you several my present engagements are in Miniature Painting Miniature is become a Goddess in my Eyes \& my Friends in Sussex say that I Excell in the pursuit. I have a great many orders \& they Multiply Now--let me intreat you to give me orders to furnish every accomodation in my power to recieve you \& $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Butts I know my Cottage is too narrow for your Ease \& comfort we have one room in which we could make a bed to lodge you both \& if this is sufficient it is at your service. but as beds \& rooms \& accomodations are easily procurd by one on the spot permit me to offer my service in either way either in my cottage or in a lod[g]ing in the village as is most agreeable to you if you \& $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Butts should think Bognor a pleasant relief from business in the Summer. It will give me the utmost delight to do my best Sussex is certainly a happy place \& Felpham in particular is the sweetest spot on Earth at least it is so to me \& My Good Wife who desires her kindest Love to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Butts \& yourself accept mine also \& believe me to remain
Your devoted WILL BLAKE
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[To] Mr Butts, Great Marlborough Street, London

September 11. 1801 [See below]

## My Dear Sir

I hope you will continue to excuse my want of steady perseverance by which want I am still so much your debtor \& you so much my Credit-er but such as I can be I will: I can be grateful \& I can soon Send you some of your designs which I have nearly completed. In the mean time by my Sisters hands I transmit to $\mathrm{M}^{\text {rs }}$ Butts an attempt [ $t o$ ] at your likeness which I hope She who is the best judge will think like[.] Time flies faster, (as seems to me), here than in London I labour incessantly \& accomplish not one half of what I intend because my Abstract folly hurries me often away while I am at work, carrying me over Mountains \& Valleys which are not Real in a Land of Abstraction where Spectres of the Dead wander. This I endeavour to prevent \& with my whole might chain my feet to the world of Duty \& Reality. but in vain! the faster I bind the better is the Ballast for I so far from being bound down take the world with me in my flights \& often it seems lighter than a ball of wool rolled by the wind Bacon \& Newton would prescribe ways of making the world heavier to me \& Pitt would prescribe distress for a medicinal potion. but as none on Earth can give me Mental Distress, \& I know that all Distress inflicted by Heaven is a Mercy. a Fig for all Corporeal Such Distress is My mock \& scorn. Alas wretched happy ineffectual labourer of times moments that I am! who shall deliver me from this Spirit of Abstraction \& Improvidence. Such my Dear Sir Is the truth of my state. \& I tell it you in palliation of my seeming neglect of your most pleasant orders. but I have not neglected them \& yet a Year is rolled over \& only now I approach the prospect of sending you some which you may expect soon. I should have sent them by My Sister but as the Coach goes three times a week to London \& they [shall] will arrive as safe as with her. I shall have an opportunity of inclosing several together which are not yet

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completed. I thank you again \& again for your generous forbearance of which I have need--\& now I must express my wishes to see you at Felpham \& to shew you M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayleys Library. which is still unfinishd but is in a finishing way \& looks well. I ought also to mention my Extreme disappointment at $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Johnsons forgetfulness, who appointed to call on you but did Not. He is also a happy Abstract known by all his Friends as the most innocent forgetter of his own Interests. He is nephew to <the late> $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Cowper the Poet you would like him much I continue painting Miniatures \& Improve more \& more as all my friends tell me. but my Principal labour at this time is Engraving Plates for Cowpers Life a Work of Magnitude which Mr Hayley is now Labouring with all his matchless industry \& which will be a most valuable acquisition to Literature not only on account of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayleys composition but also as it will contain Letters of Cowper to his friends Perhaps or rather Certainly the very best letters that ever were published

My wife joins with me in Love to You \& $\mathrm{M}^{\text {rs }}$ Butts hoping that her joy is now increased \& yours also in an increase of family \& of health \& happiness
I remain Dear Sir
Ever Yours Sincerely
WILLIAM BLAKE--

Felpham Cottage
of Cottages the prettiest
September 11. 1801

Next time I have the happiness to see you I am determined to paint another Portrait of you from Life in my best manner for Memory will not do in such minute operations. for I have now discoverd that without Nature before the painters Eye he can never produce any thing in the walks of Natural Painting Historical Designing is one thing \& Portrait Painting another \& they are as Distinct as any two Arts can be Happy would that Man be who could unite them
P.S. Please to Remember our best respects to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Birch \& tell him that Felpham Men are the mildest of the human race if it is the will of Providence they shall be the wisest We hope that he will next Summer joke us face to face--God bless you all

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[To Thomas Butts?]
[Sept-Oct 1801]
I have sent all the sketches of this subject that I ever have produced. The others of the Presentation I have studied, but not yet put on paper. You shall have that in a shorter time than I have taken about this, as I have nearly got rid of engraving, and feel myself perfectly happy. I am full of business thank God, and you and Mr Flaxman.
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To M ${ }^{r}$ Flaxman, Sculptor, Buckingham Street, Fitzroy Square, London

Oct 191801 [Postmark: 21 Octob]
Dear Flaxman,
I rejoice to hear that your Great Work is accomplish'd.
Peace opens the way to greater still, The Kingdoms of this World are now become the Kingdoms of God \& his Christ, \& we shall reign with him for ever \& ever. The Reign of Literature \& the Arts Commences. Blessed are those who are found
studious of Literature \& Humane \& polite accomplishments. Such have their lamps burning \& such shall shine as the stars. $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Thomas, your friend to whom you was so kind as to make honourable mention of me, has been at Felpham \& did me the favor to call on me, I have promis'd him to send my designs for Comus when I have done them, directed to you.
Now I hope to see the Great Works of Art, as they are so near to Felpham, Paris being scarce further off than London. But I hope that France \& England will henceforth be as One Country and their Arts One, \& that you will Ere long be erecting Monuments In Paris--Emblems of Peace.
My wife joins with me in love to You \& Mrs Flaxman.
I remain, Yours Sincerely
WILLIAM BLAKE

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[Postscript in Hayley's hand]
I have just seen Weller--all yr Friends in the south are willing to await yr Leisure for Works of Marble, but Weller says it would soothe \& comfort the good sister of the upright Mr. D. to see a little sketch from yr Hand. adio.
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[To] Mr Butts, Gr Marlborough Street

Felpham Novr. 22: 1802

Dear Sir
My Brother tells me that he fears you are offended with me. I fear so too because there appears some reason why you might be so. But when you have heard me out you will not be so I have now given two years to the intense study of those parts of the art which relate to light \& shade \& colour \& am Convincd that either my understanding is incapable of comprehending the beauties of Colouring or the Pictures which I painted for You Are Equal in Every part of the Art \& superior in One to any thing that has been done since the age of Rafael.--<All> Sr J Reynolds's discourses <to the Royal Academy> will shew. that the Venetian finesse in Art can never be united with the Majesty of Colouring necessary to Historical beauty. \& in a letter to the Rev ${ }^{\mathrm{d}} \mathrm{Mr}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Gilpin author of a work on Picturesque Scenery he says Thus "It may be worth consideration whether the epithet Picturesque is not applicable to the excellencies of the inferior Schools rather than to the higher. The works of Michael Angelo Rafael \&/c appear to me to have nothing of it: whereas Rubens \& the Venetian Painters may almost be said to have Nothing Else.--Perhaps Picturesque is somewhat synonymous to the word Taste which we should think improperly applied to Homer or Milton but very well to Prior or Pope. I suspect that the application of these words are to Excellencies of an inferior order \& which are incompatible with the Grand Style You are certainly right in saying that Variety of Tints \& Forms is Picturesque: but it must be rememberd on the other hand.
that the reverse of this--(uniformity of Colour \& a long continuation of lines) produces Grandeur"------So Says S/ir Joshua and So say I for I have now proved that the parts of the art which I neglected to display in those little pictures \&

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drawings which I had the pleasure \& profit to do for you are incompatible with the designs--There is nothing in the Art which our Painters do. that I can confess myself ignorant of I also Know \& Understand \& can assuredly affirm that the works I have done for You are Equal to Carrache or Rafael (and I am now Seven years older than Rafael was when he died) I say they are Equal to Carrache or Rafael or Else I am Blind Stupid Ignorant and Incapable in two years Study to understand those things which a Boarding School Miss can comprehend in a fortnight. Be assured My dear Friend that there is not one touch in those Drawings \& Pictures but what came from my Head \& my Heart in Unison. That I am Proud of being their Author and Grateful to you my Employer. \& that I look upon you as the Chief of my Friends whom I would endeavour to please because you among all men have enabled me to produce these things. I would not send you a Drawing or a Picture till I had again reconsiderd my notions of Art \& had put myself back as if I was a learner I have proved that I am Right \& shall now Go on with the Vigor I was in my Childhood famous for But I do not pretend to be Perfect. but if my Works have faults Caracche Corregios \& Rafaels have faults also. let me observe that the yellow leather flesh of old men the ill drawn \& ugly young women \& above all the dawbed black \& yellow shadows that are found in most fine ay \& the finest pictures. I altogether reject as ruinous to Effect tho Connoisseurs may think Let me also notice that Carraches Pictures are not like Correggios nor Correggios like Rafaels \& if neither of them was to be encouraged till he did like any of the others be must die without Encouragement My Pictures are unlike any of these Painters \& I would have them to be so I think the manner I adopt More Perfect than any other no doubt They thought the same of theirs
You will be tempted to think that As I improve The Pictures \&/c that I did for you are not what I would now wish them to be. On this I beg to say That they are What I intended them \& that I know I never shall do better for if I was to do them over again they would lose as much as they gaind because they were done in the heat of My Spirits But You will justly enquire why I have not written All this time to you? I answer I have been very Unhappy \& could not think of troubling you about it or any of my real Friends (I have written many letters to you which I burnd \& did not send) \& why I have not before now finishd the Miniature I promissd to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Butts? I answer I have not till now in any degree pleased myself \& now I must intreat you to Excuse faults for Portrait Painting is the direct contrary to Designing \& Historical Painting in

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every respect--If you have not Nature before you for Every Touch you cannot Paint Portrait. \& if you have Nature before you at all you cannot Paint History it was Michall Angelos opinion \& is Mine. Pray Give My Wife's love with mine to M ${ }^{\text {rs }}$ Butts assure her that it cannot be long before I have the pleasure of Painting from you in Person \& then that She may Expect a likeness but now I have done All I
could \& know she will forgive any failure in consideration of the Endeavour.
And now let me finish with assuring you that Tho I have been very unhappy I am so no longer I am again Emerged into the light of Day I still \& shall to Eternity Embrace Christianity and Adore him who is the Express image of God but I have traveld thro Perils \& Darkness not unlike a Champion I have Conquerd and shall still Go on Conquering Nothing can withstand the fury of my Course among the Stars of God \& in the Abysses of the Accuser My Enthusiasm is still what it was only Enlarged and confirmd I now Send Two Pictures \& hope you will approve of them I have inclosed the Account of Money recievd \& Work done which I ought long ago to have sent you pray forgive Errors in omissions of this kind I am incapable of many attentions which it is my Duty to observe towards you thro multitude of employment \& thro hope of soon seeing you again I often omit to Enquire of you But pray let me now hear how you do \& of the welfare of your family Accept my Sincere love \& respect
I remain Yours Sincerely WILL ${ }^{\text {m }}$ BLAKE
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[To Thomas Butts, 22 November 1802]

## Dear Sir

After I had finishd my Letter I found that I had not said half what I intended to say \& in particular I wish to ask you what subject you choose to be painted on the remaining Canvas which I brought down with me (for there were three) and to tell you that several of the Drawings were in great forwardness you will see by the Inclosed Account that the remaining Number of Drawings which you gave me orders for is Eighteen I will finish these with all possible Expedition if indeed I have not tired you or as it is politely calld Bored you too much already or if you would rather cry out Enough Off Off! tell me in a Letter of forgiveness if you were offended \& of accustomd friendship if you were not. But I will bore you more with some Verses which My Wife desires me to Copy out \& send you with her kind love \& Respect they were Composed <above> a twelvemonth ago [in a] <while> Walk<ing> from Felpham to Lavant to meet my Sister

With happiness stretchd across the hills In a cloud that dewy sweetness distills With a blue sky spread over with wings And a mild sun that mounts \& sings With trees \& fields full of Fairy elves And little devils who fight for themselves Remembring the Verses that Hayley sung t1532

When my heart knockd against the root of my tongue
With Angels planted in Hawthorn bowers
And God himself in the passing hours
With Silver Angels across my way
And Golden Demos that none can stay
With my Father hovering upon the wind
And my Brother Robert just behind
And my Brother John the evil one

In a black cloud making his mone Tho dead they appear upon my path Notwithstanding my terrible wrath They beg they intreat they drop their tears
Filld full of hopes filld full of fears
With a thousand Angels upon the Wind Pouring disconsolate from behind To drive them off \& before my way A frowning Thistle implores my stay What to others a trifle appears Fills me full of smiles or tears
For double the vision my Eyes do see And a double vision is always with me With my inward Eye 'tis an old Man grey With my outward a Thistle across my way "If thou goest back the thistle said Thou art to endless woe betrayd For here does Theotormon lower And here is Enitharmons bower And Los the terrible thus hath sworn Because thou backward dost return Poverty Envy old age \& fear Shall bring thy Wife upon a bier And Butts shall give what Fuseli gave A dark black Rock \& a gloomy Cave."

I struck the Thistle with my foot And broke him up from his delving root "Must the duties of life each other cross" "Must every joy be dung \& dross" "Must my dear Butts feel cold neglect" "Because I give Hayley his due respect' "Must Flaxman look upon me as wild" "And all my friends be with doubts beguild' "Must my Wife live in my Sisters bane" "Or my sister survive on my Loves pain' "The curses of Los the terrible shade"
"And his dismal terrors make me afraid"

So I spoke \& struck in my wrath The old man weltering upon my path Then Los appeard in all his power In the Sun he appeard descending before My face in fierce flames in my double sight

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Twas outward a Sun: inward Los in his might
"My hands are labourd day \& night"
"And Ease comes never in my sight"
"My Wife has no indulgence given"
"Except what comes to her from heaven"
"We eat little we drink less"
"This Earth breeds not our happiness"
"Another Sun feeds our lifes streams"
"We are not warmed with thy beams"
"Thou measurest not the Time to me"
"Nor yet the Space that I do see"
"My Mind is not with thy light arrayd"
"Thy terrors shall not make me afraid"

When I had my Defiance given
The Sun stood trembling in heaven The Moon that glowd remote below
Became leprous \& white as snow
And every Soul of men on the Earth
Felt affliction \& sorrow \& sickness \& dearth
Los flamd in my path \& the Sun was hot With the bows of my Mind \& the Arrows of Thought
My bowstring fierce with Ardour breathes
My arrows glow in their golden sheaves
My brothers \& father march before
The heavens drop with human gore

Now I a fourfold vision see
And a fourfold vision is given to me
Tis fourfold in my supreme delight
And three fold in soft Beulahs night
And twofold Always. May God us keep
From Single vision \& Newtons sleep

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I also inclose you some Ballads by $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayley with prints to them by Your $H^{\text {ble. Servt }}$. I should have sent them before now but could not get any thing done for You to please myself for I do assure you that I have truly studied the two little pictures I now send \& do not repent of the time I have spent upon them God bless you

Yours
W B
$P$. S. I have taken the liberty to trouble you with a letter to my Brother which you will be so kind as to send or give him \& oblige yours W B

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[To] Mr Butts, Great Marlborough Street, Oxford Street, London

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Dear Sir
Your very kind \& affectionate Letter \& the many kind things you have said in it: calld upon me for an immediate answer. but it found My Wife \& Myself so Ill \& My wife so very ill that till now I have not been able to do this duty. The Ague \& Rheumatism have been almost her constant Enemies which she has combated in vain ever since we have been here, $\&$ her sickness is always my sorrow of course But what you tell me about your sight afflicted me not a little; \& that about your health in another part of your letter makes me intreat you to take due care of both it is a part of our duty to God \& man to take due care of his Gifts \& tho we ought not think more highly of ourselves, yet we ought to think As highly of ourselves as immortals ought to think
When I came down here I was more sanguine than I am at present but it was because I was ignorant of many things which have since occurred \& chiefly the unhealthiness of the place Yet I do not repent of coming, on a thousand accounts. \& $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$ I doubt not will do ultimately all that both he \& I wish that is to lift me out of difficulty. but this is no easy matter to a man who having Spiritual Enemies of such formidable magnitude cannot expect to want natural hidden ones
Your approbation of my pictures is a Multitude to Me \& I doubt not that all your kind wishes in my behalf shall in due time be fulfilled. Your kind offer of pecuniary assistance I can only thank you for at present because I have enough to serve my present purpose here. our expenses are small \& or income from our incessant labour fully adequate to $[i t]$ them at present. I am now engaged in Engraving 6 small plates for a New Edition of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayleys Triumphs of Temper. from drawings by Maria Flaxman sister to my friend the Sculptor and it seems that other things will follow in course if I do but Copy these well. but Patience! if Great things do not turn out it is because

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such things depend $[x x x x]$ on the Spiritual \& not on the Natural World \& if it was fit for me I doubt not that I should be Employd in Greater things \& when it is proper my Talents shall be properly exercised in Public. as I hope they are now in private. for till then. I leave no stone unturnd \& no path unexplord that tends to improvement in my beloved Arts. One thing of real consequence I have accomplishd by coming into the country. which is to me consolation enough, namely. I have recollected all my scatterd thoughts on Art \& resumed my primitive \& original ways of Execution in both painting \& Engraving. which in the confusion of London I had very much lost \& obliterated from my mind. But whatever becomes of my labours I would rather that they should be preservd in your Green House (not as you mistakenly call it dung hill). than in the cold gallery of fashion.--The Sun may yet shine \& then they will be brought into open air.
But you have so generously \& openly desired that I will divide my griefs with you that I cannot hide what it is now become my duty to explain--My unhappiness has arisen from a source which if explord too narrowly might hurt my pecuniary circumstances. As my dependence is on Engraving at present \& particularly on the Engravings I have in hand for $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$. \& I find on all hands great objections to my doing any thing but the meer drudgery of business \& intimations that if I do not confine myself to this I shall not live. this has always pursud me. You will understand by this the source of all my uneasiness This from Johnson \& Fuseli brought me down here \& this from $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$ will bring me back again for that I cannot live without doing my duty to lay up treasures in heaven is Certain \& Determined \& to this I have long made up my mind \& why this should be made an objection to Me while Drunkenness Lewdness Gluttony \& even Idleness itself does not hurt other men let Satan himself Explain--The Thing I have most at Heart! more than life or all that seems to make life comfortable without. Is the Interest of True Religion \& Science \& whenever any thing appears to affect that Interest. (Especially if I myself omit any duty to my [self] <Station> as a Soldier of Christ) It gives me the greatest of torments, I am not ashamed afraid or averse to tell You what Ought to be Told. That I am under the direction of Messengers from Heaven Daily \& Nightly but the nature of such things is not as some suppose. without trouble or care. Temptations are on the right hand \& left behind the sea of time \& space roars \& follows swiftly he who keeps not right onward is lost \& if our footsteps slide in clay how can we do otherwise than fear \& tremble. but I should

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not have troubled You with this account of my spiritual state unless it had been necessary in explaining the actual cause of my uneasiness into which you are so kind as to Enquire for I never obtrude such things on others unless questiond \& then I never disguise the truth--But if we fear to do the dictates of our Angels \& tremble at the Tasks set before us. if we refuse to do Spiritual Acts. because of Natural Fears or Natural Desires! Who can describe the dismal torments of such a state!--I too well remember the Threats I heard!--If you who are organized by Divine Providence for Spiritual communion. Refuse \& bury your Talent in the Earth even tho you should want Natural Bread. Sorrow \& Desperation
pursues you thro life! \& after death shame \& confusion of face to eternity--Every one in Eternity will leave you aghast at the Man who was crownd with glory \& honour by his brethren \& betrayd their cause to their enemies. You will be calld the base Judas who betrayd his Friend!--Such words would make any Stout man tremble \& how then could I be at ease? But I am now no longer in That State \& now go on again with my Task Fearless. and tho my path is difficult. I have no fear of stumbling while I keep it My wife desires her kindest Love to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Butts \& I have permitted her to send it to you also. we often wish that we could unite again in Society \& hope that the time is not distant when we shall do so. being determind not to remain another winter here but to return to London

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Naked we came here naked of Natural things \& naked we shall return. but while clothd with the Divine Mercy we are richly clothd in Spiritual \& suffer all the rest gladly Pray give my Love to Mrs Butts \& your family I am Yours Sincerely

## WILLIAM BLAKE

P.S. Your Obliging proposal of Exhibiting my two Pictures likewise calls for my thanks I will finish the other \& then we shall judge of the matter with certainty
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[To] Mr ${ }^{r}$ Butts, Gr ${ }^{r}$ Marlborough Street

Felpham April 25: 1803

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I write in haste having recievd a pressing Letter from my Brother. I intended to have sent the Picture of the Riposo which is nearly finishd much to my satisfaction but not quite you shall have it soon. I now send the 4 Numbers for $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Birch with best Respects to him <The Reason the Ballads have been suspended is the pressure of other business but they will go on again soon> Accept of my thanks for your kind \& heartening Letter You have Faith in the Endeavours of Me your weak brother \& fellow Disciple. how great must be your faith in our Divine Master. You are to me a Lesson of Humility while you Exalt me by such distinguishing commendations. I know that you see certain merits in me which by Gods Grace shall be made fully apparent \& perfect in Eternity. in the mean time I must not bury the Talents in the Earth but do my endeavour to live to the Glory of our Lord \& Saviour \& I am also grateful to the kind hand that endeavours to lift me out of despondency even if it lifts me too high-And now My Dear Sir Congratulate me on my return to London with the full approbation of Mr Hayley \& with Promise--But Alas! Now I may say to you what perhaps I shoud not dare to say to any one else. That I can alone carry on my visionary studies in London unannoyd \& that I may converse with my friends in Eternity. See Visions, Dream Dreams, \& prophecy \& speak Parables unobserv'd \& at liberty from the Doubts of other Mortals. perhaps Doubts proceeding from Kindness. but Doubts are always pernicious Especially when we Doubt our Friends Christ is very decided on this Point. "He who is Not With Me is Against Me" There is no Medium or Middle state \& if a Man is the Enemy of my Spiritual Life while he pretends to be the Friend of my Corporeal. he is a Real Enemy--but the Man may be the friend of my Spiritual Life while he seems the Enemy of my Corporeal but Not Vice Versa What is very pleasant. Every one who hears of my going to

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London again Applauds it as the only course for the interest of all concernd in My Works. Observing that I ought not to be away from the opportunities London affords of seeing fine Pictures and the various improvements in Works of Art going on in London But none can know the Spiritual Acts of my three years Slumber on the banks of the Ocean unless he has seen them in the Spirit or unless he should read My long Poem descriptive of those Acts for I have in these three years composed an immense number of verses on One Grand Theme Similar to Homers Iliad or Miltons Paradise Lost the Person \& Machinery intirely new to the Inhabitants of Earth (some of the Persons Excepted) I have written
this Poem from immediate Dictation twelve or sometimes twenty or thirty lines at a time without Premeditation \& even against my Will. the Time it has taken in writing was thus renderd Non Existent. \& an immense Poem Exists which seems to be the Labour of a long Life all producd without Labour or Study. I mention this to shew you what I think the Grand Reason of my being brought down here I have a thousand \& ten thousand things to say to you. My heart is full of futurity. I percieve that the sore travel which has been given me these three years leads to Glory \& Honour. I rejoice \& I tremble "I am fearfully \& wonderfully made". I had been reading the cxxxix Psalm a little before your Letter arrived. I take your advice. I see the face of my Heavenly Father he lays his Hand upon my Head \& gives a blessing to all my works why should I be troubled why should my heart \& flesh cry out. I will go on in the Strength of the Lord through Hell will I sing forth his Praises. that the Dragons of the Deep may praise him \& that those who dwell in darkness \& on the Sea coasts may be gatherd into his Kingdom. Excuse my perhaps too great Enthusiasm. Please to accept of \& give our Loves to M ${ }^{\text {rs }}$ Butts \& your amiable Family. \& believe me to be----

Ever Yours Affectionately
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[To Thomas Butts]

Felpham July 6. 1803

## Dear Sir

I send you the Riposo which I hope you will think my best Picture in many respects. It represents the Holy Family in Egypt Guarded in their Repose from those Fiends the Egypian Gods. and tho' not directly taken from a Poem of Miltons (for till I had designd it Miltons Poem did not come into my Thoughts) Yet it is very similar to his Hymn on the Nativity which you will find among his smaller Poems \& will read with great delight. I have given in the background a building which may be supposed the ruin of a Part of Nimrods tower which I conjecture to have spread over many Countries for he ought to be reckond of the Giant brood I have now on the Stocks the following Drawings for you 1. Jephthah sacrificing his Daughter--2. Ruth \& her mother in Law \& Sister 3. The three Maries at the Sepulcher. 4. The Death of Joseph. 5. The Death of the Virgin Mary [5]<6>St Paul Preaching. \& [6]<7> The Angel of the Divine Presence clothing Adam \& Eve with Coats of Skins
These are all in great forwardness \& I am satisfied that I improve very much \& shall continue to do so while I live which [ $i f$ ]<is> a blessing I can never be too thankful for both to God \& Man
We look forward every day with pleasure toward our meeting again in London
with those whom we have learnd to value by absence no less perhaps than we did by presence for recollection often surpasses every thing. indeed the prospect of returning to our friends is supremely delightful--Then I am determind that $\mathrm{M}^{\text {rs }}$ Butts shall have a good likeness of You if I have hands \& eyes left. for I am become a likeness taker \& succeed admirably well. but this is not to be atchievd without the original sitting before you for Every touch. all likenesses from memory being necessarily very very

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defective but Nature \& Fancy are Two Things \& can Never be joined neither ought any one to attempt it for it is Idolatry \& destroys the Soul
I ought to tell you that $\mathrm{Mr}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$. is quite agreeable to our return \& that there is all the appearance in the world of our being fully employd in Engraving for his projected Works Particularly Cowpers Milton. a Work now on foot by Subscription \& I understand that the Subscription goes on briskly. This work is to be a very Elegant one \& to consist of All Miltons Poems with Cowpers Notes and translations by Cowper from Miltons Latin \& Italian Poems. These works will be ornamented with Engravings from Designs from Romney. Flaxman \& Yr hble Servt \& to be Engravd also by the last mentiond. The Profits of the work are intended to be appropriated to Erect a Monument to the Memory of Cowper in $\mathrm{S}^{t}$ Pauls or Westminster Abbey. Such is the Project--\& $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Addington \& $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Pitt are both among the Subscribers which are already numerous \& of the first rank. the price of the Work is Six Guineas--Thus I hope that all our three years trouble Ends in Good Luck at last \& shall be forgot by my affections \& only rememberd by my Understanding to be a Memento in time to come \& to speak to future generations by a Sublime Allegory which is now perfectly completed into a Grand Poem[.] I may praise it since I dare not pretend to be any other than the Secretary the Authors are in Eternity I consider it as the Grandest Poem that This World Contains. Allegory addressd to the Intellectual powers while it is altogether hidden from the Corporeal Understanding is My Definition of the Most Sublime Poetry. it is also somewhat in the same manner defind by Plato. This Poem shall by Divine Assistance be progressively Printed \& Ornamented with Prints \& given to the Public--But of this work I take care to say little to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$. since he is as much averse to my poetry as he is to a Chapter in the Bible He knows that I have writ it for I have shewn it to him \& he had read Part by his own desire \& has lookd with sufficient contempt to enhance my opinion of it. But I do not wish to irritate by seeming too obstinate in Poetic pursuits But if all the World should set their faces against This. I have Orders to set my face like a flint. Ezekiel iii C 9 v . against their faces \& my forehead against their foreheads As to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$ I feel myself at liberty to say as follows upon this ticklish subject. I regard Fashion in Poetry as little as I do in Painting. so if both Poets \& Painters should alternately dislike (but I know the majority of them will not) I am not to regard it at all but $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$ approves of My Designs as little as he does of my Poems and I have been forced to insist on his leaving me in both to my Own Self Will. for I am determind to be no

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longer Pesterd with his Genteel Ignorance \& Polite Disapprobation. I know myself both Poet \&

Painter \& it is not his affected Contempt that can move me to any thing but a more assiduous pursuit of both Arts. Indeed by my late Firmness I have brought down his affected Loftiness \& he begins to think I have some Genius. as if Genius \& Assurance were the same thing. but his imbecile attempts to depress Me only deserve laughter--I say thus much to you knowing that you will not make a bad use of it But it is a Fact too true That if I had only depended on Mortal Things both myself \& my Wife must have been Lost--I shall leave every one in This Country astonishd at my Patience \& Forbearance of Injuries upon Injuries \& I do assure you that if I could have returnd to London a Month after my arrival here I should have done so, but I was commanded by my Spiritual friends to bear all to be silent \& to go thro all without murmuring \& in firm hope till my three years should be almost accomplishd at which time I was set at liberty to remonstrate against former conduct \& to demand Justice \& Truth which I have done in so effectual a manner that my antagonist is silencd completely. \& I have compelld. what should have been of freedom My Just Right as an Artist \& as a Man. \& if any attempt should be made to refuse me this I am inflexible \& will relinquish Any engagement of Designing at all unless altogether left to my own Judgment. As you My dear Friend have always left me for which I shall never cease to honour \& respect you When we meet I will perfectly describe to you my Conduct \& the Conduct of others toward me \& you will see that I have labourd hard indeed $\&$ have been borne on angels wings. Till we meet I beg of God our Saviou to be with you \& me \& yours \& mine Pray give My \& My wifes love to M ${ }^{\text {rs }}$ Butts \& Family \& believe me to remain

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[To] Mr Butts, Gr Marlborough St, London

Felpham August 16. 1803

## Dear Sir

I send 7 Drawings which I hope will please you. this I believe about balances our account--Our return to London draws on apace. our Expectation of meeting again with you is one of our greatest pleasures. Pray tell me how your Eyes do. I never sit down to work but I think of you \& feel anxious for the sight of that friend whose Eyes have done me so much good--I omitted (very unaccountably) to copy out in my last Letter that passage in my rough sketch which related to your kindness in offering to Exhibit my 2 last Pictures in the Gallery in Berners Street it was in these Words. "I sincerely thank you for your kind offer of Exhibiting my 2 Pictures. the trouble you take on my account I trust will be recompensed to you by him who Seeth in Secret. if you should find it convenient to do so it will be gratefully rememberd
by me among the other numerous kindnesses I have recievd from you"--
I go on with the remaining Subjects which you gave me commission to Execute for you but shall not be able to send any more before my return tho perhaps I may bring some with me finishd. I am at Present in a Bustle to defend myself against a very unwarrantable warrant from a justice of Peace in Chichester. which was taken out against me by a Private in Capt ${ }^{n}$ Leathes's troop of $1^{\text {st }}$ or Royal Dragoons for an assault \& Seditious words. The wretched Man has terribly Perjurd himself as has his Comade for as to Sedition not one Word relating to the King or Government was spoken by either him or me. His Enmity arises from my having turned him out of my Garden into which he was invited as an assistant by a Gardener at work therein, without my knowledge that he was so invited. I desired him as politely as was possible to go out of the Garden, he made

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me an impertinent answer I insisted on his leaving the Garden he refused I still persisted in desiring his departure he then threatend to knock out my Eyes with many abominable imprecations \& with some contempt for my Person it affronted my foolish Pride I therefore took him by the Elbows \& pushed him before me till I had got him out. there I intended to have left him. but he turning about put himself into a Posture of Defiance threatening \& swearing at me. I perhaps foolishly \& perhaps not, stepped out at the Gate \& putting aside his blows took him again by the Elbows \& keeping his back to me pushed him forwards down the road about fifty yards he all the while endeavouring to turn round \& strike me \& raging \& cursing which drew out several neighbours. at length when I had got him to where he was Quarterd. which was very quickly done. we were met at the Gate by the Master of the house. The Fox Inn, (who is [my] the proprietor of my Cottage) \& his wife \& Daughter. \& the Mans Comrade. \& several other people My Landlord compelld the Soldiers to go in doors after many abusive threats [from the] against me \& my wife from the two Soldiers but not one word of threat on account of Sedition was utterd at that time. This method of Revenge was Plann'd between them after they had got together into the Stable. This is the whole outline. I have for witnesses. The Gardener who is Hostler at the Fox \& who Evidences that to his knowledge no word of the remotest tendency to Government or Sedition was utterd,--Our next door Neighbour a Millers wife who saw me turn him before me down the road \& saw \& heard all that happend at the Gate of the Inn who Evidences that no Expression of threatening on account of Sedition was utterd in the heat of their fury by either of the Dragoons. this was the womans own remark \& does high honour to her good sense as she observes that whenever a quarrel happens the offence is always repeated. The Landlord of the Inn \& His Wife \& daughter will Evidence the Same \& will evidently prove the Comrade perjurd who swore that he heard me <while> at the Gate utter Seditious words \& D--- the K--- without which perjury I could not have been committed \& I had no witness with me before the Justices who could combat his assertion as the Gardener remaind in my Garden all the while \& he was the only person I thought necessary to take with me. I have been before a Bench of Justices at Chichester this morning. but they as the Lawyer who
wrote down the Accusation told me in private are compelld by the Military to suffer a prosecution to be enterd into altho they must know \& it is manifest that the whole is a Fabricated Perjury. I have been forced to find Bail. M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayley was kind

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enough to come forwards \& $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Seagrave Printer at Chichester. $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$. in 100L \& $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{S}$. in 50L \& myself am bound in 100L for my appearance at the Quarter Sessions which is after Michaelmass. So I shall have the Satisfaction to see my friends in Town before this Contemptible business comes on I say Contemptible for it must be manifest to every one that the whole accusation is a wilful Perjury. Thus you see my dear Friend that I cannot leave this place without some adventure. it has struck a consternation thro all the Villages round. Every Man is now afraid of speaking to or looking at a Soldier. for the peaceable Villagers have always been forward in expressing their kindness for us \& they express their sorrow at our departure as soon as they hear of it Every one here is my Evidence for Peace \& Good Neighbourhood \& yet such is the present state of things this foolish accusation must be tried in Public. Well I am content I murmur not \& doubt not that I shall recieve Justice \& am only sorry for the trouble \& expense. I have heard that my Accuser is a disgraced Sergeant his name is John Scholfield. perhaps it will be in your power to learn somewhat about the Man I am very ignorant of what I am requesting of you. I only suggest what I know you will be kind enough to Excuse if you can learn nothing about him \& what I as well know if it is possible you wll be kind enough to do in this matter
Dear Sir This perhaps was sufferd to Clear up some doubts \& to give opportunity to those whom I doubted to clear themselves of all imputation. If a Man offends me ignorantly \& not designedly surely I ought to consider him with favour \& affection. Perhaps the simplicity of myself is the origin of all offences committed against me. If I have found this I shall have learned a most valuable thing well worth three years perseverance. I have found it! It is certain! that a too passive manner. inconsistent with my active physiognomy had done me much mischief I must now express to you my conviction that all is come from the spiritual World for Good \& not for Evil. Give me your advice in my perilous adventure. burn what I have peevishly written about any friend. I have been very much degraded \& injuriously treated. but if it all arise from my own fault I ought to blame myself

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O why was I born with a different face ${ }^{t 1535}$ Why was I not born like the rest of my race When I look each one starts! when I speak I offend Then I'm silent \& passive \& lose every Friend

Then my verse I dishonour. My pictures despise My person degrade \& my temper chastise And the pen is my terror. the pencil my shame All my Talents I bury, and Dead is my Fame I am either too low or too highly prizd When Elate I am Envy'd, When Meek I'm despisd

This is but too just a Picture of my Present state I pray
God to keep you \& all men from it \& to deliver me in his own good time. Pray write to me \& tell me how you \& your family Enjoy health. My much terrified Wife joins me in love to you \& Mrs Butts \& all your family. I again take the liberty to beg of you to cause the Enclosd Letter to be deliverd to my Brother \& remain Sincerely \& Affectionately Yours
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Blake's Memorandum in Refutation of the Information and Complaint of John Scolfield, a private Soldier, \&c. ${ }^{t 1536}$
[August 1803]

The Soldier has been heard to say repeatedly, that he did not know how the Quarrel began, which he would not say if such seditious words were spoken.--
Mrs. Haynes Evidences, that she saw me turn him down the Road, \& all the while we were at the Stable Door, and that not one word of charge against me was uttered, either relating to Sedition or any thing else; all he did was swearing and threatening.--
Mr. Hosier heard him say that he would be revenged, and would have me hanged if he could! He spoke this the Day after my turning him out of the Garden. Hosier says he is ready to give Evidence of this, if necessary.--
The Soldier's Comrade swore before the Magistrates, while I was present, that he heard me utter seditious words, at the Stable Door, and in particular, said, that he heard me D--n the K--g. Now I have all the Persons who were present at the Stable Door to witness that no Word relating to Seditious Subjects was uttered, either by one party or the other, and they are ready, on their Oaths, to say that I did not utter such Words.--
Mrs. Haynes says very sensibly, that she never heard People quarrel, but they always charged each other with the Offence, and repeated it to those around, therefore as the Soldier charged not me with Seditious Words at that Time, neither did his Comrade, the whole Charge must have been fabricated in the Stable afterwards.--
If we prove the Comrade perjured who swore that he heard me D--n the K--g, I believe the whole Charge falls to the Ground. Mr. Cosens, owner of the Mill at Felpham, was passing by in the Road, and saw me and the Soldier and William standing near each other; he heard nothing, but says we certainly were not quarrelling.--

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The whole Distance that William could be at any Time of the Conversation between me and the Soldier (supposing such Conversation to have existed) is only 12 Yards, \& W-- says that he was backwards and forwards in the Garden. It was a still Day, there was no Wind stirring.

William says on his Oath, that the first Words that he heard me speak to the Soldier were ordering him out of the Garden; the truth is, I did not speak to the Soldier till then, \& my ordering him out of the Garden was occasioned by his [P 2] saying something that I thought insulting.
The Time that I \& the Soldier were together in the Garden, was not sufficient for me to have uttered the Things that he alledged.
The Soldier said to Mrs. Grinder, that it would be right to have my House searched, as I might have plans of the Country which I intended to send to the Enemy; he called me a Military Painter; I suppose mistaking the Words Miniature Painter, which he might have heard me called. I think that this proves, his having come into the Garden, with some bad Intention, or at least with a prejudiced Mind.
It is necessary to learn the Names of all that were present at the Stable Door, that we may not have any Witnesses brought against us, that were not there.
All the Persons present at the Stable Door were, Mrs. Grinder and her Daughter, all the Time; Mrs. Haynes \& her Daughter all the Time; Mr. Grinder, part of the Time;
Mr. Hayley's Gardener part of the Time.--Mrs. Haynes was present from my turning him out at my Gate, all the rest of the
Time--What passed in the Garden, there is no Person but William \& the Soldier, \& myself can know.
There was not any body in Grinder's Tap-room, but an Old Man, named Jones, who (Mrs. Grinder says) did not come out--He is the same Man who lately hurt his Hand, \& wears it in a sling-The Soldier after he and his Comrade came together into the Tap-room, threatened to knock William's Eyes out (this was his often repeated Threat to me and to my Wife) because W-- refused to go with him to Chichester, and swear against me. William said that he would not take a false Oath, for that he heard me say nothing of the Kind (i.e. Sedition) $\mathrm{Mr}[\mathrm{s}]$ Grinder then reproved the Soldier for threatening William, and Mr. Grinder said, that W-- should not go, because of those Threats, especially as he was sure that no Seditious Words were Spoken.-[P 3] William's timidity in giving his Evidence before the Magistrates, and his fear of uttering a Falsehood upon Oath, proves him to be an honest Man, \& is to me an host of Strength.

I am certain that if I had not turned the Soldier out of my Garden, I never should have been free from his Impertinence \& Intrusion.
Mr. Hayley's Gardener came past at the Time of the Contention at the Stable Door, \& going to the Comrade said to him, Is your Comrade drunk?--a Proof that he thought the Soldier abusive, \& in an Intoxication of Mind.
If such a Perjury as this can take effect, any Villain in future may come \& drag me and my Wife out of our House, \& beat us in the Garden, or use us as he please, or is able, \& afterwards go and swear our Lives away.
Is it not in the Power of any Thief who enters a Man's
Dwelling, \& robs him, or misuses his Wife or Children, to go \& swear as this Man has sworn.

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My admiration of Flaxman's genius is more and more--his industry is equal to his other great powers. Speaks of his works in progress in his studio, and of various matters connected with art.
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To William Hayley Esqe ${ }^{\text {re }}$, Felpham, near Chichester, Sussex

London. October 7. 1803

Dear Sir
Your generous \& tender solicitude about your devoted rebel makes it absolutely necessary that he should trouble you with an account of his safe arrival which will excuse his begging the favor of a few lines to inform him how you escaped the contagion of the Court of Justice-- I fear that you have \& must suffer more on my account than I shall ever be worth--Arrived safe in London my wife in very poor health still I resolve not to lose. hope of seeing better days.
Art in London flourishes. Engravers in particular are wanted. Every Engraver turns away work that he cannot Execute from his superabundant Employment. Yet no one brings work to me. I am content that it shall be so as long as God pleases I know that many works of a lucrative nature are in want of hands other Engravers are courted. I suppose that I must go a Courting which I shall do awkwardly in the mean time I lose no moment to complete Romney to satisfaction
How is it possible that a Man almost 50 Years of Age who has not lost any of his life since he was five years old without incessant labour \& study. how is it possible that such a one with ordinary common sense can be inferior to a boy of twenty who scarcely has taken or deigns to take a pencil in hand but who rides about the Parks or Saunters about the Playhouses who Eats \& drinks for business not for need how is it possible that such a fop can be superior to the studious lover of Art can scarcely b imagind Yet such is somewhat like my fate \& such it is likely to remain. Yet I laugh \& sing for if on Earth neglected I am in heaven a Prince among Princes \& even on Earth beloved by the Good as a Good Man this I should be perfectly contented with but at certain periods a blaze of reputation arises round me in which I am considerd as one distinguishd by some mental perfection but

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soon dies again \& I am left stupified \& astonishd O that I could live as others do in a regular succession of Employment this wish I fear is not to be accomplishd to me--Forgive this Dirge-like lamentation over a dead horse \& now I have lamented over the dead horse let me laugh \& be merry with my friends till Christmas for as Man liveth not by bread alone I shall live altho I should want bread--nothing is necessary to me but to do my Duty \& to rejoice in the exceeding joy that is always poured out on my Spirit. to pray that my friends \& you above the rest may be made partakers of the joy that the world cannot conceive that you may still be replenishd with the same \& be as you always have been a glorious \& triumphant Dweller in immortality. Please to pay for me my best thanks to Miss Poole tell her that I wish her a continued Excess of Happiness--some say that Happiness is not Good for Mortals \& they ought to be answerd that Sorrow is not fit for Immortals \& is utterly useless to any one a blight never does good to a tree \& if a blight kill not a tree but it still bear fuit let none say that the fruit was in consequence of the blight. When this Soldierlike Danger is over I will do double <the> work I do now. for it will hang heavy on my Devil who terribly resents it. but I soothe him to peace \& indeed he is a good naturd Devil after all \& certainly does not lead me into scrapes. he is not in the least to be blamed for the present scrape as he was out of the way all the time on other employment seeking amusement in making Verses to which he constantly leads me very much to my hurt \& sometimes to the annoyance of my friends as I percieve he is now doing the same work by my letter I will finish it wishing you health \& joy in God our Saviour To Eternity yours
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[To William Hayley]

South Molton Street, 26 October 1803

Dear Sir,
I hasten to write to you by the favour of Mr. Edwards. I have been with Mr. Saunders who has now in his possession all Mr. Romney's pictures that remained after the sale at Hempstead;
I saw Milton and his Daughters, and 'Twas where the Seas were Roaring, and a beautiful Female head. He has promised to write a list of all that he has in his possession, and of all that he remembers of Mr. Romney's paintings, with notices where they now are, as far as his recollection will serve. The picture of Christ in the Desert he supposes to be one of those which he has rolled on large rollers. He will take them down and unroll them, but cannot do it easily, as they are so large as to occupy the whole length of his workshop, and are laid across beams at the top.

Mr Flaxman is now out of town. When he returns I will lose no time in setting him to work on the same object. I have got to work after Fuseli for a little Shakespeare. Mr. Johnson the bookseller tells me that there is no want of work. So far you will be rejoiced with me, and your words, "Do not fear you can want employment!" were verified the morning after I received your kind letter; but I go on finishing Romney with spirit, and for the relief of variety shall engage in other little works as they arise.
I called on Mr. Evans who gives small hopes of our ballads; he says he has sold but fifteen numbers at the most, and that going on would be a certain loss of almost all the expenses. I then proposed to him to take a part with me in publishing them on a smaller scale, which he declined on account of its being out of his line of business to publish, and a line in which he is determined never to engage, attaching himself wholly to the sale
of fine editions of authors and curious books in general. He advises that some publisher should be spoken to who would purchase the copyright: and, as far as I can judge of the nature of publication, no chance is left to one out of the trade. Thus the case stands at present. God send better times. Everybody complains, yet all go on cheerfully and with spirit. The shops in London improve; everything is elegant, clean, and neat; the streets are widened where they were narrow; even Snow Hill is become almost level, and is a very handsome street, and the narrow part of the Strand near St. Clement's is widened and become very elegant. My wife continues poorly, but fancies she is better in health here than by the seaside. We both sincerely pray for the health of Miss Poole, and for all our friends in Sussex, and remain, dear sir, Your sincere and devoted servants, W. and C. BLAKE
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[To] William Hayley Esqre Felpham, near Bognor, Sussex

Tuesday night 13 Decr $^{\text {r }} 1803$

## Dear Sir

I write in a violent hurry. Your Letter has never arrived to me $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Lambert has been with me which is the first notice I had of the Letter or of the Drawing. I have fetchd the Drawing from $\mathrm{Mr}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Rose \& have shewd it to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$. Flaxman who approves of it wishing only that the Monument itself may be more made out \& the other Monument in the back Ground kept in a lower tint. The little oval tablet on the side by Cowpers Monument he tells me is $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Unwins of course that shall be distinguishd

I have a great many things to say \& a great many heartfelt acknowledgments to express particularly for your tens which are hundreds to me nay thousands I am going on with success. business comes in \& I shall be at ease if this infernal business of the soldier can be got over
I have seen $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Saunders \& enquird of him whether he has any of Mr Romneys [Sketches] Historical Sketches. he says that he sent a great part of them to the North \& explaind the North by saying that [ $M^{r}$ Romney] $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ John Romney has a dwelling in the north-- $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Flaxman supposes that if some of the most distinguishd designs of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Romney of which $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Saunders has a good many were Engravd they would be an appropriate accompaniment to the Life of Romney the expense would not be very great \& the merit of the designs an object of consequence. $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Saunders will shortly write to you giving you every information in his power with notices of where $\mathrm{Mr}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Romneys <best> pictures now are \& other articles collected from every Fountain he can visit
I send the five copies of Cowpers Plates which you will
recieve with this \& have only time to say because I shall be too late for the carriage
God bless you \& preserve you \& reward your kindness to me WILL BLAKE
P. S My wife is better we are very anxious about Miss Pooles health \& shall be truly happy to hear that it is perfectly restored. Mr Romney[s] Portrait goes on with spirit. I do not send a proof because I cannot get one the Printers [being] <having been this afternoon> unable or unwilling \& my Press not yet being put up

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London Jan/y 14. 1804
To William Hayley Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$ Felpham
near Chichester, Sussex
Dear Sir
I write immediately on my arrival. Not merely to inform you that I am safe arrivd. but also to inform you that in a conversation with an old Soldier who came in the Coach with me I learned: that no one! not even the most expert horseman! ought ever to mount a Troopers Horse. they are taught so many tricks such as stopping short, falling down on their knees, running sideways, \& in various \& innumerable ways endeavouring to throw the rider, that it is a miracle if a stranger escapes with Life;--All this I learnd with some alarm \& heard also what the soldier said confirmd by another person in the coach--I therefore as it is my duty beg \& entreat you never to mount that wicked horse again nor again trust to one who has been so Educated--God our Saviour watch over you \& preserve you

I have seen Flaxman already as I took to him early this morning your present to his Scholar he \& his are all well \& in high spirits \& welcomd Me with kind affection \& generous exultation in my escape from the arrows of darkness. I intend to see $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Lambert \& $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Johnson bookseller this afternoon. My poor wife has been near the Gate of Death as was supposed by our kind \& attentive fellow inhabitant. the young \& very amiable $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Enoch. who gave my wife all the attention that a daughter could pay to a mother but my arrival has dispelld the formidable malady \& my dear \& good woman again begins to resume her health \& strength--Pray my dear Sir. favour me with a line concerning your health \& how you have escaped the double blow both from the wicked horse \& from your innocent humble servant whose heart \& soul are more \& more drawn out towards you \& Felpham \& its kind inhabitants I feel anxious \& therefore pray to my God \& father for the health of Miss Poole hope that the pang of affection \& gratitude is the Gift of God for good I am thankful that I feel it it draws the soul towards Eternal life \& conjunction with Spirits of just men made perfect by love \& gratitude the two angels who stand at heavens gate ever open ever inviting guests
to the marriage O foolish Philosophy! Gratitude is Heaven itself there could be no heaven without Gratitude I feel it \& I know it I thank God \& Man for it \& above all You My dear friend \& benefactor in the Lord Pray give my \& my wifes duties to Miss
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To William Hayley Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$, Felpham, near Chichester, Sussex

Sth $^{\text {th }}$ Molton Street Friday Jan/y 27. 1804

## Dear Sir

Your eager expectation of hearing from me compells me to write immediately tho I have not done half the business I wishd owing to a violent cold which confind me to my bed 3 days \& to my chamber a week. I am now so well (thank God) as to get out \& have accordingly been to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Walkers who is not in town being at Birmingham where he will remain 6 Weeks or 2 Months I took my Portrait of Romney as you desired to shew him. his So was likewise not at home: but I will again call on $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Walker Jun ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ \& beg him to shew me the Pictures. \& make every enquiry of him, If you think best:--Mr Sanders has one or two large Cartoons, The Subjects he does not know. they are folded up on the top of his workshop the rest he packd up \& sent into the North. I shewd your Letter to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ John Romney to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Flaxman who was perfectly satisfied with it. I seald \& sent it immediately as directed by M $^{\mathrm{r}}$ Sanders to Kendall. Westmoreland. M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ Sanders expects Romney in town soon. Note, Your Letter to M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{J}$ Romney I sent off the morning after I recievd
it from you being then in health I have taken your noble present to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Rose \& left it with charge to the Servant of Great Care the Writing looks very pretty I was fortunate in doing it myself \& hit it off excellently I have not seen $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Rose, tho he is in town. Mr Flaxman is not at all acquainted with $\mathrm{Sr}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Allan Chambre recommends me to enquire concerning him of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Rose my brother says he believes Sr Allan is a Master in Chancery.-- Tho I have calld on M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ Edwards twice for Lady Hamiltons direction was so unfortunate as to find him Out both times I will repeat my Call on him tomorrow morning

My Dear Sir I write now to satisfy you that all is in a good train I am going on briskly with the Plates find every thing promising. Work in Abundance; \& if God blesses me with health doubt not yet to make a Figure in the Great Dance of Life that shall amuse the Spectators in the Sky. I hank You for my Demosthenes which is now become a noble subject--My Wife gets better every Day. hope earnestly that you have entirely escaped the brush of my Evil Star. Which I believe is now for ever fallen into the Abyss. God bless \& preserve You \& our Good Lady Paulina with the Good things both of this life \& of eternity \& with you my much admired \& respected Edward the Bard of Oxford whose verses still sound upon my Ear like the distant approach of things mighty \& magnificent like the sound of harps which I hear before the Suns rising like the remembrance of Felphams waves \& of the Glorious \& far beaming Turret, like the Villa of Lavant blessed \& blessing Amen God bless you all O people of Sussex around your Hermit \& Bard So prays the Emulator of both his \& your mild \& happy tempers of Soul your Devoted WILL BLAKE
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To William Hayley Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$

S Molton Street 23 Feb/y. 1804
Dear Sir
I calld Yesterday on $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Braithwaite as you desired \& found him quite as chearful as you describe him \& by his appearance should not have supposed him to be near sixty notwithstanding he was shaded by a green shade over his Eyes--He gives a very spirited assurance of Mr John Romneys interesting himself in the great object of his Fathers Fame \& thinks that he must be proud of such a work \& in such hands. The Picture from Sterne which you desired him to procure for you; he has not yet found where it is. Supposes that it may be in the north \& that he may learn from $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Romney who will be in town soon--M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ B. desires I will present his Compliments to you \& write you that he has spoken with $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Read concerning the Life of Romney. he interests himself in it \& has promised to procure dates of premiums Pictures \&/c Mr Read having a number of Articles relating to Romney either written or printed which he promises to copy out for your use, as also the Catalogue of Hampstead Sale. He shewd me a very fine Portrait of $\mathrm{Mr}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Siddons (by Romney)
as the Tragic Muse half length. that is the Head \& hands. \& in his best Style. He also desires me to express to you his wish that you would give the Public an Engraving of that Medallion by your Sons matchless hand which is placd over his chimney piece. between two little pretty pictures correct \& enlarged copies from Antique Gems of which the center ornament is worthy, he says that it is by far in his opinion the most exact resemblance of Romney he ever saw I have furthermore the pleasure of informing you that he knew immediately my Portrait of Romney \& assured me that he thought it a very great likeness
I wish I could give you a Pleasant account of our beloved Councellor he Alas was ill in bed when I calld yesterday at about 12 O clock \& the servant said that he remains very ill indeed.
$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Walker I have been so unfortunate as not to find at home

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but <I> will call again in a day or two. Neither Mr Flaxman nor $\mathrm{Mr}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Edwards know Lady Hamiltons address the house $\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{r}}$ William livd in in Piccadilly She left some time ago ${ }^{r}$ Edwards will procure her address for you \& I will send it immediately I have inclosd for you the <22> Numbers of Fuselis Shakespeare that are out \& the book of Italian Letters from Mrs Flaxman who with her admirable husband [send thei] <present> their best Compliments to you he is so busy that I believe. I shall never see him again but when I call on him. for he has never yet since my return to London had the time or grace to call on me $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Flaxman \& her Sisters gave also their testimony to my Likeness of Romney. Mr Flaxman I have not yet had an opportunity of consulting about it but soon will I inclose likewise the Academical Correspondence of Mr Hoare the Painter whose note to me I also inclose for I did but express to him my desire of sending you a Copy of his work \& the day after I recievd it, with the note Expressing his pleasure [of your] in your wish to see it. You would be much delighted with the Man as I assure myself you will be with his work The plates of Cowpers Monument are both in great forwardness \& you shall have Proofs in another week I assure you that I will not spare pains \& am myself very much satisfied that I shall do my duty \& produce two Elegant plates there is however a great deal of work in them that must \& will have time.

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> But I hastend to write to you about $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Braithwaite hope when I send my proofs to give as good an account of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Walker. My wife joins me in Respects \& Love to you. \& desires with mine to present hers to Miss Poole I remain Dear Sir Your Sincere WILL BLAKE

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To William Hayley Esqre Felpham, near Chichester, Sussex

March 121804
Dear Sir
I begin with the latter end of your letter \& grieve more for Miss Pooles ill-health than for my failure in sending proofs tho I am very sorry that I cannot send before Saturdays Coach. Engraving is Eternal work the two plates are almost finishd [You] You will recieve proofs of them for Lady Hesketh whose copy of Cowpers letters ought to be printed in letters of Gold \& ornamented with jewels of Heaven Havilah Eden \& all the countries where Jewels abound I curse \& bless Engraving alternately because it takes so much time \& is so untractable. tho capable of such beauty \& perfection
My wife desires with me to Express her love to you Praying for Miss Pooles perfect recovery \& we both remain Your Affectionate
WILL BLAKE
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To William Hayley Esqre
16 March 1804
Dear Sir
According to your Desire I send proofs of the Monumental Plates. tho' as you will percieve they have not the last touches. especially the Plate of the Monument which I have drawn from $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Flaxmans Model with all the fidelity I could \& will finish with equal care. the writing being exactly copied from the tracing paper which was traced on the marble--The inscriptions to the Plates. I must beg of you to send to me that I may Engrave them immediately.
The drawing of the Monument which Mr Johnson sent has the following Inscription--"Monument Erected to the Memory of William Cowper Esqre in $\mathrm{S}^{t}$ Edmunds Chapel. East Dereham by the Lady Hesketh 1803"--But it strikes me that. St Edmunds Chapel East Dereham may be understood to mean a Chapel in East Dereham Town. \& not to Express sufficiently, that the Monument is in East Dereham Church. Owing to my determination of sending you Proofs I have not been able to consult $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Flaxman about the Designs of Mr Romney which are at Saunders's. I calld once o[n] M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{F}$. but he was not at home so could not spare more time but will now immediately proceed in that business. The Pleasure I recievd from your kind Letter ought to make me assiduous \& it does so. That $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ John Romney is so honest as to expose to you his whole absurd prejudice. gives hopes that he may prove
worthy of his father \& that he should tell such inconsistent surmizes proves that they will soon be eradicated \& forgotten You who was his fathers best friend will I hope become the most respected object of his love \& admiration
I calld on $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hoare with your Elegant \& Heart lifting Compliment. he was not at home-- I left it with a short note. have not seen him since--
$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Rose I am happy to hear is getting quite well. Hope to hear the same good account of our most admirable \& always
anxiously rememberd Miss Poole
$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Braithwaite calld on me \& brought two Prints which he desires may be sent to you (with His Compliments.) (which you will find inclosed) one is a copy from that Miniature; you kindly sufferd me to make, from the Picture of Romney which I am now Engraving: \& which was lent by $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Long for the purpose of being Engraved for the European Mag/ne The other is M ${ }^{\text {rs }}$ Siddons from the Picture by Romney in $\mathrm{Mr}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Braithwaites possession but as much unlike the original as possible
My Wife joins me in best affections to you
\& I remain Sincerely Yours
WILL BLAKE
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To William Hayley Esqre, Felpham

Sth Molton Street March 21. 1804

## Dear Sir

I send two Proofs of Each of the Monumental Plates with the writing, which I hope will please. Should have sent the twelve of Each if I had not wishd to improve them still more, \& because I had not enough paper in proper order for printing: beg pardon for the omission of $\mathrm{Mr}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Braithwaites two Prints. as also for omitting to mention $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hoares grateful sensation on His reception of your very beautiful Verses--I now send you his note to Me as I think it will give you a good idea of this good \& excellent Man I have been to look at the Drawings \& Picture. but Flaxman has not yet been able to go with me Am sorry to inform you that one of the drawings which $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Romney destined for you is Lost or at least cannot now be found it is that of the Witch raising the Storm. Mr Romney says that in lieu of the lost Drawing you shall have choice of either of the remaining ones of which Sanders says there are Several. but I only saw one more because I would not give much trouble as Flaxman was not with me--The Drawing I saw is of a Female Figure with a Serpent in one hand \& a torch in the other, both held above her head \& a figure kneeling at her feet. it is a very sublime drawing \& would make an Excellent Print but I will not advise any thing till Flaxman sees them. The Drawing of Pliny in the Eruption of Vesuvius is very clever. \& indeed a Sublime but very unfinishd Sketch.--The Picture of the Man on
horseback rescuing the drowning people is a beautiful Performance. Mr ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ Saunders says that he has orders from Mr Romney to deliver the Picture \& two Drawings to any person whom you shall authorize to recieve them They are somewhat batterd but not so much as I expected for I remember. \& Saunders says. that they never were properly strained upon their straining frames We both rejoice that Miss Poole is better but hope \& pray for her intire recovery

My wife joins me in sincere love to you please to remember us both affectionately \& gratefully to Miss Poole \& believe me to remain Ever Yours WILL BLAKE

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To William Hayley Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$, Felpham
near Chichester, Sussex

St Molton St March 31. 1804

## Dear Sir

I did not recieve your Letter till Monday of course could not have got them Printed to send by tuesdays Coach But there is a real reason equally good why I have not yet sent. I hope you will believe me when I say that my solicitude to bring them to perfection has caused this delay as also not being quite sure that you had Copies ready for them. I could not think of delivering the 12 Copies without giving the last touches which are always the best. I have now I hope given them \& we directly go to Printing. Consequently it will be by Tuesdays Coach that you will recieve 12 of Each--If you do not wish any more done before I deliver then ${ }^{t 1538}$ pray favor me with a line. that I may send the Plates to Johnson who wants them to set the Printer to work upon
I remain In Engravers hurry which is the worst \& most unprofitable of hurries
Your Sincere \& Affectionate WILL BLAKE
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[To William Hayley]

2 April, 1804
... Mr. Flaxman advises that the drawing of Mr. Romney's which shall be chosen instead of the Witch (if that cannot be recovered) be Hecate, the figure with the torch and snake, which he thinks one of the finest drawings. The twelve impressions of each of the plates which I now send ought to be
unrolled immediately that you receive them and put under somewhat to press them flat. You should have had fifteen of each, but I had not paper enough in proper order for printing, There is now in hand a new edition of Flaxman's Homer with additional designs, two of which I am now engraving. I am uneasy at not hearing from Mr. Dally, to whom I inclosed L15 in a letter a fortnight ago, by his desire. I write to him by this post to inquire about it. Money in these times is not to be trifled with. I have now cleared the way to Romney, in whose service I now enter again with great pleasure, and hope soon to show you my zeal with good effect. Am in hopes that Miss Poole is recovered, as you are silent on that most alarming and interesting topic in both your last letters. God be with you in all things. My wife joins me in this prayer.
I am, dear Sir,
Your sincerely affectionate, WILLM. BLAKE
[From the Gilchrist Life]

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To William Hayley Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$ Felpham near Chichester, Sussex

Sth Molton Street April 7. 1804
Dear Sir
You can have no Idea unless you was in London as I am how much your Name is lovd \& respected--I have the Extreme pleasure of transmitting to you one proof of this Respect which you will be pleased with \& I hope will adopt \& embrace. It comes thro, M ${ }^{r}$ Hoare. from Mr Phillips of $\mathrm{S}^{t}$ Pauls Church Yard. it is as yet an intire secret between $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{P}, \mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$; \& myself \& will remain so till you have given Your Decision--Mr Phillips is a man of vast spirit \& enterprize. with a solidity of character which few have; he is the man who applied to Cowper for that Sonnet in favor of a Prisoner at Leicester which I believe you thought fit not to print So you see he is spiritually adjoind with us. His connections throughout England \& indeed Europe \& America enable him to Circulate Publications to an immense Extent. \& he told $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hoare that on the present work which he proposes to commence with your assistance he can afford to expend 2.000 a year. Mr Phillips considers you as the Great Leading Character in Literature \& his terms to others will amount to only one Quarter of what he proposes to you-- I send Inclosd his Terms as $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hoare by my desire has given them to me in writing. Knowing your aversion to Reviews \& Reviewing I consider the Present Proposal as peculiarly adapted to your Ideas it may be calld a Defence of Literature against those pests of the Press \& a bulwark for Genius which shall with your good assistance. Disperse those Rebellious Spirits of Envy \& Malignity In Short. If you see it as I see it. You
will embrace this Proposal on the Score of Parental Duty Literature is your Child, She calls for your assistance! You: who never refuse to assist any how remote soever will certainly hear her Voice. Your answer to the Proposal. you will if you think fit direct to $\mathrm{Mr}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hoare who is worthy of every Confidence you can place in him

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I am dear Sir
Your anxiously Devoted
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[To] William Hayley Esq ${ }^{\text {reFelpham, }}$ near Chichester, Sussex

## Sth Molton Street [26] <27> April 1804

 Dear SirI have at length seen $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hoare after having repeatedly calld on him every day \& not finding him,--I now understand that he recievd your reply to P's Proposal at Brighton where he has a residence. from whence he sent it to London to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Phillips. he has not seen P. since his return \& therefore cannot tell me how he understood your Answer. $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$. appears to me to consider it as a rejection of the Proposal altogether I took the liberty to tell him. that I could not consider it so. but that as I understood you, You had accepted the spirit of P's intention which was to leave the whole conduct of the affair to you \& that you had accordingly nominated one of your Friends \& agreed to nominate others. but if P. meant that you should yourself take on you the drudgery of the ordinary business of a Review his Proposal was by no means a generous one-- $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$. has promised to see $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Phillips immediately \& to know what his intentions are. but he says. Perhaps M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ P. may not yet have seen your letter to him. \& that his multiplicity of business may very well account for the delay
I have seen our Excellent Flaxman lately he is well in health but has had such a burn on his hand as you had once which has hinderd his working for a fortnight, it is now better. he desires to be most affectionately rememberd to you had begun a letter to you a week ago perhaps by this time you have recievd it but he is also a laborious votary of Endless Work. Engraving is of so slow Process I must beg of you to give me the earliest possible notice of what Engraving is to be done for. The Life of Romney Endless Work is the true title of Engraving as I find by the things I have in hand day \& night We feel much easier to hear that you have parted with your Horse hope soon to hear that you have got a living one of brass a pegasus of Corinthian

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metal \& that Miss Poole is again in such health as when she first mounted me on my belov<e>d Bruno
I forgot to mention that $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hoare desires his most respectful Compliments to you. Speaks of taking a ride across the country to Felpham as he always keeps a Horse at Brighton My wife joins me in love to you
I remain Yours Sincerely
WILL ${ }^{\text {M }}$ BLAKE
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[To William Hayley]<br>[4th May 1804]

## Dear Sir,

I thank you sincerely for Falconer, an admirable poet, and the admirable prints to it by Fittler. Whether you intended it or not, they have given me some excellent hints in engraving; his manner of working is what I shall endeavour to adopt in many points. I have seen the elder Mr. Walker. He knew and admired without any preface my print of Romney, and when his daughter came in he gave the print into her hand without a word, and she immediately said, "Ah! Romney! younger than I have known him, but very like indeed." Mr. Walker showed me Romney's first attempt at oil painting; it is a copy from a Dutch picture--Dutch boor smoking; on the back is written, "This was the first attempt at oil painting by G. Romney." He shew'd me also the last performance of Romney. It is of Mr. Walker and family, the draperies put in by somebody else. It is a very excellent picture, but unfinished. The figures as large as life, half length, Mr. W., three sons, and, I believe, two daughters, with maps, instruments, \&c. Mr. Walker also shew'd me a portrait of himself (W.), whole length, on a canvas about two feet by one and a half; it is the first portrait Romney ever painted. But above all, a picture of Lear and Cordelia, when he awakes and knows her,--an incomparable production, which Mr. W. bought for five shillings at a broker's shop; it is about five feet by four, and exquisite for expression; indeed, it is most pathetic; the heads of Lear and Cordelia can never be surpassed, and Kent and the other attendant are admirable; the picture is very highly finished. Other things I saw of Romney's first works: two copies, perhaps from Borgognone, of battles; and Mr. Walker promises to collect all he can of information for you. I much admired his mild and gentle benevolent manners; it seems as if all Romney's intimate friends were truly amiable and feeling like himself.
I have also seen Alderman Boydel, who has promised to get the number and prices of all Romney's prints as you desired. He

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has sent a Catalogue of all his Collection, and a Scheme of his Lottery; esires his compliments to you; says he laments your absence from London, as your advice would be acceptable at all times, but especially at the present. He is very thin and
decay'd, and but the shadow of what he was; so he is now a Shadow's Shadow; but how can we expect a very stout man at eighty-five, which age he tells me he has now reached? You would have been pleas'd to see his eyes light up at the mention of your name.
Mr. Flaxman agrees with me that somewhat more than outline is necessary to the execution of Romney's designs, because his merit is eminent in the art of massing his lights and shades. I should propose to etch them in a rapid but firm manner, somewhat, perhaps, as I did the Head of Euler; the price I receive for engraving Flaxman's outlines of Homer is five guineas each. I send the Domenichino, which is very neatly done. His merit was but little in light and shade; outline was his element, and yet these outlines give but a faint idea of the finished prints from his works, several of the best of which I have. I send also the French monuments, and inclose with them a catalogue of Bell's Gallery, and another of the Exhibition, which I have not yet seen. I mentioned the pictures from Sterne to Mr. Walker; he says that there were several; one, a garden scene, with Uncle Toby and Obadiah planting in the garden; but that of Lefevre's Death he speaks of as incomparable, but cannot tell where it now is, as they were scattered abroad, being disposed of by means of a raffle. He supposes it is in Westmoreland; promises to make every inquiry about it. Accept, also, of my thanks for Cowper's third volume, which I got, as you directed, of Mr. Johnson. I have seen Mr. Rose; he looks, tho' not so well as I have seen him, yet tolerably, considering the terrible storm he has been thro'! He says that the last session was a severe labour; indeed it must be so to a man just out of so dreadful a fever. I also thank you for your very beautiful little poem on the King's recovery; it is one of the prettiest things I ever read, and I hope the King will live to fulfil the prophecy and die in peace; but at present, poor man, I understand he is poorly indeed, and times threaten worse than ever. I must now express my sorrow and my hopes for our good Miss Poole, and so take my leave for the present, with the joint love of my good woman, who is still stiff-knee'd but well in other respects. I am, dear Sir, Yours most sincerely, WILLIAM BLAKE
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[To William Hayley]
[28 May 1804]
Dear Sir,
I thank you heartily for your kind offer of reading, \&c. I have read the book thro' attentively and was much entertain'd and instructed, but have not yet come to the Life of Washington. I suppose an American would tell me that
Washington did all that was done before he was born, as the French now
adore Buonaparte and the English our poor George; so the Americans will consider Washington as their god. This is only Grecian, or rather Trojan, worship, and perhaps will be revised [reversed?] in an age or two. In the meantime I have the happiness of seeing the Divine countenance in such men as Cowper and Milton more distinctly than in any prince or hero. Mr. Phillips has sent a small poem; he would not tell the author's name, but desired me to inclose it for you with Washington's Life.
Mr. Carr called on me, and I, as you desired, gave him a history of the reviewing business as far as I am acquainted with it. He desires me to express to you that he would heartily devote himself to the business in all its laborious parts, if you would take on you the direction; and he thinks it might be done with very little trouble to you. He is now going to Russia; hopes that the negotiations for this business is not wholly at an end, but that on his return he may still perform his best, as your assistant in it. I have delivered the letter to Mr. Edwards, who will give it immediately to Lady Hamilton. Mr. Walker I have again seen; he promises to collect numerous particulars concerning Romney and send them to you; wonders he has not had a line from you; desires me to assure you of his wish to give every information in his power. Says that I shall have Lear and Cordelia to copy if you desire it should be done; supposes that Romney was about eighteen when he painted it;

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it is therefore doubly interesting. Mr. Walker is truly an amiable man; spoke of Mr. Green as the oldest friend of Romney, who knew most concerning him of any one; lamented the little difference that subsisted between you, speaking of you both with great affection. Mr. Flaxman has also promised to write all he knows or can collect concerning Romney, and send to you. Mr. Sanders has promised to write to Mr. J. Romney immediately, desiring him to give us liberty to copy any of his father's designs that Mr. Flaxman may select for that purpose; doubts not at all of Mr. Romney's readiness to send any of the cartoons to London you desire; if this can be done it will be all that could be wished. I spoke to Mr. Flaxman about choosing out proper subjects for our purpose; he has promised to do so. I hope soon to send you Flaxman's advice upon this article. When I repeated to Mr. Phillips your intention of taking the books you want from his shop, he made a reply to the following purpose: "I shall be very proud to have Mr. Hayley's name in my books, but please to express to him my hope that he will consider me as the sincere friend of Mr. Johnson, who is (I have every reason to say) both the most generous and honest man I ever knew, and with whose interest I should be so averse to interfere, that I should wish him to have the refusal first of anything before it should be offered to me, as I know the value of Mr. Hayley's connexion too well to interfere between my best friend and him." This Phillips spoke with real affection, and I know you will love him for it, and will also respect Johnson the more for such testimony; but to balance all this I must, in duty to my friend Seagrave, tell you that Mr. Rose repeated to me his great opinion of Mr. Johnson's integrity, while we were talking concerning Seagrave's printing; it is but justice, therefore, to tell you that I perceive a determination in the London booksellers to injure Seagrave in your opinion, if possible.

Johnson may be very honest and very generous, too, where his own interest is concerned; but I must say that he leaves no stone unturn'd to serve that interest, and often (I think) unfairly; he always has taken care, when I have seen him, to rail against Seagrave, and I perceive that he does the same by Mr. Rose. Mr Phillips took care to repeat Johnson's railing to me, and to say that country printers could not do anything of consequence. Luckily he found fault with the paper which Cowper's Life is printed on, not knowing that it was furnish'd by Johnson. I let him run on so far as to say that it was scandalous and unfit for such a work; here I cut him short by asking if he knew who furnish'd the paper. He answered: "I hope

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Mr. J. did not." I assured him that he did, and here he left off, desiring me to tell you that the Life of Washington was not put to press till the 3rd of this month (May), and on the 13th he had deliver'd a dozen copies at Stationer's Hall, and by the 16th five hundred were out. This is swift work if literally true, but I am not apt to believe literally what booksellers say; and on comparing Cower with Washington, must assert that, except paper (which is Johnson's fault), Cowper is far the best, both as to type and printing. Pray look at Washington as far as page 177, you will find that the type is smaller than from 177 to 308, the whole middle of the book being printed with a larger and better type than the two extremities; also it is carefully hot-pressed. I say thus much, being urged thereto by Mr. Rose's observing some defects in Seagrave's work, which I conceive were urged upon him by Johnson; and as to the time the booksellers would take to execute any work, I need only refer to the little job which Mr. Johnson was to get done for our friend Dally. He promised it in a fortnight, and it is now three months and is not yet completed. I could not avoid saying thus much in justice to our good Seagrave, whose replies to Mr. Johnson's aggravating letters have been represented to Mr. Rose in an unfair light, as I have no doubt; because Mr. Johnson has, at times, written such letters to me as would have called for the sceptre of Agamemnon rather than the tongue of Ulysses, and I will venture to give it as my settled opinion that if you suffer yourself to be persuaded to print in London you will be cheated every way; but, however, as some little excuse, I must say that in London every calumny and falsehood utter'd against another of the same trade is thought fair play. Engravers, Painters, Statuaries, Printers, Poets, we are not in a field of battle, but in a City of Assassinations. This makes your lot truly enviable, and the country is not only more beautiful on account of its expanded meadows, but also on account of its benevolent minds. My wife joins with me in the hearty wish that you may long enjoy your beautiful retirement, I am, with best respects to Miss Poole, for whose health we constantly send wishes to our spiritual friends,

Yours sincerely,
WILLIAM BLAKE
P.S.--Mr. Walker says that Mr. Cumberland is right in his reckoning of Romney's age. Mr. W. says Romney was two years older than himself, consequently was born 1734.
Mr. Flaxman told me that Mr. Romney was three years in Italy; that he
returned twenty-eight years since. Mr. Humphry, the Painter, was in Italy the same time with Mr. Romney. Mr. Romney lodged at Mr. Richter's, Great Newport Street, before he went; took the house in Cavendish Square immediately on his return; but as Flaxman has promised to put pen to paper, you may expect a full account of all he can collect. Mr. Sanders does not know the time when Mr. R. took or left Cavendish Square house.
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To William Hayley Esqre Felpham, near Chichester, Sussex

Sth Molton Street 22. June. 1804. Dear Sir
I have got the three Sublime Designs of Romney now in my Lodgings \& find them all too Grand as well as too undefined for meer outlines, \& indeed it is not only my opinion but that of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Flaxman \& Mr Parker both of whom I have consulted that to give a true Idea of Romneys Genius nothing less than some Finishd Engravings will do. as Outline intirely omits his chief beauties. but there are some which may be executed in a slighter manner than others. \& $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Parker whose Eminence as an Engraver makes his opinion deserve notice has advised. that 4 should be done in the highly finished manner \& 4 in a less Finishd--\& on my desiring him to tell me for what he Would undertake to Engrave One in Each manner the size to be about 7 Inches by $51 / 4$ which is the size of a Quarto printed Page. he answerd. 30 Guineas the finishd. \& half the sum for the less finishd. but as you tell me that they will be wanted in November I am of opinion that if Eight different Engravers are Employd the Eight Plates will not be done by that time, as for myself. (Note Parker now speaks) I have today turned away a Plate of 400 Guineas because I am too full <of work> to undertake it, \& I know that all the Good Engravers are so Engaged that they will be hardly prevaild <upon> to undertake more than One of the Plates on so short a notice. This is Mr Parkers account of the matter. \& perhaps may discourage you from the Pursuit of so Expensive an undertaking. it is certain that the Pictures deserve to be Engraved by the hands of Angels \& must not by any means be done in a careless or too hasty manner. The Price $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Parker has affixd to each is Exactly what I myself had before concluded upon. judging as he did that if the Fuseli Shakespeare is worth 25 Guineas, these
done at any rate under 15.
M $^{\mathrm{r}}$ Flaxman advises that the best Engravers should be engaged in the work as its magnitude demands all the Talents that can be

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$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Flaxman named the following Eight as proper subjects for Prints<br>1 The Vision of Atossa from Eschylus<br>2 Apparition of Darius

3 Black Eyd Susan--a figure on the Sea shore embracing a Corse
4 The Shipwreck with the Man on Horseback \&c which I have 5 Hecate. a very fine thing indeed, which I have 6 Pliny very fine but very unfinishd. which I have
7 Lear \& Cordelia. belonging to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Walker
8 One other which I omitted to write down \& have forgot but think that it was a Figure with Children which he calld a Charity

I write immediately on recieving the Above Information. because no time should be lost in this truly interesting business Richardson is not yet Published. My Head of Romney is in very great forwardness. Parker commends it highly. Flaxman has not yet seen it. but shall soon, \& then you shall have a Proof of it for your remarks also. I hope by this time Flaxman has written to you \& that you will soon recieve such documents as will enable you to decide on what is to be done in our desirable \& arduous task of doing justice to our admired Sublime Romney. I have not yet been able to meet $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Braithwaite at home but intend very soon to call again \& (as you wish) to write all I can collect from him--be so good as to give me your Earliest decision on what would be safe \& not too venturesome in the number of projected Engravings. that I may put it into a train to be properly Executed We both rejoice in the generous Paulinas return with recoverd strength to her Delightful Villa please to present our sincerest Affections to her. My Wife continues to get better \& joins me in my warmest love \& acknowledgements to you as do my Brother \& Sister

I am Dear Sir Yours Sincerely
WILLIAM BLAKE
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To William Hayley Esqre Felpham near Chichester, Sussex

Sth Molton St 16 July 1804

## Dear Sir

We are both happy to hear that Miss Poole is better.
sincerely Pray that she may soon be perfectly restored. I calld on $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Rose in Chancery Lane on Friday. hear that he is in Sussex \& is well suppose that he does not tell the worst to his family hope that so valuable a life will be preservd in health \& strength--I send Richardson accompanied by a Proof of Romney in still an unfinishd state. but it will have the great advantage to [of] Time to its completion. I also send a Sketch of the Heroic Horseman as you wishd me to do--the size the Print is to be. $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Phillips desired I would present his most respectful Compliments to you \& inform you that he with Mr Hoare. intended to have visited you together--that terrible wet Tuesday but could not for the Deluges of Rain. $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{P}$ was at Brighton with $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hoare--fears that so good an opportunity of seeing
you may not occur soon again--Mr ${ }^{r}$. refuses to recieve payment for Books \& says that he will not recieve it in Money but in some how else more agreeable still. of course he means to pursue his court to [his] Your <Coy> Muse. I wish him success I omitted to get Richardson till last Friday having calld thrice unsuccessfully <\&> before publication have only had time to skim it but cannot restrain myself from speaking of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Klopstocks Letters Vol 3--which to my feelings are the purest image of Conjugal affection honesty \& Innocence I ever saw on paper. Richardson has won my heart I will again read Clarissa $\& / \mathrm{c}$ they must be admirable I was too hasty in my perusal of them to percieve all their beauty. I admire Miss Watsons head of Richardson it is truly delicate
"The patient touches of unwearid Art"
I am now Earnestly employd on the Heroic Horseman endeavouring to do justice to so admirable a Picture

My Wife joins me in love to you
I remain Dear Sir
Your Sincere \&
Obliged Servt
WILL BLAKE

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[To William Hayley]
[7 August 1804]
It is certainly necessary that the best artists that can be engaged should be employed on the work of Romney's Life. . . . How can it be that lightness should be wanting in my works, while in my life and constitution I am too light and aeriel, is a paradox only to be accounted for by the things of another world. Money flies from me; Profit never ventures upon my threshold, tho' every other man's doorstone is worn down into the very earth by the footsteps of the fiends of commerce. Be it so, as long as God permits, which I foresee is not long. I foresee a mighty change.
[From sale catalogues of 1878 and 1885]
[To William Hayley]
[9 August 1804]

Signed: W. \& C. BLAKE
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To William Hayley Esqre Felpham

## Sth Molton St 28 Sept $^{\mathrm{r}} 1804$

Dear Sir
I hope you will Excuse my Delay in sending the Books which I have had some time but kept them back till I could send a Proof of the Shipwreck which I hope will please. It yet wants all its last \& finishing touches. but I hope you will be enabled by it to judge of the Pathos of the Picture
I send Washingtons $2^{\mathrm{d}}$ Vol:-- 5 Numbers of Fuselis Shakspeare \& two Vol's with a Letter from $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Spilsbury with whom I accidentally met in the Strand. he says that he relinquishd Painting as a Profession. for which I think he is to be applauded. but I concieve that he may be a much better Painter if he practises secretly \& for amusement than he could ever be if employd in the drudgery of fashionable dawbing for a poor pittance of money in return for the sacrifice of Art \& Genius. he says he never will leave to Practise the Art because he loves it \& This Alone will pay its labour by Success if not of money yet of True Art. which is All--
I had the pleasure of a call from $\mathrm{M}^{\text {rs }}$ Chetwynd \& her Brother. a Giant in body mild \& polite in soul as I have in general found great bodies to be they were much pleased with Romneys Designs. $\mathrm{Mr}^{\text {rs }} \mathrm{C}$. sent to me the two articles for you \& for the safety of which by the Coach I had some fears till $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Meyer obligingly undertook to convey them safe he is now I suppose enjoying the delights of the Turret of Lovely Felpham please to give my affectionate compliments to him. I cannot help suggesting an Idea which has struck me very forcibly that the Tobit \& Tobias in your bedchamber would make a very beautiful Engraving done in the same manner as the Head of Cowper after Lawrence. The Heads to be finishd \& the figures left exactly in imitation of the first strokes of the Painter The Expression of those truly Pathetic heads would then be transmitted to the Public a singular Monument of Romneys Genius in that Highest branch of Art

I must now tell my wants \& beg the favor of some more of the needful the favor of ten Pounds more will carry me thro this Plate \& the Head of Romney for which I am already paid. You shall soon see a Proof of Him in a very advancd state I have not yet proved it but shall soon when I will send you one--I rejoice to hear from Mr Meyer of Miss Pooles continued recovery My wife desires with me her respects to you \& her \& to all whom we love that is to all Sussex I remain Your Sincere \& Oliged Hble Servant WILL. BLAKE
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[To William Hayley]
[23 October 1804]
Dear Sir
I received your kind letter with the note to Mr. Payne, and have had the cash from him, I should have returned my thanks immediately on receipt of it, but hoped to be able to send, before now, proofs of the two plates, the Head of R [omney] and the Shipwreck, which you shall soon see in a much more perfect state. I write immediately because you wish I should do so, to satisfy you that I have received your kind favour.
I take the extreme pleasure of expressing my joy at our good Lady of Lavant's continued recovery: but with a mixture of sincere sorrow on account of the beloved Councillor. My wife returns her heartfelt thanks for your kind inquiry concerning her health. She is surprisingly recovered. Electricity is the wonderful cause; the swelling of her legs and knees is entirely reduced. She is very near as free from rheumatism as she was five years ago, and we have the greatest confidence in her perfect recovery.
The pleasure of seeing another poem from your hands has truly set me longing (my wife say I ought to have said us) with desire and curiosity; but, however, "Christmas is a-coming." Our good and kind friend Hawkins is not yet in town--hope soon to have the pleasure of seeing him, with the courage of conscious industry, worthy of his former kindness to me. For now! O lory! and O Delight! I have entirely reduced that spectrous Fiend to his station, whose annoyance has been the ruin of my labours for the last passed twenty years of my life. He is the enemy of conjugal love and is the Jupiter of the Greeks, an iron-hearted tyrant, the ruiner of ancient Greece. I speak with perfect confidence and certainty of the fact which has passed upon me. Nebuchadnezzar had seven times passed over him; I have had twenty; thank God I was not altogether a beast as he was; but I was a slave bound in a mill among beasts and devils; these beasts and these devils are now, together with myself, become

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children of light and liberty, and my feet and my wife's feet are free from fetters. O lovely Felpham, parent of Immortal Friendship, to thee I am eternally indebted for my three years' rest from perturbation and the strength I now enjoy. Suddenly, on the day after visiting the Truchsessian Gallery of pictures, I was again enlightened with the light I enjoyed in my youth, and which has for exactly twenty years been closed from me as by a door and by window-shutters. Consequently I can, with confidence, promise you ocular demonstration of my altered state on the plates I am now engraving after Romney, whose spiritual aid has not a little conduced to my restoration to the light of Art. O the distress I have undergone, and my poor wife with me. Incessantly labouring and incessantly spoiling what I had done well. Every one of my friends was astonished at my faults, and could no assign a reason;
they knew my industry and abstinence from every pleasure for the sake of study, and yet--and yet--and yet there wanted the proofs of industry in my works. I thank God with entire confidence that it shall be so no longer--he is become my servant who domineered over me, he is even as a brother who was my enemy. Dear Sir, excuse my enthusiasm or rather madness, for I am really drunk with intellectual vision whenever I take a pencil or graver into my hand, even as I used to be in my youth, and as I have not been for twenty dark, but very profitable years. I thank God that I courageously pursued my course through darkness. In a short time I shall make my assertion good that I am become suddenly as I was at first, by producing the Head of Romney and the Shipwreck quite another thing from what you or I ever expected them to be. In short, I am now satisfied and proud of my work, which I have not been for the above long period. If our excellent and manly friend Meyer is yet with you, please to make my wife's and my own most respectful and affectionate compliments to him, also to our kind friend at Lavant.
I remain, with my wife's joint affection, Your sincere and obliged servant, WILL BLAKE
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To William Hayley Esqre Felpham near Chichester, Sussex

Sth Molton St 4 Decr. 1804
Dear Sir
I have omitted so long to thank you for your kind \& admirable Present in hopes to send Proofs of my plates but can no longer wait for them but must express my own \& my wifes high gratification in the perusal of your elegant \& pathetic Poem. To say that Venusia is as beautiful as Serena is only expressing private opinion which will vary in each individual, but to say that she is Your Daughter \& is like You, to say "tis a Girl. promising Boys hereafter" \& to say God bless her for she is a peerless Jewel for a Prince to wear \& that we are both highly delighted is what I could not longer omit to say. ---Proofs of my Plates will wait on you in a few days. in the mean while I conclude this hasty scrawl with sincere thanks for your kind proposal in your Last letter. I have not yet been able to meet Phillips--Wilkes was not out when I calld nor any more of Washington. But I have mentiond your Proposal to our Noble Flaxman whose high \& generous Spirit relinquishing the whole to me was in some measure to be Expected. But that he has reasons for not being able to furnish any designs You will readily believe he says his Engagements are so multiform that he should not be able to do them Justice. but that he will overlook \& advise \& do all that he can to make my designs (should
they ever be attempted) What he Can. \& I know his What he Can will be full as much as he pretends so that I should not fear to produce Somewhat in this way that must be satisfactory the only danger will be that I shall put my Name to his Designs but if it should fall out so he has Enough \& to Spare \& the World will know his at once \& I shall glory in the Discovery. for Friendship with such a one is better than Fame! -- I was about to have written to you to express my wish that two so unequal labourers might not be yoked to the same Plow \& to desire you if
you could to get Flaxman to do the whole because I thought it would be (to say the best of myself) like putting John Milton with John Bunyan but being at Flaxmans taking his advice about our Engravings he mentiond his having recievd a Letter from you on the same Day I recievd mine \& said somewhat, I cannot tell what, that made me think you had open'd your Proposal to him-- I thought at any rate it would not be premature to tell him what you had said about the Designs for Edward the first. \& he advised it to be done as above related
I will soon speak with Phillips about it if you will favor me with a line of direction how to proceed.--Hope in a few days to send Proofs of Plates which I must say are far beyond Any thing I have ever done. For $O$ happiness never enough to be grateful for! I have lost my Confusion of Thought while at work \& am as much myself when I take the Pencil or Graver into my hand as I used to be in my Youth I have indeed fought thro a Hell of terrors \& horrors (which none could know but myself.) in a Divided Existence now no longer Divided. nor at war with myself I shall travel on in the Strength of the Lord God as Poor Pilgrim says
My wife joins me in Love to You \& to our Dear Friend \& Friends at Lavant \& in all Sussex
I remain Dear Sir Your Sincere \& obliged WILL BLAKE
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[To William Hayley]
[18 December 1804]
Dear Sir,
I send, with some confidence, proofs of my two plates, having had the assistance and approbation of our good friend Flaxman. He approves much (I cannot help telling you so much) of the Shipwreck. Mrs. Flaxman also, who is a good connoisseur in engraving, has given her warm approbation, and to the plate of the Portrait, though not yet in so high finished a state. I am sure (mark my confidence), with Flaxman's advice, which he gives with all the warmth of friendship both to you and me, it must be soon a highly finished and properly finished print; but yet I must solicit for a supply of money, and hope you will be convinced that the labour I have used on the two plates has left me without any resource but that of applying to you. I am again in want
of ten Pounds; hope that the size and neatness of my plate of the Shipwreck will plead for me the excuse for troubling you before it can be properly called finished, though Flaxman has already pronounced it so. I beg your remarks also on both my performances, as in their present state they will be capable of very much improvement from a few lucky or well advised touches. I cannot omit observing that the price Mr. Johnson gives for the plates of Fuselis Shakespeare (the concluding numbers of which I now send) is twenty-five guineas each. On comparing them with mine of the Shipwreck, you will perceive that I have done my duty, and put forth my whole strength. Your beautiful and elegant daughter Venusea grows in our estimation on a second and third perusal. I have not yet received the History of Chichester. I mention this not because I would hasten its arrival before it is convenient, but fancy it may have miscarried. My wife joins me in wishing you a merry Christmas. Remembering our happy Christmas at lovely Felpham, our spirits seem still to hover round our sweet cottage
and round the beautiful Turret. I have said seem, but am persuaded that distance is nothing but a phantasy. We are often sitting by our cottage fire, and often we think we hear your voice calling at the gate. Surely these things are real and eternal in our eternal mind and can never pass away. My wife continues well, thanks to Mr. Birch's Electrical Magic, which she has discontinued these three months.
I remain your sincere and obliged, WILLIAM BLAKE
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To William Hayley Esqre Felpham near Chichester, Sussex

Sth Molton Street 28 Decr $^{r} 1804$
[Postmark: 29 December]

## Dear Sir

The Death of so Excellent a Man as my Generous Advocate is a Public Loss which those who knew him can best Estimate \& to those who have an affection for him like Yours, is a Loss that only can be repaird in Eternity where it will indeed with such abundant felicity in the meeting Him a Glorified Saint who was a Suffering Mortal that our Sorrow is swallowd up in Hope--Such Consolations are alone to be found in Religion the Sun \& the Moon of our Journey \& such Sweet Verses as Yours in Your last beautiful Poem must now afford you their full reward
Farewell Sweet Rose thou hast got before me into the Celestial City. I also have but a few more Mountains to pass. for I hear the bells ring \& the trumpets sound to welcome thy arrival among Cowpers Glorified Band of Spirits of just Men made Perfect

Now My Dear Sir I will thank you for the transmission of ten Pounds to the Dreamer over his own Fortunes. for I certainly am that Dreamer, but tho I dream over my own Fortunes I ought not to dream over those of other Men \& accordingly have given a look over my account Book in which I have regularly written down Every Sum I have recievd from you, \& tho I never can balance the account of obligations with you I ought to do my best at all times \& in all circumstances--I find that you was right in supposing that I had been paid for all I have done. but when I wrote last requesting ten pounds I thought it was Due on the Shipwreck (which it was) but I did not advert to the Twelve Guineas which you Lent Me when I made up 30 Pounds to pay our Worthy Seagrave in part of his Account--I am therefore that 12 Guineas in your debt. Which If I had Considerd, I should have used more consideration \& more ceremony also in so serious an

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affair as the calling on you for more Money. but however. Your Kind answer to my Request makes me Doubly Thank you The two Cartoons which I have of Hecate \& Pliny are very unequal in point of finishing the Pliny in [is] a Sketch tho admirably contrived for an Effect equal to Rembrandt. But the Hecate is a finishd Production which will call for all the Engravers nicest attention, indeed it is more finishd than the Shipwreck it is every body[s] favourite who have seen it \& they regularly prefer it to the Shipwreck as a work of Genius As to the [Plates] Price of the Plates Flaxman declares to me that he will not pretend to set a price upon Engraving. I think it can only be done by some Engraver. I consulted Mr Parker on the subject before I decided on the Shipwreck \& it was his opinion \& he says it still is so that a Print of that size cannot be done under 30 Guineas if finishd, \& if a Sketch. 15 Guineas as therefore Hecate must be a Finishd Plate I consider 30 Guineas as its Price \& the Pliny 15 Guineas
Our Dear Friend Hawkins is out of Town \& will not return till April. I have sent to him by a parcel from Col Sibthorpes your Desirable Poetical Present for $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Hawkins. His address is this--To John Hawkins Esqr Dallington near Northampton. M ${ }^{\text {r }}$ Edwards is out of Town likewise I am very far from shewing the Portrait of Romney as a finishd Proof be assured that with our Good Flaxmans good help \& with your remarks on it in addition I hope to make it a Supernaculum. The Shipwreck also will be infinitely better the next proof. I feel very much gratifid at your approval of my Queen Catherine. beg to observe that the Print of Romeo \& the Apothecary annexd to your Copy is a shamefully worn out impression but it was the only one I could get at Johnsons. I left a good impression of it when I left Felpham last in one of Heaths Shakespeare you will see that it is not like the same Plate with the worn out Impression--My Wife joins me in love \& in rejoicing in Miss Pooles continud health. I am Dear Sir
Yours Sincerely
WILL. BLAKE
$P$. S. I made a very high finishd Drawing <of
Romney> as a Companion to my <drawing of the> head of Cowper (you remember) with which Flaxman is very much satisfied \& says that when my Print is like that I need wish it no better. \& I am determind to make it so at least.---WB---
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To William Hayley Esqre

Sth Molton Street 19 Jany 1805
Dear Sir
I at length send the Books which I have in vain calld for at the Publishers 3 several times. but his removal from $S^{t}$ Pauls to a noble House in Bridge Street Blackfriars perhaps hinderd his sending \& perhaps his wish that I might again call. I have however seen him this morning, \& he has in the most open \& explicit manner offerd his service to you Expressing his desire that I will repeat to you his regret that your last beautiful Poem was not Publishd in the Extensive way (I speak his own words) that a Poem of Confessedly the first Poet of England ought to be given to the Public (speaking so I must own he won my heart) He said I know that Dodsley was Mr Hayleys Publisher but hope that as Mr ${ }^{r}$. is dead \& if $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{H}$ has no Engagement with any London Bookseller I may myself be appointd by him in so honourable a concern as the Publication of his Labours. He then Proceeded to find fault with the Printing of our friend the Chichester Printer. Here I considerd it my duty to interfere. I expressd my own respect for our Good Seagrave \& said I knew your chief intentions in Employing him were $1^{\text {st }}$ to Encourage a Worthy Man \& $2^{\mathrm{d}}$ For the Honour of Chichester. M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ P immediately replied. If $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayley should think fit to employ me as his Publisher I should have no objection but a pleasure in employing his Printer \& have no doubt I could be of service to him in many ways but I feel for the Honour of London Booksellers \& consider them as losing a great deal of Honour in Losing the first Publication of any work of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayleys \& the Public likewise are deprived of the advantage of so extensive a diffusal as would be promoted by the methods which they use to Publish \& disperse Copies into all parts to a very great amount. He then said. If $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayley is willing to dispose of this his New Poem I will Purchase it \& at his own Price or any other of his Works--For I do assure you I feel it a duty to my Profession that I sould do my Endeavour to give Mr Hayley's works the first rate Elegance in Printing \&

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Paper as they hold the First in internal value. I then said Is it agreeable to you that I repeat what you have said to me, To Mr Hayley, or will you yourself for I dare say he will be much pleasd to hear from you. but said I. I will if you wish (as I shall write soon) give him (as near as I can remember.) what you have said, \& hope that he will see the matter in the light you do.--He desired I would, expressing (for which I thank him) confidence in my discretion--Such was our conversation as near as I can recollect, I thought it best to keep silent as to any thing like a hint of a proposal relating to Edw ${ }^{\mathrm{d}} 1^{\text {st }}$ or the Ballads having come from you accordingly I did not say that I knew of any Poem but left all to you intirely. I do think from the Liberality of this Enterprizing Man that all Parties I mean our Friend Seagrave together with the Author \& Publisher (\& also the Public) may be mutually \& extensively benefitted.

His connexions are Universal his present House is on the most noble scale \& will be in some measure a Worthy Town Vehicle for your Beautiful Muse. But Mr Phillips said Mr Hayley shall have whatever I publish sent to him if he pleases \& he may return them when he has read them. Such is his determination to do every thing to engage himself to you if possible. He desired I would present you from him with the little volume of poems inclosd they are by a Lady of Fortune I suppose he sends it as a specimen of Printing. P's chief objection to the manner in which the Triumphs of Music are printed.--were the strong Metal Rules at the Ends of the Canto's, but he confessed to me that the first Page of the Poem was beautifully executed $\&$ could not be better done.
Pray might I not shew Phillips the four Numbers of Ballads? or will you write to him? or will you think it best to commission me to answer him? whatever you command I will zealously perform, \& Depend upon if I will neither Do nor say but as you Direct I feel extremely happy that you think My Prints will do me Credit \& at the very idea of another journey to Sweet Felpham. O that I could but bring Felpham to me or go to her in this World as easy as I can in that of Affection \& Remembrance. I feel it is necessary to be very circumspect how we advance with Romney his best Works only, ought to be engraved for your Work Pray accept My \& My Wifes sincerest affection \& believe me to remain
Yours sincerely
WILL BLAKE
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[To William Hayley]
[22 January 1805]

Dear Sir,
I hope this letter will outstrip Mr. Phillips', as I sit down to write immediately on returning from his house. He says he is agreeable to every proposal you have made, and will himself immediately reply to you. I should have supposed him mad if he had not: for such clear and generous proposals as yours to him he will not easily meet from anyone else. He will, of course, inform you what his sentiments are of the proposal concerning the three dramas. I found it unnecessary to mention anything relating to the purposed application of the profits, as he, on reading your letter, expressed his wish that you should yourself set a price, and that he would, in his letter to you, explain his reasons for wishing it. The idea of publishing one volume a year he considers as impolitic, and that a handsome general edition of your works would be more productive. He likewise objects to any periodical mode of publishing any of your works, as he thinks it somewhat derogatory, as well as unprofitable. I must now express my thanks for your generous manner of
proposing the Ballads to him on my account, and inform you of his advice concerning them; and he thinks that they should be published all together in a volume the size of the small edition of the Triumphs of Temper, with six or seven plates. That one thousand copies should be the first edition, and, if we choose, we might add to the number of plates in a second edition. And he will go equal shares with me in the expense and the profits, and that Seagrave is to be the printer. That we must consider all that has been printed as lost, and begin anew, unless we can apply some of the plates to the new edition. I consider myself as only put in trust with this work, and that the copyright is for ever yours. I therefore beg that you will not suffer it to be injured by my ignorance, or that it
should in any way be separated from the grand bulk of your literary property. Truly proud I am to be in possession of this beautiful little estate; for that it will be highly productive I have no doubt, in the way now proposed; and I shall consider myself a robber to retain more than you at any time please to grant. In short, I am tenant at will, and may write over my door, as the poor barber did, "Money for live here."
I entreat your immediate advice what I am to do, for I would not for the world injure this beautiful work, and cannot answer P.'s proposal till I have your directions and commands concerning it; for he wishes to set about it immediately, and has desired that I will give him my proposal concerning it in writing. I remain, dear Sir,
Your obliged and affectionate
WILL BLAKE
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To William Hayley Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$ Felpham
near Chichester, Sussex
Friday [22 March 1805; Postmark: 25 March]

Dear Sir
This Morning I have been with $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Phillips \& have intirely settled with him the plan of Engraving for the new Edition of the Ballads--The Prints 5 in Number I have Engaged to finish by 28 May. they are to be as highly finishd as I can do them the Size the same as the Serena plates the Price 20 Guineas Each half to be paid by P-- The Subjects I cannot do better than those already chosen, as they are the most eminent among Animals Viz The Lion. The Eagle. The Horse. The Dog. Of the Dog Species the Two Ballads are so preeminent my Designs for them please me so well that I have chosen that Design in our Last Number of the Dog \& Crocodile. \& that of the Dog defending his <dead> Master from the Vultures of these five I am
making little high finishd Pictures the Size the Engravings are to be. \& am hard at it to accomplish in time what I intend. Mr P--says he will send $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Seagrave the Paper directly The Journeymen Printers throughout London are at War with their Masters \& are likely to get the better Each Party meet to consult against the other, nothing can be greater than the Violence on both sides Printing is suspended in London Except at private Presses. I hope this will become a source of Advantage to our Friend Seagrave The Idea of Seeing an Engraving of Cowper by the hand of Caroline Watson is I assure you a pleasing one to me it will be highly gratifying to see another Copy by another hand \& not only gratifying but Improving. which is better The Town is Mad Young Roscius like all Prodigies is the talk of Every Body I have not seen him \& perhaps never may. I have no Curiosity to see him as I well know what is within the compass of a boy of $14 . \&$ as to Real Acting it is Like Historical Painting No Boys Work.

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Fuseli is made Master of the Royal Academy. Banks the Sculptor is Gone to his Eternal House. I have heard that Flaxman means to give a Lecture on Sculpture at the Royal Academy on the Occasion of Banks's Death--he died at the Age of 75 of a Paralytic Stroke. Now I concieve Flaxman stands without a competitor in Sculpture
I must not omit to tell you that on leaving $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Phillips I askd if he had any Message to you as I meant to write immediately. he said Give my best Respects \& tell Mr Hayley that I wish very much to be at work for him--But perhaps I ought to tell you what he said to me previous to this in the course of our Conversation. his words were I feel somewhat Embarrasd at the Idea of setting a value on any work of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayleys \& fear that he will wish me to do so--I asked him how a Value was set on any Literary work he answerd The Probable sale of the work would be the measure of Estimating the Profits \& that would lead to a Valuation of the Copy right-- This may be of no Consequence. but I could not omit telling it you
My Wife Continues in health \& desires to join me in every Grateful Wish to you \& to our Dear Respected Miss Poole I remain
Yours with Sincerity
WILLIAM BLAKE
P.S. Your Desire that I should write a little Advertisement at the Beginning of the Ballads has set my Brains to work \& at length producd the following. Simplicity as you desired has been my first object. I send it for your Correction or Condemnation begging you to supply its deficiency or to New Create it according to your wish.

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[17 May 1805]
Reading in the Bible of the Eyes of the Almighty, I could not help putting up a petition for yours. [Blake speaks of his rough sketch of an advertisement, the diction of which had been improved . . . ] if any of my writings should hereafter appear before the Public, they will fall far short of this first Specimen.
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Dear Sir, I have fortunately, I ought to say providentially, discovered that I have engraved one of the plates for that ballad of The Horse which is omitted in the new edition; time enough to save the extreme loss and disappointment which I should have suffered had the work been completed without that ballad's insertion. I write to entreat that you would contrive so as that my plate may come into the work, as its omission would be to me a loss that I could not now sustain, as it would cut off ten guineas from my next demand on Phillips, which sum I am in absolute want of; as well as that I should lose all the labour I have been at on that plate, which I consider as one of my best; I know it has cost me immense labour. The way in which I discovered this mistake is odd enough. Mr. Phillips objects altogether to the insertion of my Advertisement, calling it an appeal to charity, and says it will hurt the sale of the work, and he sent to me the last sheet by the penny (that is, the twopenny) post, desiring that I would forward it to Mr. Seagrave. But I have inclosed it to you, as you ought and must see it. I am no judge in these matters, and leave all to your decision, as I know that you will do what is right on all hands. Pray accept my and my wife's sincerest love and gratitude.
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To M ${ }^{\mathrm{r}}$ Hayley

## 27 Novr 1805

## Dear Sir

$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Cromek the Engraver came to me desiring to have some of my Designs. he namd his Price \& wishd me to Produce him Illustrations of The Grave A Poem by Robert Blair. in consequence of this I produced about twenty Designs which pleasd so well that he with the same liberality with which he set me about the Drawings. has now set me to Engrave them. He means to Publish them by Subscription. with the Poem as you will see in the Prospectus which he sends you in the same Pacquet with the Letter. You will I know feel as you always do on such occasions. not only warm wishes to promote the Spirited Exertions of my Friend Cromek. You will be pleased to see that the Royal Academy have Sanctioned the Style of work. I now have reason more than ever to lament your Distance from London as that alone has prevented our Consulting you in our Progress. which is but of about two Months Date I cannot give you any Account of our Ballads for I have heard nothing of Phillips this Age I hear them approved by the best that is the most Serious people. \& if any others are displeasd it is also an Argument of their being successful as well as Right. of which I have no Doubt for what is Good must Succeed first or last but what is bad owes success to something beside or without itself if it has any My Wife joins me in anxious wishes for your Health \& Happiness desiring to be particularly rememberd by You \& our Good Lady Paulina over a dish of Coffee. I long to hear of your Good Health. \& that of our dear friend of Lavant \& of all our friends (to whom we are grateful \& desire to be rememberd) In Sussex I am Dear Sir
Yours ever Affectionately
WILL. BLAKE
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To William Hayley Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$, Felpham near Chichester, Sussex

Sth Molton Street Decembr 11. 1805
Dear Sir
I cannot omit to Return you my sincere \& Grateful Acknowledgments. for the kind Reception you have given my New Projected Work. It bids fair to set me above the difficulties. I have hitherto encounterd. But my Fate has been so uncommon that I expect Nothing--I was alive \& in health \& with
the same Talents I now have all he time of Boydells Macklins Bowyers \& other Great Works. I was known by them \& was look'd upon by them as Incapable of Employment in those Works it may turn out so again notwithstanding appearances I am prepared for it, but at the same time sincerely Grateful to Those whose Kindness \& Good opinion has supported me thro all hitherto. You Dear Sir are one who has my Particular Gratitude. having conducted me thro Three that would have been the Darkest Years that ever Mortal Sufferd. which were renderd thro your means a Mild \& Pleasant Slumber. I speak of Spiritual Things. Not of Natural. of Things known only to Myself \& to Spirits Good \& Evil. but Not Known to Men on Earth. It is the passage thro these Three Years that has brought me into my Present State. \& I knothat if I had not been with You I must have Perish'd--Those Dangers are now Passed \& I can see them beneath my feet It will not be long before I shall be able to present the full history of my Spiritual Sufferings to the Dwellers upon Earth. \& of the Spiritual Victories obtaind for me by my Friends--Excuse this Effusion of the Spirit from One who cares little for this World which passes away. whose Happiness is Secure in Jesus our Lord. \& who looks for Suffering till the time of complete Deliverance. In the mean While. I am kept Happy as I used to be. because I throw Myself \& all that I have on our Saviours Divine Providence. O What Wonders are the Children of Men! Would to God that they would Consider it That they would

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Consider their Spiritual Life Regardless of that faint Shadow Calld Natural Life. \& that they would Promote Each others Spiritual Labours. Each according to its Rank \& that they would know that. Recieving a Prophet As a Prophet is a Duty which If omitted is more Severely Avenged than Every Sin \& Wickedness beside It is the Greatest of Crimes to Depress True Art \& Science I know that those who are dead from the Earth \& who mockd \& Despised the Meekness of True Art (and such, I find, have been the situations of our Beautiful Affectionate Ballads). I know that such Mockers are Most Severely Punishd in Eternity I know it for I see it \& dare not help.--The Mocker of Art is the Mocker of Jesus. Let us go on Dear Sir following his Cross let us take it up daily Persisting in Spiritual Labours \& the Use of that Talent which it is Death to Bury. \& of that Spirit to which we are called--
Pray Present My Sincerest Thanks to our Good Paulina whose kindness to Me shall recieve recompense in the Presence of Jesus. Present also my Thanks to the Generous Seagrave. In whose Debt I have been too long but percieve that I shall be able to settle with him soon what is between us--I have deliverd to Mr Sanders the 3 Works of Romney as $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Lambert told me you wished to have them--a very few touches will finish the Shipwreck Those few I have added upon a Proof before I parted with the Picture. It is a Print that I feel proud of on a New inspection. Wishing You \& All Friends in Sussex a Merry a Happy Christmas I remain Ever Your
Affectionate
WILL. BLAKE \& his Wife CATHERINE BLAKE
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SIR,
My indignation was exceedingly moved at reading a criticism in Bell's Weekly Messenger (25th May) on the picture of Count Ugolino, by Mr. Fuseli, in the Royal Academy exhibition; and your Magazine being as extensive in its circulation as that Paper, as it also must from its nature be more permanent, I take the advantageous opportunity to counteract the widely-diffused malice which has for many years, under the pretence of admiration of the arts, been assiduously sown and planted among the English public against true art, such as it existed in the days of Michael Angelo and Raphael. Under pretence of fair criticism and candour, the most wretched taste ever produced has been upheld for many, very many years: but now, I say, now its end is come. Such an artist as Fuseli is invulnerable, he needs not my defence; but I should be ashamed not to set my hand and shoulder, and whole strength, against those wretches who, under pretence of criticism, use the dagger and the poison.
My criticism on this picture is as follows:

Mr. Fuseli's Count Ugolino is the father of sons of feeling and dignity, who would not sit looking in their parent's face in the moment of his agony, but would rather retire and die in secret, while they suffer him to indulge his passionate and innocent grief, his innocent and venerable madness, and insanity, and fury, and whatever paltry cold hearted critics cannot, because they dare not, look upon. Fuseli's Count Ugolino is a man of wonder and admiration, of resentment against man and devil, and of humilitation before God; prayer and parental affection fills the figure from head to foot. The child in his arms, whether boy or girl signifies not, (but the critic must be a fool who has not read Dante, and who does not know a boy from a girl); I say, the child is as beautifully drawn as it is

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coloured--in both, inimitable! and the effect of the whole is truly sublime, on account of that very colouring which our critic calls black and heavy. The German flute colour, which was used by the Flemings, (they call it burnt bone), has possessed the eye of certain connoisseurs, that they cannot see appropriate colouring, and are blind to the gloom of a real terror.

The taste of English amateurs has been too much formed upon pictures imported from Flanders and Holland; consequently our countrymen are easily brow-beat on the subject of painting; and hence it is so common to hear a man say, "I am no judge of pictures:" but, O Englishmen! know that every man ought to be a judge of pictures, and every man is so who has not been connoisseured out of his senses.
A gentleman who visited me the other day, said, "I am very much surprised
at the dislike that some connoisseurs shew n viewing the pictures of Mr. Fuseli; but the truth is, he is a hundred years beyond the present generation." Though I am startled at such an assertion, I hope the contemporary taste will shorten the hundred years into as many hours; for I am sure that any person consulting his own eyes must prefer what is so supereminent; and I am as sure that any person consulting his own reputation, or the reputation of his country, will refrain from disgracing either by such ill-judged criticisms in future.
Yours,
WM. BLAKE.
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[To] Richard Phillips Esqr N 6 Bridge Street,
Black Friars

17 Sh $^{\text {th }}$ Molton $S^{t}$ Oct 14 [1807]
Sir,
A circumstance has occurred which has again raised my Indignation
I read in the Oracle \& True Briton of Octr 13, 1807--that a $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Blair a Surgeon has with the Cold fury of Robespierre caused the Police to sieze upon the Person \& Goods or Property of an Astrologer \& to commit him to Prison. The Man who can Read the Stars. often is opressed by their Influence, no less than the Newtonian who reads Not \& cannot Read is opressed by his own Reasonings \& Experiments. We are all subject to Error: Who shall say <except the Natural Religionists> that we are not all subject to Crime
My desire is that you would Enquire into this Affair \& that you would publish this in your Monthly Magazine I do not pay the postage of this Letter because--you as Sheriff are bound to attend to it. WILLIAM BLAKE
[Endorsed by Phillips (returning the letter to Blake, unpublished): "W. B. Rec/d: Octr . $27^{\text {th. }} 1807$ with Mr P.'s Comps."]
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[To] George Cumberland

19 Decr $^{\text {r }} 1808$

Dear Cumberland
I am very much obliged by your kind ardour in my cause \& should immediately Engage in reviving my former pursuits of printing if I had not now so
long been turned out of the old channel into a new one that it is impossible for me to return to it without destroying my present course New Vanities or rather new pleasures occupy my thoughts New profits seem to arise before me so tempting that I have already involved myself in engagements that preclude all possibility of promising any thing. I have however the satisfaction to inform you that I have Myself begun to print an account of my various Inventions in Art <for> which I have procured a Publisher \& am determind to pursue the plan of publishing what I may get printed without disarranging my time which in future must <alone> be devoted to Designing \& Painting [alone] when I have got my Work printed I will send it you first of any body in the mean time believe me to be Your Sincere friend

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[To] Ozis Humphrey Esqre
[Ca May 1809]
Dear Sir
You will see in this little work the cause of difference between you \& me. You demand of me to Mix two things that Reynolds has confessd cannot be mixed. You will percieve that I not only detest False Art but have the Courage to say so Publickly. \& to dare. all the Power on Earth to oppose-Florentine \& Venetian Art cannot exist together Till the Venetian \& Flemish are destroyd the Florentine \& Roman cannot Exist, This will be shortly accomplishd. till then I remain Your Grateful altho seemingly otherwise I say Your Grateful \& Sincere WILLIAM BLAKE
I inclose a ticket of admission if you should honour my
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To Josiah Wedgwood Esqre

17 South Molton Street 8 Septembr 1815
Sir
I send Two more Drawings with the First that I did, altered: having taken out that part which expressed the hole for the ladle It will be more convenient to me to make all the drawings first. before I begin Engraving them as it will enable me also to regulate a System of working that will be uniform from beginning to end. Any Remarks that you may be pleased to make will be thankfully recievd by: Sir
Your humble Servant--
WILLIAM BLAKE
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To Dawson Turner Esqre, Yarmouth, Norfolk y

9 June 1818, 17 South Molton Street

## Sir

I send you a List of the different Works you have done me the honour to enquire after--unprofitable enough to me tho Expensive to the Buyer Those I Printed for $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Humphry are a selection from the different Books of such as could be Printed without the Writing tho to the Loss of some of the best things For they when Printed perfect accompany Poetical Personifications \& Acts without which Poems they never could have been Executed
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These last 12 Prints are unaccompanied by any writing The few I have Printed \& Sold are sufficient to have gained me great reputation as an Artist which was the chief thing Intended. But I have never been able to produce a Sufficient number for a general Sale by means of a regular Publisher It is therefore necessary to me that any Person wishing to have any or all of them should send me their Order to Print them on the above
terms \& I will take care that they shall be done at least as well as any I have yet Produced
I am Sir with many thanks for your very Polite approbation of my works Your most obedient Servant WILLIAM BLAKE
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[To John Linnell?]

Oct 111819 Monday Evening
Dear Sir
I will have the Pleasure of meeting you on Thursday at 12 O Clock it is quite as Convenient to me as any other day. It appears to me that neither Time nor Place. can make any real difference as to perfect Independence of Judgment. \& If it is more Convenient to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Heaphy for us to meet at his House let us accomodate him in what is Indifferent but not at all in what is of weight \& moment to our Decision. hoping that I may meet you again in perfect Health \& Happiness
I remain Dear Sir
Yours Truly
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[To] J[ohn] Linnell Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$, Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square

12 O Clock Wednesday [March 1825] Dear Sir

A return of the old Shivering Fit came on this Morning as soon as I awaked \& I am now in Bed--Better \& as I think almost well If I can possibly I will be at $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Lahees tomorrow Morning. these attacks are too serious at the time to permit me to be out of Bed. but they go off by rest which seems to be All that I want--I send the Pilgrims under your Care with the Two First Plates of Job I am Yours Sincerely
WILLm BLAKE
[To]Mr Linnell, 6 Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square
[Mon] <Tues>day Night [7 June 1825]
Dear Sir
I return you thanks for The Two Pounds you now send me As to $\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{T}$. Lawrence I have not heard from him as yet. \& hope that he has a good opinion of my willingness to appear grateful tho not able on account of this
abominable Ague or whatever it is I am in Bed \& at Work my health I cannot speak of for if it was not for Cold weather I think I should soon get about again. Great Men die equally with the little. I am sorry for $\mathrm{L} . / \mathrm{d} \mathrm{L} . / \mathrm{d}$ he is a man of very singular abilities as also for the D [ean] of C [anterbury] but perhaps \& I verily believe it Every Death is an improvement of the State of the Departed. I can draw as well a Bed as Up \& perhaps better but I cannot Engrave I am going on with Dante \& please myself. I am dr Sir yours Sincerely WILLIAM BLAKE
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To Mrs Linnell, Collinss Farm North End, Hampstead

Tuesday 11 Octobe 1825
[Postmark: Morning 12 October]

## Dear Madam

I have had the Pleasure to see $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Linnell set off safe in a very comfortable Coach. \& I may say I accompanied him part of the way on his journey in the Coach for we both got in together \& with another Passenger enterd into Conversation when at length we found that we were all three proceeding on our Journey. but as I had not paid \& did not wish to pay for or take so long a Ride. we with some difficulty made the Coachman understand that one of his Passengers was unwilling to Go. when he obligingly permitted me to get out to my great joy. hence I am now enabled to tell you that I hope to see you on Sunday morning as usual which I could not have done if they had taken me to Gloucester
I am D. ${ }^{\text {r }}$ Madam yours Sincerely
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[To] John Linnell Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$, Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square

Fountain Court Strand
Thursday Evening 10 Nov $^{r} 1825$
[Postmark: Morning 11 November]

## Dear Sir

I have I believe <done> nearly all that we agreed on \&/c If you should put on your considering Cap just as you did last time we met I have no doubt that the Plates would be all the better for it--I cannot get Well \& am now in Bed but seem as if I should be better tomorrow rest does me good--Pray take care
of your health this wet weather \& tho I write do not venture out on such days as today has been. I hope a few more days will bring us to a conclusion
I am dear Sir
Yours Sincerely
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To John Linnell Esqre ${ }^{\text {N }} 6$ Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square

Feb/y 1. 1826 [Postmark: Evening 31 January]

## Dear Sir

I am forced to write because I cannot come to you \& this on two accounts First I omitted to desire you would come \& take a Mutton chop with us the day you go to Cheltenham \& I will go with you to the to the ${ }^{t 1539}$ Coach also I will go to Hampstead to see Linnell on Sunday but will return before dinner (I mean if you set off before that) \& Second I wish to have a Copy of Job to shew to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Chantry
For I am again laid up by a cold in my stomach the Hampstead Air as it always did. so I fear it always will do [it] <this> Except it be the Morning Air \& That; in my Cousins time I found I could bear with safety \& perhaps benefit. I believe my Constitution to be a good one but it has many peculiarities that no one but myself can know. When I was young Hampstead Highgate Hornsea Muswell Hill \& even Islington \& all places North of London always laid me up the day after \& sometimes two or three days with precisely the same Complaint \& the same torment of the Stomach. Easily removed but excruciating while it lasts \& enfeebling for some time after $\mathrm{Sr}^{r}$ Francis Bacon would say it is want of Discipline in Mountainous Places. $\mathrm{S}^{r}$ Francis Bacon is a Liar. No discipline will turn one Man into another even in the least particle. \& such Discipline I cal Presumption \& Folly I have tried it too much not to know this \& am very sorry for all such who may be led to such ostentatious Exertion against their Eternal Existence itself because it is Mental Rebellion against the Holy Spirit \& fit only for a Soldier of Satan to perform Though I hope in a morning or two to call on you in Cirencester Place I feared you might be gone or I might be too ill to let you know how I am \& what I wish I am dear Sir
Yours Sincerely
WILLIAM BLAKE

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| L75.Linnell2'26; E776\| | time I now write. he set off Last night before Eight O Clock from |
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| L75.Linnell2'26; E776\| | Strongest \& Handsomest Built Stages I ever Saw I should have |
| L75.Linnell2'26; E776\| | written Last Night but as it would not come before now I do as |
| L75.Linnell2'26; E776\| | [ $\left.M^{r} \operatorname{Lin}\right] \mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Linnell desired I would do by the First |
| L75.Linnell2'26; E776\| | Stage My Wife desires her kindest remembrances to you \& I am |
| L75.Linnell2'26; E776\| | Yours Sincerely |
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[To] John Linnell Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$, Cirencester Place

Friday Evening, March 31, 1826
Dear Sir
I have been very ill since I saw you but am again well enough to go on with my work but not well enough to venture out. the Chill of the weather soon drives me back into that shivering fit which must be avoided till the Cold is gone $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Robinson certainly did Subscribe for Prints only \& not for Proofs. for I remember that he offer'd to pay me Three Guineas for each of the Copies
However if the weather should be warm I will endeavour to come to you before Tuesday but much fear that my present tottering state will hold me some time yet
I am dear Sir yours sincerely
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[To] John Linnell Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$, Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square

Dear Sir
I am still far from recoverd \& dare not get out in the cold air. Yet I lose nothing by it Dante goes on the better which is all I care about
$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Butts is to have a Proof Copy for Three Guineas this is
his own decision quite in Character he calld on me this Week Yours sincerely WILLIAM BLAKE

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To John Linnell Esqre N 6 Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square

Friday Evening May 191826
Dear Sir
I have had another desperate Shivring Fit. it came on yesterday afternoon after as good a morning as I ever experienced. It began by a gnawing Pain in the Stomach \& soon spread. a deathly feel all over the limbs which brings on the shivring fit when I am forced to go to bed where I contrive to get into a little Perspiration which takes it quite away It was night when it left me so I did not get up but just as I was going to rise this morning the shivring fit attackd me again \& the pan with its accompanying deathly feel I got again into a perspiration \& was well but so much weakend that I am still in bed. This intirely prevents me from the pleasure of seeing you on Sunday at Hampstead as I fear the attack again when I am away from home

I am Dr Sir

Yours sincerely
WILLIAM BLAKE

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To John Linnell Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$, N 6 Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square
[Postmark: 2 July 1826]
My dearest Friend
This sudden cold weather has cut up all my hopes by the roots. Everyone who knows of our intended flight into your delightful Country concur in saying: "Do not Venture till summer appears again". I also feel Myself weaker than I was aware, being not able as yet to sit up longer than six hours at a time. \& also feel the Cold too much to dare venture beyond my present precincts. My heartiest Thanks for your care in my accomodation \& the trouble you will yet have with me. But I get better \& stronger every day, tho weaker in muscle \& bone than I supposed. As to pleasantness of Prospect it is All pleasant Prospect at North End. M ${ }^{\text {rs }}$ Hurd's I should like as well as any--But think of the Expense \& how it may be spared \& never mind appearances
I intend to bring with me besides our necessary change of apparel Only My Book of Drawings from Dante \& one Plate shut up in the Book. All will go very well in the Coach. which at present would be a rumble I fear I could not go thro So that I conclude another Week must pass before I dare Venture upon what I ardently desire--the seeing you with your happy Family once again \& that for a longer Period than I had ever hoped in my health full hours
I am dear Sir
Yours most gratefully
WILLIAM BLAKE

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[To] John Linnell Esqre Cirencester Place

5 July 1826
Dear Sir
I thank you for the Receit of Five Pounds this Morning \& Congratulate you on the receit of another fine Boy am glad to hear of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Linnells health \& safety I am getting better every hour my Plan is diet only \& if the Machine is capable of it shall make an old man yet: I go on Just as If perfectly well which indeed I am except in those paroxysms which I now believe will never more return Pray let your own health \& convenience put all solicitude concerning me at rest You have a Family I have none there is no comparison between our necessary avocations
Believe me to be Dr Sir
Yours Sincerely
WILLIAM BLAKE
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To Mr John Linnell, Cirencester Place, FitzRoy. Square

July 14: 1826
Dear Sir
I am so much better that I have hopes of fulfilling my expectation \& desire of Visiting Hampstead I am nevertheless very considerably weakend by the last severe attacks Pray remember me with kind Love to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Linnell \& her lovely Family Yours Sincerely WILLIAM BLAKE

To Mr John Linnell--July 14: 1826

I hereby declare, That $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ John Linnell has Purchased of Me. The Plates \& Copy-right of Job; \& the same is his sole Property WILLIAM BLAKE
Witness
EDW/d JNO CHANCE

To M ${ }^{\text {r }}$ John Linnell, London

July 14: 1826
Recievd of M ${ }^{\text {r }}$ John Linnell, the Sum of One Hundred \& fifty Pounds for the Copy-right \& Plates (Twenty-two in number) of the Book of Job. Publish'd March 1825 by Me. WILLIAM BLAKE Author of the Work.
N/o 3 Fountain Court Strand
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To John Linnell Esqre Circencester Place,
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Sunday Afternoon July 16--1826
[Postmark: Noon 17 Jy]
Dear Sir
I have been ever since taking $\mathrm{D}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Youngs Addition to $\mathrm{Mr}^{\mathrm{r}}$
Finchams Practise with me ( $[I t]$ <The Addition> is dandelion) In a Species of Delireum \& in Pain too much for Thought It is now passed as I hope But the moment I got ease of Body. began Pain of Mind [word del.] \& that not a small one It is
about The Name of the Child which Certainly ought to be Thomas. after Mrs Linnells Father It will be brutal not to say Worse for it is worse In my opinion <\& on my Part>. Pray Reconsider it if it is not too late It very much troubles Me as a Crime in which I shall [be] [a] <The> Principal. Pray Excuse this hasty Expostulation \& believe me to be Yours Sicerely
WILLIAM BLAKE
P.SFincham is a Pupil of Abernethy's this is what gives me great pleasure I did not know it before yesterday from $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Fincham
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[To] M ${ }^{\text {r }}$ Linnell, 6. Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square

29 July 1826
Dear Sir
Just as I had become Well. that is subdued the disease. tho not its Efects Weakness \&/c Comes Another to hinder my Progress calld The Piles which when to the degree I have had them are a most sore plague \& on a Weak Body truly afflictive. These Piles have now also as I hope run their Period. \& I begin to again feel returning Strength. on these accounts I cannot yet tell when I can start for Hampstead like a young Lark without feathers. Two or Three days may be suficient or not, all now will depend on my bones \& sinews Muscle I have none but a few days may do \& have done miracles in the Case of a Convalescent who prepares himself ardently for his return to Life \& its Business among his Friends With whom he makes his first Effort
Dear Sir Yours Ever
WILLIAM BLAKE

To Mr Linnell, Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square

Augst 1. 1826 [Postmark: Noon 2 August]
Dear Sir
If this Notice should be too short for your Convenience please to let me know. But finding myself Well enough to come I propose to set out from here as soon after ten as we can on Thursday Morning
Our Carriage will be a Cabriolet. for tho getting better \& stronger I am still incapable of riding in the Stage \& shall be I fear for some time being only bones \& sinews All strings \& bobbins like a Weavers Loom. Walking to \& from the Stage would be to me impossible tho I seem well being entirely
free from both pain \& from that Sickness to which there is no name. Thank God I feel no more of it \& have great hopes that the Disease is Gone
I am dear Sir Yours Sincerely
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[To] Mrs [Charles] Ade[r]s, Euston Square

3 Fountain Court Strand 29 [Jan/y] Decr 1826
$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Blakes respectful Compliments to $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{rs}}$ Ade[r]s is sorry to say that his Ill-ness is so far from gone that the least thing brings on the symptoms of the original complaint. he does not dare to leave his room by any means. he had another desperate attack of the Aguish trembling last night \& is certain that at present any venture to go out must be of bad perhaps of fatal consequence Is very sorry indeed that he is deprived of the happiness of visiting again \& also of seeing again those Pictures of the old Masters but must submit to the necessity \& be Patient till warm weather Comes
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Dear Sir
I ought to have acknowledgd the Recit of Five Pounds from you on 16 Jany 1827. that part of your Letter in which you desired I would send an acknowledgt it I did not see till the next morning owing to its being writ on the outside double of your letter. nevertheless I ought to have sent it but must beg you to Excuse such Follies which tho I am enough ashamd of \& hope to mend can only do so at present by owning the Fault I am Dear Sir yours Sincerely WILLIAM BLAKE
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M $^{\mathrm{r}}$ Linnell, Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square
[February 1827]
Dear Sir
I thank you for the Five Pounds recievd to Day am getting better every Morning but slowly. as I am still feeble \& tottering. tho all the Symptoms of
my complaint seem almost gone as the fine weather is very beneficial \& comfortable to me I go on as I think improving my Engravings of Dante more \& more \& shall soon get Proofs of these Four which I have \& beg the favor of you to send me the two Plates of Dante which you have that I may finish them sufficiently to make some Shew of Colour \& Strength I have Thought \& Thought of the Removal. \& cannot get my Mind out of a State of terrible fear at such a step. the more I think the more I feel terror at what I wishd at first \& thought it a thing of benefit \& Good hope you will attribute it to its right Cause Intellectual Peculiarity that must be Myself alone shut up in Myself or Reduced to Nothing. I could tell you of Visions \& dreams upon the Subject I have asked \& intreated Divine help but fear continues upon me \& I must relinquish the step that I had wished to take \& still wish but in vain Your Success in your Profession is above all things to me most gratifying. may it go on to the Perfection you wish \& more So wishes also Yours Sincerely
WILLIAM BLAKE

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[To] J[ohn] Linnell Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$
[? February 1827]
Dear Sir
I calld this Morning for a Walk \& brought my Plates with me to prevent the trouble of your Coming thro Curiosity to see what I was about I have Got on very forward with 4 Plates \& am getting better or I could not have Come at all Yours
WILL ${ }^{m}$ BLAKE
[To] M ${ }^{\text {r }}$ Linnell, Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square

## 15 March 1827

Dear Sir
This is to thank you for Two Pounds now by me recievd on account I have recievd a Letter from $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Cumberland in which he says he will take one Copy of Job for himself but cannot as yet find a Customer for one but hopes to do somewhat by perseverance in his Endeavours he tells me that it is too much Finishd or over Labourd for his Bristol Friends as they think I saw Mr Tatham Sen ${ }^{r}$ yesterday he sat with me above an hour \& lookd over the Dante he expressd himself very much pleasd with the designs as well as the Engravings

I am getting on with the Engravings \& hope soon to get Proofs of what I am doing
I am dear Sir Yours Sincerely
WILLIAM BLAKE

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Wednesday Morning, 18[14] March 1827, 3 Fountain Court, Strand
$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Blakes respectful Compliments to Miss Denman has found 15 Proofs of the Hesiod as they are duplicates to others which he has, they are intirely at Miss Denmans Service if she will accept of them What Proofs he has remaining [all]<are> all printed on both sides of the Paper \& so are unfit for to make up a set especially as many of the backs of the paper have on them impressions from other Plates for Booksellers which he was employ'd about at the same time
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[To] George Cumberland Esq ${ }^{\text {re }}$, Culver Street, Bristol

N 3 Fountain Court Strand 12 April 1827
Dear Cumberland
I have been very near the Gates of Death \& have returned very weak \& an Old Man feeble \& tottering, but not in Spirit \& Life not in The Real Man The Imagination which Liveth for Ever. In that I am stronger \& stronger as this Foolish Body decays. I thank you for the Pains you have taken with Poor Job. I know too well that a great majority of Englishmen are fond of The Indefinite which they Measure by Newtons Doctrine of the Fluxions of an Atom. A Thing that does not Exist. These are Politicians \& think that Republican Art is Inimical to their Atom. For a Line or Lineament is not formed by Chance a Line is a Line in its Minutest Subdivision[s] Strait or Crooked It is Itself \& Not Intermeasurable with or by any Thing Else Such is Job but since the French Revolution Englishmen are all Intermeasurable One by Another Certainly a happy state of Agreement to which I for One do not Agree. God keep me from the Divinity of Yes \& No too The Yea Nay Creeping Jesus from supposing Up \& Down to be the same Thing as all Experimentalists must suppose
You are desirous I know to dispose of some of my Works \& to make <them> Pleasin[g], I am obliged to you \& to all who do so But having none remaining of all that I had Printed I cannot Print more Except at a great loss for at the time I printed those things I had a whole House to range in now I am shut up in a Corner therefore am forced to ask a Price for them that I
scarce expect to get from a Stranger. I am now Printing a Set of the Songs of Innocence \& Experience for a Friend at Ten Guineas which I cannot do under Six Months consistent with my other Work, so that I have little hope of doing any more of such things. the Last Work I produced is a Poem Entitled Jerusalem the Emanation of the Giant Albion, but find that to Print it will Cost my Time the amount of Twenty Guineas One I have Finishd It contains 100 Plates but it is not likely that I shall get a Customer for it As you wish me to send you a list with the Prices of these

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The Little Card I will do as soon as Possible but when you Consider that I have been reduced to a Skeleton from which I am slowly recovering you will I hope have Patience with me.
Flaxman is Gone \& we must All soon follow every one to his Own Eternal House Leaving the Delusive Goddess Nature \& her Laws to get into Freedom from all Law of the Members into The Mind in which every one is King \& Priest in his own House God Send it so on Earth as it is in Heaven
I am Dear Sir Yours Affectionately
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[To] Mr Linnell, 6 Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square

25 April 1827

## Dear Sir

I am going on better Every day as I think both in hea[l]th \& in Work I thank you for The Ten Pounds which I recievd from you this Day which shall be put to the best use as also for the prospect of $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Ottleys advantageous acquaintance I go on without daring to count on Futurity. which I cannot do without Doubt \& Fear that ruins Activity \& are the greatest hurt to an Artist such as I am. as to Ugolino \&/c I never supposed that I should sell them my Wife alone is answerable for their having Existed in any finishd State--I am too much attachd to Dante to think much of any thing else--I have Proved the Six Plates \& reduced the Fighting Devils ready for the Copper I count myself sufficiently Paid If I live as I now do \& only fear that I may be unlucky to my friends \& especially that I may not be so to you I am Sincerely yours
WILLIAM BLAKE

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[To] Mr Linnell, 6 Cirencester Place, Fitzroy Square

3 July 1827
Dear Sir
I thank you for the Ten Pounds you are so kind as to send me at this time. My journey to Hampstead on Sunday brought on a relapse which is lasted till now. I find I am not so well as I thought I must not go on in a youthful Style--however I am upon the mending hand to day \& hope soon to look as I did for I have been yellow accompanied by all the old Symptoms
I am Dear Sir
Yours Sincerely
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The Design of The Last Judgment which I have completed by your recommendation [under a fortunate star] for The Countess of Egremont [by a happy accident] it is necessary to give some account of \& its various parts ought to be described for the accomodation of those who give it the honor of attention
Christ seated on the Throne of judgment [The Heavens in Clouds rolling before him \& around him] before his feet \& around him the heavens in clouds are rolling like a scroll ready to be consumed in the fires of the Angels who descend [before his feet] with the[ir] Four Trumpets sounding to the Four Winds
Beneath [the] Earth is convulsed with the labours of the Resurrection--in the Caverns of the Earth is the Dragon with Seven heads \& ten Horns chained by two Angels \& above his Cavern[s] on the Earths Surface is the Harlot siezed \& bound by two Angels with chains while her Palaces are falling [in] into ruins \& her councellors \& warriors are descending into the Abyss in wailing \& despair Hell opens beneath the Harlots seat on the left hand into which the Wicked are descending [while others rise from their Craves on the brink of the Pit]
The right hand of the Design is appropriated to the Resurrection of the Just the left hand of the Design is appropriated to the Resurrection \& Fall of the Wicked

Immediately before the Throne of Christ is Adam \& Eve kneeling in humiliation ${ }^{t 1451}$ as representatives of the whole Human Race Abraham \& Moses kneel on each side beneath them from the cloud on which Eve kneels \& beneath Moses \& from the Tables of Stone which utter lightnings] is seen Satan wound round by the Serpent \& falling headlong the Pharisees appear on the left hand pleading their own righteousness before the Throne of Christ \& before the Book of Death which is opend on clouds by two Angels \& many groupes of Figures are falling from before the Throne $\&$ from before the Sea of Fire which flows before the steps of the Throne on which [are] is seen the seven Lamps of the Almighty burning before the Throne many Figures chained \& bound together \& in various attitudes of Despair \& Horror fall thro the air \& some are scourged by Spirits with flames of fire into the Abyss of Hell which opens [to recieve them]

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beneath on the left hand of the Harlots Seat where others are howling \& [descending into the flames \& in the act of] dragging each other into Hell \& [of] in contending in fighting with each other on the [very] brink of Perdition Before the Throne of Christ on the Right hand the Just in humiliation \& in exultation rise thro the Air with their Children \& Families some of whom are bowing before the Book of Life which is opend [by two Angels on Clouds] on clouds by two
Angels many groupes arise [with] in [joy]
exultation among them is a Figure crownd with Stars \& the Moon beneath her feet with six infants around her She represents the Christian Church [The] Green hills appear beneath with the Graves of the Blessed which are seen bursting with their births of immortality Parents \& Children Wives \& Husbands embrace \& arise together \& in exulting attitudes of great joy tell each other that the New Jerusalem is ready to descend upon Earth they arise upon the Air rejoicing others newly awakend from the Grave stand upon the Earth embracing. \& shouting to the Lamb who cometh in the Clouds in Power \& great Glory
The Whole upper part of the Design is a View of Heaven opened around the Throne of Christ in the Cloud which rolls away are the Four Living Creatures filled with Eyes attended by the Seven Angels with the Seven Vials of the Wrath of God \& above these [there are] Seven Angels with the Seven Trumpets these compose [composing] the Cloud which by its rolling away displays the opening seats of the Blessed on the right \& left of which are seen the Four \& Twenty Elders seated on Thrones to Judge the Dead
Behind the Seat \& Throne of Christ [appear] appears the Tabernacle with its Veil opened [\&] the Candlestick on the right the Table with the Shew bread on the left [\&] in [the] midst is the Cross in place of the Ark [with the two] Cherubim bowing over it
On the Right hand of the Throne of Christ is Baptism On [his] the left is the Lords Supper the two introducers into Eternal Life Women with Infants approach the Figure of an aged Apostle which represents

Baptism \& on the left hand the Lords Supper is administerd by Angels from the hands of another [aged] Apostle these kneel on each side of the Throne which is surrounded by a Glory [in the glory] many Infants appear in the Glory representing the Eternal Creation flowing from the Divine Humanity in Jesus who opens the Scroll of Judgment upon his knees before the Living \& the Dead

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Such is the Design which you my Dear Sir have been the cause of my producing \& which but for you might have slept till the Last Judgment

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The Last Judgment when all those are Cast away who trouble Religion with Questions concerning Good \& Evil or Eating of the Tree of those Knowledges or Reasonings which hinder the Vision of God turning all into a Consuming fire < When> Imaginative Art \& Science \& all Intellectual Gifts all the Gifts of the Holy Ghost are [despisd] lookd upon as of no use \& only Contention remains to Man then the Last Judgment begins \& its Vision is seen by the [Imaginative Eye] of Every one according to the situation he holds [ [A Vision of the Last Judgment $]$ PAGE 68] The Last Judgment is not Fable or Allegory but Vision Fable or Allegory are a totally distinct \& inferior kind of Poetry. Vision or Imagination is a Representation of what Eternally Exists. Really \& Unchangeably. Fable or Allegory is Formd by the Daughters of Memory. Imagination is Surrounded by the daughters of Inspiration who in the aggregate are calld Jerusalem [P 69] <Fable is Allegory but what Critics call The Fable is Vision itself> [P 68] The Hebrew Bible \& the Gospel of Jesus are not Allegory but Eternal Vision or Imagination of All that Exists <Note here that Fable or Allegory is Seldom without some Vision Pilgrims Progress is full of it the Greek Poets the same but [Fable [al] <\&> Allegory]
<Allegory \& Vision> [ < \& Visions of Imagination>] ought to be known as Two Distinct Things \& so calld for the Sake of Eternal Life Plato has made Socrates say that Poets \& Prophets do not Know or Understand what they write or Utter this is a most Pernicious Falshood. If they do not pray is an inferior Kind to be calld Knowing Plato confutes himself>

The Last judgment is one of these Stupendous Visions[.] I have represented it as I saw it[.] to different People it appears differently as [P 69] every thing else does for tho on Earth things seem Permanent they are less permanent than a Shadow as we all know too well

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The Nature of Visionary Fancy or Imagination is very little Known \＆the Eternal nature \＆permanence of its ever Existent Images is considerd as less permanent than the things of Vegetative \＆Generative Nature yet the Oak dies as well as the Lettuce but Its Eternal Image \＆Individuality never dies．but renews by its seed．just［as］＜so〉 the Imaginative Image returns［according to］＜by＞the seed of Contemplative Thought the Writings of the Prophets illustrate these conceptions of the Visionary Fancy by their various sublime \＆Divine Images as seen in the Worlds of Vision
［［A Vision of the Last Judgment］PAGE 71 （TOP OF PAGE CUT AWAY）］The Learned
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when they Assert that Jupiter usurped the Throne of his Father
Saturn \＆brought on an Iron Age \＆Begat on Mnemosyne or Memory
The Greek Muses which are not Inspiration as the Bible is．
Reality was Forgot \＆the Vanities of Time \＆Space only Rememberd \＆calld Reality Such is the Mighty difference between Allegoric
Fable \＆Spiritual Mystery Let it here be Noted that the Greek
Fables originated in Spiritual Mystery \＆Real Vision［P 72］
and Real Visions Which are lost \＆clouded in Fable \＆Alegory
［which］〈while＞the Hebrew Bible \＆the Greek Gospel are
Genuine Preservd by the Saviours Mercy The Nature of my Work is
Visionary or Imaginative it is an Endeavour to Restore＜what the
Ancients calld＞the Golden Age
［［A Vision of the Last Judgment］PAGE 69］This world of Imagination is the World of Eternity it is the Divine bosom into which we shall all go after the death of the Vegetated body This World＜of Imagination＞is Infinite \＆Eternal whereas the world of Generation or Vegetation is Finite \＆［for a small moment］Temporal There Exist in that Eternal World the Permanent Realities of Every Thing which we see are reflected in this Vegetable Glass of Nature All Things are comprehended in their Eternal Forms in the Divine［P 70］body of the Saviour the True Vine of Eternity The Human Imagination who appeard to Me as Coming to Judgment． among his Saints \＆throwing off the Temporal that the Eternal might be Establishd．around him were seen the Images of Existences according to［their aggregate Imaginations］a certain order suited to my Imaginative Eye［In the following order］〈as follows〉
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［［A Vision of the Last Judgment］PAGE 76］Jesus seated between the Two Pillars Jachin

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\& Boaz with the Word of <Divine> Revelation on his Knees < \& on each side the
four \& twenty Elders sitting in Judgment> the Heavens opening around him by unfolding the clouds around his throne <The Old H[eaven] \& old Earth are passing away \& the
N[ew] H[eaven] \& N[ew] Earth
descending> [as a Scroll] The Just arise on his right \& the wicked on his Left hand $<$ A Sea of fire Issues from before the Throne> Adam \& Eve appear first before the [throne] <Judgment Seat> in humiliation Abel surrounded by Innocents \& Cain <with the flint in his hand with which he slew his brother> falling with the head downward From the Cloud on which Eve stands
Satan is seen falling headlong wound round by the tail of the serpent whose bulk naild to the Cross round which he wreathes is falling into the Abyss Sin is also represented as a female bound in one of the Serpents folds surrounded by her fiends Death is Chaind to the Cross \& Time falls together with death dragged down by [an Angel] a Demon crownd with Laurel another demon with a Key has the charge of Sin \& is dragging her down by the hair beside them a figure is seen scaled with iron scales from head to feet precipitating himself into the Abyss with the Sword \& Balances he is Og King of Bashan-<On the Right> Beneath the Cloud on which Abel kneels is Abraham with Sarah \& Isaac [\&] also Hagar \& Ishmael. <Abel kneels on a bloody Cloud [P 80] descriptive of those Churches before the flood that they were filld with blood \& fire \& vapour of smoke even till Abrahams time the vapour \& heat was not Extinguishd These States Exist now Man Passes on but States remain for Ever he passes thro them like a traveller who may as well suppose that the places he has passed thro exist no more as a Man may suppose that the States he has passd thro exist no more Every Thing is Eternal>
[ [A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 79] In Eternity one Thing never Changes into another Thing Each Identity is Eternal consequently Apuleius's Golden Ass \& Ovids Metamorphosis \& others of the like kind are Fable yet they contain Vision in a Sublime degree being derived from real Vision in More Ancient Writings[.] Lots Wife being Changed into Pillar of Salt alludes to the Mortal Body being renderd a Permanent Statue but not Changed or Transformed into Another Identity while it retains its own Individuality. A Man can never become Ass nor Horse some are born with shapes of Men who may be both but Eternal Identity is one thing \& Corporeal Vegetation is another thing Changing Water into Wine by Jesus \& into Blood by Moses relates to Vegetable Nature also

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[[A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 76] [Beneath] <Ishmael is Mahomet> \& <on the left> beneath the falling figure of Cain is Moses casting his tables of stone into the Deeps. it ought to be understood that the Persons Moses \& Abraham are not here meant but the States Signified by those Names the Individuals being representatives or Visions of those States as they were reveald to Mortal Man in the Series of Divine Revelations. as they are written in the Bible these various States I have seen in my Imagination when distant they appear as One Man but as you approach they appear

Multitudes of Nations. Abraham hovers above his posterity which appear as Multitudes of Children ascending from the Earth surrounded by Stars as it was said As the Stars of Heaven for Multitude Jacob \& [their] his Twelve Sons hover beneath the feet of Abraham \& recieve their children from the Earth <I have seen when at a distance Multitudes of Men in Harmony appear like a single Infant sometimes in the Arms of a Female [they] <this> represented the Church> But to proceed with the description of those on the Left hand. beneath the Cloud on which Moses kneels is two figures a Male \& Female chaind [P 77] together by the feet[.] they represent those who perishd by the flood[.] beneath them a multitude of their associates are seen falling headlong[.] by the side of them is a Mighty fiend with a Book in his hand which is Shut he represents the person namd in Isaiah XXII.c \& 20.V. Eliakim the Son of Hilkiah he drags Satan down headlong he is crownd with oak [\&has] by the side of the Scaled figure representing Og King of Bashan is a Figure with a Basket emptiing out the vanities of Riches \& Worldly Honours <he is Araunah the Jebusite> <master of the threshing floor> above him are two figures <elevated on a Cloud> representing the Pharisees who plead their own Righteousness before the throne. they are weighed down by two fiends[.] Beneath the Man with the Basket are three fiery fiends with grey beards \& scourges of fire they represent Cruel Laws they scourge a groupe of figures down into the Deeps beneath them are various figures in attitudes of contention representing various States of Misery which alas every one on Earth is liable to enter into \& against which we should all watch The Ladies will be pleasd to see that I have represented the Furies by Three Men \& not by three Women It is not because I think the Ancients wrong but they will be pleasd to remember that mine is Vision \& not Fable The Spectator may suppose them Clergymen in the Pulpit Scourging Sin instead of Forgiving it The Earth beneath these falling Groupes of figures is rocky \& burning and seems as if convulsd by Earthquakes a Great City

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<on fire> is seen in the Distance <the Armies are fleeing upon the Mountains> On the foreground hell is opened \& many figures are descending into it down stone steps \& beside a Gate beneath a rock [howling \& lamenting] <where Sin \& Death are to be closed Eternally by that Fiend who carries the Key in one hand \& drags them down with the other> On the rock \& above the Gate a fiend with wings urges the wicked onwards with fiery darts he [represents the Assyrian] <is Hazael the Syrian> who drives abroad all those who rebell against their Saviour beneath the steps Babylon represented by a King crowned Grasping his Sword \& his Scepter he is just awakend out of his Grave around him are other Kingdoms arising to Judgment. represented in this Picture as Single Personages according to the descriptions in the Prophets The Figure dragging up a Woman by her hair represents the

Inquisition as do those contending on the sides of the Pit \& in Particular the Man Strangling two Women represents a Cruel Church [ [A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 78] Two persons one in Purple Scarlet are descending [into Hell] <down the Steps into the Pit> these are Caiphas \& Pilate Two States where all those reside who Calumniate \& Murder <under Pretence of Holiness \& Justice> Caiphas has a Blue Flame like a Miter on his head Pilate has bloody hands that never can be cleansed the Females behind them represent the Females belonging to such States who are under perpetual terrors \& vain dreams plots \& secret deceit. Those figures that descend into the Flames before Caiphas \& Pilate are Judas \& those of his Class Achitophel is also here with the cord in his hand
[[A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 80] Between the Figures of Adam \& Eve appears a fiery Gulph descending from the sea of fire Before the throne in this Cataract Four Angels descend headlong with four trumpets to awake the Dead. beneath these is the Seat of the Harlot <namd> Mystery in the Revelations. She is [bound] siezed by Two Beings each with three heads they Represent Vegetative Existence. <as> it is written in Revelations they strip her naked \& burn her with fire <it represents the Eternal Consummation of Vegetable Life \& Death with its Lusts The wreathed Torches in their hands represents Eternal Fire which is the fire of Generation or Vegetation it is an Eternal Consummation Those who are blessed with Imaginative Vision see This Eternal Female \& tremble at what others fear not while they <despise \&> laugh at what others fear> <Her Kings \& Councellors \& Warriors descend in Flames Lamenting \& looking upon her in astonishment \& Terror. \&

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Hell is opend beneath her Seat on the Left hand>. beneath her feet is a flaming Cavern in which is seen the Great Red Dragon with Seven heads \& ten Horns [who] <he has Satans book of Accusations lying on the rock open before him> 〈he> is bound in chains by Two strong demons they are Gog \& Magog <who have been compelld to subdue their Master Ezekiel> <XXXVIIIc 8v> <with their Hammer \& Tongs about to new Create the Seven Headed Kingdoms >. The Graves beneath are opend \& the Dead awake \& obey the call of the Trumpet those on the Right hand awake in joy those on the Left in Horror. beneath the Dragons Cavern a Skeleton begins to Animate starting into life at the Trumpets sound while the Wicked contend with each other on the brink of [ $P$ 81] perdition. <on tho Right> a Youthful couple are awakd by their Children an Aged patriarch is awakd by his aged wife <He is Albion our Ancestor <patriarch of the Atlantic Continent> whose History Preceded that of the Hebrews <\& in whose Sleep <or Chaos> Creation began, [his Emanation or Wife is Jerusalem < who is about to be recievd like the Bride of the >] at their head> <the Aged Woman is Brittannia ${ }^{\text {tl453 }}$ the Wife of Albion Jerusalem is their Daughter>> little Infants creep out of the [mould]
[<ground>] flowery mould into the Green fields of the blessed who in various joyful companies embrace \& ascend to meet Eternity
The Persons who ascend to Meet the Lord coming in the Clouds with power \& great Glory. are representations of those States described in the Bible under the Names of the Fathers before \& after the Flood Noah is seen in the Midst of these Canopied by a Rainbow. on his right hand Shem \& on his Left Japhet these three Persons represent Poetry Painting \& Music the three Powers <in Man> of conversing with Paradise which the flood did not Sweep away Above Noah is the Church Universal represented by a Woman Surrounded by Infants There is such a State in Eternity it is composed of the Innocent 〈civilized> Heathen \& the Uncivilized Savage who having not the Law do by Nature the things containd in the Law. This State appears like a Female crownd with Stars driven into the Wilderness She has the Moon under her feet The Aged Figure with Wings having a writing tablet \& taking account of the numbers who arise is That Angel of the Divine Presence mentiond in Exodus XIVc 19v \& in other Places this Angel is frequently calld by the Name of Jehovah Elohim The I am of the Oaks of Albion
Around Noah \& beneath him are various figures Risen into the Air <among> these are Three Females representing those who are

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not of the dead but of those found Alive at the Last Judgment they appear to be innocently gay \& thoughtless not <being> among the Condemnd because ignorant of crime in the midst of a corrupted Age <the Virgin Mary was of this Class>. A Mother Meets her <numerous> Family in the Arms of their Father these are representations of the Greek Learned \& Wise as also of those of other Nations such as Egypt \& Babylon in which were multitudes who shall meet the Lord coming in the Clouds
The Children of Abraham or Hebrew Church are represented as a Stream of [Light] <Figures> on which are seen Stars somewhat like the Milky way they ascend from the Earth where Figures kneel Embracing above the Graves \& Represent Religion or Civilized Life such as it is in the Christian Church who are the Offspring of the Hebrew
[[A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 82] Just above the graves \& above the spot where the Infants creep out of the Ground Stand two a Man \& Woman these are the Primitive Christians. The two Figures in 〈purifying> flames by the side of the Dragons cavern represents the Latter state of the Church when on the verge of Perdition yet protected by a Flaming Sword. Multitudes are seen ascending from the Green fields of the blessed in which a Gothic Church is representative of true Art Calld Gothic in All Ages <by those who follow <the> Fashion> <as that is calld which is without Shape or Fashion> <On the right hand of Noah a Woman with Children represents the State Calld Laban the Syrian it is the Remains of Civilization in the State from whence Abraham was

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right hand of Noah A Female descends to meet her Lover or Husband representative of that Love calld Friendship which Looks for no other heaven than their Beloved \& in him sees all reflected as in a Glass of Eternal Diamond
On the right hand of these rise the Diffident \& Humble \& on their left a <solitary> Woman with her infant these are caught up by three aged Men who appear as suddenly emerging from the blue sky for their help. These three Aged Men represent Divine Providence as opposd to \& distinct from Divine vengeance represented by three Aged men on the side of the Picture among the Wicked with scourges of fire If the Spectator could Enter into these Images in his Imagination approaching them on the Fiery Chariot of his Contemplative Thought if he could Enter into Noahs Rainbow or into his bosom or could make a Friend \& Companion of one of these Images of wonder which always intreats him to leave mortal things as he must know then would he arise from his Grave then would he

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meet the Lord in the Air \& then he would be happy General Knowledge is Remote Knowledge it is in Particulars that Wisdom consists \& Happiness too. Both in Art \& in Life General Masses are as Much Art as a Pasteboard Man is Human Every Man has Eyes Nose \& Mouth this Every Idiot knows but he who enters into \& discriminates most minutely the Manners \& Intentions [P 83] the [Expression] Characters in all their branches is the alone Wise or Sensible Man \& on this discrimination All Art is founded. I intreat then that the Spectator will attend to the Hands \& Feet to the Lineaments of the Countenances they are all descriptive of Character \& not a line is drawn without intention \& that most discriminate \& particular <as Poetry admits not a Letter that is Insignificant so Painting admits not a Grain of Sand or a Blade of Grass <Insignificant> much less an Insignificant Blur or Mark> Above the Head of Noah is Seth this State calld Seth is Male \& Female in a higher state of Happiness \& wisdom than Noah being nearer the State of Innocence beneath the feet of Seth two figures represent the two Seasons of Spring \& Autumn. while beneath the feet of Noah Four Seasons represent [our present changes of Extremes] the Changed State made by the flood. By the side of Seth is Elijah he comprehends all the Prophetic Characters he is seen on his fiery Chariot bowing before the throne of the Saviour. in like manner The figures of Seth \& his wife Comprehends the Fathers before the flood \& their Generations when seen remote they appear as One Man. a little below Seth on his right are Two Figures a Male \& Female with numerous Children these represent those who were not in the Line of the Church \& yet were Saved from among the Antediluvians who Perished. between Seth \& these a female figure [with the back turnd] represents the Solitary State of those who previous to the Flood walked with God

All these arise toward the opening Cloud before the Throne led onward by triumphant Groupes of Infants. $\leqslant \&$ the Morning Stars sang together>
Between Seth \& Elijah three Female Figures crownd with Garlands Represent Learning \& Science which accompanied Adam out of Eden
The Cloud that opens rolling apart before the throne \& before the New Heaven \& the New Earth is Composed of Various Groupes of Figures particularly the Four Living Creatures mentiond in Revelations as Surrounding the Throne these I suppose to have the chief agency in removing the [former] [P 84] old heavens \& the old Earth to make way for the New Heaven \& the

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New Earth to descend from the throne of God \& of the Lamb. that Living Creature on the Left of the Throne Gives to the Seven Angels the Seven Vials of the wrath of God 〈with> which they hovering over the Deeps beneath pour out upon the wicked their Plagues the Other Living Creatures are descending with a Shout \& with the Sound of the Trumpet Directing the Combats in the upper Elements <in the two Corners of the Picture> on the Left hand Apollyon is foild before the Sword of Michael \& on the Right the Two Witnesses 〈are> subduing their Enemies [Around the Throne Heaven is Opened] On the Cloud are opend the Books of Remembrance of Life \& of Death before that of Life <on the Right> some figures bow in humiliation before that of Death <on the left> the Pharisees are pleading their own Righteousness the one Shines with beams of Light the other utters Lightnings \& tempests <A Last Judgment is Necessary because Fools flourish> Nations Flourish under Wise Rulers \& are depressd under foolish Rulers it is the same with Individuals as Nations works of Art can only be produced in Perfection where the Man is either in Affluence or is Above the Care of it Poverty is the Fools Rod which at last is turnd on his own back <this is A Last Judgment when Men of Real Art Govern \& Pretenders Fall Some People \& not a few Artists have asserted that the Painter of this Picture would not have done so well if he had been properly [patr[onized]] Encouragd Let those who think so reflect on the State of Nations under Poverty \& their incapability of Art. tho Art is Above Either the Argument is better for Affluence than Poverty \& tho he would not have been a greater Artist yet he would have produced Greater works of Art in proportion, to [P 85] his means A Last Judgment is not for the purpose of making Bad Men better but for the Purpose of hindering them from opressing the Good with Poverty \& Pain by means of Such Vile Arguments \& Insinuations>
[[A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 84] Around the Throne Heaven is opend \& the Nature of Eternal Things Displayd All Springing from the Divine Humanity
All beams from him [<Because> as he himself has said All dwells in himl He is the Bread \& the Wine he is the Water of Life accordingly on Each Side of the opening Heaven appears an Apostle that on the Right

Represents Baptism that on the Left Represents the Lords Supper All Life consists of these Two Throwing off Error $<\&$ Knaves from our company> continually \& recieving Truth <or Wise Men into our Company> Continually. he who is out of the Church \& opposes it is no less an Agent of Religion than he who is in it. to be an Error \& to be Cast out is a part of Gods Design No man can Embrace

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True Art till he has Explord \& Cast out False Art <such is the Nature of Mortal Things> or he will be himself Cast out by those who have Already Embraced True Art Thus My Picture is a History of Art \& Science [\& its] <the Foundation of Society> Which is Humanity itself. What are all the Gifts of the Spirit but Mental Gifts whenever any Individual Rejects Error \& Embraces Truth a Last Judgment passes upon that Individual [ [A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 85] Over the Head of the Saviour \& Redeemer The Holy Spirit like a Dove is surrounded by a blue Heaven in which are the two Cherubim that bowd over the Ark for here the temple is opend in Heaven \& the Ark of the Covenant is as a Dove of Peace The Curtains are drawn apart Christ having rent the Veil The Candlestick \& the Table of Shew bread appear on Each side a Glorification of Angels with Harps surrou[n]d the Dove The Temple stands on the Mount of God from it flows on each side the River of Life on whose banks Grows the tree of Life among whose branches temples \& Pinnacles tents \& pavilions Gardens \& Groves Display Paradise with its Inhabitants walking up \& down in Conversations concerning Mental Delights [[A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 90] Here they are no longer talking of what is Good \& Evil or of what is Right or Wrong \& puzzling themselves in Satans [Maze] Labyrinth But are Conversing with Eternal
Realities as they Exist in the Human Imagination We are in a World of Generation \& death \& this world we must cast off if we would be Painters [P 91] Such as Rafa[e]l Mich Angelo \& the Ancient Sculptors. if we do not cast off this world we shall be only Venetian Painters who will be cast off \& Lost from Art [[A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 85] Jesus is surrounded by Beams of Glory in which are
seen all around him Infants emanating from him these represent the Eternal Births of Intellect from the divine Humanity A Rainbow surrounds the throne \& the Glory in which youthful Nuptials recieve the infants in their hands <In Eternity Woman is the Emanation of Man she has No Will of her own There is no such thing in Eternity as a Female Will> tl454
On the Side next Baptism are seen those calld in the Bible Nursing Fathers \& Nursing Mothers [ <they have Crowns the Spectator may suppose them to be the good Kings>] < \& Queens [of England]> they represent Education On the Side next the Lords Supper. The Holy Family consisting of Mary Joseph John the Baptist Zacharias \& Elizabeth recieving the Bread \& Wine among other Spirits of <the> Just
made perfect. beneath these a Cloud of Women \& Children are taken up fleeing from the rolling Cloud which separates the Wicked from

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the Seats of Bliss. These represent those who tho willing were too weak to Reject Error without the Assistance \& Countenance of those Already in the Truth for a Man Can only Reject Error by the Advice of a Friend or by the Immediate Inspiration of God it is for this Reason among many others that I have put the Lords Supper on the Left hand of the [Picture] Throne for it appears so at the Last Judgment for a Protection
[[A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 91] Many suppose that before [Adam] <the Creation> All was Solitude \& Chaos This is the most pernicious Idea that can enter the Mind as it takes away all sublimity from the Bible \& Limits All Existence to Creation \& to Chaos To the Time \& Space fixed by the Corporeal Vegetative Eye \& leaves the Man who entertains such an Idea the habitation of Unbelieving Demons Eternity Exists and All things in Eternity Independent of Creation which was an act of Mercy I have [P 92] represented those who are in Eternity by some in a Cloud within the Rainbow that Surrounds the Throne they merely appear as in a Cloud when any thing of Creation Redemption or Judgment are the Subjects of Contemplation tho their Whole Contemplation is Concerning these things the Reason they so appear is The Humiliation of <the Reasoning \& Doubting > Selfhood \& the Giving all up to Inspiration By this it will be seen that I do not consider either the Just or the Wicked to be in a Supreme State but to be every one of them States of the Sleep which the Soul may fall into in its Deadly Dreams of Good \& Evil when it leaves Paradise [with] <following> the Serpent
[[A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 91] <The Greeks represent Chronos or Time
very Aged Man this is Fable but the Real Vision of Time is in Eternal Youth I have <however> somewhat accomodated my Figure of Time to
<the> Common opinion as I myself am also infected with it \& my
Vision is also infected \& I see Time Aged alas too much so>
Allegories are things that Relate to Moral Virtues Moral
Virtues do not Exist they are Allegories \& dissimulations <But
Time \& Space are Real Beings a Male \& a Female Time is a Man Space is a Woman \& her Masculine Portion is Death>
[[A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 86] The Combats of Good \& Evil <is Eating of the Tree of Knowledge The Combats of Truth \& Error is Eating of the Tree
of Life> [ \& of Truth \& Error which are the same thing] <these> are not only Universal but Particular. Each are Personified There is not an Error but it has a Man for its [Actor] Agent that is it is a Man.. There is not a Truth but it has also a Man <Good \& Evil are Qualities in Every Man whether 〈a> Good or Evil Man> These are Enemies \& destroy one another by every Means in their power both of deceit \& of open Violence The Deist \& the Christian are but the Results of these

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Opposing Natures Many are Deists who would in certain Circumstances
have been Christians in outward appearance Voltaire was one of this number he was as intolerant as an Inquisitor Manners make the Man not Habits. It is the same in Art by their Works ye [P 90] shall know them the Knave who is Converted to Deism \& the Knave who is Converted to Christianity is still a Knave but he himself will not know it tho Every body else does Christ comes as he came at first to deliver those who were bound under the Knave not to deliver the Knave He Comes to Deliver Man the [Forgiven] <Accused \&> not Satan the Accuser we do not find any where that Satan is Accused of Sin he is only accused of Unbelief \& thereby drawing Man into Sin that he may accuse him. Such is the Last Judgment a Deliverance from Satans Accusation Satan thinks that Sin is displeasing to God he ought to know that Nothing is displeasing to God but Unbelief \& Eating of the Tree of Knowledge of Good \& Evil
[ [A Vision of the Last Judgment] PAGE 87] Men are admitted into Heaven not because they have
<curbed \&> governd their Passions or have No Passions but because they have Cultivated their Understandings. The Treasures of Heaven are not Negations of Passion but Realities of Intellect from which All the Passions Emanate <Uncurbed> in their Eternal Glory The Fool shall not enter into Heaven let him be ever so Holy. Holiness is not The Price of Enterance into Heaven Those who are cast out Are All Those who having no Passions of their own because No Intellect. Have spent their lives in Curbing \& Governing other Peoples by the Various arts of Poverty \& Cruelty of all kinds Wo Wo Wo to you Hypocrites Even Murder the Courts of Justice <more merciful than the Church> are compelld to allow is not done in Passion but in Cool Blooded Design \& Intention
The Modern Church Crucifies Christ with the Head Downwards [[A Vision of the Last Judgment] 92] Many Persons such as Paine \& Voltaire <with <some
of> the Ancient Greeks> say we will not Converse concerning Good \& Evil we will live in Paradise \& Liberty You may do so in Spirit but not in the <Mortal> Body as you pretend till after the Last Judgment for in Paradise they have no Corporeal <\& Mortal> Body that originated with the Fall \& was calld Death \& cannot be removed but by a Last judgment while we are in the world of Mortality we Must Suffer The Whole Creation Groans to be deliverd there will always be as many Hypocrites born as Honest Men \& they will always have superior Power in Mortal Things You

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cannot have Liberty in this World without <what you call> Moral Virtue \& you cannot have Moral Virtue without the Slavery of that half of the Human Race who hate <what you call> Moral Virtue The Nature of Hatred \& Envy \& of All the Mischiefs in the World are here depicted. No one Envies or Hates one of his Own Party even the devils love one another in their Way they torment one another for other reasons than Hate or Envy these are only employd against the Just. Neither can Seth Envy Noah or Elijah Envy Abraham but they
may both of them Envy the Success [P 93] of Satan or of Og or Molech The Horse never Envies the Peacock nor the Sheep the Goat but they Envy a Rival in Life \& Existence whose ways \& means exceed their own let him be of what Class of Animals he will a Dog will envy a Cat who is pamperd at the expense of his comfort as I have often seen The Bible never tells us that Devils torment one another thro Envy it is <thro> this that [makes] they torment the Just but for what do they torment one another I answer For the Coercive Laws of Hell Moral Hypocrisy. They torment a Hypocrite when he is discoverd they Punish a Failure in the tormentor who has sufferd the Subject of his torture to Escape In Hell all is Self Righteousness there is no such thing there as Forgiveness of Sin he who does Forgive Sin is Crucified as an Abettor of Criminals. \& he who performs Works of Mercy in Any shape whatever is punishd \& if possible destroyd not thro Envy or Hatred or Malice but thro Self Righteousness that thinks it does God service which God is Satan <They do not Envy one another They contemn <\& despise> one another>
Forgiveness of Sin is only at the Judgment Seat of Jesus the Saviour where the Accuser is cast out. not because he Sins but because he torments the Just \& makes them do what he condemns as Sin \& what he knows is opposite to their own Identity It is not because Angels are Holier than Men or Devils that makes them Angels but because they do not Expect Holiness from one another but from God only
The Player is a liar when he Says Angels are happier than [P 94] Men because they are better Angels are happier than Men <\& Devils> because they are not always Prying after Good \& Evil in One Another \& eating the Tree of Knowledge for Satans Gratification
Thinking as I do that the Creator of this World is a very Cruel Being \& being a Worshipper of Christ I cannot help saying the Son O how unlike the Father <First God Almighty comes with a Thump on the Head Then Jesus Christ comes with a balm to heal it>

The Last Judgment is an Overwhelming of Bad Art \& Science. Mental Things are alone Real what is Calld Corporeal Nobody Knows of its Dwelling Place <it> is in Fallacy \& its Existence an Imposture Where is the Existence Out of Mind or Thought Where is it but in the Mind of a Fool. Some People flatter themselves that there will be No Last Judgment \& [P 95] that Bad Art will be adopted \& mixed with Good Art That Error or Experiment will make a Part of Truth \& they Boast that it is its Foundation these People flatter themselves I will not Flatter them Error is Created Truth is Eternal Error or Creation will be Burned Up \& then \& not till then Truth or Eternity will appear It is Burnt up the Moment Men cease to behold it I assert for My self that I do not behold the Outward Creation \& that to me it is hindrance \& not Action it is as the Dirt upon my feet No part of Me. What it will be Questiond When the Sun rises do you not see a round

Disk of fire somewhat like a Guinea $O$ no no I see an Innumerable company of the Heavenly host crying Holy Holy Holy is the Lord God Almighty I question not my Corporeal or Vegetative Eye any more than I would Question a Window concerning a Sight I look thro it \& not with it.

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An Original Engraving by [William Blake] <him> from his Fresco Painting of [Chaucers Canterbury Pilgrims] [Mr B having from early Youth cultivated the two Arts Painting \& Engraving \& during a Period of Forty Years never suspended his Labours on Copper for a single Day Submits with Confidence to Public Patronage \& requests the attention of the Amateur in a Large Stroke Engraving] 3 feet 1 inch long by one foot high <Price Three Guineas>
[Containing Thirty original high finishd whole Length, Portraits on Horseback Of Chaucers Characters, where every Character \& every Expression, every Lineament of Head Hand \& Foot. every particular of Dress or Costume. where every Horse is appropriate to his Rider \& the Scene or Landscape with its Villages Cottages Churches \& the Inn in Southwark is minutely labourd not by the hands of Journeymen but by the Original Artist himself even to the Stuffs \& Embroidery of the Garments. the hair upon the Horses the Leaves upon the Trees. \& the Stones \& Gravel upon the road; the Great Strength of Colouring \& depth of work peculiar to Mr B's Prints will be here found accompanied by a Precision not to be seen but in the work of an Original Artist]

## Sir Jeffery Chaucer \& the nine \& twenty

 Pilgrims on their journey to CanterburyThe time chosen is early morning before Sunrise. when the jolly Company are just quitting the Tabarde Inn. The Knight \& . Squire with the Squires Yeoman lead the Procession: then the Youthful Abbess her Nun \& three Priests. her Greyhounds attend her.
"Of small Hounds had she that she fed
With roast flesh milk \& wastel bread"

Next follow the Friar \& Monk. then the Tapiser the Pardoner. the Sompnour \& the Manciple.
After these "Our Host" who occupies the Center of the Cavalcade [(the Fun afterwards exhibited on the road may he seen

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depicted in his jolly face)] directs them to the Knight [(whose solemn Gallantry no less fixes attention)] as the person who will be likely to commense their Task of each telling a Tale in their order. After the Host, follow, the Shipman, the Haberdasher, the Dyer, the Franklin, the Physician the Plowman, the Lawyer, the [Poor] Parson, the Merchant, the Wife of Bath the Cook. the Oxford Scholar. Chaucer himself \& the Reeve comes as Chaucer has described
"And ever he rode hinderest of the rout"
These last are issuing from the Gateway of the Inn the Cook \& Wife of Bath are both taking their mornings draught of comfort. Spectators stand at the Gateway of the Inn \& are composed of an old man a woman \& children
<The Inn is yet extant under the name of the Talbot; and the Landlord, Robert Bristow, Esq. of Broxmore near Rumsey, has continued a Board over the Gateway, inscribed, "This is the Inn from which Sir Jeffery Chaucer and his Pilgrims set out for Canterbury."
St. Thomas's Hospital which is situated near to it, is one of the most amiable features of the Christian Church; it belonged to the Monastery [o]f St. Mary Overies and was dedicated to Thomas a Becket. The Pilgrims, if sick or lame, on their journey to and from his Shrine, were received at this House. Even at this day every friendless wretch who wants the succour of it, is considered as a Pilgrim travelling through this Journey of Life.> The Landscape is an Eastward view of the Country from the Tabarde Inn in Southwark as it may be supposed to have appeard in Chaucers time. interspersed with Cottages \& Villages, the first beams of the Sun, are seen above the Horizon. some buildings \& spires indicate the situation of the Great City. The Inn is a Gothic Building which Thynne in his Glossary says was the Lodging of the Abbot of Hyde by Winchester. On the Inn is inscribed its title \& a proper advantage is taken of this circumstance to describe the Subject of the Picture. the Words written in Gothic Letters over the Gateway are as follow "The Tabarde Inne by Henry Bailly the Lodgynge House for Pilgrims who Journey to Saint Thomass Shrine at Canterbury."
[The Characters of Chaucers Pilgrims are the Characters that compose all Ages \& Nations, as one Age falls another rises. different to Mortal Sight but to Immortals only the same, for we see the same Characters repeated again \& again in Animals in Vegetables in Minerals \& in Men. Nothing new occurs in Identical Existence . . Accident ever varies Substance can never suffer change nor decay]
<Of Chaucer's Characters as described in his Canterbury Tales, some of the Names are altered by Time, but the Characters themselves for ever remain unaltered [a]nd consequently they are the Physiognomies or L[i]neaments of Universal Human Life beyond which Nature never steps. The Painter has consequently varied the heads and forms of his Personages into all Nature's varieties; the Horses he has varied to accord to their riders, the Costume is correct according to authentic Monuments. Subscriptions received at No. 28, Corner of Broad Street, Golden Square.

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Being a Complete Index of Human Characters as they appear Age after Age
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[Engravd by William Blake tho Now Surrounded by Calumny \& Envy]
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This Day is Publishd Advertizements to Blakes Canterbury Pilgrims from Chaucer.
Containing Anecdotes of Artists. Price 6*d
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If Men of weak Capacities [in Art] have alone the Power of Execution in Art Mr B has now put to the test. If to Invent \& to Draw well hinders the Executive Power in Art \& his Strokes are still to be Condemnd because they are unlike those of Artists who are Unacquainted with Drawing [the accompanying] is now to be Decided by The Public[.] Mr B s Inventive Powers \& his Scientific Knowledge of Drawing is on all hands acknowledgd it only remains to be Certified whether [The Fools hand or the] Physiognomic Strength \& Power is to give Place to Imbecillity [and whether an unending $x x x x x d x$ xxx an unabated study \& practise of forty Years[---] for I devoted myself to Engraving in my Earliest Youth [---] are sufficient to elevate me above the Mediocrity to which I have hitherto been the victim] <In a work of Art it is not fine tints that are required but Fine Forms, fine Tints without, are loathsom> <Fine Tints without Fine Forms are always the Subterfuge of the Blockhead> I account it a Public Duty respectfully to address myself to The Chalcographic Society \& to Express to them my opinion the result of the incessant Practise \& Experience of Many Years That

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Engraving [is in a most wretched state (of) arising from $a n$ ] <as an Art is Lost in

England owing to an artfully propagated> opinion that Drawing spoils an Engraver [which opinion has been held out to me by such men as Flaxman Romney Stothard It] I request the Society to inspect my Print of which Drawing is the Foundation \& indeed the Superstructure it is Drawing on Copper as Painting ought to be Drawing on Canvas or any other [table]
<surface> \& nothing Else* I request likewise that the Society will compare the Prints of Bartollouzzi Woolett Strange \&c with the old English Portraits that is <Compare the Modern Art> with the Art as it Existed Previous to the Enterance of Vandyke \& Rubens into this Country <since which English Engraving is Lost> \& I am sure [of the] [the] Result <of this comparison> will be that the Society must be of my Opinion that Engraving by Losing Drawing has Lost all Character \& all Expression without which <The> Art is Lost.

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In this Plate Mr B has resumed the style with which he set out in life of which Heath \& Stothard were the awkward imitators at that time it is the style of Alb Durers Histries \& the old Engravers which cannot be imitated by any one who does not understand Drawing \& which according to Heath \& Stothard Flaxman \& even Romney. Spoils an Engraver for Each of these Men have repeatedly asserted this Absurdity to me in condemnation [P 52] of my Work \& approbation of Heaths lame imitation Stothard being such a fool as to suppose that his blundering blurs can be made out \& delineated by any Engraver who knows how to cut dots \& lozenges equally well with those little prints which I engraved after him five \& twenty Years ago \& by which he got his reputation as a Draughtsman
The manner in which my Character <has been blasted these thirty years> both as an artist \& a Man may be seen particularly in a Sunday Paper cald the Examiner Publishd in Beaufort Buildings. < (We all know that Editors of Newspapers trouble their heads very little about art \& science \& that they are always paid for what they put in [Descriptive Catalogue P 53] upon these ungracious Subjects> [P 52] \& the manner in which I have routed out the nest of villains will be seen in a Poem concern[in]g my Three years <Herculean> Labours at Felpham which I will soon Publish. Secret Calumny \& open Professions of Friendship are common enough all the world
over but have never been so good an occasion of Poetic Imagery[.] When a Base Man means to be your Enemy he always begins with being your Friend [Descriptive Catalogue P 53] Flaxman cannot deny that one of the
very first Monuments he did I gratuitously designd for him <at the same time he was blasting my character as all Artist to Macklin my Employer as Macklin told me at the time> how much of his Homer \& Dante he will allow to be mine I do not know as he went far enough off to Publish them even to Italy. but the Public will know \& Posterity will know

Many People are so foolish to think that they can wound $\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{r}}$
Fuseli over my Shoulder they will find themselves mistaken they could not wound even Mr Barry so
A Certain Portrait Painter said To me in a boasting way
Since I have Practised Painting I have lost all idea of Drawing.
Such a Man must know that I lookd upon him with Contempt he did
not care for this any more than West did who hesitated \& equivocated with me upon the same subject at which time he
asserted that Wooletts [Descriptive Catalogue P 55] Prints were superior to Basires because they had more Labour \& Care now this is contrary to the truth[.] Woolett did not know how to put so much labour into a head or a foot as Basire did he did not know
how to draw the Leaf of a tree all his study was clean strokes \& mossy tints[.] how then should he be able to make use of either Labour or Care unless the Labour \& Care of Imbecillity[?] The Lifes Labour of Mental Weakness scarcely Equals one Hour of the Labour of Ordinary Capacity like the full Gallop of the Gouty Man to the ordinary walk of youth \& health I allow that there is such a thing as high finishd Ignorance as there may be a fool or a Knave. in an Embroiderd Coat but I say that the Embroidery of the Ignorant finisher is not like a Coat made by another but is an Emanation from Ignorance itself \& its finishing is like its master The Lifes Labour of Five Hundred Idiots for he never does the Work Himself
What is Calld the English Style of Engraving such as proceeded from the Toilettes of Woolett \& Strange (for theirs were <Fribbles> Toilettes) can never produce Character \& Expression. I knew the Men intimately from their Intimacy with Basire my Master \& knew them both to be heavy lumps of Cunning \& Ignorance as their works Shew to all the Continent who Laugh at the Contemptible Pretences of Englishmen to Improve Art before they even know the first [lines] <Beginnings> of Art[.] I hope this Print will redeem my Country from this Coxcomb situation \& shew that it is only some Englishmen [Descriptive Catalogue P 56] and not All who are thus ridiculous in their Pretences Advertizements in

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Newspapers are no proof of Popular approbation. but often the Contrary A Man who Pretends to Improve Fine Art Does not know what Fine Art is Ye English Engravers must come down from your high flights ye must condescend to study Marc Antonio \& Albert Durer[.] Ye must begin before you attempt to finish or improve \& when you have begun you will know better than to think of improving what cannot be improvd It is very true what you have said [P 57] for these thirty two Years I am Mad or Else you are so both of us cannot be in our right senses Posterity will judge by our Works[.] Wooletts \& Stranges works are like those of Titian \& Correggio the Lifes Labour of Ignorant journeymen Suited to the Purposes of Commerce no doubt for Commerce Cannot endure Individual Merit its insatiable Maw must be fed by What all can do Equally well at least it is so in England as I have found to my Cost these Forty Years
<Commerce is so far from being beneficial to Arts or to Empire that it is destructive of both <as all their History shews> for the above Reason of Individual Merit being its Great hatred. Empires flourish till they become Commercial \& then they are scatterd abroad to the four winds>
Wooletts best works were Etchd by Jack Brown Woolett Etchd very bad himself. Stranges Prints were when I knew him all done by Aliamet \& his trench journeymen whose names I forget.
The Cottagers \& Jocund Peasants the Views in Kew Gardens Foots Cray \& Diana \& Acteon \& in short all that are Calld Wooletts were Etchd by Jack Browne \& in Wooletts works the Etching is All tho even in these a single leaf of a tree is never correct

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Such Prints as Woolett \& Strange producd will do for those who choose to purchase the Lifes labour of Ignorance \& Imbecillity in Preference to the Inspired Moments of Genius \& Animation

## [Public Address] PAGE 60

I also knew something of Tom Cooke who Engraved after Hogarth Cooke wished to Give to Hogarth what he could take from Rafael that is Outline \& Mass \& Colour but he could not [\& Hogarth with all his Merit never g]

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I do not pretend to Paint better than Rafael or Mch Anglo <or Julio Romano or Alb Durer> but I do Pretend to Paint finer than Rubens or Rembt or Correggio or Titian. I do not Pretend to Engrave finer than Alb Durer Goltzius Sadeler or Edelinck but I do pretend to Engrave finer than Strange Woolett Hall or Bartolozzi <\& All> because I understand Drawing which they understand not

## [Public Address] PAGE 58

In this manner the English Public have been imposed upon for many Years under the impression that Engraving \& Painting are somewhat Else besides Drawing[.] Painting is Drawing on Canvas \& Engraving is Drawing on Copper \& Nothing Else \& he who pretends to be either Painter or Engraver without being a Master of
Drawing is an Impostor. We may be Clever as Pugilists but as
Artists we are \& have long been the Contempt of the Continent
[Aliamet] Gravelot once said to My Master Basire
[you] <De> English may be very clever in [your]
<deir> own opinions but [you] <dey> do not draw
[the] <De> draw
Resentment for Personal Injuries has had some share in this Public Address But Love to My Art \& Zeal for my Country a much Greater.

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Men think they can Copy Nature as Correctly as I copy Imagination this they will find Impossible. \& all the Copies or Pretended Copiers
of Nature from Rembrat to Reynolds Prove that Nature becomes [tame] to its Victim nothing but Blots \& Blurs. Why are Copiers of Nature Incorrect while Copiers of Imagination are Correct this is manifest to all

## [Public Address] PAGE 39

I do not condemn Rubens Rembrant or Titian because they did not understand Drawing but because they did not Understand Colouring how long shall I be forced to beat this into Mens Ears I do not condemn [Bartolozzi] <Strange> or Woolett because they did not understand Drawing but because they did not understand Graving I do not condemn Pope or Dryden because they did not understand Imagination but because they did not understand Verse[.] Their Colouring Graving \& Verse can never be

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applied to Art <That is not either colouring Graving or Verse which is Unappropriate to the Subject> He who makes a Design must know the Effect \& Colouring Proper to be put to that Design \& will never take that of Rubens Rembrandt or Titian to [put] <turn> that which is Soul \& Life into a Mill or Machine

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They say there is no Strait Line in Nature this Is a Lie like all that they say, For there is
Every Line in Nature But I will tell them what is Not in Nature. An Even Tint is not in Nature it produces Heaviness. Natures Shadows <are> Ever varying. \& a Ruled Sky that is quite Even never can Produce a Natural Sky the same with every Object in a Picture its Spots are its beauties[.] Now Gentlemen Critics how do you like this[?] You may rage but what I say I will prove by Such Practise \& have already done so that you will rage to your own destruction[.] Woolett I knew very intimately by his intimacy with Basire \& I knew him to be one of the most ignorant fellows that I ever knew. A Machine is not a Man nor a Work of Art it is Destructive of Humanity \& of Art the Word Machination [seems]
Woolett I know did not know how to Grind his Graver I know this he has often proved his Ignorance before me at Basires by laughing at Basires knife tools \& [p 47] ridiculing the Forms of Basires other Gravers till Basire was quite dashd \& out of Conceit with what he himself knew but his Impudence had a Contrary Effect on me[.] Englishmen have been so used to Journeymens undecided bungling that they cannot bear the firmness of a Masters Touch[.] Every Line is the Line of Beauty it is only fumble \& Bungle which cannot draw a Line this only is Ugliness[.] That is not a Line which Doubts \& Hesitates in the Midst of its Course

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There is just the same Science in Lebrun or Rubens or even Vanloo that there is in Rafael or Mich Angelo but not the same Genius[.] Science is soon got the other never can be acquired but must be Born

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The Originality of this Production makes it necessary to say a few words While the Works [of Translators] of Pope \& Dryden are lookd upon as [in the Same class of] the Same Art with those of Milton \& Shakespeare while the works of Strange \& Woollett are
lookd upon as the same Art with those of Rafael \& Albert Durer there can be no Art in a Nation but such as is Subservient to the interest of the Monopolizing Trader [whose whole] [who Manufactures Art by the Hands of Ignorant Journeymen till at length Christian Charity is held out as a Motive to encourage a Blockhead \& he is Counted the Greatest Genius who can sell a Good for Nothing Commodity for a Great Price[.] Obedience to the Will of the Monopolist is calld Virtue [p 61] and the really <Industrious> Virtuous \& Independent Barry is driven out to make room for a pack of Idle Sycophants with whitlors on their fingers] Englishmen rouze yourselves from the fatal Slumber into which Booksellers \& Trading Dealers have thrown you Under the artfully propagated pretence that a Translation or a Copy of any kind can be as honourable to a Nation as An Original [Belying] Be-lying the English Character in that well known Saying Englishmen Improve what others Invent[.] This Even Hogarths Works Prove [P 62] a detestable Falshood. No Man Can Improve An Original Invention. [Since Hogarths time we have had very few Efforts of Originality] <Nor can an Original Invention Exist without Execution Organized \& minutely Delineated \& Articulated Either by God or Man[.] I do not mean smoothd up \& Niggled \& Poco Piud ${ }^{t 1457}[b u t]$ <and all the beauties pickd out [but] \& blurrd \& blotted but> Drawn with a firm <and decided> hand at once [with all its Spots \& Blemishes which are beauties \& not faults] like Fuseli \& Michael Angelo Shakespeare \& Milton>

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Let a Man who has made a Drawing go on \& on \& he will produce a Picture or Painting but if he chooses to leave off before he has spoild it he will Do a Better Thing

## [Public Address] PAGE 62

I have heard many People say Give me the Ideas. It is no matter what Words you put them into \& others say Give me the Design it is no matter for the Execution. These People know <Enough of Artifice but> Nothing Of Art. Ideas cannot be Given but in their minutely Appropriate Words nor Can a Design be made without its minutely Appropriate Execution[.] The unorganized Blots \& Blurs of Rubens \& Titian are not Art nor can their Method ever express Ideas or Imaginations any more than Popes Metaphysical jargon of Rhyming[.] Unappropriate Execution is the Most nauseous <of all> affectation \& foppery He who copies does not Execute he only Imitates what is already Executed Execution

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Who could not do this what man who has eyes and an ordinary share of patience cannot do this neatly. Is this Art Or is it glorious to a Nation to produce such contemptible Copies Countrymen Countrymen do not suffer yourselves to be disgracd

## [Public Address] PAGE 66

The English Artist may be assured that he is doing an injury \& injustice to his Country while he studies \& imitates the Effects of Nature. England will never rival Italy while we servilely copy. what the Wise Italians Rafael \& Michael Angelo scorned nay abhorred as Vasari tells us

Call that the Public Voice which is their Error
Like as a Monkey peeping in a Mirror
Admires all his colours brown \& warm
And never once percieves his ugly form

What kind of Intellects must he have who sees only the Colours of things \& not the Forms of Things

## [Public Address] PAGE 71

A jockey that is any thing of a jockey will never buy a Horse by the Colour \& a Man who has got any brains will never buy a Picture by the Colour
When I tell any Truth it is not for the sake of Convincing those who do not know it but for the sake of defending those who Do

## [Public Address] PAGE 76

No Man of Sense ever supposes that Copying from Nature is the Art of Painting if the Art is no more than this it is no better than any other[']s Manual Labour any body may do it \& the fool often will do it best as it is a work of no Mind

## [Public Address] PAGE 78

The Greatest part of what are calld in England Old Pictures are Oil Colour Copies from Fresco Originals the Comparison is Easily made \& the Copy Detected Note I mean Fresco Easel or Cabinet Pictures on Canvas \& Wood \& Copper \&/c

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The Painter hopes that his Friends Anytus Melitus < \& Lycon> will percieve that they are not now in Ancient Greece \& tho they can use the Poison of Calumny the English Public will be convincd that such a Picture as this Could never be Painted by a Madman or by one in a State of Outrageous manners as these [Villains] <Bad Men> both Print \& Publish by all the means in their Power. the Painter begs Public Protection \& all will be well

## [Public Address] PAGE 17

I wonder who can say Speak no Ill of the Dead when it is asserted in the Bible that the name of the Wicked shall Rot[.) It is Deistical

Virtue I suppose but as I have none of this I will pour Aqua fortis on the Name of the Wicked \& turn it into an Ornament \& an Example to be Avoided by Some \& Imitated by Others if they Please Columbus discoverd America but Americus Vesputius finishd \& smoothd it over like an English Engraver or Corregio or Titian

## [Public Address] PAGE 18

What Man of Sense will lay out his Money upon the Lifes Labours of Imbecility \& Imbecillitys Journeymen or think to Educate [an Idiot] <a Fool> how to build a Universe with Farthing Balls The Contemptible Idiots who have been calld Great Men of late Years ought to rouze the Public Indignation of Men of Sense in all Professions
There is not because there cannot be any difference of Effect in the Pictures of Rubens \& Rembrandt when you have seen one of their Pictures you have seen All It is not so with Rafael Julio Romano Alb D Mich Ang Every Picture of theirs has a different \& appropriate Effect
Yet I do not shrink from the Comparison in Either Relief or Strength of Colour with either Rembrandt or Rubens on the Contrary I court the Comparison \& fear not the Result but not in a dark Corner[.] their Effects are in Every Picture the same Mine are in Every Picture different
I hope my Countrymen will Excuse me if I tell them a Wholesom truth Most Englishmen when they look at a Picture immediately set about searching for Points of Light <\& clap the Picture into a dark corner [this in] <This when done by> Grand Works is like looking for Epigrams in Homer>A point of
light is a Witticism many are destructive of all Art <One is an Epigram only> \& no Grand Work can have them they Produce System \& Monotony Rafael Mich Ang Alb D Jul Rom are accounted ignorant of that Epigrammatic Wit in Art because they avoid it as a destructive Machine as it is
That Vulgar Epigram in Art Rembrandts Hundred Guelders has intirely put an End to all Genuine \& Appropriate Effect all both Morning \& Night is now a dark cavern It is the Fashion ${ }^{t 1458}$ [P 19] When you view a Collection of Pictures painted since Venetian Art was the Fashion or Go into a Modern Exhibition with a Very few Exceptions Every Picture has the same Effect. a Piece of Machinery [of] <or> Points of Light to be put into a dark hole

## [Public Address] PAGE 18

Mr B repeats that there is not one Character or Expression in this Print which could be Produced with the Execution of Titian Rubens Coreggio Rembrandt or any of that Class[.] Character \& Expression can only be Expressed by those who Feel Them Even Hogarths Execution cannot be Copied or Improved. Gentlemen of Fortune who give Great Prices for Pictures should consider the following [p 19]

Rubens s Luxembourg Gallery is Confessd on all hands [because it bears the evidence at first view] to be the work of a Blockhead <it bears this Evidence in its face> how can its Execution be any other than the Work of a Blockhead. <Bloated [Awkward] Gods> Mercury Juno Venus \& the rattle traps of Mythology \& the lumber of an [old] awkward French Palace are [all] thrown together around <Clumsy \& Ricketty> Princes \& Princesses higgledy piggledy On the Contrary Julio Rom[ano's] <Palace of T at Mantua> is allowed on all hands to be <the Production of> a Man of the Most Profound sense \& Genius \& Yet his Execution is pronouncd by English Connoisseurs \& Reynolds their Doll to be unfit for the Study of the Painter. Can I speak with too great Contempt of such Contemptible fellows. If all the Princes in Europe <like Louis XIV \& Charles the first> were to Patronize such Blockheads I William Blake a Mental Prince should decollate \& Hang their Souls as Guilty of Mental High Treason Who that has Eyes cannot see that Rubens \& Correggio must have been very weak \& Vulgar fellows \& <we> are [we] to imitate their Execution. This is [as $i f$ ] <like what> Sr Francis Bacon [should downright assert] <says> that a

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healthy Child should be taught \& compelld to walk like a Cripple while the Cripple must be taught to walk like healthy people O rare wisdom

## [Public Address] PAGE 18

I am really sorry to see my Countrymen trouble themselves about Politics. If Men were Wise <the Most arbitrary> Princes could not hurt them If they are not Wise the Freest Government is compelld to be a Tyranny[.] Princes appear to me to be Fools Houses of Commons \& Houses of Lords appear to me to be fools they seem to me to be something Else besides Human Life

## [Public Address] PAGE 20

The wretched state of the Arts in this Country \& in Europe originating in the Wretched State of Political Science which is the Science of Sciences Demands a firm \& determinate conduct on the part of Artists to Resist the Contemptible Counter Arts [set on foot] <Established> by Such contemptible Politicians as Louis XIV \& [but] originally set on foot by Venetian Picture traders Music traders \& Rhime traders to the destruction of all true art as it is this Day. To recover Art has been the business of my life to the Florentine Original \& if possible to go beyond that Original <this> I thought the only pursuit worthy of [an Englishman] <a Man>. To Imitate I abhore I obstinately adhere to the true Style of Art such as Michael Angelo Rafael Jul Rom Alb Durer left it [the Art of Invention not of Imitation. Imagination is My World this world of Dross is beneath my Notice \& beneath the Notice of the Public] I demand therefore of the Amateurs of [P 21] art the Encouragement which is my due if they <continue to> refuse theirs is the loss not mine <\& theirs is the Contempt of Posterity> I have Enough in the Approbation of fellow labourers this is
my glory \& exceeding great reward I go on \& nothing can hinder my course

And in Melodious accents I
Will sit me down \& Cry. I. I.
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An Example of these Contrary Arts is given us in the Characters of Milton \& Dryden as they are written in a Poem
signed with the name of Nat Lee which perhaps he never wrote \& perhaps he wrote in a paroxysm of insanity In which it is said that Miltons Poem is a rough Unfinishd Piece \& Dryden has finishd it Now let Drydens Fall \& Miltons Paradise be read \& I will assert that every Body of Understanding [\& sen(se) will] must cry out Shame on such Niggling \& Poco Piu as Dryden has degraded Milton with But at the same time I will allow that Stupidity will Prefer Dryden because it is in Rhyme [but for no other cause] <\& Monotonous Sing Song Sing Song> from beginning to end Such are Bartollozzi Woolett \& Strange [Public Address] PAGE 23

## [That Painted as well as Sculptured Monuments were

 common among words the Ancients is evident from the words of the Savants who compared the Plain [unpainted] <Those>Sepulchers Painted on the outside with others [of] only of Stone. Their Beauty is Confessd even by the Lips of Pasch himself.] t1459 The Painters of England are unemployd in Public Works. while the Sculptors have continual \& superabundant employment Our Churches $\&$ Abbeys are treasures of [Spiritual riches] their producing for ages back While Painting is excluded Painting the Principal Art has no place [in our] <among our almost> only public works. [while] <Yet> it is more adapted to solemn ornament than [dead] Marble can be as it is capable of being Placed in any heighth \& indeed would make a Noble finish <Placed> above the Great Public Monuments in Westminster $S^{t}$ Pauls \& other Cathedrals. To the Society for Encouragement of Arts I address myself with [duty \&] Respectful duty requesting their Consideration of my Plan as a Great Public [deed] means of advancing Fine Art in Protestant Communities Monuments to the dead Painted by Historical \& Poetical Artists like Barry \& Mortimer. I forbear to name [a li] living Artists tho equally worthy I say Monuments so Painted must make England What Italy is an Envied Storehouse of Intellectual Riches
## [Public Address] PAGE 24

It has been said of late years The English Public have no Taste for Painting This is a Falshood The English are as Good judges [as] <of> Painting as of Poetry \& they prove it in their Contempt for Great Collections of all the Rubbish of the Continent brought here by Ignorant Picture dealers an Englishman may well say I am no Judge of Painting when he is shewn these

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price \& told that such is the Art of Painting I say the English Public are true Encouragers of [Great] <real> Art while they discourage \& look with Contempt on False Art

## [Public Address] PAGE 25

In a Commercial Nation Impostors are abroad in all Professions these are the greatest Enemies of Genius [ $\mathrm{Mr} B$ thinks it his duty to Caution the Public against a Certain Impostor who]. In [our Art] the Art of Painting these Impostors sedulously propagate an Opinion that Great Inventors Cannot Execute This Opinion is as destructive of the true Artist as it is false by all Experience Even Hogarth cannot be either Copied or Improved <Can Anglus never Discern Perfection but in the Journeymans Labour>

I know my Execution is not like Any Body Else I do not intend it should be so <None but Blockheads Copy one another> My Conception \& Invention are on all hands allowd to be Superior My Execution will be found so too. To what is it that Gentlemen of the first Rank both in Genius \& Fortune have subscribed their Names[--] To My Inventions. the Executive part they never Disputed [P 25] the Lavish praise I have recieved from all Quarters for Invention \& Drawing has Generally been accompanied by this he can conceive but he cannot Execute* this Absurd assertion has done me \& may still do me the greatest mischief I call for Public protection against these Villains I am like others Just Equal in Invention \& in Execution as my works shew I in my own defence Challenge a Competition with the finest Engravings \& defy the most critical judge to <make> the Comparison Honestly [p 24] asserting in my own Defence that This Print is the Finest that has been done or is likely to be done in England where drawing <its foundation> is Contemnd and absurd Nonsense about dots \& Lozenges \& Clean Strokes made to occupy the attention to the Neglect of all real Art I defy any Man to Cut Cleaner Strokes than I do or rougher when I please \& assert that he who thinks he can Engrave or Paint either without being a Master of Drawing is a Fool [\& he] Painting is Drawing on Canvas \& Engraving is Drawing on Copper \& nothing Else <Drawing is Execution \& nothing Else> \& he who Draws best must be
the best Artist [\&] to this I subscribe <my name as a Public Duty>

## WILLIAM BLAKE

[Public Address] PAGE 25
*P. S. I do not believe that this Absurd opinion ever was set on foot till in my Outset into life it was artfully publishd both in whispers \& in print by Certain persons whose robberies from me made it necessary to them that I should be [left] hid in a corner it never was supposed that a Copy Could be better than an original or near so Good till a few Years ago it became the interest of certain envious Knaves

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## Will ${ }^{m}$ Blake

[signed and underlined, beneath the printed "Lavater", the two names then being enclosed in an outline of a heart]

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for the reason of these remarks see the last aphorism
[Blake is referring to 643: "If you mean to know yourself, interline such of these aphorisms as affected you agreeably in reading, and set a mark to such as left a sense of uneasiness with you; and then shew your copy to whom you please." Blake's mark of uneasiness, a large rough X in the margin, is shown here by an X beside the number of the aphorism. His underlining of agreeable passages is represented by italics, and he occasionally supplements the underlining with a square dagger of emphatic approval, as shown.[<dag>] ]

1. Know, in the first place, that mankind agree in essence, as they do in their limbs and senses.
2. Mankind differ as much in essence as they do in form, limbs, and senses-and only so, and not more.

This is true Christian philosophy far above all abstraction [written beside both aphorisms, with a line under each]

## 3. As in looking upward each beholder thinks himself the

 centre of the sky; so Nature formed her individuals, that each must see himself the centre of being.Let me refer here, to a remark on aphorism 533 \& another on. 630
8. Who pursues means of enjoyment contradictory, irreconcilable, and self-destructive, is a fool, or what is

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called a sinner-- Sin and destruction of order are the
same.
a golden sentence

## 11. The less you can enjoy, the poorer, the scantier

 yourself--the more you can enjoy, the richer, the more vigorous. You enjoy with wisdom or with folly, as the gratification of your appetites capacitates or unnerves your powers. [?Doubtful] false for weak is the joy that is never wearied (Written beside the second paragraph)> 13. Joy and grief decide character. What exalts prosperity? what imbitters grief? what leaves us indifferent? what interests us? As the interest of man, so his God--as his God, so he.

## All Gold

## 14. What is a man's interest? what constitutes his God,

 the ultimate of his wishes, his end of existence? Either that which on every occasion he communicates with the most unrestrained cordiality, or hides from every profane eye and ear with mysterious awe; to which he makes every other thing a mere appendix;--the vortex, the centre, the comparative point from which he sets out, on which he fixes, to which he irresistibly returns;--that, at the loss of which you may safely think him inconsolable;--that which he rescues from the gripe of danger with equal anxiety and boldness.The story of the painter and the prince is well known: to get at the best piece in the artist's collection, . . .
[All bracketed to this comment:]

## Pure gold

[The story continues, unmarked, and concludes:] . . . of thousands it may be decided what loss, what gain, would affect them most. And suppose we cannot pronounce on others, cannot we determine on ourselves? This the sage of Nazareth meant when he said, WHERE THY TREASURE IS, THERE WILL THY HEART BE ALSO--The object of your love is your God.
This should be written in gold letters on our temples
16. The greatest of characters, no doubt, was he, who, free of all trifling accidental helps, could see objects through one grand immutable medium, always at hand, and proof against

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illusion and time, reflected by every object, and invariably traced through all the fluctuation of things.
this was Christ
20. Distinguish with exactness, in thyself and others, between WISHES and WILL, in the strictest sense. Who has many wishes has generally but little will. Who has energy of will has few diverging wishes. Whose will is bent with energy on ONE, MUST renounce the wishes for MANY things. Who cannot do this is not stamped with the majesty of human nature. The energy of choice, the unison of various powers for one is only WILL, born under the agonies of self-denial and renounced desires.

Regeneration

X21.Calmness of will is a sign of grandeur. The vulgar, far from hiding their WILL, blab their wishes--a single spark of occasion discharges the child of passions into a thousand crackers of desire.
uneasy
See 384.
23. Who in the same given time can produce more than many others, has VIGOUR; who can produce more and better, has TALENTS; who can produce what none else can, has GENIUS.
25. WISHES run over into loquacious impotence, WILL presses on with laconic energy. [Horizontal line in left margin]
28. The glad gladdens--who gladdens not is not glad.
fatal to others is so to himself--to him, heaven, wisdom, folly, virtue, vice, are equally so--to such an one tell neither good nor bad of yourself. X32. Let the degree of egotism be the measure of confidence. uneasy

X36. Who begins with severity, in judging of another, ends commonly with falsehood.

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Severity of judgment is a great virtue

X37. The smiles that encourage severity of judgment, hide malice and insincerity.
false
Aphorisms should be universally true
X39. Who, without pressing temptation, tells a lie, will, without pressing temptation, act ignobly and meanly.
uneasy
false
a man may lie for his own pleasure. but if any one is hurt by his lying will confess his lie see N 124
40. Who, under pressing temptations to lie, adheres to truth, nor to the profane betrays aught of a sacred trust, is near the summit of wisdom and virtue. Excellent
43. As the present character of a man, so his past, so his future Who knows intuitively the history of the past, knows his destiny to come.
44. YOU can depend on no man, on no friend, but him who can depend on himself. He only who acts consequentially toward himself will act so toward others, and VICE VERSA.
Man is for ever the same; the same under every form, in all situations and relations that admit of free and unrestrained exertion. The same regard which you have for yourself, you have for others, for nature, for the invisible NUMEN, which you call God--Who has witnessed one free ]and unconstrained act of yours, has witnessed all.

X54.Frequent laughing has been long called a sign of a little mind--whilst the scarcer smile of harmless quiet has been complimented as the mark of a noble heart--But to abstain from laughing, and exciting laughter, merely not to offend, or to risk giving offence, or not to debase the inward dignity of character--is a power unknown to many a vigorous mind.
I hate scarce smiles I love laughing

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59. A sneer is often the sign of heartless malignity. damn Sneerers
60. Who courts the intimacy of a professed sneerer, is a professed knave.
61. I know not which of these two I should wish to avoid most; the scoffer at virtue and religion, who, with heartless villany, butchers innocence and truth; or the pietist, who crawls, groans, blubbers, and secretly says to gold, thou art m hope! and to his belly, thou art my god!
I hate crawlers
62. All moral dependence on him, who has been guilty Of ONE act of positive cool villanyagainst an acknowledged, virtuous and noble character, is credulity, imbecility, or insanity. is being like him rather
63. The most stormy ebullitions of passion, from blasphemy to murder, are less terrific than one single act of cool villany: a still RABIES is more dangerous than the paroxisms of a fever--Fear the boisterous savage of passion less than the sedate grin of villany. bravo
66. Can he love truth who can take a knave to his bosom?
--No
67. There are offences against individuals, to all appearance trifling, which are capital offences against the human race--fly him who can commit them.
68. There ought to be a perpetual whisper in the ear of plain honesty--take heed not even to pronounce the name of a knave--he will make the very sound of his name a handle of mischief. And do you think a knave begins mischief to leave off? Know this-whether he overcome or be foiled, he will wrangle on. therefore pronounce him a knave, why should honesty fear a knave

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69. Humility and love, whatever obscurities may involve religious tenets, constitute the essence of true religion. The humble is formed to adore; the loving to associate with eternal love.
Sweet.

X70. Have you ever seen a vulgar mind warm or humble? or a proud one that could love?--where pride begins, love ceases--as love, so humility--as both, so the still real power of man.
<pride may love> (over a deletion)

X71. Every thing may be mimicked by hypocrisy, but humility and love united. The humblest star twinkles most in the darkest night--the more rare humility and love united, the more radiant where they meet.
all this may be mimicked very well. this Aphorism certainly was an oversight for what are all crawlers but mimickers of humility \& love
$X 73$. Modesty is silent when it would not be improper to speak: the humble, without being called upon, never recollects to say any thing of himself. uneasy
78. The wrath that on conviction subsides into mildness, is the wrath of a generous mind. 80. Thousands are hated, whilst none are ever loved, without a real cause. The amiable alone can be loved.
81. He who is loved and commands love, when he corrects or is the cause of uneasiness, must be loveliness itself; and
82. He who can love him, in the moment of correction, is the most amiable of mortals,
83. He, to whom you may tell any thing, may see every thing, and will betray nothing.

X86. The freer you feel yourself in the presence of another, the more free is he: who is free makes free rather uneasy

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X92.Who instantly does the best that can be done, what no other could have done, and what all must acknowledge to be the best, is a genius and a hero at once. uneasy
93. The discovery of truth, by slow progressive meditation, is wisdom--Intuition of truth, not preceded by perceptible meditation, is genius
94. The degree of genius is determined by its velocity, clearness, depth, simplicity, copiousness, extent of glance (COUP $\left.D^{\prime} O E I L\right)$, and instantaneous intuition of the whole at once. copiousness of glance

X96. Dread more the blunderer's friendship than the calumniator's enmity.
I doubt this

X97. He only, who can give durability to his exertions, has genuine power and energy of mind.
uneasy
Sterling

X98. Before thou callest a man hero or genius, investigate whether his exertion has features of indelibility; for all that is celestial, all genius, is the offspring of immortality. uneasy Sterling
99. Who despises all that is despicable, is made to he impressed with all that is grand.
107. Who takes from you, ought to give in his turn, or he is a thief: I distinguish taking and accepting, robbing and receiving: many give already by the mere wish to give; their still unequivocal wish of improvement and gratitude, whilst it draws from us, opens treasures within us, that might have remained locked up, even to ourselves. Noble \& Generous
114. Who writes as he speaks, speaks as he writes,

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looks as he speaks and writes-is honest.
115.A habit of sneering marks the egotist, or the fool, or the knave--or all three.
--all three

X121. Who knows not how to wait with YES, will often be with shame reduced to say No. Letting "I DARE NOT wait upon I WOULD" uneasy
124. Who has a daring eye, tells downright truths and downright lies. contrary to N 39 but most True

X141. Many trifling inattentions, neglects, indiscretions--are so many unequivocal proofs of dull frigidity, hardness, or extreme egotism. rather uneasy

X150. As your enemies and your friends, so are you.
very uneasy

X151. You may depend upon it that he is a good man whose intimate friends are all good, and whose enemies are characters decidedly bad.
uneasy
I fear I have not many enemies
157. Say not you know another entirely, till you have divided an inheritance with him.
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X163. Who, at the pressing solicitation of bold and noble confidence, hesitates one moment before he consents, proves himself at once inexorable.
uneasy
I do not believe it

X164. Who, at the solicitations of cunning, self-interest,

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silliness, or impudence, hesitates one moment before he refuses, proves himself at once a silly giver.
uneasy
165. Examine carefully whether a man is fonder of exceptions than of rules; as he makes use of exceptions he is sagacious; as he applies them against the rule he is wrong-headed. I heard in one day a man, who thought himself wise, . . . sophist's character. . . (Vertical line in margin of passage from "rules" to "wise")

X168. Whenever a man undergoes a considerable change, in consequence of being observed by others, whenever he assumes another gait, another language, than what he had before he thought himself observed, be advised to guard yourself against him. rather uneasy
170. I am prejudiced in favour of him who can solicit boldly, without impudence--he has faith in humanity--hhas faith in himself. No one, who is not accustomed to give grandly, can ask nobly and with boldness.
176. As a man's salutation, so the total of his character: in nothing do we lay ourselves so open as in our manner of meeting and salutation.
177. Be afraid of him who meets you with friendly aspect, and, in the midst of a flattering salutation, avoids your direct open look
185. All finery is a sign of littleness.
not always
200. The more honesty a man has, the less he affects the air of a saint--the affectation of sanctity is a blotch on the face of piety
bravo
201. There are more heroes than saints; (heroes I call rulers over the minds and destinies of men); more saints than humane characters, Him, who humanises all that is within and

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around himself, adore: I know but of one such by tradition.
Sweet
203. Who seeks those that are greater than himself, their greatness enjoys, and forgets his greatest qualities in their greater ones, is already truly great I hope I do not flatter my self that this is pleasant to me
219. <dag>None love without being loved; and none beloved is without loveliness
225. The friend of order has made half his way to virtue
X226. There is no mortal truly wise and restless at once--wisdom is the repose of minds.
rather uneasy
242. The connoisseur in painting discovers an original by some great line, though covered with dust, and disguised by daubing; so he who studies man discovers a valuable character by some original trait, though unnoticed, disguised, or debased--ravished at the discovery, he feels it his duty to restore it to its own genuine splendour. Him who, in spite of contemptuous pretenders, has the boldness to do this, choose for your friend
244. Who writes what he should tell, and dares not tell what he writes, is either like a wolf in sheep's clothing, or like a sheep in a wolfs skin.
Some cannot tell what they can write tho they dare
248. Know that the great art to love your enemy consists in never losing sight of MAN in him: humanity has power over all that is human; the most inhuman man still remains man, and never CAN throw off all taste for what becomes a man--but you must learn to wait.
none can see the man in the enemy if he is ignorantly so, he is not truly an enemy if maliciously not a man I cannot love my enemy for my enemy is not man but beast \& devil if I have any. I can love him as a beast \& wish to beat him

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253. Who welcomes the look of the good is good himself
254. I know deists, whose religiousness I venerate, and atheists, whose honesty and nobleness of mind I wish for; but I have not yet seen the man who could have tempteme to think him honest who[m] I knew publicly acted the Christian whilst privately he was a positive deist bravo
(Whom corrected to who, in accord with Errata list)
256. He who laughed at you till he got to your door, flattered you as you opened it--felt the force of your argument whilst he was with you--applauded when he rose, and, after he went away, blasts you--has the most indisputable title to an archdukedom in hell
Such a one I can never forgive while he continues such a one

X261. Ask not only, am I hated? but, by whom?--am I loved? but why?--as the GOOD love thee, the BAD will hate thee uneasy
272. Who can act or perform as if each workor action were the first, the last, and only one in his life, is great [in his sphere.
(The last three words deleted by Blake)

X276. We can do all by speech and silence. He, who understands the double art of speaking opportunely to the moment, and of saying not a syllable more or less than it demanded--and he who can wrap himself up in silence when every word would be in vain--will understand to connect energy with patience. uneasy
278. Let the unhappiness you feel at another's errors, and the happiness you enjoy in their perfections, be the measure of your progress in wisdom and virtue Excellent

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279. Who becomes every day more sagacious, in observing his own faults, and the perfections of another, without either envying him or despairing of himself, is ready to mount the ladder on which angels ascend and descend.
Noble
282. The more there is of mind in your solitary
employments, the more dignity there is in your character
285. He, who can at all times sacrifice pleasure to duty, approaches sublimity
(Vertical line in margin; also underlined)
287. The most eloquent speaker, the most ingenious writer, and the most accomplished statesman, cannot effect so much as the mere presence of the man [who tempers his wisdom and his vigour with, humanity.]
(The last nine words deleted by Blake) unsophisticated
289. Between the best and the worst, there are, you say, innumerable degrees--and you are right; but admit that I am right too, in saying that the best and the worst differ only in one thing--<dag> in the object of their love.
<dag>would to God that every one would consider this
290. What is it you love in him you love? what is it you hate in him you hate? Answer this closely to yourself, pronounce it loudly, and you will know yourself and him.
All Gold
292. If you see one cold and vehement at the same time, set him down for a fanatic.
i.e. hypocrite
295. Who can hide magnanimity, stands on the supreme degree of human nature, and is admired by the world of spirits
301. He has not a little of the devil in him who prays and

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bites.
there is no other devil, he who bites without praying is only a beast
302. He who, when called upon to speak a disagreeable truth, tells it boldly and has done, is both bolder and milder than he who nibbles in a low voice, and never ceases nibbling.
damn such
305. Be not the fourth friend of him who had three
before and lost them.
an excellent rule

X308. Want of friends argues either want of humility or courage, or both.
uneasy
309. He who, at a table of forty covers, thirty-nine of which are exquisite, and one indifferent, lays hold of that, and with a "damn your dinner" dashes it in the landlord's face, should be sent to Bethlem or to Bridewell--and whither he, who blasphemes a book, a work of art, or perhaps a man of nine-and-thirty good and but one bad quality, and calls those fools or flatterers who, engrossed by the superior number of good qualities, would fain forget the bad one<?>
(Question marked added by Blake)
to hell till he behaves better. mark that I do not believe there is such a thing litterally. but hell is the being shut up in the possession of corporeal desires which shortly weary the man for all life is holy
328. Keep him at least three paces distant who hates bread, music, and the laugh of a child the best in the book
333. Between passion and lie there is not a finger's breadth.
Lie, is the contrary to Passion

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impertinently, yet speaks politely
a dog get a stick to him
X338. Search carefully if one patiently finishes what he boldly began.
uneasy
339. Who comes from the kitchen smells of its smoke; who adheres to a sect has something of its cant: the college-air pursues the student, and dry inhumanity him who herds with literary pedants.
341. Call him truly religious who believes in something higher, more powerful, more living, than visible nature; and who, clear as his own existence, feels his conformity to that superior being.
342. [Superstition] <Hipocrisy> always inspires littleness, religion grandeur of mind: the [superstitious] <hypocrite> raises beings inferior to himself to deities.
no man was ever truly superstitious who was not truly religious as far as he knew
True superstition is ignorant honesty \& this is beloved of god \& man
I do not allow that there is such a thing as Superstition taken in the strict sense of the word
A man must first decieve himself before he is <thus>
Superstitious \& so he is a hypocrite
Hipocrisy. is as distant from superstition. as the wolf from the lamb.
343. Who are the saints of humanity? those whom perpetual habits of goodness and of grandeur have made nearly unconscious that what they do is good or grand--<dag> heroes with
infantine simplicity
<dag>this is heavenly
345. The jealous is possessed by a "fine mad devil*" and a dull spirit at once.
*Shakspeare.
pity the jealous

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352. He alone has energy that cannot be deprived of it
353. Sneers are the blasts that precede quarrels. hate the sneerer
354. Who loves will not be adored.
false
359. No great character cavils.
365. He can love who can forget all and nothing.
366. The purest religion is the most refined Epicurism. He, who in the smallest given time can enjoy most of what he never shall repent, and what furnisheenjoyments, still more unexhausted, still less changeable--is the most religious and the most voluptuous of men.
True Christian philosophy
370. The generous, who is always just--and the just, who is always generous--may, unannounced, approach the throne of God.
376. Spare the lover without flattering his passion; to make the pangs of love the butt of ridicule, is unwise and harsh--soothing meekness and wisdom subdue in else unconquerable things. and consider that love is life
377. There is none so bad to do the twentieth part of the evil he might, nor any so good as to do the tenth part of the good it is in his power to do. Judge of yourself by the good you might do and neglect--and of others by the evil they might do and omit--and your judgment will be poised between too much indulgence for yourself and too much severity on others. Most Excellent
380. To him who is simple, and inexhaustible, like nature, simple and inexhausted nature resigns her sway
383. How can he be pious who loves not the beautiful, whilst

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piety is nothing but the love of beauty? Beauty we Call the MOST VARIED ONE, the MOST UNITED VARIETY. Could there be a man who should harmoniously unite each variety of knowledge and of powers--were he not the most beautiful? were he not your god?
this is our Lord
384. Incredible are his powers who DESIRES nothing that he CANNOT WILL.
See 20 \& 21

X385. The unloved cannot love. doubtful

X386. Let the object of love be careful to lose none of its loveliness.

X389. We cannot be great, if we calculate how great we and how little others are, and calculate not how great others, how minute, how impotent ourselves.
uneasy
391. He loves unalterably who keeps within the bounds of love; who always shews somewhat less than what he is possessed of--nor ever utters a syllable, or gives a hint, of more than what in fact remains behind--is just and friendly in the same degree.

## 396. Who kindles love loves warmly.

400. There is a manner of forgiving so divine, that you are ready to embrace the offender for having called it forth. this I cannot conceive
401. Expect the secret resentment of him whom your forgiveness has impressed with a sense of his inferiority; expect the resentment of the woman whose proffered love you have repulsed; yet surer still expect the unceasing rancour of envy against the progress of genius and merit--renounce the hopes of reconciling him: but know, that whilst you steer on, mindless of his grin, allruling destiny will either change his rage to awe,

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or blast his powers to their deepest root.
If you expect his resentment you do not forgive him now. tho you did once forgiveness of enemies can only come upon their repentance
407. Whatever is visible is the vessel or veil of the invisible past, present, future--as man penetrates to this more, or perceives it less, he raises or depresses his dignity of being.
A vision of the Eternal Now--
408. Let none turn over books, or roam the stars in quest of God, who sees him not in man
409. He alone is good, who, though possessed of energy, prefers virtue, with the appearance of weakness, to the invitation of acting brilliantly ill
Noble But Mark Active Evil is better than Passive Good.

X410. Clearness, rapidity, comprehension of look, glance (what the French call 'COUP D'OEIL'), is the greatest, simplest, most inexhausted gift a mortal can receive from heaven: who has that has all; and who has it not has little of what constitutes the good and great. uneasy
doubtful
413. As the presentiment of the possible, deemed impossible, so genius, so heroism--every genius, every hero, is a prophet

X414. He who goes one step beyond his real faith, or presentiment, is in danger of deceiving himself and others. uneasy

416 He , who to obtain much will suffer little or nothing, can never be called great; and none ever little, who, to obtain one great object, will suffer much.
the man who does this is a Sectary therefore not great

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Excellent
424. Love sees what no eye sees; love hears what no ear hears; and what never rose in the heart of man love prepares for itobject. Most Excellent
426. Him, who arrays malignity in good nature and treachery in familiarity, a miracle of Omnipotence alone can make an honest man.
no Omnipotence can act against order
427. He, who sets fire to one part of a town to rob more safely in another, is, no doubt, a villain: what will you call him, who, to avert suspicion from himself, accuses the innocent of a crime he knows himself guilty of, and means to commit again?
damn him
432. The richer you are, the more calmly you bear the reproach of poverty: the more genius you have, the more easily you bear the imputation of mediocrity
435. There is no instance of a miser becoming a prodigal without losing his intellect; but there are thousands of prodigals becoming misers; if, therefore, your turn be profuse, nothing is so much to be avoided as avariceand, if you be a miser, procure a physician who can cure an irremediable disorder. Excellent
437. Avarice has sometimes been the flaw of great men, but never of great minds; great men produce effects that cannot be produced by a thousand of the vulgar; but great minds are stamped with expanded benevolence, unattainable by most.

X 440 . He is much greater and more authentic, who produces one thing entire and perfect, than he who does many by halves. uneasy

X444. Say what you please of your humanity, no wise man

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will ever believe a syllable while I and MINE are the two only gates at which you sally forth and enter, and through which alone all must pass who seek admittance. uneasy
447. Who hides love, to bless with unmixed happiness, is great, like the king of heaven.
I do not understand this or else I do not agree to it I know not what hiding love means

X449. Trust not him with your secrets, who, when left alone in your room, turns over your papers.
uneasy yet I hope I should not do it
450. A woman whose ruling passion is not vanity, is superior to any man of equal faculties
Such a woman I adore
451. He who has but one way of seeing every thing is as important for him who studies man as fatal to friendship. this I do not understand
452. Who has written will write again, says the Frenchman; [he who has written against you will write against you again]: he who has begun certain things is under the [curse] <blessing> of leaving off no more. (Text altered by Blake)

X 460 . Nothing is more impartial than the stream-like public; always the same and never the same; of whom, sooner or later, each misrepresented character obtains justice, and each calumniated, honour: he who cannot wait for that, is either ignorant of human nature, or feels that he was not made for honour.
uneasy
462. The obstinacy of the indolent and weak is less conquerable than that of the fiery and bold
463. Who, with calm wisdom alone, imperceptibly directs the obstinacy of others, will be the most eligible friend or the most

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dreadful enemy.
this must be a grand fellow

X465. He is condemned to depend on no man's modesty and honour who dares not depend on his own.
uneasy
477. The frigid smiler, crawling, indiscreet, obtrusive, brazen-faced, is a scorpion-whip of destiny-avoid him! \& never forgive him till he mends

X486. Distrust your heart and the durability of your fame, if from the stream of occasion you snatch a handful of foam; deny the stream, and give its name to the frothy bursting bubble.
Uneasy
this I lament that I have done
487. If you ask me which is the real hereditary sin of human nature, do you imagine I shall answer pride? or luxury? or ambition? or egotism? no; I shall say indolence--who conquers indolence will conquer all the rest.
Pride fullness of bread \& abundance of Idleness was the sin of Sodom. See Ezekiel Ch xvi. 49 ver
489. An entirely honest man, in the severe sense of the word, exists no more than an entirely dishonest knave: the best and the worst are only approximations of those qualities. Who are those that never contradict themselves? yet honesty never contradicts itself: who are those that always contradict themselves? yet knavery is mere self-contradiction. Thus the knowledge of man determines not the things themselves, but their proportions, the quantum of congruities and incongruities. Man is a twofold being. one part capable of evil \& the other capable of good that which is capable of good is not also capable of evil. but that which is capable of evil is also capable of good. this aphorism seems to consider man as simple \& yet capable of evil. now both evil \& good cannot exist in a simple being. for thus 2 contraries would. spring from one essence which is impossible. but if man is considerd as only evil. \& god only good. how then is regeneration effected which turns the evil to good. by casting out the evil. by the good.

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496. Sense seeks and finds the thought; the thought seeks and finds genius.
\& vice. versa. genius finds thought without seekg \& thought thus, producd finds sense
506. The poet, who composes not before the moment of inspiration, and as that leaves him ceases--composes, and he alone, for all men, all classes, all ages
Most Excellent
507.He, who has frequent moments of complete existence, is a hero, though not laurelled, is crowned, and without crowns, a king: he only who has enjoyed immortal moments can reproduce them
O that men would seek immortal moments O that men would converse with God
508. The greater that which you can HIDE, THE GREATER YOURSELF (The last words triply underlined by Blake) Pleasant

X514. He, who cannot forgive $<\mathrm{a}>$ trespass of malice to his enemy, has never yet tasted the most sublime enjoyment of love.
uneasy this I know not

X518. You may have hot enemies without having a warm friend; but not a fervid friend without a bitter enemy. The qualities of your friends will be those of your enemies: cold friends, cold enemies--half friends, half enemies--fervid enemies, warm friends. very Uneasy indeed but truth
521.He, who reforms himself, has done more toward reforming the public than a crowd of noisy, impotent patriots
Excellent
523. He will do great things who can avert his words and

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thoughts from past irremediable evils. .not if evils are past sins. for these a man should never avert his thoughts from

X526. He, who is ever intent on great ends, has an eagle-eye for great means, and scorns not the smallest. Great ends never look at means but produce them spontaneously
532. Take from LUTHER his roughness and fiery courage; from CALVIN his hectic obstinacy; from ERASMUS his timid prudence; hypocrisy and fanaticism from CROMWELL; from HENRY IV, his sanguine character; mysticism from FENELON; from HUME his all-unhinging wit; love of paradox and brooding suspicion from ROUSSEAU; naivete and elegance of knavery from VOLTAIRE; from MILTON the extravagance of his all-personifying fancy; from RAFFAELLE his dryness and nearly hard precision; and from RUBENS his supernatural luxury of colours:--deduct this oppressive EXUBERANCE from each; rectify them according to your own taste--what will be the result? your own correct, pretty, flat, useful--for me, to be sure, quite convenient vulgarity. And why this amongst maxims of humanity? that you may learn to know this EXUBERANCE, this LEVEN, of each great character, and its effects on contemporaries and posterity--that you may know where d, e, f, is, there must be $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{c}$ : he alone has knowledge of man, who knows the ferment that raises each character, and makes it that which it shall be, and something more or less than it shall be.
Deduct from a rose its redness. from a lilly its whiteness from a diamond its hardness from a spunge its softness from an oak its heighth from a daisy its lowness \& [chaos] rectify every thing in Nature as the Philosophers do. \& then we shall return to Chaos \& God will be compelld to be Excentric if he Creates O happy Philosopher
Variety does not necessarily suppose deformity, for a rose \&a lilly. are various. \& both beautiful
Beauty is exuberant but not of ugliness but of beauty \& if ugliness is adjoined
to beauty it is not the exuberance of beauty. so if Rafael is hard \& dry it is not his genius but an accident acquired for how can Substance \& Accident be predicated of the same Essence! I cannot concieve
But the substance gives tincture to the accident \& makes it

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physiognomic
Aphorism 47. speaks of the heterogeneous, which all extravagance is. but exuberance not. (47: Man has an inward sense of consequence--of all that is pertinent. This sense is the essence of humanity: this, developed and determined, characterises him--this, displayed, is his education. The more strict you are in observing what is pertinent and impertinent, (or heterogeneous) in character, actions, works of art and literature--the wiser, nobler, greater, the more humane yourself.)
533. I have often, too often, been tempted, at the daily relation of new knaveries, to despise human nature in every individual, till, on minute anatomy of each trick, I found that the knave was only an ENTHUSIAST or MOMENTARY FOOL. This discovery of momentary folly, symptoms of which assail the wisest and the best, has thrown a great consolatory light on my inquiries into man's moral nature: by this the theorist is enabled to assign to each class and each individual its own peculiar fit of vice or folly; and, by the same, he has it in his power to contrast the ludicrous or dismal catalogue with the more pleasing one of sentiment and virtue, more properly their own.
man is the ark of God the mercy seat is above upon the ark cherubims guard it on either side \& in the midst is the holy law. man is either the ark of God or a phantom of the earth \& of the water if thou seekest by human policy to guide this ark. remember Uzzah II Sam 1. [erasure] VI Ch:
knaveries are not human nature knaveries are knaveries See N 554
this aphorism seems to me to want discrimination
534. He , who is the master of the fittest moment to crush his enemy, and magnanimously neglects it, is born to be a conqueror. this was old George the second
539. A great woman not imperious, a fair woman not vain, a woman of common talents not jealous, an accomplished woman, who scorns to shine--are four wonders, just great enough to be divided among the four quarters of the globe. let the men do their duty \& the women will be such wonders, the female life [fro] lives from the light of the male. see a mans female dependants you know the man

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543. Depend not much upon your rectitude, if you are uneasy in the presence of the good;[Line drawn by Blake]
easy

X nor trust to your humility if you are mortified when you are not noticed.
uneasy
549. He, who [hates] <loves> the wisest and best of men, [hates] <loves> the Father of men; for where is the Father of men to be seen but in the most perfect of his children
this is true worship
552. He, who adores an impersonal God, has none; and, without guide or rudder, launches on an immense abyss that first absorbs his powers, and next himself
Most superlatively beautiful \& Most affectionatly Holy \& pure would to God that all men would consider it
554. The enemy of art is the enemy of nature; art is nothing but the highest sagacity and exertion of human nature; and what nature will he honour who honours not the human
human nature is the image of God
556. Where there is much pretension, much has been borrowed--nature never pretends
557. Do you think him a common man who can make what is common exquisite
559. Whose promise may you depend upon? his who dares refuse what he knows he cannot perform; who promises calmly, strictly, conditionally, and never excites a hope which he may disappoint

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562. Avoid him who speaks softly, and writes

## sharply

Ah rogue I could be thy hangman
566.Neither patience nor inspiration can give wings to a snail--you waste your own force, you destroy what remained of energy in the indolent, by urging him to move beyond his rate of power.

## 573. Your humility is equal to your desire of being

 unnoticed, unobserved in your acts of virtue true humility574. There are certain light characteristic momentary features of man, which, in spite of masks and all exterior mummery, represent him as he is and shall be. If once in an individual you have discovered one ennobling feature, let him debase it, let it at times shrink from him, no matter; he will, in the end, prove superior to thousands of his critics
the wise man falleth 7 times in a day \& riseth again \&/c
575. The man who has and uses but one scale for every thing, for himself and his enemy, the past and the future, the grand and the trifle, for truth and error, virtue and vice, religion, superstition, infidelity; for nature, art, and works of genius and art-is truly wise, just, great.
this is most true but how does this agree with 451

X577. The infinitely little constitutes the infinite difference in works of art, and in the degrees of morals and religion; the greater the rapidity; precision, acuteness, with which this is observed and determined, the more authentic, the greater the observer.
uneasy
580. Range him high amongst your saints, who, with all-acknowledged powers, and his own stedfast scale for every thing, can, on the call of judgment or advice, submit to transpose himself into another's situation, and to adopt his point of sight

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582. No communications and no gifts can exhaust genius, or impoverish charity
Most Excellent
585. Distrust yourself if you fear the eye of the sincere; but be afraid of neither God or man, if you have no reason to distrust yourself
586. Who comes as he goes, and is present as he came and went, is sincere

X588. He loves grandly (I speak of friendship) who is not jealous when he has partners of love. uneasy but I hope to mend
590. He knows himself greatly who never opposes his genius
Most Excellent

596 "Love as if you could hate and might be hated;"--a maxim of detested prudence in real friendship, the bane of all tenderness, the death of all familiarity. Consider the fool who follows it as nothing inferior to him who at every, bit of bread trembles at the thought of its being poisoned Excellent
597. "Hate as if you could love or should be loved;"--him who follows this maxim, if all the world were to declare an idiot and enthusiast, I shall esteem, of all men, the most eminently formed for friendship. Better than Excellent
600. Distinguish with exactness, if you mean to know yourself and others, what is so often mistaken--the SINGULAR, the ORIGINAL, the EXTRAORDINARY, the GREAT, and the SUBLIME man: the SUBLIME alone unites the singular, original, extraordinary, and great, with his own uniformity and simplicity: the GREAT, with many powers, and uniformity of ends, is destitute of that superior calmness and inward harmony which soars above the atmosphere of praise: the EXTRAORDINARY is

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distinguished by copiousness, and a wide range of energy: the ORIGINAL need not be very rich, only that which he produces is unique, and has the exclusive stamp of individuality: the SINGULAR, as such, is placed between originality and whim, and often makes a trifle the medium of fame.
601. Forwardness nips affection in the bud. the more is the pity

X602. If you mean to be loved, give more than what is asked, but not more than what is wanted; [and ask less than what is expected.]
this is human policy as it is calld--this whole aphorism is an oversight
603. Whom smiles and [tears] <frowns> make equally lovely, [all]<only good> hearts [may] <can or dare> court.
604. Take here the grand secret--if not of pleasing all, yet of displeasing none--court mediocrity, avoid originality, and sacrifice to fashion.
\& go to hell
605. He who pursues the glimmering steps of hope, with stedfast, not presumptuous, eye, may pass the gloomy rock, on either side of which [superstition] <hypocrisy> and incredulity their dark abysses spread.
Superstition has been long a bug bear by reason of its being united with hypocrisy. but let them be fairly seperated \& then superstition will be honest feeling \& God who loves all honest men. will lead [them] the poor enthusiast in the paths of holiness
606. The public seldom forgive twice.
let us take their example

X607. Him who is hurried on by the furies of immature, impetuous wishes, stern repentance shall drag, bound and reluctant, back to the place from which he sallied: where you hear the crackling of wishes expect intolerable vapours or repining grief.
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608. He submits to be seen through a microscope, who suffers himself to be caught in a fit of passion.
\& such a one I dare love
609. Venerate four characters; the sanguine, who has checked volatility and the rage for pleasure; the choleric, who has subdued passion and pride; the phlegmatic, emerged from indolence; and the melancholy, who has dismissed avarice, suspicion, and asperity 4 most holy men
610. All great minds sympathize.
612. Men carry their character not seldom in their pockets: you night decide on more than half of your acquaintance, had you will or right to turn their pockets inside out.
I seldom carry money in my pockets they are generally full of paper [for (6 or 7 words erased)]
615. Not he who forces himself on opportunity, but he who watches its approach, and welcomes its arrival by immediate use, is wise
616. Love and hate are the genius of invention, the parents of virtue and of vice--forbear to decide on yourself till you have had opportunities of warm attachment or deep dislike True Experience

X619. Each heart is a world of nations, classes, and individuals; full of friendships, enmities, indifferences; . . . the number and character of your friends within bears an exact resemblance to your external ones; . . . Be assured then, that to know yourself perfectly you have only to set down a true statement of those that ever loved or hated you. uneasy because I cannot do this
623. Avoid connecting yourself with characters whose good and bad sides are unmixed, and have not fermented together; they resemble phials of vinegar and oil, or pallets set with colours: they are either excellent at home and intolerable abroad, or

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insufferable within doors and excellent in public; they are unfit for friendship, merely because their stamina, their ingredients of character, are too single, too much apart; let them be finely ground up with each other, and they will be incomparable.
Most Excellent

X624. The fool separates his object from all surrounding ones; all abstraction is temporary folly. uneasy because I once thought otherwise but now know it is Truth
626. Let me repeat it--He only is great who has the habits of greatness; who, after performing what none in ten thousand could accomplish, passes on, like Samson, and "TELLS NEITHER FATHER NOR MOTHER OF IT.
This is Excellent
630. A GOD, an ANIMAL, a PLANT, are not companions of man; nor is the FAULTLESS--then judge with lenity of all; the coolest, wisest, best, all without exception, have their points, their moments of enthusiasm, fanaticism, absence of mind, faint-heartedness, stupidity--if you allow not for these, your criticisms on man will be a mass of accusations or caricatures.
It is the God in all that is our companion \& friend, for our God himself says, you are my brother my sister \& my mother; \& $S^{\mathrm{t}}$ John. Whoso dwelleth in love dwelleth in God \& God in him. \& such an one cannot judge of any but in love. \& his feelings will be attractions or repulses
See Aphorisms 549 \& 554
God is in the lowest effects as well as in the highest causes for he is become a worm that he may nourish the weak For let it be rememberd that creation is. God descending according to the weakness of man for our Lord is the word of God \& every thing on earth is the word of God \& in its essence is God 631. Genius always gives its best at first, prudence at last
633. You think to meet with some additions here to your stock of moral knowledge--and not in vain, I hope: but know, a great many rules cannot be given by him who means not to offend, and many of mine have perhaps offended already;

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Those who are offended [bu] with any thing in this book would be offended with the innocence of a child \& for the same reason. because it reproaches him with the errors of acquired folly.
believe me, for him who has an open ear and eye, every minute teems with observations of precious import, yet scarcely communicable to the most faithful friend; so incredibly weak, so vulnerable in certain points, is man: forbear to meddle with these at your first setting out, and make amusement the minister of reflection: sacrifice all egotism--sacrifice ten points to one, if that one have the value of twenty; and if you are happy enough to impress your disciple with respect for himself, with probability of success in his exertions of growing better; and, above all, with the idea of your disinterestedness--you may perhaps succeed in making one proselyte to virtue. --lovely.
635. Keep your heart from him who begins his acquaintance with you by indirect flattery of your favourite paradox or foible.
unless you find it to be his also. previous to your acquaintance
636. Receive no satisfaction for premeditated impertinence--forget it, forgive it--but keep him inexorably at a distance who offered it.
This is a paradox

X638. Let the cold, who offers the nauseous mimickry of warm affection, meet with what he deserves--a repulse; but from that moment depend on his irreconcilable enmity. uneasy because I do not know how to do this but I will try to $[\mathrm{xxxx}]$ do it the first opportunity
640. The moral enthusiast, who in the maze of his refinements loses or despises the plain paths of honesty and duty, is on the brink of crimes.
Most True

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I hope no one will call what I have written cavilling because he may think my remarks of small consequence For I write from the warmth of my heart. \& cannot resist the impulse I feel to rectify what I think false in a book I love so much. \& approve so generally
[p225, blank]
Man is bad or good. as he unites himself with bad or good spirits. tell me with whom you go \& Ill tell you what you do As we cannot experience pleasure but by means of others. [As we are] who experience either pleasure or pain thro us. And as all of us on earth are united in thought, for it is impossible to think without images of somewhat on earth--So it is impossible to know God or heavenly things without conjunction with those who know God \& heavenly things. therefore, all who converse in the spirit, converse with spirits. [\& these are either Good or Evil]
For these reasons I say that this Book is written by consultation with Good Spirits because it is Good. \& that the name Lavater. is the amulet of those who purify the heart of man.
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There is a strong objection to Lavaters principles (as I understand them) \& that is He makes every thing originate in its accident he makes the
vicious propensity <not only> a leading feature of the man but the Stamina on which all his virtues grow. But as I understand Vice it is a Negative--It does not signify what the laws of Kings \& Priests have calld Vice we who are philosophers ought not to call the Staminal Virtues of Humanity by the same name that we call the omissions of intellect springing from poverty
Every mans <leading> propensity ought to be calld his leading Virtue \& his good Angel But the Philosophy of Causes \& Consequences misled Lavater as it has all his cotemporaries. Each thing is its own cause \& its own effect Accident is the omission of act in self \& the hindering of act in another, This is Vice but all Act [<from Individual propensity>] is Virtue. To hinder another [P 227, blank] is not an act it is the contrary it is a restraint on action both in ourselves \& in the person hinderd. for he who hinders another omits his own duty. at the time

Murder is Hindering Another
Theft is Hindering Another
Backbiting. Undermining C[i]rcumventing \& whatever is Negative is Vice
But the or[i]gin of this mistake in Lavater \& his cotemporaries, is, They suppose that Womans Love is Sin. in consequence all the Loves \& Graces with them are Sin

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HALF-TITLE [inscribed in pencil in a hand not Blake's] "And as Imagination bodies forth y[e] forms of things unseen-turns them to shape \& gives to airy Nothing a local habitation \& a Name."Sh.
[Blake's comment, in crayon]Thus Fools quote Shakespeare The Above is Theseus's opinion Not Shakespeares You might as well quote Satans blasphemies from Milton \& give them as Miltons Opinions

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[pencil note in another hand: "belonged to Blake the Artist"]
[P 206, paragraphs 333 and 334, scored by someone in left margin by erased pencil or by fingernail] 333. Little Children . . . appear in Heaven . . . in the province of the eyes . . . because the Lord appears to the Angels of his Spiritual Kingdom, fronting the left eye; and to the Angels of the Celestial Kingdom, fronting the right eye; see above, n. 118. Little Children being thus in the province of the eyes, denotes them to be under the immediate guardianship and protection of the Lord.
334. How Infants are educated in Heaven shall here briefly be told. They are first taught to speak by those that have the care of them: their first utterance is only a kind of affectionate sound, which, by degrees, grows more distinct, as their minds become furnished with ideas; for

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There can be no Good-Will. Will is always Evil It is pernicious to others or selfish If God is any thing he is Understanding He is the Influx from that into the Will Thus Good to others or benevolent Understanding can [?\&?does] Work [?harm] ignorantly but never can ?the Truth [be ?evil] because Man is only Evil [when he wills an untruth]
H[eaven] \& Hell Chapter 425
Understanding or Thought is not natural to Man it is acquired by means of Suffering \& Distress i.e Experience. Will, Desire, Love, Rage, Envy, \& all other Affections are Natural. but Understanding is Acquired But Observe. without these is to be less than Man. Man could ?never [have received] ?light from heaven ?without [aid of the] affections one would be ?limited to the ?five [?heavens \&] ?hells [\& live] in different periods of time
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1. . . . Doth it not happen that in Proportion as the Affection which is of Love groweth cold, the Thought, Speech and Action grow cold also? And that in Proportion as it is heated, they also are heated? But this a wise Man perceiveth, not from a Knowledge that Love is the Life of Man, but from Experience of this Fact.
They also percieve this from Knowledge but not with the natural part
2. No one knoweth what is the Life of Man, unless he knoweth that it is Love; if this be not known. . . .
This was known to me \& thousands
the ideas of the mind springing from the affectionate part, immediately give birth and form to the speech of the Angels, as mentioned above, n. 234 to 245. . . .
[P 339, PARAGRAPH 513, with Blake's dagger and note] 513. <dag>The angels appointed for instructors are from several

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societies, but chiefly from such as are in the north and the south, as their understanding and wisdom more particularly consist in the distinct knowledges of good and truth. The places set apart for instructing are towards the north. . . . <dag>See N 73 Worlds in Universe. for account of Instructing Spirits ${ }^{t 1462}$;
[P 389, PARAGRAPH 588] . . That the Hells are so many and various, appears from it's being given me to know, that under every mountain, hill, rock, plain, and valley, there were particular Hells of different extent in length, breadth, and depth. In a word, both Heaven and the World of Spirits may be considered as convexities, under which are arrangements of those infernal mansions. So much concerning the Plurality of Hells. under every Good is a hell. i.e hell is the outward or external of heaven. \& is of the body of the lord. for nothing is destroyd

> 7. That the Divine or God is not in Space . . . cannot be comprehended by any merely natural Idea, but it may by a spiritual Idea: The Reason why it cannot be comprehended by a natural Idea, is, because in that Idea there is Space; . . . What a natural Idea is--

Nevertheless, Man may comprehend this by natural Thought, if he will only admit into such Thought somewhat of spiritual Light; . . . (bracketed by Blake) Mark this

A spiritual Idea doth not derive any Thing from Space, but it derives every Thing appertaining to it from State: . . . Poetic idea
8. Hence it may appear, that Man from a merely naturaIdea cannot comprehend that the Divine is every where, and yet not in Space; and yet that Angels and Spirits clearly comprehend this; consequently that Man also may, if so be he will admit something of spiritual Light into his Thought;
Observe the distinction here between Natural \& Spiritual as seen by Man

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the Reason why Man may comprehend it is, because his Body doth not think, but his Spirit, therefore not his natural but his spiritual [Part]
Man may comprehend. but not the natural or external man.
> 10. It hath been said, that in the spiritual World Spaces appear equally as in the natural World. . . . Hence it is that the Lord, although he is in the Heavens with the Angels every where, nevertheless appears high above them as a Sun: And whereas the Reception of Love and Wisdom constitutes Affinity with him, therefore those Heavens appear nearer to him where the Angels are in a nearer Affinity from Reception, than where they are in a more remote Affinity: . . .
> He who Loves feels love descend into him \& if he has wisdom may percieve it is from the Poetic Genius which is the Lord
11. In all the Heavens there is no other Idea of God than that of a Man: . . .
Man can have no idea of any thing greater than Man as a cup cannot contain more than its capaciousness But God is a man not because he is so percievd by man but because he is the creator of man
[Quotation from Swedenborg's The Last Judgment, No. 74] The Gentiles, particularly the Africans . . . entertain an Idea of God as of a Man, and say that no one can have any other Idea of God: When they hear that many form an Idea of God as existing in the Midst of a Cloud, they ask where such are; . . .

Think of a white cloud. as being holy you cannot love it but think of a holy man within the cloud love springs up in your thought. for to think of holiness distinct from man is impossible to the affections. Thought alone can make monsters, but the affections cannot
12. . . . they who are wiser than the common People pronounce God to be invisible, ...
Worldly wisdom or demonstration by the senses is the cause of this
13. . . . The Negation of God constitutes Hell, and in the Christian World the Negation of the Lord's Divinity. the Negation of the Poetic Genius

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14. . . . when Love is in Wisdom then it existeth. These two are such a ONE, that they may be distinguished indeed in Thought, but not in Act.
Thought without affection makes a distinction between Love \& Wisdom as it does between body \& Spirit
27. What Person of Sound Reason doth not perceive, that the Divine is not divisible; . . . If another, who hath no Reason, should say that it is possible there may be several Infinities, Uncreates, Omnipotents and Gods, provided they have the same Essence, and that thereby there is one Infinite, Uncreate, Omnipotent and God--is not one and the same Essence but one and the same Identity?
Answer Essence is not Identity but from Essence proceeds Identity \& from one Essence may proceed many Identities as from one Affection may proceed. many thoughts Surely this is an oversight
That there is but one Omnipotent Uncreate \& God I agree but that there is but one Infinite I do not. for if all but God is not Infinite they shall come to an End which God forbid If the Essence was the same as the Identity there could be but one Identity. which is false Heaven would upon this plan be but a Clock but one \& the same Essence is therefore Essence \& not Identity
40. . . . Appearances are the first Things from which the human Mind forms it's Understanding, and . . . it cannot shake them off but by an Investigation of the Cause, and if the Cause lies very deep, it cannot investigate it, without keeping the Understanding some Time in Spiritual Light, . . this Man can do while in the body--
41. . . . it cannot be demonstrated except by such Things as a Man can perceive by his bodily Senses, . . .
Demonstration is only by bodily Senses.
49. With Respect to God, it is not possible that he can love and be reciprocally beloved by others, in whom there is . . . any Thing Divine; for if there was..... any Thing Divine in them, then it would not be beloved by others, but it would love itself; . . .
False Take it so or the contrary it comes to the same for

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if a thing loves it is infinite Perhaps we only differ in the meaning of the words Infinite \& Eternal
68. . . . Man is only a Recipient of Life. From this Cause it is, that Man, from his own hereditary Evil, reacts against God; but so far as he believes that all his Life is from God, and every Good of Life from the Action of God, and every Evil of Life from the Reaction of Man, Reaction thus becomes correspondent with Action, and Man acts with God as from himself. [Bracketed by Blake]
Good \& Evil are here both Good \& the two contraries Married
69. . . . But he who knows how to elevate his Mind above the Ideas of Thought which are derived from Space and Time, such a Man passes from Darkness to Light, and becomes wise in Things spiritual and Divine . . . and then by Virtue of that Light he shakes off the Darkness of natural Light, and removes its Fallaciesfrom the Center to the Circumference . When the fallacies of darkness are in the circumference they cast a bound about the infinite
70. Now inasmuch as the Thoughts of the Angels derive nothing from Space and Time, but from States of Life, it is evident that they do not comprehend what is meant when it is said, that the Divine fills Space, for they do not know what Space is, but that they comprehend clearly, when it is said, without any Idea of Space, that the Divine fills all Things.

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[Title heading Nos. 163-166] That without two Suns, the one living and the other dead, there can be no Creation.
False philosophy according to the letter. but true according to the spirit
164. . . . it follows that the one Sun is living and that the other Sun is dead, also that the dead Sun itself was created by the living Sun from the Lord. how could Life create death

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165. The reason why a dead Sun was created is to the End that in the Ultimates all Things may be fixed. . . . On this and no other Ground Creation is founded: The terraqueous Globe . . . is as it were the Basis and Firmament. . . . they exist literally about the sun \& not about the earth
166. That all Things were created from the Lord by the living Sun, and nothing by the dead Sun, may appear from this Consideration. . . .
the dead Sun is only a phantasy of evil Man

## PART THE THIRD

181. . . . It is the same upon Earth with Men, but with this Difference, that the Angels feel that [spiritual] Heat, and see that [spiritual] Light, whereas Men do not. . . .
He speaks of Men as meer earthly Men not as receptacles of spirit, or else he contradicts N 257

Now forasmuch as Man, whilst he is in natural Heat and Light, knoweth nothing of spiritual Heat and Light in himself, and this cannot be known but by Experience from the spiritual World. . . .
This is certainly not to be understood according to the letter for it is false by all experience. Who does not or may not know of love \& wisdom in himself
220. . . . From these Considerations a Conclusion was drawn, that the Whole of Charity and Faith is in Works, . .

The Whole of the New Church is in the Active Life \& not in Ceremonies at all
237. These three Degrees of Altitude are named Natural, Spiritual and Celestial. . . . Man, at his Birth, first comes into the natural Degree, and this increases in him by Continuity according to the Sciences, and according to the Understanding acquired by them, to the Summit of Understanding which is called Rational: . . .
Study Sciences till you are blind Study intellectuals till you are cold Yet Science cannot teach intellect

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Much less can intellect teach Affection
How foolish then is it to assert that Man is born in only one degree when that one degree is reception of the 3 degrees. two of which he must destroy or close up or they will descend, if he closes up the two superior then he is not truly in the 3d but descends out of it into meer Nature or Hell
See N 239
Is it not also evident that one degree will not open the other \& that science will not open intellect but that they are discrete \& not continuous so as to explain each other except by correspondence which has nothing to do with
demonstration for you cannot demonstrate one degree by the other for how can science be brought to demonstrate intellect, without making them continuous \& not discrete
238. Man, so long as he lives in the World, does not know any Thing of the opening of these Degrees in himself. . . .

See N $239{ }^{t 1465}$
239. . . . in every Man there is a natural, spiritual and celestial Will and Understanding, in Power from his Birth, and in Act whilst they are opening.
Mark this it explains N 238

In a Word, the Mind of Man . . . is of three Degrees, so that . . . a Man thereby may be elevated to Angelic Wisdom, and possess it, while he lives in the World, but nevertheless he does not come into it till after Death, if he becomes an Angel, and then he speaks Things ineffable and incomprehensible to the natural Man
Not to a Man but to the natural Man
241. . . . Every one who consults his Reason, whilst it is in the Lightmay see, that Man's Love is the End of all Things appertaining to him. . . .
244. And hence it also follows, that the Understanding does not lead the Will, or that Wisdom does not produce Love, but that it only teaches and shows the Way, it teaches how a Man ought to live, and shows the Way in which he ought to walk.(Bracketed by

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256. . . . From this it is evident, that Man, so long as he lives in the World, and is thereby in the natural Degree cannot be elevated into Wisdom itself. . . .
See Sect. 4 of the next Number
257. . . . IV. . . . But still Man, in whom the spiritual

Degree is open, comes into that Wisdom when he dies, and may also come into it by laying asleep the Sensations of the Body, and by
Influx from above at the same Time into the Spirituals of his
Mind. (Bracketed by Blake)
this is while in the Body
This is to be understood as unusual in our time but common in ancient
V. The natural Mind of Man consists of spiritual Substances, and at the same Time of natural Substances; from its spiritual Substances Thought is produced, but not from its natural Substances; . . .
Many perversely understand him. as if man while in the body was only conversant with natural Substances, because themselves are mercenary \& worldly \& have no idea of any but worldly gain
267. . . . for the natural Man can elevate his Understanding to superior Light as far as he desires it, but he who is principled in Evils and thence in Things false, does not elevate it higher than to the superior Region of his natural Mind; . .

Who shall dare to say after this that all elevation is of self \& is Enthusiasm \& Madness \&is it not plain that self derived intelligence is worldly demonstration

## PART THE FOURTH

294. Forasmuch as the Things, which constitute the Sun of the spiritual World, are from the Lord, and not the Lord, therefore they are not Life in itself, . . .
This assertion that the spiritual Sun is not Life explains how the natural Sun is dead

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This is an Arcanum, which the Angels by their spiritual Ideas can see in Thought and also express in Speech, but not Men by their natural Ideas; . . . (Double underlining by Blake)
How absurd then would it be to say that no man on earth has a spiritual idea after reading N 257
295. That there is such a Difference between the Thoughts of Angels and Men, was made known to me by this Experience: They were told to think of something spiritually, and afterwards to tell me what they thought of; when this was done and they would have told me, they could not. . . .
they could not tell him in natural ideas how absurd must men be to understand him as if he said the angels could not express themselves at all to him
304..Forasmuch as there is such a Progression of the Fibres and Vessels in a Man from first Principles to Ultimates, therefore there is a similar Progression of their States; their States are the Sensations, Thoughts and Affections; these also from their first Principles where they are in the Light, pervade to their Ultimates, where they are in Obscurity; or from their first Principles, where they are in Heat, to their Ultimates where they are not in Heat: . . . .
We see here that the cause of an ultimate is the absence from heat \& light
315. It is to be observed, that the Heat, Light and Atmospheres of the natural World conduce nothing to this Image of Creation. . . .
Therefore the Natural Earth \& Atmosphere is a Phantasy.

The Heat, Light and Atmospheres of the natural World only open Seeds; . . . but this not by Powers derived from their own Sun, . . . [Bracketed by Blake]
Mark this
... but by Powers from the spiritual Sun, for the Image of Creation is spiritualnevertheless that it may appear, and furnish Use in the natural World, . . . it must be clothed in Matter, . . .

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316. . . . it is evident, that as there is a Resemblance of Creation in the Forms of Vegetables, so there is also in the Forms of Animals, viz. that there is a Progression from first Principles to Ultimates, and from Ultimates to first Principles. A going forth \& returning
324. . . . there doth not exist any Thing in the created Universe, which hath not Correspondence with something of Man, not only with his Affections and his Thoughts thence derived, but also with the Organs and Viscera of his Body, not with them as Substances, but with them as Uses.
Uses \& substances are so different as not to correspond
336. . . . The Reason why the Things which do hurt to Man are called Uses, is, because they are of Use to the Wicked to do Evil, and because they contribute to absorb Malignities, therefore also they contribute as Cures: Use is applied in both Senses, in like Manner as Love, for we speak of good Love and evil Love, and Love calls all that Use, which is done by itself. [Marked by a large cross in the right margin]

## PART THE FIFTH

404. . . .Thought indeed exists first, because it is of the natural Mind, but Thought from the Perception of Truth, which is from the Affection of Truth, exists last; this Thought is the Thought Of Wisdom, but the other is Thought from the Memory by the Sight of the natural Mind. [Bracketed as well as underlined]
Note this
405. . . .From these Things it may be seen, that Love or the Will joins itself to Wisdom or the Understandingand not that Wisdom or the Understanding joins itself to Love or the Will. . . (Bracketed and underlined; lower part of the bracket shaped like a finger pointing down the page) Mark this

Thoughts, Perceptions, and Knowledges, thence derived, flow indeed from the spiritual World, but still they are not

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received by the Understanding, but by the Love according to it's Affections in the Understanding [Bracketed and underlined]
Mark this

It appears also as if the Understanding joined itself to Love or the Will, but this also is a Fallacy; Love or the Will joins itself to the Understanding, and causeth the Understanding to be reciprocally joined to it: . . . [Bracketed and underlined]
Mark this
. . . For the Life of Man is his Love. . . . that is, according as he has exalted his Affections by Truths. . . . [Bracketed]
Mark this
411. . . . From these Considerations it is also evident, that Love joins itself to the Understanding, and not vice versa....
Mark this
412. . . . He who knows all the Fabric of the Lungs from Anatomy, if he compares them with the Understanding, may clearly see that the ;Understanding does nothing from itself, that it does not<em>perceive nor think from itself, but all from Affections which are of the Love, which in the Understanding are called the Affection of knowing, of understanding, and of seeing it, which were treated of above: . . . [Bracketed] Mark

From the Structure of the Lungs . . I was fully convinced that the Love by it's Affections joins itself to the Understanding, and that the Understanding does not join itself to any Affection of the Love. . . [Bracketed] Mark this
413. XIII. THAT WISDOM OR THE UNDERSTANDING BY MEANS OF THE POWER GIVEN IT BY LOVE, CAN BE ELEVATED, AND RECEIVE

THINGS WHICH ARE OF THE LIGHT FROM HEAVEN, AND PERCEIVE

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414 Love however, or the Will, is elevated into the Heat of Heaven, but the Understanding into the Light of Heaven, and if they are both elevated, a Marriage of them is effected there, which is called the celestial Marriage. . . .
Is it not false then, that love recieves influx thro the understandg as was asserted in the society
419. . . . and moreover this Love became impure by Reason of the Separation of celestial Love from it in the Parents.

Therefore it was not created impure \& is not naturally so
.. . . so far the Love is purged of its Uncleannesses, and purified, that is, so far it is elevated into the Heat of Heaven, and joined to the Light of Heaven, in which the Understanding is, and Marriage is effected, which is called the Marriage of Good and Truth, that is, of Law and Wisdom.
Therefore it does not recieve influx thro the understanding

## 421. XVII. THAT LOVE OR THE WILL IS DEFILED IN THE UNDERSTANDING, AND BY IT, IF THEY ARE NOT ELEVATED <br> .[Bracketed] <br> Mark this they are elevated together

422. . . .The Understanding is not made spiritual and celestial, but the Love isand when the Love is, it also maketh the Understanding it's Spouse spiritual and celestial. [Bracketed]
[Concluding Number, headed "What the Beginning or Rudiment of Man is from Conception."]
423. . . . Moreover it was shown in the Light of Heaven. . . .that the interior Compages of this little Brain was . . . in the Order and form of Heaven; and that it's exterior Compages was in Opposition to that Order and Form.
Heaven \& Hell are born together.

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## TRANSLATOR'S PREFACE

PAGE V Perhaps there never was a Period . . . which required a Vindication and Elucidation of the Divine Providence of the Lord, more than the present. . . .
For if we allow a GENERAL Providence, and yet deny a PARTICULAR one, or if we allow a PARTICULAR one, and yet deny a SINGULAR one, that is, one extending to Things and Circumstances most SINGULAR and minute, what is this but denying a GENERAL Providence?
Is not this Predestination?

PAGE xviii . . . Nothing doth IN GENERAL so contradict Man's natural and favourite Opinions as TRUTH, and . . . all the grandest and purest Truths of Heaven must needs seem obscure and perplexing to the natural Man at first View-Lies \& Priestcraft Truth is Nature
--until his intellectual [p xix] Eye becomes
accustomed to the Light, and can thereby behold it with Satisfaction
that is: till he agrees to the Priests interest

## CHAPTER THREE

69. But the Man who doth not suffer himself to be led to, and enrolled in Heaven, is prepared for his Place in Hell; for Man from himself continually tends to the lowest Hell, but is continually with-held by the Lord;
What is Enrolling but Predestination
and he, who cannot be with-held, is prepared for a certain Place there, in which he is also enrolled immediately after his Departure out of the World; and this Place there is opposite to a

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certain Place in Heaven, for Hell is in Opposition to Heaven;
Query Does he also occupy that place in Heaven.---See N. 185 \& 329 at the End See 277 \& 307. \& 203 where he says that a Place for Every Man is Foreseen \& at the same time provided.

## CHAPTER NINE

185. . . . after Death . . . the . . . great and rich . . . at first speak of God, and of the Divine Providence, as if they acknowledged them in their Hearts; But whereas they then manifestly see the Divine Providence, and from it their final Portion, which is that they are to be in Hell, they connect themselves with Devils there,. . ..
What could Calvin Say more than is Said in this Number Final Portion is Predestination See N 69 \& 329 at the End \& 277 \& 203 Where he says A Place for Each Man is Foreseen \& at the same time Provided

## CHAPTER TEN

201. If it should be alledged, that the Divine Providence is an universal Government, and that not any Thing is governed, but only kept in it's Connection, and the Things which relate to Government (illuquae Regiminis sunt) are disposed by others, can this be called an universal Government? No King hath such a Government as this; for if a King were to allow his Subjects to govern every Thing in his Kingdom, he would no longer be a King, but would only be called a King, therefore would have only a nominal Dignity and no real Dignity: Such a King cannot be said to hold the Government ,much less universal Government. [Cited in Blake's note on 220]
202. Since every Man therefore lives after Death to Eternity, and according to his Life here hath his Place assigned to him either in Heaven or in Hell. . . . it follows, that the Human Race throughout the whole World is under the Auspices of the Lord, and that everyone, from his Infancy even to the End of his Life, is led of Him in the most minute Particulars, and his Place foreseen, and at the same Time provided
Devils \& Angels are Predestinated.

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## CHAPTER ELEVEN

220. . . . when a Man . . . cannot but think . . . that the State was made for him, and not he for the State; he is like a King who thinks his Kingdom and all the Men in it are for him, and not he for the Kingdom and all the Men of which it consists. . . .
He says at N 201 No King hath such a Government as this for all Kings are Universal in their Government otherwise they are No Kings

## CHAPTER THIRTEEN

274. That a Doubt may be inferred against Divine Providence, because it was not known heretofor[i.e. before Swedenborg's preaching], that Man liveth after Death; and this was not discovered till now. . . . But yet all who have any Religion, have in them an inherent Knowledge, that Men live after Death. . .[Bracketed] It was not Known \& yet All Know

## CHAPTER FOURTEEN

277.2. . . he who is in Evil in the World, the same is in Evil after he goes out of the World; wherefore if Evil be not removed in the World, it cannot be removed afterwards Cursed Folly!
where the Tree falls, there it lieth; so also it is with the Life of Man; as it was at his Death, such it remaineth; everyone also is judged according to his Actions, not that they are enumerated, but because he returns to them, and does the like again; for Death is a Continuation of Life; with this Difference, that then Man cannot be reformed.
Predestination after this Life is more Abominable than Calvins \& Swedenborg is Such a Spiritual Predestinarian--witness this Number \& many others See 69 \& 185 \& 329 \& 307

## CHAPTER FIFTEEN

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307....... That the Wicked, who are in the World, are governed in Hell by the Lord; . . . because Man with Respect to his Spirit is in the spiritual World. . . . in an infernal

Society if he is wicked, and in a celestial Society if good; . . . wherefore according to his Life and the Changes thereof, he is translated by the Lord from one Society of Hell to another, [or] led out of Hell and introduced into Heaven, and there also . . . translated from one Society to another, and this until the Time of his Death, after which he is no longer carried from one Society to another, because he is then no longer in any State of Reformation, but remains in that in which he is according to his Life; wherefore when a Man dies, he is inscribed in his own Place. . . .
Predestination

## CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

329. . . . there is not wanting to any Man a Knowledge of the Means whereby he may be saved, nor the power of being saved if he will; from which it follows, that all are predestined or intended for Heaven, and none for Hell. But forasmuch as there prevails among some a Belief in Predestination to no Salvation, which is Predestination to Damnation, and such a Belief is hurtful, and cannot be dispelled, unless Reason also sees the Madness and Cruelty of it, therefore it shall be treated of in the following Series. 1.That any other Predestination, than Predestination to Heaven, is contrary to the Divine Love and it's Infinity. 2. That any other Predestination, than Predestination to Heaven, is contrary to the Divine Wisdom and it's Infinity. 3. That it is an insane Heresy, to suppose that they only are saved who are born within the Church. 4.That it is a cruel Heresy, to suppose that any of the human Race are predestined to be damned.
Read N 185 \& There See how Swedenborg contradicts himself \& N 69
See also 277 \& 203 where he Says that a Place for Each Man is foreseen \& at the same time provided

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To defend the Bible in this year 1798 would cost a man his life
The Beast \& the Whore rule without controls ${ }^{t 1468}$

It is an easy matter for a Bishop to triumph over Paines attack but it is not so easy for one who loves the Bible The Perversions of Christs words \& acts are attackd by Paine \&also the perversions of the Bible; Who dare defend [them] either the Acts of Christ or the Bible Unperverted?
But to him who sees this mortal pilgrimage in the light that I see it. Duty to $[m y]$ <his> country is the first consideration \&safety the last
Read patiently take not up this Book in all idle hour the consideration of these things is the [ent(ire)] whole duty of man \&the affairs of life \& death trifles sports of time <But> these considerations business of Eternity I have been commanded from Hell not to print this as it is what our Enemies wish

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PAGE [iii]. . . the deistical writings of Mr. Paine are circulated . . . amongst the unlearned part of the community, especially in large manufacturing towns; . . . this Defence of Revealed Religion might. . . be efficacious in stopping that torrent of infidelity which endangers alike the future happiness of individuals, and the present safety of allchristian states. . . .
Paine has not Attacked Christianity. Watson has defended Antichrist.

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Read the XXIII Chap of Matthew \& then condemn Paines hatred of Priests if you dare
[Books by Bishop Watson] 7. The Wisdom and Goodness of God, in having made both RICH and POOR; a Sermon. . . .
God made Man happy \& Rich but the Subtil made the innocent Poor
This must be a most wicked \& blasphemous book

## LETTER I

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If this first Letter is written without Railing \& Illiberality I have never read one that is. To me it is all Daggers \& Poison. the sting of the serpent is in every Sentence as well as the glittering Dissimulation Achilles' wrath is blunt abuse Thersites' sly insinuation Such is the Bishops If such is the characteristic of a modern polite gentleman we may hope to see Christs discourses Expung'd
I have not the Charity for the Bishop that he pretends to have for Paine. I believe him to be a State trickster

THE AGE OF REASON, part the second, . . . Extraordinary . . . not from any novelty in the objections which you have produced against revealed religion, (for I find little or no novelty in them,) . . . Dishonest Misrepresentation

I give you credit for your sincerity, how much soever I may question your wisdom,. . . . Priestly Impudence
. . . I . . . lament, that these talents have not been applied in a manner more useful to human kind, and more creditable to yourself
Contemptible Falshood \& Detraction

I hope there is no want of charity in saying, that it would have been fortunate for the christian world, had your life been terminated before you had fulfilled your intention Presumptuous Murderer dost thou O Priest wish thy brothers

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... you will have unsettled the faith of thousands; . . . you will have given the reins to the domination of every passion, and have thereby contributed to the introduction of the public insecurity, and of the private unhappiness usually and almost necessarily accompanying a state of corrupted morals. Mr Paine has not extinguishd \& cannot Extinguish Moral rectitude. he has Extinguishd Superstition which took the Place of Moral Rectitude what has Moral Rectitude to do with Opinions concerning historical fact
[p 2] . . . absolution, as practised in the church of Rome, . . . I cannot, with you, attribute the guillotine-massacres* to that cause.

To what does the Bishop attribute the English Crusade against France. is it not to State Religion. blush for shame

Men's minds were not prepared . . . for the commission of . . .crimes, by any doctrines of the church of Rome . . .but by their not thoroughly believing even that religion. What may not society expect from those, who shall imbibe the principles of your book
Folly \& Impudence! [Can] <Does> the thorough belief of Popery hinder crimes or can the man who writes the latter sentiment be in the good humour the bishop Pretends to be. If we are to expect crimes from Paine \& his followers. are we to believe that Bishops do not Rail I should Expect that the man who wrote this sneaking sentence would be as good an inquisitor as any other Priest

What is conscience? . . . an internal monitor implanted in us by the Supreme Being, and dictating . . . what is right or wrong? Or is it merely our own judgment of the moral rectitude or turpitude of our own actions? I take the word (with Mr. Locke) in the latter, as in the only intelligible sense. Conscience in those that have it is unequivocal, it is the voice of God Our judgment of right \& wrong is Reason I believe that the Bishop laught at the Bible in his slieve \& so did Locke

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it is certain, . . .
If Conscience is not a Criterion of Moral Rectitude What is it? He who thinks that Honesty is changeable knows nothing about it
because the certainty of an opinion is no proof. . . .
Virtue is not Opinion
[p 3] . . [not] that he will, in obeying the dictates of his conscience, <dag>on all occasions act right. <dag>Always, or the Bible is false

An inquisitor . . . a Robespierre . . . a robber . . . a thousand perpetrators of different crimes, may all followthe dictates of conscience. . .
Contemptible Falshood \& Wickedness
. . . their conscientious composure can be no proof to others of the rectitude of their principles, . . .
Virtue \& honesty or the dictates of Conscience are of no doubtful Signification to any one
Opinion is one Thing. Princip[le] another. No Man can change his Principles Every Man changes his opinions. He who supposes that his Principles are to be changed is a Dissembler who Disguises his Principles \& calls that change
if you have made the best examination you can, and yet reject revealed religion. . . .
Paine is either a Devil or an Inspired man. Men who give themselves to their Energetic Genius in the manner that Paine does [is] <are> no [modest Enquirers]
<Examiners>. If they are not determinately wrong they must be Right or the Bible [P 4] is false. as to [modest Enquirers] <Examiners in these points> they will [always be found to be neither cold nor hot \& will] be spewed out. The Man who pretends to be a modest enquirer into the truth of a self
evident thing is a Knave The truth \& certainty of Virtue \& Honesty i.e Inspiration needs no one to prove it it is Evident as the Sun \& Moon [What doubt is virtuous even Honest that depends upon Examination] He who stands doubting of what he intends whether it is Virtuous or Vicious knows not what Virtue

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means. no man can do a Vicious action \& think it to be Virtuous. no man can take darkness for light. he may pretend to do so \& may pretend to be a modest Enquirer. but $[I t]<$ he> is a Knave
[p 3]--I think that you are in error; but whether that error be to you a vincible or an invincible error, I presume not to determine.
Serpentine Dissimulation
[p 4] You hold it impossible that the Bible can be the Word of God, because it is therein said, that the Israelites [p 5] destroyed the Canaanites by the express command of God: and to believe the Bible to be true, we must, you affirm, unbelieve all our belief of the moral justice of God; . . I am astonished that so acute a reasoner should . . . bring . . . forward this exploded . . . objection. . . The Word of God is in perfect harmony with his work; crying or smiling infants are subjected to death in both. [p 5]
To me who believe the Bible \& profess myself a Christian a defence of the Wickedness of the Israelites in murdering so many thousands under pretence of a command from God is altogether Abominable \& Blasphemous. Wherefore did Christ come was it not to abolish the Jewish Imposture Was not Christ murderd because he taught that God loved all Men \& was their father \& forbad all contention for Worldly prosperity in opposition to the Jewish Scriptures which are only an Example of the wickedness \& deceit of the Jews \& were written as an Example of the possibility of Human Beastliness in all its branches. Christ died as an Unbeliever . \& if the Bishops had their will so would Paine. <see page $1>$ but he who speaks a word against the Son of man shall be forgiven let the Bishop prove that he has not spoken against [p 6] the Holy Ghost who in Paine strives with Christendom as in Christ he strove with the Jews
[p 6]. . . God not only primarily formed, but . . . hath through all ages executed, the laws of nature; . . . for the general happiness of his creatures, . . . you have no right, in fairness of reasoning, to urge any apparent deviation from moral justice, as an argument against revealed religion, because you do not urge an equally apparent deviation from it, as an argument against natural religion: . . .
The Bible says that God formed Nature perfect but that Man perverted the order of Nature since which time the Elements are filld with the Prince of Evil who has the power of the air

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Natural Religion is the voice of God \& not the result of reasoning on the Powers of Satan
[p 6] Now, I think, it will be impossible to prove, that it was aproceeding contrary to God's moral justice, to exterminate so wicked a people Horrible the Bishop is an Inquisitor God never makes one man murder another nor one nation [p 7] There is a vast difference between an accident brought on by a mans own carelessness \& a destruction from the designs of another. The Earthquakes
at Lisbon \&/c were the Natural result of Sin. but the destruction of the Canaanites by Joshua was the Unnatural design of wicked men To Extirpate a nation by means of another nation is as wicked as to destroy an individual by means of another individual which God considers (in the Bible) as Murder \& commands that it shall not be done Therefore the Bishop has not answerd Paine
[P 7] Human kind, by long experience; . . . is in a far more distinguished situation, as to thpowers of the mind, than it was in the childhood of the world. That mankind are in a less distinguishd situation with regard to mind than they were in the time of Homer Socrates Phidias. Glycon. Aristotle \&/c let all their works witness [the Deists]<Paine> say<s> that Christianity put a stop to improvement $\&$ the Bishop has not shewn the contrary

It appears incredible to many, that God Almighty [P 8] should have had colloquial intercourse with our first parents; . . . That God does \& always did converse with honest Men Paine never denies. he only denies that God conversd with Murderers \& Revengers such as the Jews were. \& of course he holds that the Jews conversed with their own [self will] <State Religion> which they calld God \& so were liars as Christ says [P 8] . . . that he should have . . . become the God and governor of one particular nation; . . . .
That the Jews assumed a right <Exclusively> to the benefits of God. will be a lasting witness against them. \& the same will it be [of] against Christians
[P 8] . . . when I consider how nearly man, in a savage
state, approaches to the brute creationas to intellectual excellence;
Read the Edda of Iceland the Songs of Fingal the accounts of North American Savages (as they are calld) Likewise Read Homers Iliad. he was certainly a Savage. in the Bishops sense. He knew nothing of God. in the Bishops sense of the word \& yet he was no fool
[P 9] . . . the jewish and christian dispensations mediums to convey to all man . . . that knowledge concerning himself, which he had vouchsafed to give immediately to the first. The Bible or <Peculiar> Word of God, Exclusive of Conscience or the Word of God Universal, is that Abomination which like the Jewish ceremonies is for ever removed \& henceforth every man may converse with God \& be a King \& Priest in his own house

I own it is strange, very strange, that he should have made an immediate manifestation of himself . . . but what is there that is not strange? It is strange that you and I are here--. . . that there is a sun, and moon, and stars-- . . . It is strange that God should speak to man formerly \& not now. because it is not true but the Strangeness of Sun Moon or Stars is Strange on a contrary account
. . . the plan of providence, in my opinion, so obviously wise and good, ...
The Bible tells me that the plan of Providence was Subverted at the Fall of Adam \& that it was not restored till [we in] Christ [?made ?restoration]

I will . . . examine what you shall produce, with as much coolness and respect, as if you had given the priests no provocation; as if you were a man of the most unblemished character, . . . Is not this Illiberal has not the Bishop given himself the lie in the moment the first words were out of his mouth Can any man who writes so pretend that he is in a good humour. Is not this the Bishops cloven foot. has he not spoild the hasty pudding

## LETTER II

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The trifles which the Bishop has combated in the following Letters are such as do nothing against Paines Arguments none of which the Bishop has dared to Consider. One for instance, which is That the books of the Bible were never believd willingly by any nation \& that none but designing Villains ever pretended to believe That the Bible is all a State Trick, thro which tho' the People at all times could see they never had. the power to throw off Another Argument is that all the Commentators on the Bible are Dishonest Designing Knaves who in hopes of a good living adopt the State religion this he has shewn with great force which calls upon His Opponent loudly for an answer. I could name an hundred such
[P 11] If it be found that the books ascribed to Moses, Joshua, and Samuel, were not written by Moses, Joshua, and Samuel. . . . they may still contain a true account of real transactions, . . .
He who writes things for true which none could write. but the actor. such are most of the acts of Moses. must either be the actor or a fable writer or a liar. If Moses did not write the history of his acts, it takes away the authority altogether it ceases to be history \& becomes a Poem of probable impossibilities fabricated for pleasure as moderns say but I say by Inspiration.
[P 11] Had, indeed, Moses said that he wrote the five first [P 12] books . . . and had it been found, that Moses . . . did not write these books; then, I grant, the authority of the whole would have been gone at once; . . . . [P 12]
If Paine means that a history tho true in itself is false When it is attributed to a wrong author. he's a fool. But he says that Moses being proved not the author of that history which is written in his name \& in which he says I did so \& so Undermines the veracity intirely the writer says he is Moses if this is proved false the history is false Deut xxxi v 24 But perhaps Moses is not the author \& then the Bishop loses his Author
[P 12] . . . the evidence for the miracles recorded in the Bible is. . . so greatly superior to that for the prodigies mentioned by Livy, or the miracles related by Tacitus, as to justify us in giving credit to the one as the work of God, and in with-holding it from the other as the effect of superstition and imposture.
Jesus could not do miracles where unbelief hinderd hence we

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must conclude that the man who holds miracles to be ceased puts it out of his own power to ever witness one The manner of a miracle being performd is in modern times considerd as an arbitrary command of the
agent upon the patient but this is an impossibility not a miracle neither did Jesus ever do such a miracle. Is it a greater miracle to feed five thousand men with five loaves than to overthrow all [P13] the armies of Europe with a small pamphlet. look over the events of your own life \& if you do not find that you have both done such miracles \& lived by such you do not see as I do True I cannot do a miracle thro experiment \& to domineer over \& prove to others my superior power as neither could Christ But I can \& do work such as both astonish \& comfort me \& mine How can Paine the worker of miracles ever doubt Christs in the above sense of the word miracle But how can Watson ever believe the above sense of a miracle who considers it as an arbitrary act of the agent upon an unbelieving patient. whereas the Gospel says that Christ could not do a miracle because of Unbelief
[P 14] If Christ could not do miracles because of Unbelief the reason alledged by Priests for miracles is false for those who believe want not to be confounded by miracles. Christ \& his Prophets \& Apostles were not ambitious miracle mongers
[P 14] You esteem all prophets to be such lying rascals, that I dare not venture to predict the fate of your book. Prophets in the modern sense of the word have never existed Jonah was no prophet in the modern sense for his prophecy of Nineveh failed Every honest man is a Prophet he utters his opinion both of private \& public matters/Thus/If you go on So/the result is $\mathrm{So} / \mathrm{He}$ never says such a thing shall happen let you do what you will. a Prophet is a Seer not an Arbitrary Dictator. It is mans fault if God is not able to do him good. for he gives to the just \& to the unjust but the unjust reject his gift
[P 15] What if I should admit, that SAMUEL, or EZRA, or . . .composed these books, from public records, many years after the death of Moses?. . . every fact recorded in them may be true , . . .* Nothing can be more contemptible than to suppose Public RECORDS to be True Read them \& Judge. if you are not a Fool. Of what consequence is it whether Moses wrote the Pentateuch or no. If Paine trifles in some of his objections it is folly to confute him so seriously in them \& leave his more material ones

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unanswered Public Records as If Public Records were True *Impossible for the facts are such as none but the actor could tell, if it is True Moses \& none but he could write it unless we allow it to be Poetry \& that poetry inspired [P 16] If historical facts can be written by inspiration Miltons Paradise Lost is as true as Genesis. or Exodus. but the Evidence is nothing for how can he who writes what he has neither seen nor heard of. be an Evidence of The Truth of his history
[P 17]. . . kings and priests . . . never, I believe, did you any harm; but you have done them all the harm you could, . .
.Paine says that Kings \& Priests have done him harm from his birth

## LETTER III

[P 22] Having done with . . .the grammatical evidence . . . you come to your historical and chronological evidence; . . . I cannot concieve the Divinity of the <books in the> Bible to consist either in who they were written by or at what time or in the historical evidence which may be all false in the eyes of one man \& true in the eyes of another but in the Sentiments \& Examples which whether true or Parabolic are Equally useful as Examples given to us of the perverseness of some \& its consequent evil \& the honesty of others \& its consequent good This sense of the Bible is equally true to all \& equally plain to all. none can doubt the impression which he recieves from a book of Examples. If he is good he will abhor wickedness in David or Abraham if he is wicked he will make their wickedness an excuse for his \& so he would do by any other book
[P 25] Moses would have been the wretch you represent him, had he acted by his own authority alone; but you may as reasonably attribute cruelty and murder to the judge of the land in condemning criminals to death, as butchery and massacre to Moses in executing the command of God.
All Penal Laws court Transgression \& therefore are cruelty \& Murder
The laws of the Jews were (both ceremonial \& real) the basest \& most oppressive of human codes. \& being like all other codes given under pretence of divine command were what Christ pronouncd them The Abomination that maketh desolate. i.e State

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[P 29] [Suppose an unsigned contemporary] history of the reigns of George the first and second, . . .would any man, three or four hundreds or thousands of years hence, question the authority of that book, . . .
Hundreds or Thousands of Years O very fine Records as if he Knew that there were Records the Ancients Knew Better
[P 29] If I am right in this reasoning, . . .
as if Reasoning was of any Consequence to a Question Downright Plain Truth is Something but Reasoning is Nothing
[P 31] . . . the gospel of St. Matthew . . . was written not many centuries, probably . . . not a quarter of one century after the death of Jesus; . . .
There are no Proofs that Matthew the Earliest of all the Writings of the New Testament was written within the First Century See P 94 \& 95
[P 33] . . . you do not perfectly comprehend what is meant by the expression--the Word of God--or the divine authority of the scriptures: . . . [P 34] God . . . has interposed his more immediate assistance. . . .
They seem to Forget that there is a God of This World. A God Worshipd in this World as God \& Set above all that is calld God
[P 35] You proceed to shew that these books were not written by Samuel, ...
Who gave them the Name of Books of Samuel it is not of Consequence
[P 36]. . what has been conjectured by men of judgment, . . .a passage from Dr. Hartley's Observations of Man. Hartley a Man of Judgment then Judgment was a Fool what Nonsense

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[P48] [Solomon's] admirable sermon on the vanity of every thing but piety and virtue. Piety \& Virtue is Seneca Classical O Fine Bishop
[P 49] What shall be said of you, who, either designedly, or ignorantly represent one of the most clear and important prophecies in the Bible [Isaiah 44-45], as an historical compliment, written above an hundred and fifty years after the death of the prophet?
The Bishop never saw the Everlasting Gospel any more than Tom Paine

## LETTER IX

[P 95] Did you ever read the apology for the christians, which Justin Martyr presented to the emperor . . . not fifty years after the death of St. John, . . .
A:D: 150
. . . probably the gospels, and certainly some of
St. Paul's epistles, were known. . . yet I hold it to be a
certain fact, that all the books, . . .were
written, . . .within a few years after his death.
This is No Certain Fact Presumption is no Proof

## LETTER X

[P 108] . . . The moral precepts of the gospel. . . .
The Gospel is Forgiveness of Sins \& has No Moral Precepts these belong to Plato \& Seneca \& Nero
[P 109] Two precepts you particularize as inconsistent with the dignity and the nature of man--that of not resenting injuries, and that of loving enemies.
Well done Paine

Who but yourself ever interpreted literally. . . . Did Jesus himself turn the othercheek when the officer of the high priest smothim?
Yes I have no doubt he did

It is evident, that a patient acquiescence under

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slight personal injuries is here enjoined; . . .
O Fool Slight Hypocrite \& Villain
[P 117] The importance of revelation . . . apparent . . . by the discordant sentiments of learned and good men (for I speak not of the ignorant and immoral) on this point. O how Virtuous Christ came not to call the Virtuous
[P 118] . . . if we are to live again, we are interested in knowing--whether it be possible for us to do any thing whilst we live here, which may render that future life, an happy one.--
Do or Act to Do Good or to do Evil who Dare to judge but God alone

These are tremendous truths to bad men; . . . a cogent motive to virtuous action. . . .
Who does the Bishop call Bad Men Are they the Publicans \& Sinners that Christ loved to associate with Does God Love The Righteous according to the Gospel or does he not cast them off.
[P 119] For who is really Righteous It is all Pretension
[P 120, last page of book]
It appears to me Now that Tom Paine is a better Christian than the Bishop
I have read this Book with attention \& find that the Bishop has only hurt Paines heel while Paine has broken his head the Bishop has not answerd one of Paines grand objections

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## HALF-TITLE

Is it True or is it False that the Wisdom of this World is Foolishness with God
This is Certain If what Bacon says Is True what Christ says Is False If Caesar is Right Christ is Wrong both in Politics \& Religion since they will divide them in Two

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Good Advice for Satans Kingdom

## PAGE i

I am astonishd how such Contemptible Knavery \& Folly as this Book contains can ever have been calld Wisdom by Men of Sense
but perhaps this never Was the Case \& all Men of Sense have despised the Book as Much as I do
Per WILLIAM BLAKE ${ }^{11470}$

## PAGE iv Editor's Preface

But these Essays, written at a period of better taste, and on subjects of immediate importance to the conduct of common life "such as come home to men's business and bosoms," are still read with pleasure. . . . Erratum to Mens Pockets

PAGE xii, blank
Every Body Knows that this is Epi[c]urus and Lucretius \& Yet Every Body Says that it is Christian Philosophy how is this Possible Every Body must be a Liar \& deciever but Every Body does not do this But The Hirelings of Kings \& Courts who make themselves Every Body \& Knowingly propagate Falshood It was a Common opinion in the Court of Queen Elizabeth that Knavery Is Wisdom: Cunning Plotters were considerd as wise Machiavels

## OF TRUTH

PAGE 1
Self Evident Truth is one Thing and Truth the result of Reasoning is another Thing Rational Truth is not the Truth of Christ but of Pilate It is the Tree of the Knowledge of Good \& Evil

What is truth? said jesting Pilate, and would not stay for an answer. Certainly there be that delight in giddiness, and count it a bondage to fix a belief; affecting free-will in thinking, as well as in acting: and, though the sects of philosophers of that kind be gone, yet there remain certain discoursing wits which are of the same veins, though there be not so much blood in them as was in those of the ancients.

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But more Nerve if by Ancients he means Heathen Authors

But it is not only the difficulty and labour which men take in finding out of truth; nor again, that, when it is found, it imposeth upon men's thoughts, that doth bring lies in favour; [PAGE 2] but a natural, though corrupt love of the lie itself. One of the later school of the Grecians examineth the matter, and is at a stand to think what should be in it, that men should love lies, where neither they make for pleasure, as with poets; nor for advantage, as with the merchant; but for the lie's sake. But I cannot tell: this same truth is a naked and open daylight, that doth not shew the masques, and mummeries, and triumphs of the world half so stately and daintily as candlelights.
What Bacon calls Lies is Truth itself

PAGE 3 But howsoever these things are thus in men's depraved judgments and affections, yet truth, which only doth judge itself, teacheth that the inquiry of truth, which is the love-making, or wooing of it; the knowledge of truth, which is the presence of it;and the belief of truth, which is the enjoying of it, is the sovereign good of human nature. The first creature of God, in the works of the days, was the light of the sense; the last was the light of reason; and his sabbath work, ever since, is the illumination of his Spirit.
Pretence to Religion to destroy Religion

PAGE 4 To pass from theological and philosophical truth to the truth of civil business, it will be acknowledged; even by those that practise it not, that clear and round dealing is the honour of man's nature, and that mixture of falsehood is like allay in coin of gold and silver. . . .
Christianity is Civil Business Only There is \& can Be No Other to Man what Else Can Be Civil is Christianity or Religion or whatever is Humane

PAGE 5 Surely the wickedness of falsehood and breach of faith cannot possibly be so highly expressed as in that it shall be the last peal to call the judgments of God upon the generations of men: it being foretold, that when "Christ cometh," he shall not "find faith upon earth".
Bacon put an End to Faith

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## OF DEATH

PAGES 5-6 You shall read in some of the friars books of mortification, that a man should think with himself what the pain is, if he have but his finger's end pressed, or tortured, and thereby imagine what the pains of death are when the whole body is corrupted and dissolved; when many times death passeth with less pain than the torture of a limb; for the most vital parts are not the quickest of sense: and by him that spake only as a philosopher and natural man, it was well said, "Pompa mortis magis terret, quam mors ipsa". Bacon supposes all Men alike

6 Revenge triumphs over death; love [s]lights it; honour aspireth to it; grief flieth to it; fear pre-occupieth it; nay, we read, after Otho the emperor had slain himself, pit (which is the tenderest of affections) provoked many to die out of mere compassion to their sovereign, and as the truest sort of followers.
One Mans Revenge or Love is not the same as Anothers The tender Mercies of some Men are Cruel

## OF UNITY IN RELIGION

PAGE 8 Religion being the chief band of human society, it is a happy thing when itself is well contained within the true band of unity. The quarrels and divisions about religion were evils unknown to the heathen.
False O Satan

The reason was, because the religion of the heathen consisted rather in rites and ceremonies, than in any constant belief: for you may imagine what kind of faith theirs was, when the chief doctors and fathers of their church were the poets. Prophets

PAGE 9 The fruits of unity (next unto the well-pleasing of God, which is all in all) are two; the one towards those that are without the church; the other towards. those that are within. For the former, it is certain, that heresies and schisms are of all others the greatest scandals; yea, more than corruption of manners: for as in the natural body a wound or solution of continuity is worse than a corrupt humour, so in the spiritual: . . . False

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PAGES 9-10 The doctor of the Gentiles (the propriety of whose vocation drew him to have a special care of those without) saith, "If an heathen come in, and hear you speak with several tongues, will he not say that you are mad?" and, certainly, it is little better: when atheists and profane persons do hear of so many discordant and contrary opinions in religion, it doth avert them from the church, and maketh them "to sit down in the chair of the scorners". It is but a light thing to be vouched in so serious a matter, but yet it expresseth well the deformity.

Trifling Nonsense

PAGES 11-12 Men ought to take heed of rending God's church by two kinds of controversies; the one is, when the matter of the point controverted is too small and light, not worth the heat and strife about it, kindled only by contradiction; for, as it is noted by one of the fathers, Christ's coat indeed had no seam, but the church's vesture was of divers colours; whereupon he saith, "in veste varietas sit, scissura non sit", they be two things, unity and uniformity: the other is when the matter of the point controverted is great, but it is driven to an over-great subtility and obscurity,so that it becometh a thing rather ingenious than substantial.
Lame Reasoning upon Premises This Never can Happen

PAGE 14 It was great blasphemy when the devil said, "I will ascend and be like the Highest"; but it is greater blasphemy to personate God, and bring him in saying, "I will descend, and be like the prince of darkness."
Did not Jesus descend \& become a Servant The Prince of darkness is a Gentleman \& not a Man he is a Lord Chancellor

## OF REVENGE

PAGE 17 This is certain, that a man that studieth revenge keeps his own wounds green, which otherwise would heal and do well. Public revenges are for the most part fortunate.
A Lie

## OF SIMULATION AND DISSIMULATION

PAGE 22 In a few words, mysteries are due to secrecy. Besides (to say truth) nakedness is uncomely, as well in mind as in body.

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## OF ENVY

PAGE 32 A man that hath no virtue in himself ever envieth virtue in others: for men's minds will either feed upon their own good, or upon others evil; and who wanteth the one will prey upon the other; and whoso is out of hope to attain to another's virtue, will seek to come at even hand by depressing another's fortune.

## What do these Knaves mean by Virtue Do they mean War \& its

 horrors \& its Heroic VillainsPAGE 37 Lastly, to conclude this part, as we said in the beginning that the act of envy had somewhat in it of witchcraft, so there is no other cure of envy but the cure of witchcraft; and that is, to remove the lot, (as they call it), and to lay it upon another; for which purpose, the wiser sort of great persons bring in ever upon the stage some body upon whom to derive the envy that would come upon themselves.
Politic Foolery \& most contemptible Villainy \& Murder Now to speak of public envy: there is yet some good in public envy, whereas in private there is none; for public envy is as an ostracism, that eclipseth men when they grow too great.
Foolish \& tells into the hands of a Tyrant

PAGE 38 This public envy seemeth to beat [bear] chiefly upon principal officers or ministers, rather than upon kings and estates themselves.
A Lie Every Body hates a King Bacon was afraid to say that the Envy was upon a King but is This Envy or Indignation

## OF GREAT PLACE

PAGE 44 But power to do good is the true and lawful end of aspiring; for good thoughts (though God accept them), yet towards men are little better than good dreams, except they be put in act.
Thought is Act. Christs Acts were Nothing to Caesars if this is not so

PAGE 45 In the discharge of thy place set before thee the best examples; for imitation is a globe of precepts; and after a time set before thee thine own example; and examine thyself

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PAGE 55 [A drawing of] The devils arse [with a chain of excrement ending in] A King
PAGE 54 And beware how in making the portrait thou breakest the pattern: for divinity maketh the love of ourselves the pattern; the love of our neighbours but the portraiture: "Sell all thou hast, and give it to the poor, and follow me:" but sell not all thou hast, except thou come and follow me; that is except thou have a vocation wherein thou mayest do as much good with little means as with great.
Except is Christ You Lie Except did anyone <ever> do this \& not follow Christ who Does by Nature
PAGE 48 Be not too sensible or too remembering of thy place in conversation and private answers to suitors, but let it rather be said, "When he sits in place he is another man."
A Flogging Magistrate I have seen many such fly blows of Bacon

## OF GOODNESS AND GOODNESS OF NATURE

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strictly whether thou didst not best at first.
Here is nothing of Thy own Original Genius but only Imitation what Folly

## OF A KING

PAGE 56 A king is a mortal god on earth, unto whom the living God hath lent his own name as a great honour.
O Contemptible \& Abject Slave

PAGE 58 That king which is not feared is not loved; and he that is well seen in his craft must as well study to be feared as loved; yet not loved for fear, but feared for love.
Fear Cannot Love

PAGE 60 He then that honoureth him [the King] not is next an atheist, wanting the fear of God in his heart.
Blasphemy

## OF NOBILITY

PAGE 60 We will speak of nobility first as a portion of an

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estate, then as a condition of particular persons.
Is Nobility a portion of a State i.e Republic

A monarchy, where there is no nobility at all, is ever a pure and absolute tyranny, as that of the Turks; for nobility attempers sovereignty, and draws the eyes of the people somewhat aside from the line royal: but for democracies they need it not; and they are commonly more quiet, and less subject to sedition, than where there are stirps of nobles. Self Contradiction Knave \& Fool

PAGE 62 Those that are first raised to nobility, are commonly more virtuous, but less innocent than their descendants; for there is rarely any rising but by a commixture of good and evil arts.
Virtuous I supposed to be Innocents was I Mistaken or is Bacon a Liar

On the other side, nobility extinguisheth the passive envy from others towards them, because they are in possession of honour. Certainly, kings that have able men of their nobility shall find ease in employing them, and a better slide into their business; but people naturally bend to them as born in some sort to command.
Nonsense

## OF SEDITIONS AND TROUBLES PAGE 63 <br> This Section contradicts the Preceding

Shepherds of all people had need know the calendars of tempests in state, which are commonly greatest when things grow to equality.
What Shepherds does he mean Such as Christ describes by Ravening Wolves

PAGE 65 Also, when discords, and quarrels, and factions are carried openly and audaciously it is a sign the reverence of government is lost.
When the Reverence of Government is Lost it is better than when it is found Reverence is all For Reverence

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PAGE 66 So when any of the four pillars of government are mainly shaken, or weakened, (which are religion, justice, counsel, and treasure,) men had need to pray for fair weather.
Four Pillars of different heights and Sizes

Concerning the materials of sedition, it is a thing well to be considered. . . . The matter of sedition is of two kinds, much poverty and much discontentment. These are one Kind Only

PAGE 67 As for discontentments, they are in the politic body like to humours in the natural, which are apt to gather a preternatural heat and to enflame; and let no prince measure the danger of them by this, whether they be just or unjust. A Tyrant is the Worst disease \& the Cause of all others
. . . in great oppressions, the same things that provoke the patience, do withal mate the courage.
a lie

PAGES 68-69 The first remedy or prevention is to remove by all means possible that material cause of sedition whereof we speak, which is want and poverty in the estate; to which purpose serveth the opening and well balancing of trade; the cherishing of manufactures; the banishing of idleness; the repressing of waste and excess by sumptuary laws; the improvement and husbanding of the soil; the regulating of prices of things vendible; the moderating of taxes and tributes, and the like.
You cannot regulate the price of Necessaries without destruction All False

PAGES 69-70 It is likewise to be remembered, that forasmuch as the increase of any estate must be upon the foreigner, (for whatsoever is somewhere gotten is somewhere lost,) there be but three things which one nation selleth unto another: the commodity as nature yieldeth it; the manufacture; and the vecture or carriage: so that if these two [three] wheels go, wealth will flow as in a spring tide.
The Increase of a State as of a Man is from Internal

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Improvement or Intellectual Acquirement. Man is not Improved by the hurt of another States are not Improved at the Expense of Foreigners
Bacon has no notion of any thing but Mammon

PAGE 71 The poets feign that the rest of the Gods would have bound Jupiter, which he hearing of by the counsel of Pallas, sent for Briareus with his hundred hands to come in to his aid: an emblem, no doubt, to shew bow safe it is for monarchs to make sure of the goodwill of common people. Good Advice for the Devil

PAGES 71-72 Certainly, the politic and artificial nourishing and entertaining of hopes, and carrying men from hopes to hopes is one of the best antidotes against the poison of discontentments.
Subterfuges

PAGE 74 Lastly, let princes against all events, not be without some great person, one or rather more, of military valour, near unto them, for the repression of seditions in their beginnings.
Contemptible Knave Let the People look to this
. . . but let such military persons be assured and well reputed of, rather than factious and popular.
Factious is Not Popular \& never can be except Factious is Christianity

## OF ATHEISM

PAGE 75 I had rather believe all the fables in the Legend, and the Talmud, and the Alcoran than that this universal frame is without a mind: and, therefore, God never wrought miracle to convince atheism, because his ordinary works convince it.
The Devil is the Mind of the Natural Frame

It is true that a little philosophy inclineth man's mind to atheism; but depth in philosophy bringeth men's minds about to religion; for while the mind of man looketh upon second causes scattered, it may sometimes rest in them and go no farther. There is no Such Thing as a Second Cause nor as a Natural Cause for any Thing in any Way

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He who says there are Second Causes has already denied a First The Word Cause is a foolish Word

PAGE 77 The contemplative atheist is rare, a Diagoras, a Bion, a Lucian perhaps, and some others.
A Lie! Few believe it is a New Birth Bacon was a Contemplative Atheist Evidently an Epicurean Lucian disbelievd Heathen Gods he did not perhaps disbelieve for all that Bacon did

PAGES 77-78-79 The causes of atheism are, divisions in religion, if they be many; . . . another is, scandal of priests $\ldots$. . a third is, a custom of profane scoffing in holy matters
. . ; and, lastly, learned times, especially with peace and prosperity; for troubles and adversities do more bow men's minds to religion.
a Lie

They that deny a God destroy man's nobility; for certainly man is of kin to the beasts by his body; and, if he be not of kin to God by his spirit, he is a base and ignoble creature. [Bracketed by Blake]
an artifice

It destroys likewise magnanimity, and the raising of human nature; for take an example of a dog, and mark what a generosity and courage he will put on when he finds himself maintained by a man, who to him is instead of a God, or "melior natura"; which courage is manifestly such as that creature, without that confidence of a better nature than his own, could never attain;
Self Contradiction
. . . therefore, as atheism is in all respects hateful, so in this, that it depriveth human nature of the means to exalt itself above human frailty.
An Atheist pretending to talk against Atheism

## OF SUPERSTITION

PAGE 79 It were better to have no opinion of God at all, than

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such an opinion as is unworthy of him.
Is this true is it better

PAGE $80 \ldots$ as the contumely is greatertowards God, so the dangeis greater towards men. Atheism leaves a man to sense, to philosophy, to natural piety, to laws, to reputation; all which maybe guideto an outward moral virtue, though religion were not;
Praise of Atheism
but superstition dismounts all these, and erecteth an absolute monarchy in the minds of men: therefore atheism did never perturb states; for it makes men wary of themselves, as looking no farther, and we see the times inclined to atheism, (as the time of Augustus Caesar,) were civil times.
Atheism is thus the best of all Bacon fools us

The master of superstition is the people, and in all superstition wise men follow fools; and arguments are fitted to practise in a reversed order.
What must our Clergy be who Allow Bacon to be Either Wise or even of Common Capacity I cannot

PAGE 82 There is a superstition in avoiding superstition, when men think to do best if they go farthest from the superstition formerly received; therefore care should be had that, (as it fareth in ill purgings,) the good be not taken away with the bad, which commonly is done when the people is the reformer.
Who is to be the Reformer Bacons [Reformer] Villain is a King or Who ${ }^{t l 471}$

## OF TRAVEL

PAGE 83 The things to be seen and observed are the courts of princes, especially when they give audience to ambassadors; the courts of justice . . . the churches and monasteries . . . the walls and fortifications . . . and so the havens and harbours, antiquities and ruins, libraries, colleges, disputations, and lectures where any are; shipping and navies; houses and gardens of state and pleasure near great cities; armories, arsenals,

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magazines, exchanges, burses, warehouses, exercises of horsemanship, fencing, training of soldiers, and the like; comedies . . . treasures of jewels and robes; cabinets and rarieties;
The Things worthy to be seen are all the Trumpery he could rake together
Nothing of Arts or Artists or Learned Men or of Agriculture or any Useful Thing His Business \& Bosom was to be Lord Chancellor

PAGE 84. As for triumphs, masks, feasts, weddings, funerals, capital executions, and such shews, men need not to be put in mind of them; yet are they not to be neglected. Bacon supposes that the Dragon Beast \& Harlot are worthy of a Place in the New Jerusalem Excellent Traveller Go on \& be damnd

If you will have a young man to put his travel into a little room, and in short time to gather much, this you must do . . . let him not stay long in one city or town, more or less as the place deserveth, but not long; nay, when he stayeth in one city or town, let him change his lodging from one end and part of the town to another, which is a great adamant of acquaintance; Harum Scarum who can do this
let him sequester himself from the company of his countrymen and diet in such places where there is good company of the nation where he travelleth; let him upon his removes from one place to another procure recommendation to some person of quality residing in the place whither he removeth...
The Contrary is the best Advice
PAGE 85 As for the acquaintance which is to be sought in travel, that which is most of all profitable is acquaintance with the secretaries and employed men of ambassadors.
Acqua[i]ntance with Knaves

## OF EMPIRE

PAGE 86 It is a miserable state of mind to have few things to desire, and many things to fear.
He who has few Things to desire cannot have many to fear

PAGE $87 \ldots$ the mind of man is more cheered and refreshed

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by profiting in small things, than by standing at a stay in great.
A lie

## OF COUNSEL

PAGE 98 For weakening of authority the fable sheweth the remedy: nay, the majesty of kings is rather exalted than diminished when they are in the chair of council; neither was there ever prince bereaved of his dependances by his council, except where there hath been either an over greatness in one counsellor, or an over-strict combination in divers, which are things soon found and holpen. [Bracketed]
Did he mean to Ridicule a King \& his Council

PAGE 101 In choice of committees for ripening business for the council, it is better to choose indifferent persons, than to make an indifferency by putting in those that are strong on both sides.
better choose Fools at once

## OF CUNNING

PAGE 104 There be that can pack the cards, and yet cannot play well; so there are some that are good in canvases and factions, that are otherwise weak men.
Nonsense

Again, it is one thing to understand persons, and another thing to understand matters; for many are perfect in men's humours that are not greatly capable of the real part of business, which is the constitution of one that hath studied men more than books.
Nonsense

Such men are fitter for practice than for counsel, and they are good but in their own ally.
How absurd

PAGE 105 If a man would cross a business that he doubts some other would handsomely and effectually move, let him pretend to wish it well, and move it himself in such sort as may foil it.
None but a Fool can act so

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PAGE 106-107 I knew one that, when he wrote a letter, he would put that which was most material in the post-script, as if it had been a bye matter.
I knew another that, when he came to have speech, he would pass over that that he intended most; and go forth, and come back again, and speak of it as of a thing that he had almost forgot.
What Fools

PAGES 107-108 It is a point of cunning to let fall those words in a man's own name which he would have another man learn and use, and thereupon take advantage. I knew two that were competitors for the secretary's place in queen Elizabeth's time, $\ldots$ and the one of them said, that to be a secretary in the declination of a monarchy was a ticklish thing, and that he did not affect it: the other straight way caught up those words, and discoursed with divers of his friends, that he had no reason to desire to be secretary in the declination of a monarchy. The first man took hold of it, and found means it was told the queen; who hearing of a declination of a monarchy took it so ill, as she would never after hear of the other's suit. This is too Stupid to have been True

## OF INNOVATIONS

PAGE 113 As the births of living creatures at first are ill shapen, so are all innovations, which are the births of time.
What a Cursed Fool is this Ill Shapen are Infants or small Plants ill shapen because they are not yet come to their maturity What a contemptible Fool is This Bacon

## OF FRIENDSHIP

PAGES 123-124 L. Sylla, when he commanded Rome, raised Pompey . . . to that height, that Pompey vaunted himself for Sylla's over-match; . . . With Julius Caesar Decimus Brutus had obtained that interest as he set him down in his testament for heir in remainder after his nephew; . . . Augustus raised Agrippa, (though of mean birth,) to that height, as, when he consulted with Mecaenas about the marriage of his daughter Julia, Mecaenas took the liberty to tell him, that he must either marry his daughter to Agrippa, or take away his life.
The Friendship of these Roman Villains is a strange Example

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to alledge for our imitation \& approval

## OF EXPENSE

PAGE 133 Certainly, if a man will keep but of even hand, his ordinary expenses ought to be but to the half of his receipts; and if he think to wax rich, but to the third part.
If this is advice to the Poor, it is mocking them--If to the Rich, it is worse still it is The Miser If to the Middle Class it is the direct Contrary to Christs advice

PAGE 134 He that can look into his estate but seldom, it behoveth him to turn all to certainties.

## Nonsense

OF THE TRUE GREATNESS OF KINGDOMS AND ESTATES
PAGE 135 The speech of Themistocles the Athenian, which was haughty and arrogant in taking so much to himself, had been a grave and wise observation and censure, applied at large to others. Desired at a feast to touch a lute, he said, "he could not fiddle, but yet he could make a small town a great city". These words, (holpen with a little metaphor,) may express two differing abilities in those that deal in business of estate.
a Lord Chancellor's opinions as different from Christ as those of Caiphas or Pilate or Herod what such Men call Great is indeed detestable

PAGE 136 . . . let us speak of the work; that is, the true greatness of kingdoms and estates; and the means thereof. An argument fit for great and mighty princes to have in their hand; to the end, that neither by over-measuring their forces they lose themselves in vain enterprises ...
Powers Powers
Powers of darkness

PAGE 137 The Kingdom of heaven is compared, not to any great Kernal or nut but, to a grain of mustard seed; which is one of the least grains, but hath in it a property and spirit hastily to get up and spread.
The Kingdom of Heaven is the direct Negation of Earthly domination

PAGES 137-138 Walled towns, stored arsenals and armories, goodly races of horse, chariots of war, elephants; ordnance, artillery, and the like; all this is but a sheep in lion's skin, except the breed and disposition of the people be stout and warlike. Nay, number (itself) in armies importeth not much, where the people is of weak courage. . . The army of the Persians, in the plains of Arbela was such a vast sea of people as it did somewhat astonish the commanders in Alexander's army, who came to him therefore, and wished him to set upon them by night; but he answered, he would not pilfer the victory; and the defeat was easy. Bacon knows the Wisdom of War if it is Wisdom

PAGE 142 Never any state was, in this point, so open to receive strangers into their body as were the Romans; therefore it sorted with them accordingly, for they grew to the greatest monarchy.
Is this Great Is this Christian No

PAGES 143-144 It is certain, that sedentary and within-door arts, and delicate manufactures, (that require rather the finger than the arm,) have in their nature a contrariety to a military disposition;. . . therefore it was great advantage in the ancient states of Sparta, Athens, Rome, and others that they had the use of slaves, which commonly did rid those manufactures; but that is abolished, in greatest part, by the christian law. That which cometh nearest to it is, to leave those arts chiefly to strangers . . . and to contain the principal bulk of the vulgar natives within those three kinds, tillers of the ground, free servants, and handicraftmen of strong and manly arts; as smiths, masons, carpenters, \&c. not reckoning professed soldiers. Bacon calls Intellectual Arts Unmanly Poetry Painting Music are in his opinion Useless \& so they are for Kings \& Wars \& shall in the End Annihilate them

PAGE 147 No body can be healthful without exercise, neither natural body nor politic; and, certainly, to a kingdom or estate a just and honourable war is the true exercise. Is not this the Greatest Folly

PAGE 149 There be now, for martial encouragement, some degrees and orders of chivalry, which, nevertheless, are conferred promiscuously upon soldiers and no soldiers, and some
remembrance perhaps upon the escutcheon... what can be worse than this or more foolish

## OF REGIMEN OF HEALTH

PAGE 151 . . strength of nature in youth passeth over many excesses which are owing a man til his age. Excess in Youth is Necessary to Life

Beware of sudden change in any great point of diet, and if necessity enforce it, fit the rest to it; Nonsense
for it is a secret both in nature and state, that it is safer to change many things than one.
False

PAGE 152 If you fly physic in health altogether, it will be too strange for your body when you shall need it.
Very Pernicious Advice
The work of a Fool to use Physic but for Necessity

PAGE 153 In sickness, respect health principally; and in health, action: for those that put their bodies to endure in health, may in most sicknesses which are not very sharp, be cured only with diet and tendering. Those that put their Bodies To endure are Fools

Celsus could never have spoken it as a physician, had he not been a wise man withal, when he giveth it for one of the great precepts of health and lasting, that a man do vary and interchange contraries;
Celsus was a bad adviser
but with an inclination to the more benign extreme: use fasting and full eating, but rather full eating; watching and sleep, but rather sleep; sitting and exercise, but rather exercise, and the like: so shall nature be cherished, and yet taught masteries. [Bracketed] Nature taught to Ostentation

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PAGE 154. Suspicions amongst thoughts are like bats amongst birds, they ever fly by twilight; certainly they are to be repressed, or, at the least, well guarded. What is Suspition in one Man is Caution in Another \& Truth or Discernment in Another \& in Some it is Folly.

## OF DISCOURSE

PAGE 156 Some in their discourse desire rather commendation of wit, in being able to hold all arguments, than of judgment, in discerning what is true; as if it were a praise to know what might be said, and not what should be thought.
Surely the Man who wrote this never talked to any but Coxcombs

PAGE 158 Discretion of speech is more than eloquence; and to speak agreeably to him with whom we deal, is more than to speak in good words, or in good order.
Bacon hated Talents of all Kinds Eloquence is discret[io]n of Speech

## OF RICHES

PAGE 169 Be not penny-wise; riches have wings, and sometimes they fly away of themselves, sometimes they must be set flying to bring in more.
Bacon was always a poor Devil if History says true how should one so foolish know about Riches Except Pretence to be Rich if that is it

## OF NATURE IN MEN

PAGE 182 Neither is the ancient rule amiss, to bend nature as a wand to a contrary extreme, whereby to set it right; understanding it where the contrary extreme is no vice.
Very Foolish

## OF FORTUNE

PAGE 187 It cannot be denied but outward accidents conduce much to fortune; favour, opportunity, death of others, occasion fitting virtue; but chiefly, the mould of a man's fortune is in his own hands.
What is Fortune but an outward Accident for a few years sixty at most \& then gone

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OF USURY
PAGE 190
Bacon was a Usurer

PAGE 191 The discommodities of usury are, first, that it makes fewer merchants; for were it not for this lazy trade of usury, money would not lie still, but would in great part be employed upon merchandizing. A Lie it makes Merchants \& nothing Else

PAGE 192 On the other side, the commodities of usury are first, that howsoever usury in some respect hindereth merchandizing, yet in some other it advanceth it.
Commodities of Usury can it Be

PAGE 193 I remember a cruel monied man in the country, that would say, "The devil take this usury, it keeps us from forfeitures of mortgages and bonds".
It is not True what a Cruel Man says

To speak now of the reformation and reglement of usury; how the discommodities of it may be best avoided, and the commodities retained.
Bacon is in his Element on Usury it is himself \& his Philosophy

OF YOUTH AND AGE
PAGE 197 The errors of young men are the ruin of business; but the errors of aged men amount but to this, that more might have been done, or sooner.
Bacons Business is not Intellect or Art

PAGE 198 . . . and age doth profit rather in the powers of understanding, than in the virtues of the will and affections.
a Lie

PAGE 199 There be some have an over-early ripeness in their years, which fadeth betimes: these are, first, such as have brittle wits, the edge whereof is soon turned; such as was Hermogenes the rhetorician, whose books are exceeding subtile,

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who afterwards waxed stupid.
Such was Bacon Stupid Indeed

## OF DEFORMITY

PAGE 202 Certainly there is a consent between the body and the mind, and where nature erreth in the one, she ventureth in the other.
False
Contemptible

Whosoever hath any thing fixed in his person that doth induce contempt, hath also a perpetual spur in himself to rescue and deliver himself from scorn; therefore all deformed persons are extreme bold.
Is not this Very Very Contemptible Contempt is the Element of the Contemptible

PAGE 203 Kings in ancient times (and at this present in some countries,) were wont to put great trust in eunuchs, because they that are envious towards all are more obnoxious and officious towards one.
because Kings do it is it Wisdom

## OF BUILDING

PAGE 206 First, therefore, I say you cannot have a perfect palace, except you have two several sides; a side for the banquet, as is spoken of in the book of Esther, and a side for the household.
What Trifling Nonsense \& Self Conceit

## OF FACTION

PAGE 235 The even carriage between two factions proceedeth not always of moderation, but of a trueness to a man's self, with end to make use of both. Certainly, in Italy they hold it a little suspect in popes, when they have often in their mouth "Padre commune"; and take it to be a sign of one that meaneth to refer all to the greatness of his own house.
None but God is This

PAGES 235-236 Kings had need beware how they side themselves . . . The motions of factions under Kings, ought to be like the motions, (as the astronomers speak,) of the inferior

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orbs; which may have their proper motions, but yet still are quietly carried by the higher motion of "primum mobile". King James was Bacons Primum Mobile

## OF CEREMONIES AND RESPECTS

PAGE 236 . . . for the proverb is true, "That light gains make heavy purses"; for light gains come thick, whereas great come but now and then: so it is true, that small matters win great commendation, because they are continually in use and in note.
Small matters What are They Caesar seems to me a Very Small Matter \& so he seemd to Jesus is the Devil Great Consider

## OF PRAISE

PAGE 239 Praise is the reflection of virtue; but it is as the glass or body which giveth the reflection: if it be from the common people, it is commonly false and nought, and rather followeth vain persons, than virtuous.
Villain did Christ Seek the Praise of the Rulers

Annotations to Boyd's Historical Notes on Dante ${ }^{11472}$
Dublin, 1785
A COMPARATIVE VIEW OF THE INFERNO, with some other POEMS relative to the ORIGINAL PRINCIPLES OF HUMAN NATURE

PAGE 35 [But] the most daring flights of fancy, the most accurate delineations of character, and the most artful conduct of fable, are [not, even] when combined together, sufficient of themselves to make a poem interesting. [Deletions by Blake]

PAGES 35-36 The discord of Achilles and Agamemnon may produce the most tragical consequences; but if we, who are cool and impartial in the affair . . . cannot enter warmly into the views of either party, the story, though adorned with all the genius of an Homer, will be read by us with some degree of nonchalance. The superstition that led the Crusaders to rescue the Holy Land from the Infidels, instead of interesting us, appear frigid, if not ridiculous. We cannot be much concerned for the fate of such a crew of fanatics, notwithstanding the magic numbers of a Tasso .
. . we cannot sympathise with Achilles for the loss of his Mistress, when we feel that he gained her by the massacre of her

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family. nobody considers these things while they read Homer or Shakespear or Dante

PAGE 37 When a man, where no interest is concerned, no provocation given, lays a whole nation in blood merely for his glory; we, to whom his glory is indifferent, cannot enter into his resentment. false All poetry gives the lie to this

PAGES 37-38 Such may be good poetical characters, of that mixt kind that Aristotle admits; but the most beautiful mixture of light and shade has no attraction, unless it warms <or freezes> the heart. It must have something that engages the sympathy, something that appeals to the [moral sense] <passions \& senses>; for nothing can thoroughly captivate the fancy, however artfully delineated, that does not awake the sympathy and interest the passions [that enlist on the side of Virtue] and appeal to our native notions of right and wrong. [Deletions and insertions by Blake]

PAGES 38-38 It is this that sets the Odyssey, in point of sentiment, so far above the Iliad. We feel the injuries of Ulysses; . . . we seem to feel the generous indignation of the young Telemachus, and we tremble at the dangers of the fair Penelope . . . we can go along with the resentment of Ulysses, because it is just, but our feelings must tell us that Achilles carries his resentment to a savage length, a length where we cannot follow him.
If Homers merit was only in these Historical combinations \& Moral sentiments he would be no better than Clarissa

PAGES 39-40 ILIACOS EXTRA MUROS PECCATUR; ET INTRA. It is a contest between barbarians, equally guilty of injustice, rapine, and bloodshed; and we are not sorry to see the vengeance of Heaven equally inflicted on both parties.
Homer meant this

Aeneas indeed is a more amiable personage than Achilles; he seems meant for a perfect character. But compare his conduct with respect to Dido with the self-denial of Dryden's Cleomenes, or with the conduct of Titus in the Berenice of Racine, we will

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then see what is meant by making a character interesting. Every body naturally hates a perfect character because they are all greater Villains than the imperfect as Eneas is here shewn a worse man than Achilles in leaving Dido

PAGES 45-46 Antecedent to and independent of all laws, a man may learn to argue on the nature of moral obligation, and the duty of universal benevolence, from Cumberland, Wollaston, Shaftesbury, Hutcheson . . . but, would he feel what vice is in itself . . . let him enter into the passions of Lear, when he feels the ingratitude of his children; of Hamlet, when he learns the story of his father's murder; . . . and he will know the difference of right and wrong much more clearly than from all the moralists that ever wrote.
the grandest Poetry is Immoral the Grandest characters Wicked. Very Satan. Capanius Othello a murderer. Prometheus. Jupiter. Jehovah, Jesus a wine bibber Cunning \& Morality are not Poetry but Philosophy the Poet is Independent \& Wicked the Philosopher is Dependent \& Good Poetry is to excuse Vice \& show its reason \& necessary purgation

PAGE 49 The industrious knave cultivates the soil; the indolent good man leaves it uncultivated. Who ought to reap the harvest? . . . The natural course of things decides in favour of the villain; the natural sentiments of men in favour of the man of virtue.
false

PAGES 56-67 As to those who think the notion of a future Life arose from the descriptions and inventions of the Poets, they may just as well suppose that eating and drinking had the same original . . . The Poets indeed altered the genuine sentiments of nature, and tinged the Light of Reason by introducing the wild conceits of Fancy . . . But still the root was natural, though the fruit was wild. All thatnature teacheis, that there is a future life, distinguished into different states of happiness and misery.
False
Nature Teaches nothing of Spiritual Life but only of Natural Life

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## THIRTEENTH AND FOURTEENTH CENTURIES: WITH RESPECT TO THE HISTORY OF FLORENCE

[P 74, blank at the end of "A Comparative View"]
Every Sentiment \& Opinion as well as Every Principle in Dante is in these Preliminary Essays Controverted \& proved Foolish by his Translator If I have any Judgment in Such Things as Sentiments Opinions \& Principles

PAGE 118 . . . horrors of a civil war. <dagger>--Dante was at this time Prior of Florence and it was he who gave the advice, ruinous to himself, and pernicious to his country, of calling in the heads of the two factions to Florence. <dagger>Dante was a Fool or his Translator was Not That is Dante was Hired or Tr was Not It appears to Me that Men are hired to Run down Men of Genius under the Mask of Translators, but Dante gives too much Caesar he is not a Republican
Dante was an Emperors <a Caesars> Man Luther also left the Priest \& joind the Soldier

PAGES 129-130 The fervours of religion have often actuated the passions to deeds of the wildest fanaticism. The booted Apostles of Germany, and the Crusades of Florence, carried their zeal to a very guilty degree. But the passion for any thing laudable will hardly carry men to a proper pitch, unless it be so strong as sometimes to push them beyond the golden mean. How very Foolish all this Is

PAGE 131 Such were the effects of intolerance even in the extreme. In a more moderate degree, every well-regulated government, both ancient and modern, wereso far intolerantas not to admit the pollutions of every superstition and every pernicious opinion. It was from a regard to the morals of the people, that the Roman Magistrates expelled the Priest of Bacchus, in the first and most virtuous ages of the republic. It was on this principle that the Persians destroyed thetemples of Greece wherever they came
If Well regulated Governments act so who can tell so well as the hireling Writer whose praise is contrary to what he Knows to be true

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Persians destroy the Temples \& are praised for it

PAGES 133-134. The Athenians and Romans kept a watchful eye, not only over the grosser superstitions, but over impiety . . . Polybius plainly attributes the fall of freedom in Greece to the prevalence of atheism . . . It was not till the republic was verging to its fall, that Caesar dared in open senate to laugh at the SPECULATIVE opinion of a future state. These were the times of universal toleration, when every pollution, from every clime, flowed to Rome, whence they had carefully been kept out before.
What is Liberty without Universal Toleration

PAGES 135-136 I leave it to these who are best acquainted with the spirit of antiquity, to determine whether a species of religion . . . had or had not a very principal share in raising those celebrated nations to the summit of their glory: their decline and fall, at least, may be fairly attributed to irreligion, and to the want of some general standard of morality, whose authority they all allowed, and to which they all appealed. The want of this pole-star left them adrift in the boundless ocean of conjecture; the disputes of their philosophers were endless, and their opinions of the grounds of morality were as different as their conditions, their tastes, and their pursuits.
Yet simple country Hinds are Moral Enthusiasts Indignant against Knavery without a Moral criterion other than Native Honesty untaught while other country Hinds are as indignant against honesty \& Enthusiasts for Cunning \& Artifice

PAGE 148 . . . but there are certain bounds even to liberty...
If it is thus the extreme of black is white $\&$ of sweet sower \& of good Evil \& of Nothing Something

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## TITLE PAGE

This Man was Hired to Depress Art This is the opinion of Will Blake my Proofs of this Opinion are given in the following Notes

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Degrade first the Arts if you'd Mankind degrade,
Hire Idiots to Paint with cold light \& hot shade:
Give high Price for the worst, leave the best in disgrace, And with Labours of Ignorance fill every place.

## [BACK OF TITLE PAGE]

Having spent the Vigour of my Youth \& Genius under the Opression of Sr Joshua \& his Gang of Cunning Hired Knaves Without Employment \& as much as could possibly be Without Bread, The Reader must Expect to Read in all my Remarks on these Books Nothing but Indignation \& Resentment While $\mathrm{S}^{r}$ Joshua was rolling in Riches Barry was Poor \& [independent] <Unemployd except by his own Energy> Mortimer was [despised \& Mocked] <calld a Madman> [I now despise \& Mock in turn although Suffring Neglect] <\& only Portrait Painting applauded \& rewarded by the Rich \& Great.> Reynolds \& Gainsborough Blotted \& Blurred one against the other \& Divided all the English World between them Fuseli Indignant <almost> hid himself--I [was] <am> hid t1474

## [CONTENTS PAGES]

The Arts \& Sciences are the Destruction of Tyrannies or Bad Governments Why should A Good Government endeavour to Depress What is its Chief \& only Support

The advantages proceeding from the Institution of a Royal Academy.
The Foundation of Empire is Art \& Science Remove them or Degrade them \& the Empire is No More--Empire follows Art \& Not Vice Versa as Englishmen suppose

On peut dire que la Pape Leon Xme en encourageant les Etudes donna les armes contre lui-meme. J'ai oui dire a un Seigneur Anglais qu'il avait vu une Lettre du Seigneur Polus, ou de La Pole, depuis Cardinal, a ce Pape; dans laquelle, en le felicitant sur ce qu'il etendait le progres de Science en Europe, il l'avertissait qu'il etait dangereux de rendre les hommes trop Savans-VOLTAIRE Moeurs de[s] Nation[s], Tome 4
O Englishmen! why are you still of this foolish Cardinals opinion?

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Much copying discountenanced
To learn the Language of Art Copy for Ever. is My Rule


#### Abstract

[BLANK PAGE FACING DEDICATION] Who will Dare to Say that [Fine] <Polite> Art is Encouraged, or Either Wished or Tolerated in a Nation where The Society for the Encouragement of Art. Sufferd Barry to Give them, his Labour for Nothing A Society Composed of the Flower of the English Nobility \& Gentry--[A Society] Suffering an Artist to Starve while he Supported Really what They under pretence of Encouraging were Endeavouring to Depress--Barry told me that while he Did that Work--he Lived on Bread \& Apples


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O Society for Encouragement of Art--O King \& Nobility of England! Where have you hid Fuseli's Milton Is Satan troubled at his Exposure

## TO THE KING.

The regular progress of cultivated life is from necessaries to accommodations, from accommodations to ornaments. The Bible says That Cultivated Life. Existed First-Uncultivated Life. comes afterwards from Satans Hirelings[.] Necessaries Accomodations \& Ornaments [are Lifes Wants] <are the whole of Life> [First were Created Wine \& Happiness ?Good ?Looks \& Fortune] Satan took away Ornament First. <Next he took away Accomodations \& Then he became Lord \& Master of $>$ Necessaries [last]
[P ii] To give advice to those who are contending for royal liberality, . .
Liberality! We want not Liberality We want a Fair Price \& Proportionate Value <\& a General Demand for Art> <Let not that Nation where Less than Nobility is the Reward. Pretend that Art is Encouraged by that Nation: Art is the First in Intellectuals \&Ought to be First in Nations>

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<Invention depends Altogether upon Execution or Organization. as that is right or wrong so is the Invention perfect or imperfect. Whoever is set to Undermine the Execution

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of Art is set to Destroy Art Michael Angelos Art Depends on Michael Angelos Execution Altogether>
[P viii, Malone on Reynolds' boyhood:] . . . Richardson's Treatise on Painting; the perusal of which so delighted and inflamed his mind, that Raffaelle appeared to him superior to the most illustrious
Why <then> did he not follow Rafaels Track
[P ix, note 7, quoting Walpole on Thomas Hudson, Reynolds' first master] The better taste introduced by Sir Joshua Reynolds, put an end to Hudson's reign, . . . Hudson Drew Correctly
[P xiv: the keeper of the Vatican informed Reynolds that "the works of Raffaelle" frequently made "little impression" on visitors.]
Men who have been Educated with Works of Venetian Artists. under their Eyes Cannot see Rafael unless they are born with Determinate Organs
[Reynolds quoted:] . . . I remember very well my own disappointment, when I first visited the Vatican; . . . I am happy I cannot say that Rafael Ever was from my Earliest Childhood hidden from Me. I saw \& I Knew immediately the difference between Rafael \& Rubens
[p xv]
<Some look. to see the sweet Outlines
And beauteous Forms that Love does wear
Some look. to find out Patches. Paint.
Bracelets \& Stays \& Powderd Hair>
[Reynolds:] . . . though disappointed and mortified at not finding myself enraptured with the works of this great master, I did not for a moment conceive or suppose that the name of Raffaelle,
and those admirable paintings in particular, owed their reputation to the ignorance and prejudice of mankind; . . . Here are Mocks on those who Saw Rafael [But not Sir

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## Joshua]

. . . I felt my ignorance, and stood abashed.
A Liar he never was Abashed in his Life \& never felt his Ignorance
[P xvi] . . . I was convinced that I had originally formed a false opinion of the perfection of art, . . .
All this Concession is to prove that Genius is Acquired as follows in the Next page
[P xvii] . . I am now clearly of opinion, that a relish for the higher excellencies of art is an acquired taste, which no man ever possessed without long cultivation, and great labour . .
[Fool]
. . . as if . . . our minds, like tinder, should instantly catch fire from the divine spark of Raffaelle's genius. A Mock
. . . the excellence of his style . . . lies deep; and at the first view is seen but mistily.
A Mock

It is the florid style, which strikes at once, and captivates the eye for a time, . . .
A Lie The Florid Style such as the Venetian \& the Flemish. Never Struck Me at Once nor At-All.
[P xviii] [to good Artists] The Style that Strikes the Eye is the True Style But A Fools Eye is Not to be. a Criterion

I consider general copying (he adds)as a delusive kind of industry:. . .
Here he Condemns Generalizing which he almost always Approves \& Recommends
[ P xix] How incapable of producing any thing of their own, those are, who have spent most of their time in making finished

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copies, . . .
Finishd. What does he Mean Niggling Without the Correct <\& Definite> Outline If he means That Copying Correctly is a hindrance he is a Liar. for that is the only School to the Language of Art
[ P xxix] It is the thoughts expressed in the works of Michael Angelo, Correggio, Raffaelle, Parmegiano, and perhaps some of the old Gothick masters, . . . which we seek after with avidity.
Here is an Acknowledgment of all that I could wish But if it is True. Why are we to be told that Masters who Could Think had not the judgment to Perform the Inferior Parts of Art as Reynolds artfully calls them. But that we are to Learn to Think from Great Masters \& to Learn to Perform from Underlings? Learn to Design from Rafael \& to Execute from Rubens [line cut away]?
[P xxxi] Thus Bacon became a great thinker, by first entering into and making himself master of the thoughts of other men.
[This is the Character of a Knave]
[Pp xxxiii-xxxiv, Burke on Reynolds] . . . He . . . owed his first disposition to generalize . . . to old Mr. Mudge . . . a learned and venerable old man . . . much conversant in the Platonick Philosophy,. . . originally a dissenting minister; . .

## Slang Villainy

[To call generalizing "the Platonick Philosophy" was Slang; for a dissenting minister to preach it was Villainy.--D.V.E.]
[ P xxxviii footnotes 24 and 25] [On the painters' having obtained a royal charter; Reynolds is not named among the eight "principal artists" active in "this scheme"; William Chambers is credited with helpful "access" to the King.]
[Reynolds . . . thought . . . but Painters ?attention without xxx Reynolds Sir Wm Chambers . . . ?through]
[Pp xli-xlv, note 28: Malone scotching rumors that the
Discourses were written by Johnson or Burke.]
The Contradictions in Reynolds's Discourses are Strong
Presumptions that they are the Work of Several Hands But this

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is no Proof that Reynolds did not Write them The Man Either Painter or Philosopher who Learns or Acquires all he Knows from Others. Must be full of Contradictions
> [P xlvii, Reynolds' eulogy of George Moser as "the FATHER of the present race of Artists".]
> I was once looking over the Prints from Rafael \& Michael Angelo. in the Library of the Royal Academy Moser came to me \& said You should not Study these old Hard Stiff \& Dry Unfinishd Works of Art, Stay a little \& I will shew you what you should Study. He then went \& took down Le Bruns \& Rubens's Galleries How I did secretly Rage. I also spoke my Mind [line cut away] I said to Moser, These things that you call Finishd are not Even Begun how can they then, be Finishd? The Man who does not know The Beginning, never can know the End of Art

[P xlix, Reynolds on his own "merits and defects" ] I consoled myself..... by remarking that these ready inventors, are extremely apt to acquiesce in imperfection; . . . Villainy a Lie
[P 1] . . . Metastasio . . . complained of the great difficulty he found in attaining correctness, in consequence of having been in his youth an IMPROVVISATORE.
I do not believe this Anecdote
[P liii, from Reynolds' 11th Discourse] . . . the general effect of the whole. . . . requires the painter's entire mind; whereas the PARTS may be finishing by nice touches, while his mind is engaged on other matters: . . . indolence. . . .
A Lie Working up Effect is more an operation of Indolence than the Making out of the Parts: as far as Greatest is more than Least I speak here of Rembrandts \& Rubenss \& Reynolds's Effect.--For Real Effect. is Making out the Parts \& it is Nothing Else but That
[P lvii, note 34, Malone on Reynolds' efforts to recover the secrets of the Venetian colourists] Our great painter . . . had undoubtedly attained a part of the ancient process used in the

Venetian School; and by various methods of his own invention produced a similar, though perhaps not quite so brilliant an effect of colour.

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Oil Colours will not Do-Why are we told that Reynolds is a Great Colourist \& yet inferior to the Venetians ${ }^{t 1475}$
[P lx, note 36] A notion prevails . . . that in the MAJORITY of his works the colours have entirely faded . . . ; but [most] have preserved their original hue. . . . I do not think that the Change is so much in the Pictures as in the Opinions of the Public
[P 1xx, note 38, quoting Dr Johnson in 1761] Reynolds is without a rival, and continues to add thousands to thousands.
How much did Barry Get
[P lxxii, Malone, on the French plundering] . . . of the most celebrated works of the Flemish School in the Netherlands (for I will not gratify our English republicans by calling it BELGIUM). . . .
[why then gratify Flemish, Knaves \& Fools]
[P lxxii] . . . he . . . devoted several days to contemplating the productions of that great painter [Rubens].
If Reynolds had Really admired Mich Angelo he never would have followd Rubens
[P lxxxiii, note 48 on the Literary Club] The original members were, Sir Joshua Reynolds, Dr. Johnson, Mr. Burke, Dr. Nugent, Mr. Langton, Mr. Antony Chamier, Sir John Hawkins, the Hon. Topham Beauclerk, and Dr. Goldsmith.
[Oliver Goldsmith ?never should have known such knaves]
[P lxxxvi, Malone on Reynolds' sincerity] His ardent love of truth. . . . his strong antipathy to all false pretensions. . .

[O Shame False]

[P lxxxvii, note 49] He had painted, as he once observed to me, TWO GENERATIONS of the beauties of England.

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[God blasts Them As Though ?he ?were lost ?Eurydice]
[P lxxxix, note 51, on Reynolds' deafness] When in company with only one person, he heard very well, . . . A Sly Dog So can Every body; but bring Two People \& the Hearing is Stopped
[P xc, note 53 quoting Goldsmith's epitaph on
Reynolds]
Such Men as Goldsmith ought not to have been Acquainted with such Men as Reynolds
s [P xci; Malone comparing Reynolds to Laelius]
[Why should Laelius be considered Sir Joshuas
Counterpart]
[Who dares ?worship ?a ?man Whod have Driven you long Ago Insane]
[P xcvi, summing up: If Reynolds had been an orator, he would have resembled Laelius rather than Galba] He certainly would have been more like a Fool Than a Wise Man
[PP xcvii-xcviii, note 54, Burke on Reynolds] But this disposition to abstractions, to generalizing and classification, is the great glory of the human mind, . . . To Generalize is to be an Idiot To Particularize is the Alone Distinction of Merit--General Knowledges are those Knowledges that Idiots possess [As do Fools that adore Things \& ?ideas x x x of General Knowledge]
[PP xcviii-xcix] . . . during the greater part of his life, laboured as hard with his pencil, as any mechanick.... The Man who does not Labour more than the Hireling must be a poor Devil.
[ P ciii] [Malone, praising Reynolds' endorsement of Burke's anti-revolutionary sagacity, applies Dryden--"They led their wild desires to woods and caves, / And thought that all but SAVAGES were slaves"--to those who would assimilate England "to the model of the FEROCIOUS and ENSLAVED Republick of France!"] When France got free Europe 'twixt Fools \& Knaves

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Were Savage first to France, \& after; Slaves
[P civ, Malone on Reynolds' good fortune to have escaped the present era of sedition] . . . England is at present in an unparalleled state of wealth and prosperity. . . . These FACTS ought to be sounded from one end of England to the other, . . . a complete answer to all the SEDITIOUS DECLAMATIONS. . . . This Whole Book was Written to Serve Political Purposes
[?First to Serve Nobility \& Fashionable Taste \& Sr.
Joshua]
[P cix, on Reynolds' death Feb 23 1792, from "the inordinate growth"of his liver]
When Sr Joshua Reynolds died
All Nature was degraded;
The King dropd a tear into the Queens Ear; And all his Pictures Faded.
[P cxi, the Dukes, Marquisses, and other noblemen at Reynolds' funeral]
A Mock
[ Pcxv ] To each of the gentlemen who attended . . . was presented a print engraved by Bartolozzi. . . . [Funeral granted to Sir Joshua for having destroyd Art However the (?gentlemen were rewarded) for standing Near]
[P cxvi, note 65: Reynolds' wish to have St Paul's decorated by paintings prevented by the Bishop of London]
[The Rascals who ?See Painting want to Destroy Art \& Learning]
[P cxx, Burke on Reynolds] . . . one of the most memorable men of this time. <dag> <dag>Is not this a Manifest Lie
Barry Painted a Picture for Burke equal to Rafael or Mich Ang or any of the Italians Burke used to shew this Picture to his friends \& to say I gave Twenty Guineas for this horrible Dawb \& if any one would give [line cut away] Such was Burkes Patronage of Art \& Science

## DISCOURSE I

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I consider Reynolds's Discourses to the Royal Academy as the Simulations of the Hypocrite who Smiles particularly where he means to Betray. His Praise of Rafael is like the Hysteric Smile of Revenge His Softness \& Candour. the hidden trap. \& the poisoned feast, He praises Michael Angelo for Qualities which Michael Angelo Abhorrd; \& He blames Rafael for the only Qualities which Rafael Valued, Whether Reynolds. knew what he was doing. is nothing to me; the Mischief is just the same, whether a Man does it Ignorantly or Knowingly: I always consider'd True Art \& True Artists to be particularly Insulted \& Degraded by the Reputation of these Discourses As much as they were Degraded by the Reputation of Reynolds's Paintings. \& that Such Artists as Reynolds, are at all times Hired by the Satan's. for the Depression of Art A Pretence of Art: To Destroy Art [3 or 4 erased lines follow]
[P 3, beginning Reynolds' foreword "To The Members of The Royal Academy"]
The Neglect of Fuselis Milton in a Country pretending to the Encouragement of Art is a Sufficient Apology for My Vigorous Indignation if indeed the Neglect of My own Powers had not been Ought not the <?Patrons \& > Employers [Imbecility] of Fools to be Execrated in future Ages. They Will \&Shall Foolish Men Your own real Greatness depends on your Encouragement of the Arts \& your Fall will depend on [your] <their> Neglect \& Depression What you Fear is your true Interest Leo X was advised not to Encourage the Arts he was too Wise to take this Advice
[P 4, misnumbered "[iv]", at end of foreword]
The Rich Men of England form themselves into a Society. to Sell \& Not to Buy Pictures The Artist who does not throw his Contempt on such Trading Exhibitions. does not know either his own Interest or his Duty. [Are there Artists who live upon
Assasinations of other Men] t1476
<When Nations grow Old. The Arts grow Cold And Commerce settles on every Tree And the Poor \& the Old can live upon Gold For all are Born Poor. Aged Sixty three>

## [P 5]

Reynoldss Opinion was that Genius May be Taught \& that all Pretence to Inspiration is a Lie \& a Deceit to say the least of it [If the Inspiration is Great why Call it Madness]

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<For if it is a Deceit the Whole Bible is Madness> This Opinion originates in the Greeks Caling the Muses Daughters of Memory

An Academy, in which the Polite Arts may be regularly cultivated, .. .
<The Enquiry in England is not whether a Man has Talents. \&Genius? But whether he is Passive \& Polite \& a Virtuous Ass: \&obedient to Noblemens Opinions in Art \& Science. If he is; he is a Good Man: If Not he must be Starved>
[P 7] There are, at this time, a greater number of excellent artists than were ever known before at one period in this nation.
[Artists . . ? ?Heavens ?Fool the hxxx Pxxxx as
xxxxm] ${ }^{t 1477}$
[P7] . . . the wisdom and generosity of the Institution: .
3 Farthings [xxxxx] tl478
[P 9] Raffaelle . . . had not the advantage of studying in an Academy; but all Rome, and the works of Michael Angelo in particular, were to him, an Academy.
I do not believe that Rafael taught Mich. Angelo or that Mich. Ang: taught Rafael., any more than I believe that the Rose teaches the Lilly how to grow or the Apple tree teaches the [Pine tree to bear Fruit] <Pear tree how to bear Fruit.> I do not believe the tales of Anecdote writers when they militate against Individual Character
.. . the minute accidental discriminations of particular .
. .objects, . .
Minute Discrimination is Not Accidental All Sublimity is founded on Minute Discrimination
[P 11] . . . models . . . for their imitation, not their criticism.
<Imitation is Criticism>
[P 13] A facility in composing,--a lively, and what is called a masterly, handling of the chalk or pencil, are, it must

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be confessed, captivating qualities to young minds, and become of course the objects of their ambition.
<I consider> The Following sentence is Supremely Insolent <for the following Reasons Why this Sentence should be begun by the Words A Facility in Composing I cannot tell unless it was to cast [an Eye]<a stigma> upon Real facility in Composition by Assimilating it with a Pretence to \& Imitation of Facility in Execution or are we to understand him to mean that Facility in Composing. is a Frivolous pursuit. A Facility in Composing is the Greatest Power of Art \&Belongs to None but the Greatest Artists i.e. the Most Minutely Discriminating \& Determinate> tl479
[P 14] Whilst boys . . . they have taken the shadow for the substance; and make the mechanical felicity the chief excellence of the art, . . . ${ }^{t 1480}$ <Mechanical Excellence is the Only Vehicle of Genius>
. . . pleased with this premature dexterity in their pupils, $\ldots$. . praised their dispatch at the expence of their correctness.
<This is all False \& Self-Contradictory
. . . frivolous ambition of being thought masters of execution, . . .
<Execution is the Chariot of Genius>
[P 15] . . . youth . . . disgusted at the slow approaches. . . .labour is the only price of solid fame, . . . whatever their force of genius may be, ...
<This is All Self-Contradictory! Truth \& Falshood jumbled Together>

When we read the lives of the most eminent Painters, every page informs us, that no part of their time was spent in dissipation.
The Lives of Painters say that Rafael died of Dissipation Idleness is one Thing \& Dissipation Another He who has Nothing to Dissipate Cannot Dissipate
the Weak Man may be Virtuous Enough but will Never be an Artist [?What painters have only been dissipated without

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wildness] <Painters are noted for being Dissipated \& Wild.>
[P 16] . . . they then painted the picture, and after
all re-touched it from the life
<This is False>

The Students, instead of vying with each other which shall have the readiest hand, should be taught to contend who shall have the purest and most correct out-line; . . .
<Excellent>
[P 17] . . . a habit of drawing correctly what we see, will . . give a proportionable power of drawing correctly what we imagine.
<This is Admirably Said. Why does he not always allow as much>
[P 18] [Nice copying teaches] exactness and precision, . .
<Excellent>

## DISCOURSE II

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<The Labourd Works of Journeymen employed by Correggio.
Titian Veronese \& all the Venetians ought not to be shewn to the Young Artist as the Works of original Conception any more than the Engravings of Strange Bartollozzi or Woollett. They are Works of Manual Labour>

## [P 23] MUCH COPYING DISCOUNTENANCED . . . ARTISTS . . .SHOULD BE EMPLOYD IN LAYING UP MATERIALS. . . . <What is Laying up materials but Copying>

[P 25] . . . once enabled to express himself . . . he must . . . amass a stock of ideas . . . . he is now to consider the Art itself as his master.
After having been a Fool a Student is to amass a Stock of Ideas \& [then to be insolent in his Foolery] <knowing himself to be a Fool he is to assume the Right to put other Mens Ideas into his Foolery>

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[P 26]. . . he must still be afraid of trusting his own judgment, and of deviating into any track where he cannot find the footsteps of some former master.
Instead of Following One Great Master he is to follow a Great Many Fools
[P 28] A Student unacquainted with the attempts [P 29] of former adventurers, is always apt to over-rate his own abilities; to mistake . . . every coast new to him, for a new-found country. <Contemptible Mocks>
[P 29] The productions of such minds . . . . differ . . . from their predecessors . . . only in irregular sallies, and trifling conceits.
<Thus Reynolds Depreciates the Efforts of Inventive Genius Trifling Conceits are better than Colouring without any meaning at all>
[P 30] On whom then can [the student] rely . . . ? . . . those great masters who have travelled the same road with success. . . .
[This is Encouragement for Artists . . . (about 4 illegible words) . . . to those who are born for it]
[P 32] How incapable those . . . who have spent much of their time in making finished copies. . . .
This is most False <for no one can ever Design till he has learnd the Language of Art by making many Finishd Copies both of Nature \& Art \& of whatever comes in his way from Earliest Childhood> <The difference between a bad Artist \& a Good One Is the Bad Artist Seems to Copy a Great Deal: The Good one Really Does Copy a Great Deal>
[P 33] The great use in copying, if it be at all useful, should seem to be in learning to colour; . . . <Contemptible>
. . . yet even colouring will never be perfectly attained by servilely copying the model before you. <Servile Copying is the Great Merit of Copying>

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[P 34] . . . you cannot do better than have recourse to nature herself, who is always at hand . . . .
<Nonsense--Every Eye Sees differently As the Eye--Such the Object>
[P 35] Labour to invent on their general principles. . . .
how a Michael Angelo or a Raffaelle would have treated this subject: . . .
<General Principle[s] Again! Unless. You Consult. Particulars. You Cannot. even Know or See Mich: Ang. or Rafael or any Thing Else>

But as mere enthusiasm will carry you but a little way. . .
[Damn The Fool]
Meer Enthusiasm is the All in All!-- Bacons Philosophy has Ruind England <Bacon is only Epicurus over again>
[P 36] . . . enter into a kind of competition, by . . . making a companion to any picture that you consider as a model. . . . and compare them . . . . [What but a Puppy will dare to do this]
. . . a severe and mortifying task, . . .
[?Why, should ?comparing [or ?copying]
Great Masters [be done] Painfully]
[P 37] [To compare one's work with a Great Master's] requires not only great resolution, but great humility. [Who will or Can ?endure ?such Humiliation (?either ?he ?is) dishonest ?or he is ?Insane]

Few have been taught to any purpose, who have not been their own teachers.
True!
[P 38] . . . to choose . . . models, . . . take the world's opinion rather than your own.
[Fools opinions \& Endeavours destroy Invention!]

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[P 40] A facility of drawing . . . cannot be acquired but by an infinite number of acts.
True
[P 41] . . . endeavour to draw the figure by memory. [And persevere] in this custom, . . . .
Good Advice
. . . remember, that the pencil [i.e. paint brush] is the instrument by which . . . to obtain eminence <Nonsense>
[P 42 ] The Venetian and Flemish schools, which owe much of their fame to colouring, . . . <because they could not Draw>
[P 43] [Titian, Paul Veronese, Tintoret, the Bassans] Their sketches on paper are as rude as their pictures are excellent in . . .harmony of colouring.
<All the Pictures said to be by these Men are the Laboured fabrication of journey-work>
. . . finished drawings . . . sold under [their] names . . .
are [copies]
<They could not Draw>
[P 47] . . . he who would have you believe that he is waiting for the inspirations of Genius, is in reality at a loss how to begin; and is at last delivered of his monsters, with difficulty and pain.
A Stroke at Mortimer
[ P 48 ] [The well-grounded painter] is contented that all shall be as great as himself, who have undergone the same fatigue; . . .
The Man who asserts that there is no Such Thing as Softness in Art \& that every thing in Art is Definite \& Determinate has not been told this by Practise but by Inspiration \& Vision because Vision is Determinate \& Perfect \& he Copies That without Fatigue Every thing being Definite $\&$ determinate Softness is Produced Alone by Comparative Strength \& Weakness in the Marking

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out of the Forms
I say These Principles could never be found out by the Study of Nature without Con or Innate Science

## DISCOURSE III

[P 50, back of title]
<A Work of Genius is a Work "Not to be obtaind by the Invocation of Memory \& her Syren Daughters. but by Devout prayer to that Eternal Spirit. who can enrich with all utterance \& knowledge \& sends out his Seraphim with the hallowed fire of his Altar to touch \& purify the lips of whom he pleases." Milton <The following [Lecture] <Discourse> is particularly Interesting to Blockheads. as it Endeavours to prove That there is No such thing as Inspiration \& that any Man of a plain Understanding may by Thieving from Others. become a Mich Angelo>
[P 52] . . . the genuine painter . . . instead of endeavouring to amuse mankind with the minute neatness of his imitations, must endeavour to improve [P 53] them by the grandeur of his ideas; . . .
Without Minute Neatness of Execution. The. Sublime cannot Exist! Grandeur of Ideas is founded on Precision of Ideas
[P 54] The Moderns are not less convinced than the Ancients of this superior power [i.e. something beyond mere imitation] existing in the art; nor less sensible of its effects. <I wish that this was True>
[P 55, an introductory remark by Blake:]
Now he begins to Degrade [\&] to Deny [destroy] \& <to> Mock

Such is the warmth with which both the Ancients and Moderns speak of this divine principle of the art; ...
And such is the Coldness with which Reynolds speaks! And such is his Enmity
. . . enthusiastick admiration seldom promotes knowledge.
Enthusiastic Admiration is the first Principle of Knowledge \& its last

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He examines his own mind, and perceives there nothing of . . . divine inspiration, . . .
The Man who on Examining his own Mind finds nothing of Inspiration ought not to dare to be an Artist he is a Fool. \& a Cunning Knave suited to the Purposes of Evil Demons
[P 56] [He never] travelled to heaven to gather new ideas; . . . The Man who never in his Mind \& Thoughts traveld to Heaven Is No Artist
. . . no other qualifications than what . . . a plain understanding can confer.
Artists who are above a plain Understanding are Mockd \& Destroyd by this President of Fools
... figurative declamation [makes art seem] out of the reach of human industry. But . . . we ought to distinguish how much is to be given to enthusiasm, and how much to reason . . . not . . . vague admiration,
It is Evident that Reynolds Wishd none but Fools to be in the Arts \& in order to this, he calls all others Vague Enthusiasts or Madmen <What has Reasoning to do with the Art of Painting?>
[P 57] Could we teach taste or genius by rules, they would be no longer taste and genius.
[This must be how Liars Reason]
. . . most people err . . . from not knowing what object to pursue.
The Man who does not know what Object to Pursue is an Idiot

This great ideal perfection and beauty are not to be sought in the heavens, but upon the earth.
A Lie

They are about us, and upon every side of us. A Lie

But the power of discovering . . . can be acquired only by

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experience; . . .
A Lie
[P 58] . . . art [must] get above all singular forms, local customs, particularities, and details of every kind.
A Folly
Singular \& Particular Detail is the Foundation of the Sublime

The most beautiful forms have something about them like weakness, minuteness, or imperfection.
Minuteness is their whole Beauty
[P 59] This idea [acquired by habit of observing] . . . which the Artist calls the Ideal Beauty, is the great leading principle. . . .
Knowledge of Ideal Beauty. is Not to be Acquired It is Born with us Innate Ideas. are in Every Man Born with him. they are <truly> Himself. The Man who says that we have No Innate Ideas must be a Fool \& Knave. Having No Con-Science <or Innate Science>
[P 60] . . . an artist becomes possessed of the idea of that central form . . . from which every deviation is deformity. One Central Form Composed of all other Forms being Granted it does not therefore follow that all other Forms are Deformity
. . . the ancient sculptors . . . being indefatigable in the school of nature, have left models of that perfect form. . .

All Forms are Perfect in the Poets Mind. but these are not Abstracted nor Compounded from Nature <but are from Imagination>
[P 61] [Even the] great Bacon treats with ridicule the idea of confining proportion to rules, or of producing beauty by selection.
The Great Bacon he is Calld I call him the Little Bacon ${ }^{\text {tl481 }}$ says that Every Thing must be done by Experiment his first princip[le] is Unbelief And Yet here he says that Art must be producd Without such Method. He is Like $\mathrm{S}^{r}$ Joshu[a] full of Self-Contradiction \& Knavery

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There is a rule, obtained out of general nature. . . .
What is General Nature is there Such a Thing what is General Knowledge is there such a Thing [Strictly Speaking] All Knowledge is Particular
[P 62] . . it may be objected, that in every particular species there are various central forms . . . .
Here he loses sight of A Central Form. \& Gets into Many Central Forms
[P63] . . . still none of them is the representation of an individual, but of a class.
Every Class is Individual
. . . . in each of these classes. . . . childhood and age. . . there is a common form. . . .
There is no End to the Follies of this Man Childhood \& Age are Equally, belonging to Every Class
. . . that form which is taken from them all, and which partakes equally of the activity of the Gladiator, of the delicacy of the Apollo, and. . . .
Here he comes again to his Central Form
[P 64] There is . . . a kind of symmetry, or proportion, which may properly be said to belong to deformity. A figure lean or corpulent . . . though deviating from beauty. . . .
The Symmetry of Deformity is a Pretty Foolery
Can any Man who Thinks. [argue] <Talk> so? Leanness or Fatness is not Deformity. but Reynolds thought Character Itself Extravagance \& Deformity Age \& Youth are not Classes but [Accidents] [<Situations>] <Properties> of Each Class so are Leanness \& Fatness
[P 65] . . . when [the Artist] has reduced the variety of nature to the abstract idea;
What Folly
his next task will be to become acquainted with the genuine

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habits of nature, as distinguished from those of fashion.
[Is Fashion the concern of Artists The Knave Calls any thing found in Nature ${ }^{t 1482}$ fit for Art]
[P 67] . . . [the painter] must divest himself of all prejudices . . . disregard all local and temporary ornaments, and look only on those general habits. . . .
Generalizing in Every thing the Man would soon be a Fool but a Cunning Fool
[P71] . . a a wrong direction . . . without ever knowing there was a nobler to pursue. Albert Durer, as Vasari has justly remarked,
[Albert Durer would never have got his Manners from the Nobility] ${ }^{\text {t1483 }}$
would, probably, have been one of the first painters of his age, (and he lived in all era of great artists,) had he been initiated into those great principles. . . .
What does this mean "Would have been" one of thefirst
Painters of his Age? Albert Durer IsNot would
have been! Besides. let them look at Gothic Figures \& Gothic Buildings, \& not talk of Dark Ages or of Any Age! Ages are All Equal. But Genius is Always Above The Age
[P 74] I [do not mean] to countenance a careless or indetermined manner of painting. For though the painter is to overlook the accidental discriminations of nature, Here he is for Determinate \& yet for Indeterminate
he is to exhibit [general forms] distinctly, and with precision, . . .
Distinct General Form Cannot Exist Distinctness is Particular Not General
[P 75] A firm and determined outline is one of the characteristics of the great style in painting; and . . . he who possesses the knowledge of the exact form which every part of nature ought to have, will be fond of expressing that knowledge with correctness and precision in all his works.
A Noble Sentence
Here is a Sentence Which overthrows all his Book

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. . . I have endeavoured to reduce the idea of beauty to general principles: . . . the only means of advancing science; of clearing the mind...
[Sir Joshua Proves that] Bacons Philosophy makes both Statesmen \& Artists Fools \& Knaves

## DISCOURSE IV

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The <Two> Following Discourse<s> $[i s]$ <are> Particularly Calculated for the Setting Ignorant \& Vulgar Artists as Models of Execution in Art. Let him who will, follow such advice I will not. I know that The Mans Execution is as his Conception \& No better
[P79] The value and rank of every art is in proportion to the mental labour employed in it, or the mental pleasure produced by it.
Why does he not always allow This
[P 80] [The principle of] leaving out particularities, and retaining only general ideas . . . extends itself to every part of the Art. . . .
General Ideas <again>

Invention in Painting does not imply the invention of the subject; for that is commonly supplied by the Poet or Historian.
All but Names of Persons \& Places is Invention both in Poetry \& Painting
[P 82] . . . the . . . most dangerous error is on the side of minuteness; . . .
<Here is Nonsense!>
[P 83] All smaller things, however perfect in their way, are to be sacrificed without mercy to the greater. <Sacrifice the Parts. What becomes of the Whole>

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Even in portraits, the grace, and . . . the likeness, consists more in taking the general air, than in observing the exact similitude of every feature.
How Ignorant
[P 86] A painter of portraits retains the individual likeness; a painter of history shews the man by shewing his actions.
<If he does not shew the Man as well as the Action he is a poor Artist>
[P 87] . . . be well studied in the analysis of those circumstances, which constitute dignity of appearance in real life.
<Here he allows an Analysis of Circumstances>

Those expressions alone should be given to the figures which their respective situations generally produce. [Nonsense]
[P 89] . . . the distinct blue, red, and yellow . . . in the draperies of the Roman and Florentine schools . . . effect of grandeur. . . . Perhaps these distinct colours strike the mind more forcibly, from there not being any great union between them;

These are Fine \& just Notions Why does he not always allow as much
[P 90] . . . the historical Painter never enters into the detail of colours [nor] does he debase his conceptions with minute attention to the discriminations of Drapery. Excellent Remarks

Carlo Maratti [thought] that the disposition of drapery was a more difficult art than even that of drawing the human figure;

I do not believe that Carlo Maratti thought so or that any body can think so. the Drapery is formed alone by the Shape of the Naked
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[P 92] . . . the Venetians . . . accomplished perfectly tile thing they attempted. But as mere elegance is their principal object, . . .
They accomplishd Nothing <As to Elegance they have not a Spark>
[P 93] To this question [why Veronese had put his principal figure in shade-Reynolds answers that he was] an ornamental Painter [whose] intention was solely to produce an effect of light and shadow; . . .
This is not a Satisfactory Answer
To produce an Effect of True Light \& Shadow [Nothing must be sacrificd

Light \& Shadow depends on Distinctness of Form] <is Necessary to the Ornamental Style-- which altogether depends on Distinctness of Form. The Venetian ought not to be calld the Ornamental Style>
[P 94] The language of Painting must indeed be allowed these masters [the Venetians]; . . .
The Language of Painters cannot be allowd them if Reynolds says right at p. 97 he there says that the Venetian Will Not Correspond with the Great Style
<The Greek Gems are in the Same Style as the Greek Statues>
[P 95] Such as suppose that the great style might happily be blended with the ornamental, that the simple, grave and majestick dignity of Raffaelle could unite with the glow and bustle of a Paolo, or Tintoret, are totally mistaken.
What can be better Said, on this Subject? but Reynolds contradicts what he says Continually He makes little Concessions, that he may take Great Advantages
[P 97] And though in [colouring] the Venetians must be allowed extraordinary skill, yet even that skill, as they have employed it, will but ill correspond with the great style. <Somebody Else wrote this page for Reynolds I think that Barry or Fuseli wrote it or [said] <dictated> it>
[P 98] . . . Michael Angelo [thought] that the principal attention of the Venetian painters [was to] the study of

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colours, to the neglect of the IDEAL BEAUTY OF FORM,. . . . Venetian Attention is to a Contempt \& Neglect of Form Itself \& to the Destruction of all Form or Outline <Purposely \& Intentionally>
But if general censure was given to that school from the sight of a picture of Titian. . . .
As if Mich. Ang. had seen but One Picture of Titians
Mich. Ang. Knew \& Despised all that Titian could do

## <On the Venetian Painter

He makes the Lame to walk we all agree
But then he strives to blind those who can see. >
[P 99]
<If the Venetians Outline was Right his Shadows would destroy it \& deform its appearance
A Pair of Stays to mend the Shape
Of crooked Humpy Woman:
Put on O Venus! now thou art, Quite a Venetian Roman.>
[P 100] . . . there is a sort of senatorial dignity about [Titian] . . .
<Titian as well as the other Venetians so far from
Senatorial Dignity appears to me to give always the Characters of
Vulgar Stupidity>
Why should Titian \& The Venetians be Named in a discourse on Art
Such Idiots are not Artists
<Venetian; all thy Colouring is no more
Than Boulsterd Plasters on a Crooked Whore.>
[ P 101] The Venetian is indeed the most splendid of the schools of elegance; ...
<Vulgarity \& not Elegance--The Word Elegance ought to be applied to Forms. not to Colours>
[P 102] . . elaborate harmony Of colouring, a brilliancy of tints, a soft and gradual transition from one to another, . .
<Broken Colours \& Broken Lines \& Broken Masses are Equally Subversive of the Sublime>

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Such excellence . . . is weak . . . when the work aspires to grandeur and sublimity.
Well Said <Enough>
[P 103] But it must be allowed in favour of the Venetians, that [Rubens] was more gross than they. . . .
<How can that be calld the Ornamental Style of which Gross
Vulgarity forms the Principal Excellence>
[P 104] Some inferior dexterity, some extraordinary mechanical power is apparently that from which [the Dutch school] seek distinction.
<The Words Mechanical Power should not be thus Prostituted>
[P 106] An History-painter paints mall in general; a Portrait- painter, a particular man, A History Painter Paints The Hero, \& not Man in General. but most minutely in Particular
[P 109] Thus . . . a portrait-painter leaves out all the minute breaks and peculiarities in the face. . . . Folly! Of what consequence is it to the Arts what a Portrait Painter does
[P 110] . . . the composite style, . . . Correggio. . . . modern grace and elegance, . .
There is No Such < a > Thing as A Composite Style
[P 111] The errors of genius, however, are pardonable. . .
<Genius has no Error it is Ignorance that is Error>
[P 112] On the whole . . . one presiding principle. . . .
The works . . . built upon general nature, live for ever; . .
<All Equivocation \& Self-Contradiction>

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Gainsborough told a Gentleman of Rank \& Fortune that the Worst Painters always chose the Grandest Subjects. I desired the Gentleman to Set Gainsborough about one of Rafaels Grandest Subjects Namely Christ delivering the Keys to $S^{t}$ Peter. \& he would find that in Gainsboroughs hands it would be a Vulgar Subject of Poor Fishermen \& a Journeyman Carpenter The following Discourse is written with the same End in View. that Gainsborough had in making the Above assertion Namely To Represent Vulgar Artists as the Models of Executive Merit
[P 116] That which is most worthy of esteem in its allotted sphere, becomes an object . . . of derision, when it is forced into a higher, to which it is not suited; . . .
Concessions to Truth for the sake of Oversetting Truth
. . . keep your principal attention fixed upon the higher excellencies. . . . you may be very imperfect; but still, you are an imperfect artist of the highest order.
[Caesar said hed rather be the (first in) a Village (than) second in Rome was not Caesar(a) Dutch Painter] ${ }^{\text {t1484 }}$
[P 117-118] . . . to preserve the most perfect beauty IN ITS MOST PERFECT STATE, you cannot express the passions, all of which produce distortion and deformity, more or less, in the most beautiful faces.
What Nonsense
Passion \& Expression is Beauty Itself--The Face that is Incapable of Passion \& Expression is Deformity Itself Let it be Painted <\& Patchd> \& Praised \& Advertised for Ever <it will only be admired by Fools>
[P 119] . . . pictures of Raffaelle, where the Criticks have described their own imaginations;
If Reynolds could not see. variety of Character in Rafael Others Can

We can easily . . . suppose a Jupiter to be possessed of all . . . powers and perfections. Yet [in art the ancients] confined his character to majesty alone.
False
The Ancients were chiefly attentive to Complicated \& Minute

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Pliny . . . wrong when he speaks of . . . [P 120] three different characters [in one statue].
Reynolds cannot bear Expression

A statue in which you endeavour to unite . . . dignity . . . elegance . . . valour, must surely possess none of these. . .

Why not? <O Poverty!>

The summit of excellence seems to be an assemblage of contrary qualities, . . . such . . . that no one part is found to counteract the other.
A Fine Jumble
[P 121] If any man shall be master of . . . highest . . . lowest, flights of art, . . . he is fitter to give example than to receive instruction. <Mocks>
[P 123] . . FRESCO, a mode of painting which excludes attention to minute elegancies: . . .
This is False
Fresco Painting is the Most Minute <Fresco Painting is Like Miniature Painting; a Wall is a Large Ivory>
[P 124] Raffaelle . . . foremost [for] his excellence in the higher parts. . . . His easel-works . . . lower . . . never arrived at . . . perfection. . . .
Folly \& Falshood. The Man who can say that Rafael knew not the smaller beauties of the Art ought to be Contemnd \& I accordingly hold Reynolds in Contempt for this Sentence in particular
[ P 125] When he painted in oil, his hand seemed to be so cramped and confined, . . .
Rafael did as he Pleased. He who does not admire Rafaels Execution does not Even See Rafael

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I have no desire to degrade Raffaelle from the high rank. . .
A Lie
[P 126] . . . Michael Angelo . . . did not possess so many excellencies as Raffaelle, but. . . .
According to Reynolds Mich Angelo was worse still \& Knew
Nothing at all about Art as an object of Imitation
Can any Man be such a fool as to believe that Rafael \& Michael Angelo were Incapable of the meer Language of Art \& That Such Idiots as Rubens. Correggio \& Titian Knew how to Execute what they could not Think or Invent

He never attempted those lesser elegancies and graces in the art. Vasari says, he never painted but one picture in oil, and resolved never to paint another.
Damnd Fool ${ }^{t 1485}$

If any man had a right to look down . . . it was certainly Michael Angelo; . . .
O. Yes!
[P 127] . . . together with these [graces and embellishments], which we wish he had more attended to, he has rejected all the false . . . ornaments, . . .
Here is another Contradiction If. Mich Ang. Neglected any thing. that <Titian or> Veronese did: He Rejected it. for Good Reasons. $\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Joshua in other Places owns that the Venetian Cannot Mix with the Roman or Florentine What then does he Mean when he says that Mich. Ang. \& Rafael were not worthy of Imitation in the Lower parts of Art
[P 128] . . Raffaelle had more Taste and Fancy, Michael Angelo more Genius and imagination. <What Nonsense>
[P 129] [Michael Angelo] never needed . . . help. [Raffaelle had] propriety, beauty, and majesty . . . judicious contrivance . . . correctness of Drawing, purity of Taste, . .
If all this is True Why does not Reynolds recommend The Study of Rafael \& Mich: Angelos Execution at page 97 he allows that the Venetian Style will Ill correspond with the Great Style

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[P 131] Such is the great style, . . . [in it] search after novelty . . . has no place.
<The Great Style is always Novel or New in all its Operations>

But there is another style . . . inferior. . . . the original or characteristical style, . . .
<Original \& Characteristical are the Two Grand Merits of the Great Style Why should these words be applied to such a Wretch as Salvator Rosa>
[P 132] . . . Salvator Rosa. . . . a peculiar cast of nature . . . though void of all grace, . . .
Salvator Rosa was precisely what he Pretended Not to be. His Pictures. are high Labourd pretensions to Expeditious Workmanship. He was the Quack Doctor of Painting His Roughnesses \& Smoothnesses. are the Production of Labour \& Trick. As to Imagination he was totally without Any.
[P 133] . . . yet . . . that sort of dignity which belongs to savage and uncultivated nature: . . .
Savages are [Fribbles \& Fops] <Fops \& Fribbles> more than any other Men

Every thing is of a piece: his Rocks, Trees, Sky, even to his handling, . . .
Handling is All that he has. \& we all know this Handling is Labour \& Trick <Salvator Rosa employd Journeymen>
[P 134] . . . Rubens . . . a remarkable instance of the same mind being seen in all the various parts of the art. The whole is so much of a piece, ...
All Rubens's Pictures are Painted by journeymen \& so far from being all of a Piece. are The most wretched Bungles
[ P 135] His Colouring, in which he is eminently skilled, is . . . too much . . . tinted.
<To My Eye Rubens's Colouring is most Contemptible His Shadows are of a Filthy Brown somewhat of the Colour of Excrement these are filld with tints \& messes of yellow \& red His lights

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are all the Colours of the Rainbow laid on Indiscriminately \& broken one into another. Altogether his Colouring is Contrary to The Colouring. of Real Art \& Science>

Opposed to this . . . [is the] correct style of Poussin. . .
<Opposed to Rubenss Colouring Sr Joshua has placd Poussin but he ought to put All Men of Genius who ever Painted. Rubens \& the Venetians are Opposite in every thing to True Art \& they Meant to be so they were hired for this Purpose>
[P 137] [Poussin's later pictures] softer and richer, . . . [but not] at all comparable to many in his [early] dry manner which we have in England.
<True>

The favourite subjects of Poussin were Ancient Fables; and no painter was ever better qualified <True>
[P 138] Poussin seemed to think that the style and the language [should preserve] some relish of the old way of painting, . .
<True>
[P 139] . . if the Figures . . . had a modern air . . . how ridiculous would Apollo appear instead of the Sun; . .
<These remarks on Poussin are Excellent>
[P 141] . . . the lowest style will be the most popular . . . ignorance...
<Well said>
[P 142] . . . our Exhibitions . . . a mischievous tendency, ... seducing the Painter to an ambition of pleasing indiscriminately the mixed multitude. . . .
<Why then does he talk in other places of pleasing Every body>

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When a Man talks of Acquiring Invention \& of learning how to produce Original Conception he must expect to be calld a Fool <by Men of Understanding but such a Hired Knave cares not for the Few. His Eye is on the Many. or rather on the Money>
[P 147] Those who have [written of art as inspiration are better receive] than he who attempts to examine, coldly, whether there are any means by which this art may be acquired. . . .
<Bacons Philosophy has Destroyd all Art \& Science> The Man who that the Genius is not Born. but Taught.--Is a Knave It is very natural for those. . . . who have never observed the gradation by which art is acquired . . . to conclude . . . that it is not only inaccessible to themselves. <O Reader behold the Philosophers Grave. He was born quite a Fool: but he died quite a Knave>
[P 149] It would be no wonder if a student . . . should . . . consider it as hopeless, to set about acquiring by the imitation of any human master, what he is taught to suppose is matter of inspiration from heaven. <How ridiculous it would be to see the Sheep Endeavouring to walk like the Dog, or the Ox striving to trot like the Horse just as Ridiculous it is see One Man Striving to Imitate Another Man varies from Man more than Animal from Animal of Different Species>
[P 152] . . . DEGREE Of excellence [of] GENIUS is different, in different times and different places <Never!>
and what shews it to be so is, that mankind have often changed their opinion upon this matter.
Never!
[P 153] . . . if genius is not taken for inspiration, but as the effect of close observation experience. <Damnd Fool>

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[P 154] . . . as . . . art shall advance, its powers will be still more and more fixed by rules. <If Art was Progressive We should have had Mich Angelo's \& Rafaels to Succeed \& to Improve upon each other But it is not so. Genius dies Possessor \& comes not again till Another is Born with It>
[155] . . . even works of Genius, like every other effect, . . . must have their cause, . . .
<Identities or Things are Neither Cause nor Effect They are Eternal>
[P 157] . . . our minds should . . . continue a settled intercourse with all the true examples of grandeur. <Reynolds Thinks that Man Learns all that he Knows I say on the Contrary That Man Brings All that he has or Can have Into the World with him. Man is Born Like a Garden ready Planted \& Sown This World is too poor to produce one Seed>

The mind is but a barren soil; a soil which is soon exhausted, and will produce no crop, . . .
<The Mind that could have produced this Sentence must have been Pitiful a Pitiable Imbecillity. I always thought that the Human Mind was the most Prolific of All Things \& Inexhaustible <I certainly do Thank God that I am not like Reynolds>>
[P 158] . . . or only one, unless it be continually fertilized and enriched with foreign matter.
Nonsense
[P 159] Nothing can come of nothing. <Is the Mind Nothing?>
. . . Michael Angelo, and Raffaelle, were . . . possessed of all the knowledge in the art . . . of their predecessors.
If so. they knew all that Titian \& Correggio knew Correggio was two Years older than Mich. Angelo Correggio born <1472> Mich Angelo [on] <born 1474>
[P 161] . . any endeavour to copy the exact peculiar

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colour . . . of another man's mind . . . must always be . . .
ridiculous. . . .
<Why then Imitate at all?>
[P 163] Art in its perfection is not ostentatious; it lies hid, and works its effect, itself unseen.
<This is a Very Clever Sentence who wrote it God knows>
[P 165] Peculiar marks . . . generally . . . defects; . .
Peculiar Marks. are the Only Merit

Peculiarities . . . so many blemishes; which, however, both in real life, and in painting, cease to appear deformities, ... Infernal Falshood
[P 166] Even the great name of Michael Angelo may be used, to keep in countenance a deficiency . . . of colouring, and every [other ornamental part] No Man who can see Michael Angelo. can say that he wants either Colouring or Ornamental parts of Art. in the highest degree. for he has Every [perquisite] <Thing> of Both [ $O$ what Wisdom \& Learning ?adorn his Superiority--]
[P 167] . . . these defects . . . have a right to our pardon, but not to our admiration.
He who Admires Rafael Must admire Rafaels Execution He who does not admire Rafaels Execution Cannot Admire Rafael
[P 172] . . . a want which cannot be completely supplied; that is, want of strength of parts.
A Confession
[P 176] . . very finished artists in the inferior branches....
This Sentence is to Introduce another in Condemnation \& Contempt of Alb. Durer

The works of Albert Durer . . . afford a rich mass of genuine materials, which wrought up and polished, . . .
A Polishd Villain <who Robs \& Murders>

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[P 177] Though Coypel wanted a simplicity of taste, . . .
[O Yes Coypel indeed]
[P 178] The greatest style . . . would receive "an additional grace by . . . precision of pencil. . . .
What does Precision of Pencil mean? If it does not mean Outline it means Nothing
[P 179] [Jan Steen if taught by Michael Angelo and Raffaelle] would have ranged with the great. . . . Jan Stein was a Boor \& neither Rafael nor Mich Ang. could have made him any better
[P 180] Men who although . . . bound down by . . . early habits, have still exerted. . . .
He who Can be bound down is No Genius Genius cannot be Bound it may be Renderd Indignant \& Outrageous ${ }^{\text {tl486 }}$
"Opression makes the Wise Man Mad"
Solomon

## DISCOURSE VII

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<The Purpose of the following Discourse is to Prove That Taste \& Genius are not of Heavenly Origin \& that all who have Supposed that they Are so. Are to be Considerd as Weak headed Fanatics
The obligations Reynolds has laid on Bad Artists of all Classes will at all times make them his Admirers but most especially for this Discourse in which it is proved that the Stupid are born with Faculties Equal to other Men Only they have not Cultivated them because they thought it not worth the trouble>
[P 194] . . obscurity . . . is one source of the sublime. <Obscurity is Neither the Source of the Sublime nor of Any Thing Else>
[That] liberty of imagination is cramped by . . . rules; . . . smothered . . . by too much judgment; . . . [are] notions not

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only groundless, but pernicious.
<The Ancients \& the wisest of the Moderns were of the opinion that Reynolds Condemns \& laughs at>
[P 195] . . . scarce a poet is to be found, . . . whose latter works are not as replete with . . . imagination, as those [of] his more youthful days. <As Replete but Not More Replete>

To understand literally these metaphors . . . seems . . . absurd. . . .
<The Ancients did not mean to Impose when they affirmd their belief in Vision \& Revelation Plato was in Earnest. Milton was in Earnest. They believd that God did Visit Man Really \& Truly \& not as Reynolds pretends
[P 196] [idea absurd that a winged genius] did really inform him in a whisper what he was to write; . . .
How very Anxious Reynolds is to Disprove \& Contemn Spiritual Perception
[P 197] It is supposed that . . . under the name of genius great works are produced. . . . without our being under the least obligation to reason, precept, or experience. <Who Ever said this>
... scarce state these opinions without exposing their absurdity; yet . . . constantly in the mouths of . . . artists.
<He states Absurdities in Company with Truths \& calls both Absurd>
[P 198] . . prevalent opinion . . . considers the principles of taste . . as having less solid foundations, than . . . they really have. . . . [and imagines taste of too high origin] to submit to the authority of all earthly tribunal. <The Artifice of the Epicurean Philosophers is to Call all other Opinions Unsolid \& Unsubstantial than those which are Derived from Earth>

We often appear to differ in sentiments . . . merely from

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the inaccuracy of terms, . . .
It is not in Terms that Reynolds \& I disagree Two Contrary Opinions can never by any Language be made alike. I say Taste \& Genius are Not Teachable or Acquirable but are born with us Reynolds says the Contrary
[P 199] . . . take words as we find them; . . . distinguish the THINGS to which they are applied. <This is False the Fault is not in Words. but in Things Lockes Opinions of Words \& their Fallaciousness are Artful Opinions \& Fallacious also>
[P 200] It is the very same taste which relishes a demonstration in geometry, that is pleased with the resemblance of a picture to an original, and touched with the harmony of musick.
<Demonstration Similitude \& Harmony are Objects of Reasoning Invention Identity \& Melody are Objects of Intuition>
[P 201] . . . as true as mathematical demonstration; . .
<God forbid that Truth should be Confined to Mathematical Demonstration >

But beside real, there is also apparent truth, . . . <He who does not Know Truth at Sight is unworthy of Her Notice>
. . . taste . . . approaches . . . a sort of resemblance to real science, even where opinions are . . . no better than prejudices. <Here is a great deal to do to Prove that All Truth is Prejudice for All that is Valuable in Knowledge[s] is Superior to Demonstrative Science such as is Weighed or Measured>
[P 202] As these prejudices become more narrow, . . . this secondary taste becomes more and more fantastical; . . . <And so he thinks he has proved that Genius \& Inspiration are All a Hum>
... I shall [now] proceed with less method, . . .

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<He calls the Above proceeding with Method>

We will take it for granted, that reason is something invariable...
<Reason or A Ratio of All We have Known is not the Same it shall be when we know More. ${ }^{t 1487}$ be therefore takes a Falshood for granted to set out with>
[P 203] [Whatever of taste we can] fairly bring under the dominion of reason, must be considered as equally exempt from change.
<Now this is Supreme Fooling>

The arts would lie open for ever to caprice . . . if those who . . . judge had no settled principles. . . . <He may as well say that if Man does not. lay down settled Principles. The Sun will not rise in a Morning>
[P 204] My notion of nature comprehends . . . also the . . . human mind and imagination.
<Here is a Plain Confession that he Thinks Mind \& Imagination not to be above the Mortal \& Perishing Nature. Such is the End of Epicurean or Newtonian Philosophy it is Atheism>
[P 208] [Poussin's Perseus and Medusa's head] . . . I remember turning from it with disgust, . . .
<Reynolds's Eye. could not bear Characteristic Colouring or Light \& Shade>

A picture should please at first sight, . . .
Please! Whom? Some Men Cannot See a Picture except in a Dark Corner
[P 209] No one can deny, that violent passions will naturally emit harsh and disagreeable tones: . . .
Violent Passions Emit the Real Good \& Perfect Tones
[P 214] . . Rubens . . . thinking it necessary to make his work so very ornamental, ...
<Here it is calld Ornamental that the Roman \& Bolognian Schools may be Insinuated not to be Ornamental>

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[P 215] Nobody will dispute but some of the best of the Roman or Bolognian schools would have produced a more learned and more noble work [than that of Rubens].
<Learned \& Noble is Ornamental>
... weighing the value of the different classes of the art, ...
<A Fools Balance is no Criterion because tho it goes down on the heaviest side we ought to look what he puts into it. >
[ P 228 ] Thus it is the ornaments, rather than the proportions of architecture, which at the first glance distinguish the different orders from each other; the Dorick is known by its triglyphs, the Ionick by its volutes, and the Corinthian by its acanthus.
[He could not tell Ionick from the Corinthian or Dorick or one column from another].
[P 232] [European meeting Cherokee Indian . . . which ever first feels himself provoked to laugh, is the barbarian. <Excellent>
[P 242] [In the highest] flights of . . . imagination, reason ought to preside from first to last, . . . <If this is True it is a Devilish Foolish Thing to be An Artist>

## DISCOURSE VIII

## [P 244, back of title]

<Burke's Treatise on the Sublime \& Beautiful is founded on the Opinions of Newton \& Locke on this Treatise Reynolds has grounded many of his assertions. in all his Discourses I read Burkes Treatise when very Young at the same time I read Locke on Human Understanding \& Bacons Advancement of Learning on Every one of these Books I wrote my Opinions \& on looking them over find that my Notes on Reynolds in this Book are exactly Similar. I felt the Same Contempt \& Abhorrence then; that I do now. They mock Inspiration \& Vision Inspiration \& Vision was then \& now is \& I hope will

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always Remain my Element my Eternal Dwelling place. how can I then hear it Contemnd without returning Scorn for Scorn-->

## [P 245] THE PRINCIPLES OF ART . . . IN THEIR EXCESS BECOME DEFECTS. . . . <br> <Principles according to $\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Joshua become Defects>

. . . form an idea of perfection from the . . . various schools....
In another Discourse he says that we cannot Mix the Florentine \& Venetian
[P 251] [Rembrandt] often . . . exhibits little more than one spot of light in the midst of a large quantity of shadow: . .
. Poussin . . . has scarce any principal mass of light. . .
Rembrandt was a Generalizer Poussin was a Particularizer Poussin knew better tha[n] to make all his Pictures have the same light \& shadow any fool may concentrate a light in the Middle
[P 256] . . . Titian, where dignity . . . has the appearance of an unalienable adjunct; . . .
Dignity an Adjunct
[P 260] [Young artist made vain by] certain animating words, of Spirit, Dignity, Energy, Grace, greatness of Style, and brilliancy of Tints, . . .
Mocks
[P 262] But this kind of barbarous simplicity, would be better named Penury, . . .
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[The ancients'] simplicity was the offspring, not of choice, but necessity.
A Lie
[Painters who] ran into the contrary extreme [should] deal

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out their abundance with a more sparing hand, ... Abundance of Stupidity
[P 264] . . . the painter must add grace to strength, if he desires to secure the first impression in his favour.
If you Endeavour to Please the Worst you will never Please the Best To please All Is Impossible
[P 266] [Raffaelle's St Paul preaching at Athens] . . . add contrast, and the whole energy and unaffected grace of the figure is destroyed.
Well Said
[ P 267] It is given as a rule by Fresnoy, That the principle figure . . . must appear . . . under the principal light, . . . What a Devil of a Rule
[P 272] . . . bad pictures will instruct as well as good.
Bad Pictures are always $\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{r}}$ Joshuas Friends
[Rules of colouring of the] Venetian painters, . . .
Colouring formed upon these Principles is destructive of All Art because it takes away the possibility of Variety \& only promotes Harmony or Blending of Colours one into another
[P 274] . . . harmony of colouring was not [attended to by Poussin]
Such Harmony of Colouring is destructive of Art One Species of General Hue over all is the Cursed Thing calld Harmony it is like the Smile of a Fool
[P 275] The illuminated parts of objects are in nature of a warmer tint than those that are in the shade: . . .
Shade is always Cold \& never as in Rubens \& the Colourists Hot \& Yellowy Brown
[P 277] . . . fulness of manner . . . Correggio . . .
Rembrandt. . . . by melting and losing the shadows in a ground still darker. . . .

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All This is Destructive of Art
[P 279] . . must depart from nature for a greater advantage. [Cannot paint moon as relatively bright as in nature.]
<These are Excellent Remarks on Proportional Colour>
[P 281] [Rembrandt made head too dark to preserve contrast with bright armour, but] it is necessary that the work should be seen, not only without difficulty . . . but with pleasure. . .

If the Picture ought to be seen with Ease surely The Nobler parts of the Picture such as the Heads ought to be Principal but this Never is the Case except in the Roman \& Florentine Schools Note I Include the Germans in the Florentine School
[P 284] From a slight undetermined drawing . . . the imagination supplies more than the painter himself, probably, could produce; . . .
What Falshood
[P 285] . . . indispensable rule . . . that everything shall be carefully and distinctly expressed. . . . This is what with us is called Science, and Learning;
Excellent \& Contrary to his usual Opinions
[P 286] Falconet . . . thinks meanly of this trick of concealing, ...
<I am of Falconets opinion>

## Annotations to Spurzheim's Observations on Insanity ${ }^{\text {t1488 }}$

London, 1817
[P 106] . . . In children . . . the disturbances of the organization appear merely as organic diseases, because the functions are entirely suppressed.
Corporeal disease. to which I readily agree. Diseases of the mind I pity him. Denies mental health and perfection
Stick to this all is right. But see page 152

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[P 152] As the functions depend on the organization, disturbed functions will derange the organization, and one deranged cerebral part will have an influence on others, and so arises insanity. . . . Whatever occupies the mind too intensely or exclusively is hurtful to the brain, and induces a state favourable to insanity, in diminishing the influence of will.
[P 154] Religion is another fertile cause of insanity. Mr. Haslam, though he declares it sinful to consider religion as a cause of insanity, adds, however, that he would be ungrateful, did he not avow his obligation to Methodism for its supply of numerous cases. Hence the primitive feelings of religion may be misled and produce insanity; that is what I would contend for, and in that sense religion often leads to insanity. Methodism \&/c p. 154. Cowper came to me \& said. O that I were insane always I will never rest. Can you not make me truly insane. I will never rest till I am so. O that in the bosom of God I was hid. You retain health \& yet are as mad as any of us all--over us all--mad as a refuge from unbelief--from Bacon Newton \& Locke

Annotations to Berkeley's Siris ${ }^{\text {t1489 }}$

Dublin, 1744
[P 203] God knoweth all things, as pure mind or intellect, but nothing by sense, nor in nor through a sensory. Therefore to suppose a sensory of any kind, whether space or any other, in God would be very wrong, and lead us into false conceptions of his nature.
Imagination or the Human Eternal Body in Every Man
[P 204] But in respect of a perfect spirit, there is nothing hard or impenetrable: there is no resistance to the deity. Nor hath he any Body: Nor is the supreme being united to the world, as the soul of an animal is to its body, which necessarily implieth defect, both as an instrument and as a constant weight and impediment.
Imagination or the Divine Body in Every Man
[P 205] Natural phaenomena are only natural appearances. . . . They and the phantomes that result from those appearances,

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the children: of imagination grafted upon sense, such
for example as pure space, are thought by many the very first in existence and stability, and to embrace and comprehend all beings.
The All in Man The Divine Image or Imagination
The Four Senses are the Four Faces of Man \& the Four Rivers of the Water of Life
[P 212] Plato and Aristotle considered God as abstracted or distinct from the natural world. But the Aegyptians considered God and nature as making one whole, or all things together as making one universe.
They also considerd God as abstracted or distinct from the Imaginative World but Jesus as also Abraham \& David considerd God as a Man in the Spiritual or Imaginative Vision
Jesus considerd Imagination to be the Real Man \& says I will not leave you Orphanned and I will manifest myself to you he says also the Spiritual Body or Angel as little Children always behold the Face of the Heavenly Father
[P 213] The perceptions of sense are gross: but even in the senses there is a difference. Though harmony and proportion are not objects of sense, yet the eye and the ear are organs, which offer to the mind such materials, by means whereof she may apprehend both the one and the other.
Harmony [\&] Proportion are Qualities \& Not Things The Harmony \& Proportion of a Horse are not the same with those of a Bull Every Thing has its
own Harmony \& Proportion Two Inferior Qualities in it For its Reality is Its Imaginative Form
[P 214] By experiments of sense we become acquainted with the lower faculties of the soul; and from them, whether by a gradual evolution or ascent, we arrive at the highest. These become subjects for fancy to work upon. Reason considers and judges of the imaginations. And these acts of reason become new objects to the understanding.
Knowledge is not by deduction but Immediate by Perception or Sense at once Christ addresses himself to the Man not to his Reason Plato did not bring Life \& Immortality to Light Jesus only did this

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[ P 215] There is according to Plato properly no knowledge, but only opinion concerning things sensible and perishing, not because they are naturally abstruse and involved in darkness: but because their nature and existence is uncertain, ever fleeting and changing.
Jesus supposes every Thing to be Evident to the Child \& to the Poor \& Unlearned Such is the Gospel
The Whole Bible is filld with Imaginations \& Visions from End to End \& not with Moral virtues that is the baseness of Plato \& the Greeks \& all Warriors The Moral Virtues are continual Accusers of Sin \& promote Eternal Wars \& Domineering over others
[P 217] Aristotle maketh a threefold distinction of objects according to the three speculative sciences. Physics he supposeth to be conversant about such things as have a principle of motion in themselves, mathematics about things permanent but not abstracted, and theology about being abstracted and immoveable, which distinction may be seen in the ninth book of his metaphysics.
God is not a Mathematical Diagram
[P 218] It is a maxim of the Platonic philosophy, that the soul of man was originally furnished with native inbred notions, and stands in need of sensible occasions, not absolutely for producing them, but only for awakening, rousing or exciting, into act what was already preexistent, dormant, and latent in the soul.
The Natural Body is an Obstruction to the Soul or Spiritual Body
[P 219] . . . Whence, according to Themistius, . . . it may be inferred that all beings are in the soul. For, saith he, the forms are the beings. By the form every thing is what it is. And, he adds, it is the soul that imparteth forms to matter, . .

This is my Opinion but Forms must be apprehended by Sense or the Eye of Imagination Man is All Imagination God is Man \& exists in us \& we in him

PAGE 241 What Jesus came to Remove was the Heathen or Platonic Philosophy which blinds the Eye of Imagination The Real Man

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PREFACE [PAGE viii] The powers requisite for the production of poetry are, first, those of observation and description. . . . whether the things depicted be actually present to the senses, or have a place only in the memory. . . . 2dly, Sensibility, . . .

One Power alone makes a Poet.---Imagination The Divine Vision
[PAGE 1] Poems Referring to the Period of Childhood I see in Wordsworth the Natural Man rising up against the Spiritual Man Continually \& then he is No Poet but a Heathen Philosopher at Enmity against all true Poetry or Inspiration
[PAGE 3] And I could wish my days to be Bound each to each by natural piety.
There is no such Thing as Natural Piety Because The Natural Man is at Enmity with God
[PAGE 43] To H. C. Six Years Old
This is all in the highest degree Imaginative \& equal to any Poet but not Superior I cannot think that Real Poets have any competition None are greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven it is so in Poetry

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Influence of Natural Objects
In calling forth and strengthening the Imagination in Boyhood and early Youth.

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Natural Objects always did \& now do Weaken deaden \& obliterate Imagination in Me Wordsworth must know that what he Writes Valuable is Not to be found in Nature Read Michael Angelos Sonnet vol 2 p. $179{ }^{\text {tl491 }}$
[PAGE 341] Essay, Supplementary to the Preface. I do not know who wrote these Prefaces they are very mischievous \& direct contrary to Wordsworths own Practise
[PAGE 364] From what I saw with my own eyes, I knew that the imagery was spurious. In nature every thing is distinct, yet nothing defined into absolute independant singleness. In Macpherson's work, it is exactly the reverse; every thing (that is not stolen) is in this manner defined, insulated, dislocated, deadened,--yet nothing distinct. It will always be so when words are substituted for things. . . Yet, much as these pretended treasures of antiquity have been admired. . . .
I Believe both Macpherson \& Chatterton, that what they say is Ancient, Is so
[PAGE 365] . . . no Author in the least distinguished, has ventured formally to imitate them-- except the Boy, Chatterton, on their first appearance.
I own myself an admirer of Ossian equally with any other Poet whatever Rowley \& Chatterton also
[PAGE 375, final paragraph] . . . if [the Writer] were not persuaded that the Contents of these Volumes . . . evinced something of the "Vision and the Faculty divine," . . . he would not, if a wish could do it, save them from immediate destruction.
It appears to me as if the last Paragraph beginning With "Is it the result" Was writ by another hand \& mind from the rest of these Prefaces. Perhaps they are the opinions of $\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{G}$ Beaumont a Landscape Painter ${ }^{11492}$ Imagination is the Divine Vision not of The World nor of Man nor from Man as he is a Natural Man but only as he is a Spiritual Man Imagination has nothing to do with Memory

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Blake's notes are in the margins and at the end of a four-page transcript he made in 1826 of the last paragraph of Wordsworth's Preface and the 107 lines there quoted "from the Conclusion of the first Book of the Recluse".
We quote here, from Blake's transcript, only the lines of The Recluse upon which he made comment.
[LINES 31-35]
All strength, all terror, single or in bands
That ever was put forth in personal Form
Jehovah--with his thunder \& the choir
Of shouting Angels \& the empyreal thrones--
I pass them unalarmd. . . .
[Blake, at end of ms ]
Solomon when he Married Pharohs daughter \& became a Convert to the Heathen Mythology Talked exactly in this way of Jehovah as a Very inferior object of Mans Contemplations he also passed him by unalarmd \& was permitted. Jehovah dropped a tear \& followd him by his Spirit into the Abstract void it is called the Divine Mercy Satan dwells in it but Mercy does not dwell in him he knows not to Forgive
W Blake
[LINES 63-68]
How exquisitely the individual Mind (And the progressive powers perhaps no less (Of the whole species) to the external World Is fitted.---\& how exquisitely too, *

Theme this but little heard of among Men The external World is fitted to the Mind. You shall not bring me down to believe such fitting \& fitted I know better \& Please your Lordship

## [LINES 71-82]

--Such grateful haunts forgoing. if I oft
Must turn elsewhere--to travel near the tribes
And fellowships of men, and see ill sights
Of madding passions mutually inflamd
Must hearHumanity infields and groves **
Pipe solitary anguishor must hang
Brooding above the fierce confederate storm
Of Sorrow barricadoed evermore

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Within the walls of cities; may these sounds
Have their authentic comment--that even these Hearing I be not downcast nor forlorn does not this Fit \& is it not Fitting most Exquisitely too but to what not to Mind but to the Vile Body only \& to its Laws of Good \& Evil \& its Enmities against Mind

Annotations to Thornton's
The Lord's Prayer, Newly Translated tl494

London, 1827

Italics do not represent underlining by Blake.

## [TITLE PAGE]

I look upon this as a Most Malignant \& Artful attack upon the Kingdom of Jesus By the Classical Learned thro the Instrumentality of $\mathrm{D}^{r}$ Thornton The Greek \& Roman Classics is the Antichrist I say Is \& not Are as most expressive \& correct too
[PAGE ii] Doctor Johnson on the Bible.
["]The BIBLE is the most difficult book in the world to comprehend, nor can it be understood at all by the unlearned, except through the aid of CRITICAL and EXPLANATORY notes. . . . '
Christ \& his Apostles were Illiterate Men Caiphas Pilate \& Herod were Learned.
The Beauty of the Bible is that the most Ignorant \& Simple
Minds Understand it Best--Was Johnson hired to Pretend to Religious Terrors while he was an Infidel or how was it

LORD BYRON on the Ethics of CHRIST.
". . . What made SOCRATES the greatest of men? His
moral truths--his ethics. What proved JESUS
CHRIST to be the SON OF GOD, HARDLY LESSthan his miracles did? His moral precepts. . . ."
If Morality was Christianity Socrates was The Savior.
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Such things as these depend on the Fashion of the Age

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In a book where all may Read \& |
In a book which all may Read \& \} are Equally Right In a book that all may Read
That Man who \&/c is equally so The Man that \& the Man which

## THE LORD'S PRAYER,

 (Translated from the Greek,) by Dr. Thornton. [The Greek text after the second and third verses is supplied by Blake.]Come let us worship, and bow down, and kneel, before the LORD, OUR MAKER Psalm xcv. O FATHER OF MANKIND, THOU, who dwellest inthe highest of the HEAVENS, Reverenc'd be THY Name <Greek text>

May THY REIGN be, every where, proclaim'd so that THY Will may, be done uponthe
Earth_, as it is in the MANSIONS of HEAVEN: <Greek text>

Grant unto me, and the whole world, day by day, an abundant supply of spiritual and corporeal FOOD:

FORGIVE US OUR TRANSGRESSIONS against THEE, AS WE extend OUR Kindness, and Forgiveness, TO ALL:

O GOD! ABANDON us not, when surrounded, by TRIALS;

[^4]It is the learned that Mouth \& not the Vulgar

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Lawful Bread Bought with Lawful Money \& a Lawful Heaven seen thro a Lawful Telescope by means of Lawful Window Light The Holy Ghost [who] <\& whatever> cannot be Taxed is Unlawful \& Witchcraft.
Spirits are Lawful but not Ghosts especially Royal Gin is Lawful Spirit [real] No Smuggling <real> British Spirit \& Truth
[PAGE 2] Critical and Explanatory Notes.
Give us the Bread that is our due \& Right by taking away
Money or a Price or Tax upon what is Common to all in thy Kingdom
[PAGE 3]
Jesus our Father who art in <thy> Heaven<s> calld by thy
Name the Holy Ghost Thy Kingdom on Earth is Not nor thy Will
done but [?Beelzebub] <[his] <Satans> Will who is the God of this World> The Accuser [Let his Judgment be Forgiveness that he may be cons[u]md in his own Shame] < [His

Judgment] <His Accusation> shall be Forgiveness [and he shall] <that he may> be consumd in his own Shame>
Give [me] <us> This Eternal Day [my] <our>
[Ghostly] <own right>Bread \& take away Money or Debt or Tax <a Value or Price> as we have all things common among us Every Thing has as much right to Eternal Life as God who is the Servant of Man
Leave us not in [?Poverty ?and ?Want] Parsimony <Satans Kingdom> [but deliver] <liberate> us from the Natural Man \& want or Jobs Kingdom
For thine is the Kingdom \& the Power \& the Glory \& not Caesars or Satans Amen.
(Many illegible erasures, partial restorations, and repetitions probably meant to replace one another have been omitted from this transcript.)
[PAGE 5] Dim at best are the conceptions we have of the SUPREME BEING, who, as it were, keeps the human race in suspense, neither discovering, nor hiding HIMSELF; . . .

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[PAGE 6] What is the WILL of GOD we are ordered to obey? . . . Let us consider whose WILL it is. . . . It is the WILL of our MAKER. . . It is finally the WILL. of HIM, who is uncontrolably powerful; . . .
So you See That God is just such a Tyrant as Augustus Caesar \& is not this Good \& Learned \& Wise \& Classical

## [PAGE 9] Reasons for a New Translation of the Whole Bible. <br> The only thing for Newtonian \& Baconian Philosophers to Consider is this Whether Jesus did not suffer himself to be Mockd by Caesars Soldiers Willingly \& [I hope they will] <to>Consider this to all Eternity will be Comment Enough

[PAGE 10, blank]
This is Saying the Lords Prayer Backwards which they say Raises the Devil
Doctor Thorntons <Tory> Translation Translated out of its disguise in the <Classical \& > Scotch language into [plain] <the vulgar> English
Our Father Augustus Caesar who art in these thy <Substantial Astronomical Telescopic> Heavens Holiness to thy Name <or Title \& reverence to thy Shadow> Thy Kingship come upon Earth first \& thence in Heaven Give us day by day our Real Taxed <Substantial Money bought> Bread [\& take] <deliver from the Holy Ghost <so we call Nature> whatever cannot be Taxed> [debt that was owing to him] <for all is debts \& Taxes between Caesar \& us \& one another> lead us not to read the Bible <but let our Bible be Virgil \& Shakspeare > \& deliver us from Poverty in Jesus <that Evil one> For thine is the Kingship <or Allegoric Godship> \& the Power or War \& the Glory or Law Ages after Ages in thy Descendents <for God is only an Allegory of Kings \& nothing Else> Amen
I swear that Basileia <Greek here> is not Kingdom but Kingship I Nature Hermaphroditic Priest \& King Live in Real Substantial Natural Born Man \& that Spirit is the Ghost of Matter or Nature \& God is The Ghost of the Priest \& King who Exist whereas God exists not except from [them] <their Effluvia>

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God Creates nothing but what can be Touchd \& Weighed \& Taxed \& Measured all else is Heresy \& Rebellion against Caesar Virgils Only God See Eclogue i \& for all this we thank D ${ }^{r}$ Thornton Annotation to Cellini(?) t1495
[note said to be in Cennini's Trattato della Pittura (Roma, 1821) but probably in Benvenuto Cellini'sTrattato dell' Oreficeri(1568, 1731, [1795] or 1811)]
[Cellini's 8th chapter tells of a commission from Pope Paul III for a gift for Emperor Charles V. Cellini suggested an allegorical group of "Faith, Hope, and Charity" upholding a crucifix of gold. The Pope was induced to order instead a breviary of the Virgin bound in jeweled gold.] The Pope supposes Nature and the Virgin Mary to be the same allegorical personages, but the Protestant considers Nature as incapable of bearing a child.

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In his watercolor illumination (NT 199) of Night the Fifth, lines 735-36 ("But you are learn'd; in Volumes, deep you sit, / In Wisdom shallow: pompous Ignorance!"), Blake identifies the pictured volumes of pompous ignorance by the following titles on their spines:
PLATO / De / Animae / Immortali/-tate--
Cicero / De Nat: Deor:
Plutarchi / Char: Bk:
Lock / on / human / under


[^0]:    4. Yet helpless it lay like a Worm

    In the trembling womb
    To be moulded into existence

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[^2]:    N-"HesABlockhead"1; E507|
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[^3]:    Annotations to Wordsworth's Preface toThe Excursion, being a portion of The Recluse, A Poe t1493

[^4]:    But PRESERVE us from the Dominion of SATAN: For THINE only, is THE SOVEREIGNTY, THE POWER, and THE GLORY, throughout ETERNITY!!!
    AMEN.
    Men from their childhood have been so accustomed to mouth the LORD'S PRAYER, that they continue this through life, and call it "Saying their Prayers.. . .

