Question Corner.—No. 4.

PRIZE BIBLE QUESTIONS.

10. What was the largest number ever destroyed by pestilence, and why was this pestilence sent?
11. When was a lion the instrument of God's wrath?
12. What army was smitten with blindness?
13. Who was the first restored to life by Christ?
14. Prove that Peter was married?

HOW SHALL THEY ANSWER.

A number of young subscribers have written asking whether they shall send the answers to each set of questions as soon as they find them or whether they should keep them all until the end of the year, and then send them together.

As the answers cannot be examined until the end of the year they may take whichever plan they find the most convenient, but we would strongly advise them to find the answers to each set as soon as possible and send them in at once, as by so doing there will be much less temptation to neglect any of them or to put the search off to "a more convenient season."

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"Having seen the new Prize Bible Questions in last week's *Northern Messenger*, which paper we like very much, we wished to try and answer them. We have only been able to answer three out of the five but thought we would send them and try to do better next time."

This is just the right spirit in which to go to work. Do not hesitate to send a few answers because you cannot find the whole set, any more than at your school examinations you would refuse to give in your paper unless you were sure of its being perfect. In this same spirit too would the *Messenger* have you work in the general *Prize Competition detailed elsewhere on this page.* Remember if each present subscriber to the *Northern Messenger* secures one new one that the circulation will, before the close of this year, amount to NINETY THOUSAND. And in your working be assured of this that the greater number of people you succeed in sending it to the better paper you will have to send. Send us a postal card when you need more sample copies and blank forms and we will send them on at once.

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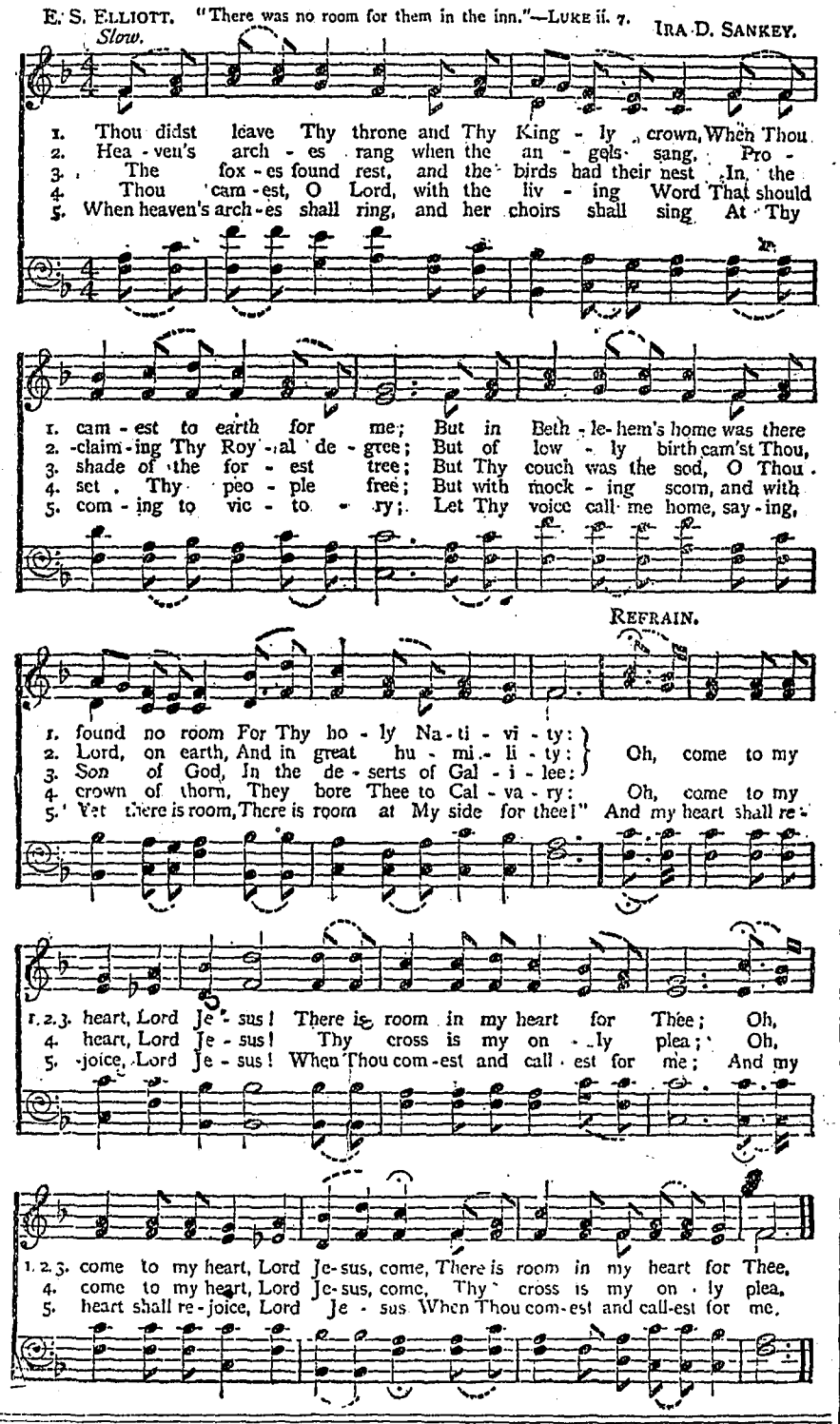
E. S. ELLIOTT. "There was no room for them in the inn."—LUKE ii. 7. IRA D. SANKEY.



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