BENEDICTUS .- ST. LUKE 1. 68.

BLESSED be the Lord | God of | Israel: for he hath visited | and re- | deemed . his | people;

2 And hath raised up a mighty sal-| -vation | for us: in the house | of his | servant | David;

3 As he spake by the mouth of his | holy | Prophets: which have been | since the | world be- | -gan ;

4 That we should be saved | from our | enemies: and from the | hands of | all that hate us:

5 To perform the mercy promised | to our | forefathers: and to re- | member. his | holy | Covenant;

6 To perform the oath which he sware to our | fore-father | Abraham: that | he would | give | us;

7 That we being delivered out of the hand | of our | enemies : might serve | him with- | -out | fear;

8 In holiness and righteous- 1 -ness be- 1 fore him : all the | days | of our | life.

9 And thou, Child, shall be called the Prophet | of the | Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord | to pre- | pare his | ways;

to To give knowledge of salvation | unto his | people : for the re- | -mission | of their sins,

11 Through the tender mércy | of our | God : whereby the day-spring from on high hath | visited | us;

12 To give light to them that sit in darkness,* and in the | shadow . of | death : and to guide our feet | into , the | way of

Glory be to the Father, | and . to the | Son: and | to the | Holy | Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, * is now, and ever | shall be : world without | end. | A- | -men.

JUBILATE DEO.—PSALM C.

BE joyful in the Lord, | all ye | lands: serve the Lord with gladness,* and come before his | presence | with a | song.

2 Be ye sure that the Lord | he is | God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;* we are his people, and the | sheep of | his | pasture.

3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,* and into his | courts with | praise: be thankful unto him, and | speak good | of his | Name.

4 For the Lord is gracious, * his mercy is | ever- | -lasting: and his truth endureth from gener- | -ation . to | gener- | -ation.

DOMINUS REGIT ME.—PSALM XXIII.

THE Lord | is my | shepherd : therefore evil : for thou art with me* thy rod and | can I | lack | nothing.

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2 He shall féed me in a | green | pasture: and lead me forth be- | -side the | waters . of | comfort.

3 Hé shall con- | vert my | soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness | for his | Name's | sake,

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death* I will | fear nc |

thy | staff | comfort | me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me* against them that | trouble | me : thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my | cup | shall be | full.

6 But thy loving kindness and mercy* shall follow me all the days | of my | life : and I will dwell in the house | of the | Lord for | ever.

NUNC DIMITTIS .- S. Luke 11. 29.

ORD, now lettest thou thy servant de-| part in | peace: ac | cording | to thy word.

2 For mine | eyes have | seen : thy | salva- | tion,

3 Which thou | hast pre- | -pared : before the | face of | all | people;

4 To be a light to | lighten . the | Gentiles: and to be the glory | of thy | people Israel.