GUARD THE FAITH.

To AN AULD LANG SYNE LOVER.

THE ABOVE BEING THE PASSWORD OF THE EVENING AMONG THE GOOD TEMPLARS.

Guard the faith and hold the truth
Error walks abroad;
Better part with truce and ruth
Than be wrong with God.
"Peace and safety" is a lie;
Satan comes with power;
Yet his wrath we may defy
Safe in Zion's tower;
But before the break of day

Comes the darkest hour.

Mark the Psalm and verse you see;
No exception there; (Psalm 38, 11.)
Or, if such exception be,
Tell me who, and where.

Are my words to you as chaff?
Am I crazy? No! (Prov. 30, 1-4.)

Truth will have the latest laugh;
You will find it so.

This was not in David's life, Which to you I show.