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An union this, could envy reach the skies, Envy might in an angel bosom rise. But can she leave the partner of her life, And quit the claim of mother and of wife,— The social tie to one, the gift of God, By whom the pleasant path of grace was trod ? What! yield her offspring, which all nature sways,

Young orphans in the world's erroneous maze, Behold her parents weeping round her bed, And able still the glooming vale to tread, In bloom of life, in years not three times seven, To long for glory, and be ripe for heaven; Besign the world, with prospect late so fair? This-this is virtue, and surpassing rare l. Hear her last words, on heav'nly atrength relying,

O thou Redeemer of the sin-sick soul,

* I taste thy love, and thou hast made me whole.

Wing me for glory, let me haste away,

To sing thy grace through one eternal day. Farewell my partner, my sweet babes, farewell,

I go to glory, and with God to dwell.

Parents adieu, and ye, my christian friends,

A band from heav'n my happy soul attends.