

POETRY.

HE IS OUR PEACE.*—Eph. ii. 14.

Prince of peace! control my will,
Bid this struggling heart be still;
Bid my fears and doubting cease,
Hush my spirit into peace:
Thou hast bought me with thy blood,
Open'd wide the way to God:
Peace, I ask—but peace must be,
Lord, in being one with thee.

Thou who still'd the raging deep
Placidly to child-like sleep;
Thou whose voice the maniac heard,
Knew, and straight confessed his Lord;
Thou who hush'd the mourner's cry
'Mid maternal agony—
Chase these doubtings from my heart,
Faith and perfect peace impart.

King of Salem! strong to save,
No ecstatic joy I crave;
Let thy Spirit's soothing calm
Glide into my soul like balm;
Raise my heart to things above,
Modulate my soul to love:
May thy will, not mine, be done;
May thy will and mine be one!

Saviour, at thy feet I fall;
Broken is the parting wall;
Thou the foe hast reconcil'd,
Tame'd the rebel to the child.
Lord of glory! I am thine;
Let thy peace around me shine,
And thy happy servant be
One with God, and one with thee,

HYMN FOR THE SABBATH.*

Hail, holy Sabbath! sacred day!
Coeval with creation's birth,
When heavenly hosts, in bright array,
Beheld with joy this beautiful earth
With all its train of wonders rise
Complete before their ravish'd eyes.

Hail, welcome day of holy peace!
When all the weary sons of care
From daily task and labour cease,
And lift the heart in praise and prayer
To Him who sanctified and blest
This grateful interval of rest.

Hail, joyful day! when from the grave
The Lord of life and glory rose,
Mighty to conquer and to save,
Triumphant o'er our deadliest foes,
And open'd wide the gates of heaven
To man, now ransom'd and forgiven!

Hail, sacred day! when heav'nly love
Fulfill'd the gracious promise made,
And the blest Spirit from above
His wonder-working power display'd,
Pouring the riches of his grace
On Adam's fallen, guilty race.

Hail, holy Sabbath! type of heaven!
Thus rich in many a glorious theme;
On this blest day, in mercy given,
Let the whole earth one temple see,
And every voice unite to raise
One rapturous song of grateful praise!

* From the Church of England Magazine.

In the Gambier Observer we find the following titles of books published in Cromwell's time: viz—“Crumbs of Comfort for the Chickens of the Covenant,” “A Reaping Hook well tempered for the stubborn ears of the coming crop, or Biscuits baked in the oven of Charity, carefully conserved for the Sparrows of the Spirit and the Swallows of Salvation,” “A sigh of sorrow for the sinners of Zion, breathed out of a hole in the wall of an Earthen Vessel, known among men by the name of Samuel Fish.”

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