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THESE "SONGS FOR THE WILDERNESS," (many of which are published it is believed for the first time in Canada,) are presented to the people of God, in the hope that the truths they contain may be the means of strengthening their Faith, and animating their Hope. It has been an object with the compiler to choose such as are expressive of a Christian's simple trust in Jesus, and of his expectations in consequence of his union with the Saviour; thus it is hoped that many, while looking back to the "horrible pit whence they were drawn," and realizing the security of the Rock on which Grace has placed them, will be able to sing with renewed confidence, that Song of Praise, which has been already put into their mouths, and to anticipate that glory in which the exceeding riches of the grace that has already saved them, will be fully known.

Should these hymns be perused by any who are conscious that they have as yet no portion with the Lord's people—no heart in unison with the "Songs of the