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## MISCELLANEOUS.

The old Bachelor.

BY MRS. EDWARD THOMAS. " Think not the good, The gentle deeds of mercy thou hast done, Shall die forgotten all; the poor, the prisoner, The fatherless, the friendless, and the widow, Who daily own the bounty of thy hand, Shall call to Hoav'n, and pull a blessing on thee Rowe's Jane Snone.

" Get me;" said I again, for about the hundreth time, to my still wondering footman, "change for this five pound note, all in silver; and mind, Thomas, as many sixpences as you can with it!" "Yes, sir."

"What can master possibly want with so much silver? Always on Saturday night too!" I heard him say to Matha, my pretty house maid, twirling the note between his thumb and flager, while I was slipping on my new Indian-rubber goloshes, ready

to sally forth. "No good, depend on it!" she rejoined "going out, let the weather be what it will, tramping in the rain and mud. I should just like to watch him, the old sinner!"-

So invariably do the ignorant and narrow-minded judge any thing the least mysterious in our actions by the worst possible the veil of secreey for its outgoings!

comfortable fireside and book, to brave the foreign shawl. inclemency of the senson; "at my age know better," thought Matha-most cerpurest and most charitable. I saw, by the found a ready echo in his bosom.

r in the large and populous market-town of D-in the South of England, and am and I saw her eyes sparkle with renovated not ashamed to confess my wealth was chief- hope as she exclaimed breathlessly, "Have ly made in business.

I was considered rather mean by some of my acquaintance who ostentatiously paraded their names, and a few guineas together, 'a animal subscribers to every public insutation in the place. But while "George Frederick Thompson, Esquire" was blazoned forth in all the glory of "English type," for two guineas; "a friend, for ten, might be seen in modest "brevier!" good by stealth, and blush to find it fame."

Why I was a bachelor, with a heart so trust -you looks too suspicious for me." warmly alive as mine was, even at that frigid periot of life, to every tender and gencrous sentiment, was owing, alas! to the shoulder as she yet lingered there, as if evearly blight of an affection which cost me ery faculty was annihilated by this last setwenty years grief and sorrow, and which I cannot even think of now without the bitter-

est tear of regret, shed with all the poignancy of youthful feelings.

I have for years, winter and summer, made it a point to attend our large meat-market of a Saturday night, with such a the last fortnight, and to:day, while I sat supply of loose silver in my pocket as by her as she slept, she was dreaming of a should preclude the possibility of that cold sweetbread, and spake in her slumber of and heartless excuse-"I really would, the good she was sure it would do her. I but I have no change!" for so transient is should have been here long before, but was the glow of benevolence sometimes, as ac- obliged to finish some needle-work to obtain tually to be extinguished at the bare idea, money enough to pay for it, and now they of the trouble of changing money-(yet are all gone. what a sickness of the soul do these lew almost unheeded words cost the forlorn be- readers of the thrilling mournfulness of ing who implores our aid!) Then as I tone in which she pronounced these last sauntered leisurely up and down before the few words.-Her very heart seemed riven tempting stalls, illuminated by the strong in twain with anguish at her utter want of and vivid light of the gas lamps, I could mark the countenance of the different purchasers-observe the wistful gaze of the tenderly, " for your dying sister, and evpoverty-pinched mother, bargaining for that ery other comfort that can alleviate her sufbreast of mutton " which would make her seven famished darlings such a delicious ly affection you have evinced for her this Sunday dinner"-see her lips quiver with night." hope and fear as she inquired the price,detect the nervousness of her grasp, as she tremblingly and hesitatingly turned over found a friend in her sore distress, seized and over again the delicate morsel. She my hand with the spontaneous movement evidently, methought, belonged to that tru- of pure gratitude, and held it clasped firmly deserving and industrious class, called ly between her own, which trembled with "char-women "-out all the week working emotion, but she was unable to articulate a like a slave to procure a few comforts for word of thanks. the Sabbath, to enjoy at least one day out of the weary seven with her children and husband, a bricklayer's laborer, perhaps thoughtless and improvident, spending near- security." ly all his scanty wages in beer and tobacco: still he was her husband-the fother of her children-the handsome Richard of her carly love, almost as handsome now, and it is a proneness to candor and confidence in cious to her heart !"

At the moment she was convinced it was indeed beyond her small means, and she was turning hopelessly away to seek a less

ing woman; I had no desire to be assured "I was an angel of goodness;" I knew I was but a frail and erring mortal, and was content to be blessed in her prayers, aiming furthest extent. only to exemplify the poet's description of

"I mean the man who, when the distant poor Need help, denies them nothing but his nar

a truly charitable man;

I will candidly confess, that when I first commenced these perambulations, I had no fixed purpose of benefitting my suffering fellow-creatures; I was influenced more by a wish to divert myself from the solitude and anguish of my own thoughts, blended with a vague sort of benevolence; but when, after a little time, I perceived the real good I was able to effect at the smallest possible sacrifice of trouble and money, the numberless hearts I gladdened, and the firesides I made cheerful and happy, it became the active principle of my life. and a rich and abundant harvest did I reap for my labors in the sweet and tranquil reflections of a self-approving conscience. The ameliorating hand of charity plucked the thorn from my midnight pillow, and soothed the bitterness of my careworn existence?

One evening I was particularly struck with a young and rather genteel looking girl, inquiring most earnestly "for a nice delicate sweetbread." She could not be more than sixteen, and in the broad glare of the flatting gas I saw she was exquis tely fair and beautiful. The eagerness of her manner, and the evident superiority of rank over the generality of persons who frequented the stalls at that late hour, had an unfavorable effect on the young butchers to whom she applied, and many was the rude and heartless jest she had to endure from them. Still she went from stall to stall with a degree of undaunted perseverstandard, vice-as if virtue never sought ance which would have awakened a feeling of disgust in my own bosom, for conduct Matha had no idea that any thing but so unfemininely, had I not observed that wickedness, or "no good," as she emphat- she frequently and furtively dried a tear ically called it, could take me from my with the tattered remains of a once costly

"She is no imposter!" I mentally ejactoo!" verging on seventy; " old enough to ulated, feeling my own eye become suddenly dimmed by a tear or two. " That is tainly-had my motives for these almost the tear of modest misery. The hardennocturnal rambles been any other than the ed deception would too gladly parade its grief to excite commiseration and pity.' significant shake of Thomas's head, that I followed her like a shadow, as her light Matha's shrewd and ill-natured conjectures | agile figure flitted almost noiselessly from place to place, with the most intense inter-I was undoubtedly the richest old bache- est and curiosity. At last she came to a stall containing almost every

you the sweetbread, sir?" "How much will you give for it miss?" " How much do you ask ?

"Fixe shillings. Will you give that ?"
"O, most gladly! if you will trust me

The man's brutal laugh literally rang through the wide square, as he replied 'Come, that's capital!" Then adding with a piece of popular slang too vulgar to re-In truth, my sole delight now was to "do pear, and which happily, she could not understand " no, miss. I can't give you no

> "Why are you so anxious to procure sweetbread ?" said I, gently touching her vere disappointment.

> She started with a degree of resentment in her countenant at the liberty, but see, ing only an old m. I, she replied mildly, O, sir! it is for a dying sister-my only

> It is impossible to convey an idea to my success.

"You shall have a sweetbread," said I ferings, for the sake of the virtuous and ho-

The astonished girl, in the first bewilderment of delight at having so unexpectedly

"Come," I continued, leading her towards my own house, "you need not fear an old man-my gray hairs shall be your

On the way she told me her little history, unwished and unsolicited on my part, for I was predetermined to relieve her; but there was no hardship to toil for creatures so pre- youth, which shows the heart is unsophisti. after suitable instructions to her to take evcated, and the bosom untainted by the world's vices.

She was no high born dame, reduced by adverse fate to sudden want and misery to took leave of the grateful Clara, and hasdainty and cheaper bit, out came the addi- make an interesting heroine in a fictitious tened home, fatigued to death, but most sutional shilling or sixpence, as it might be, story, i. t the daughter of a lieutenant in to complete the necessary purchase; and the navy of the having perished for his story, i. t the daughter of a lieutenant in premely happy. the meat was in her basket, and the tear of country, had left herself and sister, bow satisfaction of restoring his interesting part well what it meant; but having gained my gratitude in her eye, "Go," I whispered, dying of a consumption, to struggle as tient to a state of convalescence. She was point exactly as I wished, I affected the stipping two more shillings into her hand, they best could, in a pittiless world; their not so beautiful as Clara, but much more most profound ignorance as to what caused

tone of unusual authority, the more ef. sucklings thou hast perfected praise." fectually to repress his rising curiosity, "to else she may think useful for a sick lady-

and make haste." Thomas vanished without uttering one word-not even his customary " yes sir " home with him."

isarranged the fair is in youth, the face from beneath it always looks lovely.

Clara Graham's, the name of my new ble wave, owing to the extreme dampness of the atmosphere; but it was luxuriant beyoud what I had ever before seen, of a daily and uninterrupted intercourse, in rich auburn. She sat without her bonnet, having taken it off to dry, by my desire, enjoying a buiscoit and a glass of wine, perfectly unconscious of the ill-natured surmuses ner unexpected appearance had awakened in the bosoms of my jealous domestics, for an old bachelor's are invariably so. ed sucr a sacrifice, the grateful Gertrude Oh! nothing is so winning, so becatiful, as that innate conviction of innocence which never suspects, nor thinks itself at pected. Suspicion and illiberality are the offspring to then both, and not to make either pay so desire to deprecate virtue, and bring it down was determined to accomplish the object now last degree; and every word and sentiment to a level with its own fallen and degraded nearest my heart, in a more satisfactory too plainly expressed that her happiness

The decorous housekeeper looked daggers at her and myself too, while she enu- took as early opportunity of entering into merated the articles she had 'condescendgage," in Matha's bright eye as plain as eye too clearly, " what an old profligate!"

most obsequious tone, "Shall I not carry the eyes of females of "a certain age,"

"No-I shall carry it myself for her." "You, sir?"

we both walked, or I rather tottering under things!" and do her best to make them my enormous load. I could fancy the "O comfortable and happy,
mys!" and the "Wells I never!" of the I plously believed her, for she was a thomys 1" and the " Wells I never 1" of the disconcerted group who let us out in silent roughly benevolent-hearted woman, alastonishment.

tue and misery struggling unknown and emaciated thing, was awake on our arrival, actuated, her zeal knew no bounds; she She hardly noticed the presence of a strang- entered heart and soul into the affair, and er, being too feeble to feel any excitement began to think you long; the fire grew low, and I was so cold !"

This drew my attention to the fire, which was nearly out, and which Clara began busily to endeavor to kindle.

"Where is your domestic, my love?" said I to her.

"We have not kept one a long time, she replied; "I do all for poor dear Gertrude; she gives no trouble, and besides servants are expensive, sir."-

"What?" I exclaimed, in inexpressible astonishment, " you work at your needle like a slave, nurse your poor, helpless, sick sister, and attend to the household affairs, too.?-a mere child like you! Good heavens, it is not to be thought of."

Late as it was, I took my hat and huried off to my own favorite surgeon, whom fortunately found at home, and at leisure to attend me. I begged him in the first place, to recommend a nice intelligent woman, as a nurse, which he did at that mothe house of the poor neglected invalid.

On examining her symptoms, I was deighted to find her complaint was not considered by him as consumptive, but an obstinate attack of the liver, brought on by a knowing no human beings more deserving simple tale, chiefly founded on facts, that he sedentary mode of life, and low and im- and I humbly bless God for living long is too old to exercise an active benevoproper diet. And it is astonishing how much they resembled each other in appear-

The same dry cough, the same waste., and emaciated frame, and the same old man's existence serene and happy. aches and pains over the languid and enfeebled body. He soon took his departure, to order the necessary medicines for her. cautioning the weeping Clara not too noisily to express her joy at the prospect of her sister's recovery, as rest and tranquility was most for Clara's salso than my own were absolutely necessary to second his endeavors

The nurse soon after arriving, a comfortable motherly-looking sort of woman, ery care of the young ladies, and to spare over strengthened, for I shall never, never officer of the English army." nothing which she thought might conduce marry now !" to the comfort of her suffering charge, I A younger and vainer man than myself,

In a few weeks, Mr. Wentworth had the taude's peculiar tone and manner, but too "and buy a little nice tea and sugar—I am sure you like it!"

I waited for no thanks from the wonder band.

"and buy a little nice tea and sugar—I am sure you like it!"

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On reaching home with my fair, but cer- a deep and enduring sense of religion, that the good Mrs. Williams during my absence, tainly rather doubtful looking companion, it was impossible to listen to her without nor the cordiality of her welcome to the Mr. Thomas opened his eyes to their very becoming wiser and better, feeling forcibly, as I gazed on her young pale face, truly, "Tell Mrs. Williams," said I, assuming Lord, "out of the mouth of babes and

I visited them daily, strictly forbidding pack up that sweetbread I had ordered for Clara, or pain of my displeasure, to set a period, when left entirely alone for the even my supper; some tea and sugar, a bottle stitch, except for the adornment of her own ning, I must turn to a book, whether insherry, a little arrowroot, and any thing pretty person, which seemed indeed to be clined or no, to steal me from the oppres-" a labor of love," for never before had I seen such frilling and flouncing!

It is aspnishing how affiction had subdued the bioyancy of her spirits, which now —and soon returned, bearing a basket of rose above the unnatural pressure, with an goodly dimensions quite filled, followed by elasticity and joyousness truly enchanting; Mrs. Williams, Matha, and the kitchen she was, in fact, a complete personificamaid, at a more humble distance, evidently stion of youth and gladness. Some may all bursting with almost irrepressible curi-fadmire the premature thoughtfulness which osity to see the extraordinary being Thomas sorrow begets, but that can only be from a laugh of woman echoed in that large gloomy had informed them "master had brought want of due reflection, for it is no more room; again her lighter step fell gladly on natural to think the sweet laughing face of my ear; and again did my heart open its It is no consequence how dishevelled or youth looks best when shaded by grief, flood-gates of long pent-up affections, which than to consider the sun appears to most advantage when overshadowed by dark and of felicity, almost too much to bear. There sullen clouds! No, no; youth is the season certainly is, to the feeling mind, a degree equaintance, retained only the least possi. for joy and mirthfulness, and age for reflec-

I confess, at the end of three-months of which my affection ar admiration hourly increased for them buth, I began to feel their society was absolutely essential to my comfort and happiness, and am convinced, would willingly have become my lie, to repay the deep debt she felt she owed me; -but-to; I wished to be a friend, a father manner to my own conscience and the true would have consisted in conferring, and happiness of the dear girls; I therefore not receiving favors. timed compliment, and graciously consent-"Yes I. Come, my dear!" and away ed to receive the young ladies, "poor

Clara lived in an obscure street, not far is, rhe had not learnt to defy all morality from my own residence, and I could not and beconcy, but thought it still necessary help feeling a sort of reproach at such vir- to sacrifice something to appearances. The moment, however, you convinced her of unpified so near me. Her sister, a poor the purity of the motive by which you were with all a woman's tenderness and tact, de-

> I departed with the alacrity of a boy to impart the pleasing negotiation to the dear girls, taking care to order dinner for three, and particularly mentioned a "sweetbread" as one of the side dishes.

Clara was in ecstacies at the proposal, but Gertrude received it with more reserve and caution, evidently weighing the consethe world's censure, the possibility of my of resuming poverty after tasting such lux- sailor.

I read these painful and conflicting sentiments on her varied and ingenuous coun- before the wedding, quite disregarded, I tenance, which was a mirror of truth and candor. My advanced age completely banished the first objection. My assurances is determined to make it, or rather them; that she was necessary to my comfort, the for I find it is the intention of Mr. Thomas second. And she was completely conquer- and Matha to be married, too, on the same ed, when taking her hand, I said-

equally between you at my death, having and companion for life. no relations to injure by so doing, and posed, have made the short remnant of an ought to increase with every receding year;

It was the first time I had ever used the that I hesitated. She is so young andbeautiful, that if I can only keep her fair fame untarnished, she must settle fortunately in lie. O! dear sir, that has been the sole

would have been apt to apply the concluson of this speech most to the satisfaction d his self-love; in fact, I knew, from Ger-

" sweet young ladies," and never did three happier persons sit down to dinner together. No longer was I compelled by dire necessity to linger out my sofitary and unsocial meal, for the sake of deferring that

sive sense of my own loneliness and ennui.

Gertrude's painful remembrances of the past, and Clara's joyous and sanguine anticipations of the future, kept a pleasing and varied conversation to a very protracted hour, alternating from melancholy to gladness as in all life should be, that we may neither be too much depressed by the one, nor elated by the other. Again the light gushed forth with an overpowering sense of pain attached to supreme happiness,

which casts a momentary weight of sudness on the spirits, and awakens more often tears than smiles to express it by. Clara received all the favors I heaped

upon her with a profusion of the liveliest thanks, which delighted me, as there could be no doubt of the dear child's being perfrom that I saw of her disposition, that feetly happy, but Gertrude's sense of obli-had I been selfish enough to have demand. gation was of a more exalted and heartfelt gation was of a more exalted and heartfelt kind. It was evident, from the devotedness of her attentions, and the watchful ness of her manner, that she studiously sought every opportunity of repaying them to the utmost of her power; her heart was of guilt, begetting in their turn that base fearfuly for the little good I had done. I noble and generous, but it was proud to the

Their two characters, so opposite yet a full explanation about the peculiarly del- both so truly amiable and feminine, fured to pack up for such trumpery," and I leate and unprotected state of the fair or. nished me with continued food for reflection. read the words "good-for-nothing bag. phans, with my discreet housekeeper, Mrs. When Clara kissed me and blessed me, and Williams, expatiating largely on their am. called me "her dear second papa," I could speak, while Thomas's expressed a! | jable qualities and gentleness of manner, felt it was the artless effusion of almost inbut was most guarded in my commenda. fantile affection; the heart responded a Seeing me on the move, he said in his tions of their personal charms, beauty, in blessing at her innocent happiness, and then subsided into a state of serenity amounting the basket for the young lady, sir? It is being considered almost a crime : and I nearly to forgetfulness. But when Gervery heavy." He knew that was the concluded by expressing a wish to have trude silently and warmly pressed my hand, most effectual means of fathoming the mys- them placed immediately under her own while her dark reflective eye swam in tears, stions of a magnanimous and confiding Peoprotection-I dared not say my own. I felt indeed it was from the irrepressible She was gratified and flattered by the well. emotion, drawn from the indwellings of woman's loving heart, and the impression defied the power of oblivion to efface it. Yes, yes, brilliant and volatile, my love-

ly Clara, like the gaudy and heedless butterfly, must excite the desire of instant pursuit, but when obtained would she, alas! though strictly of the "old school,"-that be more prized? While Gertrude in the unobtrusiveness of her retiring nature, when once known, must be for ever loved and esteemed.

signing nephew, to bestow my darling Clara

I had no profligate son, or artful, or de-

and ten thousand pounds upon. But she spared me the embarrassment of finding a husband for her, choosing one for herself at passing events, but she said in the kind- vised and invented a thousand plans to im- in the son of her father's old commander est manner to my companion, "Dear Clara, prove on the crudeness of one's own benev. also a fleutenant in the navy; and never was there a finer specimen of a frank, open hearted honoroble young man than George Forrester .-Many may think this was not quite so good a match as her beauty and fascinations en-

titled her to; perhaps not, where riches and a high-sounding title are considered, how mistakenly, the only essentials to happiness; but for my part I do not know to quences of such a step in all their bearings whom one could entrust the real happiness of a fond, artless girl so securely, as to a repenting such generosity, and the misery generous, noble-minded, affectionate young

Finding all my advice about the propricty of his taking another voyage, at least, gave my consent for it to take place early in the spring, and a very gay affair Clara day "as dear Miss Clara and Mr. George." "Go or stay, my dear children, as you | And if I cannot retain my smiable Gertrade eace in my final arrangements respecting my mind to be called "an old fool" by the

Let no one imagine, after reading this enough to be so useful at last-only you lence; indeed, as we approach nearer to might, Miss Graham, had you felt so dis- the grave, our feelings of universal charity as, in a short time, we must appear before that Being, who is all goodness, to render formality of addressing her as Miss Gra- an accourt of the manner we have employham; she felt it sensibly, and bursting in-to tears, exclaimed, "My dear, kind ben. its final reward or punishment.

In the year 1801 there were but three hurches in the city of Brooklyn. At the present time the number is twenty-one. The Daily News says, "that the first Methodist preacher who ever held forth in the lepe of my heart for years, now more than town of Brooklyn, was a Capt. Webb, an

> WERRY COMFORTABLE .- A proposition s on foot in Belgium, to appoint a surgeon for every railroad station to take care of the dead and wounded as they are brought n. This will be in the highest degree consolatory to those who get their necks

POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES .-

## INAUGURAL ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT HARRISON. DELIVERED MARCH 4, 1841.

Called from a retirement which I had supposed was to continue for the residue of my life, to fill the Chief Executive Office of this great and free Nation, appear before you, fellow-citizens, to take the oaths which the Constitution prescribes, as a necessary qualification for the performance of its duties. And in obedience to a custom coeval with our Government, and what I believe to be your exspectations, I proceed to present you a summary of the prinriples which will govern me in the discharge of the duties which I shall be called upon to perform.

It was the remark of a Roman Consul. in an early period of that celebrated Republic, that a most striking contrast was observable in the conduct of candidates for offices of power and trust, before and afer obtaining them-they seldom carrying out, in the latter case, the pledges and promises made in the former. However much the world may be improved, in mey respects, in the lapse of upwards of two housand years since the remark was made by the virtuous and indignant Roman, I fear that a strict examination of the annals of some of the modern elective governments, would develope similar instances of violated confidence. Although the fiat of the People has gone

forth, proclaiming me the Chief Magistrate of this glorious Union, nothing upon their part remaining to be done, it may be hought that a motive may exist to keep up the delusion under which they may be supposed to have acted in relation to my principles and opinions; and perhaps there may be some in this assembly who have come here either prepared to condemn those I shall now deliver, or, approving them, to doubt the sincerity with which they are uttered. But the lapse of a few months will confirm or dispel their fears.-The outline of principles to govern, and measures to be adopted, by an Administration not yet begun, will soon be exchanged for immutable history, and I shall stand, either exonerated by my countrymen, or classed with the mass of those who promised that they might deceive, and flattered with the intention to betray.- However strong may be my present purpose to realize the expectaple, I too well understand the dangerous emptations to which I shall be exposed from the magnitude of the power which it has been the pleasure of the People to commit to my hands, not to place my chief confidence upon the aid of that Almighty power which has hitherto protected me, and enabled me to bring to favorable issues other important but still greatly inferior trusts, heretofore confided to me by my country. The broad foundation upon which our

Constitution rests being the People-a

breath of theirs having made, as a breath

can unmake, change, or modify it-it can be assigned to none of the great divisiona of Government, but to that of Democracy. If such is its theory, these who are called upon to administer it must recognize, as its leading principle, the duty of shaping their measures so as to produce the greatest good to the greatest number. But, with these broad admissions, if we would compare the sovereignty acknowledged to exist n the mass of our People, with the power chimed by other sovereigns, eventby those which have been considered most purely democratic, we shall find a most essential difference. All others lay claim to power limited only by their own will. The majority of our citizens, on the contrary, possess a sovereignty with an amount of power precisely equal that which has been granted to them by the parties to the mational compact, and nothing beyond. We admit of no Government by divine right. Believing that, so far as power is concerned, the Beneficent Creator has made no distinction amongst men, that all are upon an equality, and that the only legitimate right to govern is an express grant of power from the governed. The Constitution of the United States is the instrument conment, and in the next to return with me to please; your decision will make no differ- on any other terms, I think I shall make up tuining this grant of power to the several departments composing the Government. you both, as I intend leaving all I possess world, and secure myself a charming friend On examination of that instrument it will be found to contain declarations of power granted and of power withheld. The latter is also susceptible of division, into power which the majority had the right to grant. but which they did not think proper to intrust to their agents, and that which they could not have granted, not being possessed by themselves. In other words, there are certain rights possessed by each individual American citizen, which, in his compact with the others, he has never surrenlered. Some of them, indeed, he is unable to surrender, being in the language of our system unalienable. The boasted priviege of a Roman citizen was to him a shield only against a petty provincial ruler, whilst the proud democrat of Athens could console himself under a sentence of death, for a supposed violation of the national faith. which no one understood, and which at times was the subject of the mockery of all, or the banishment from his home, his family and his country, with or without an alleged cause; that it was the act, not of a single tyrant, or hated aristocracy, but of his assembled countrymen. Far different is the power, of our sovereignty. It can interfere with no one's faith, prescribe forms of worship for no one's observance,