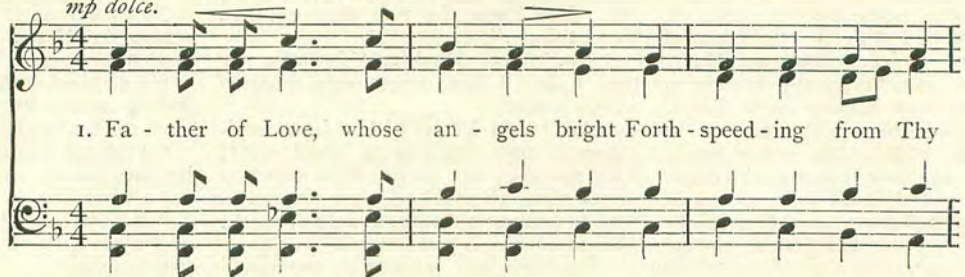


FATHER OF LOVE.

HYMN FOR A WEDDING.

Words by HENRY HAMILTON.
Andante religioso, molto espress.
mp dolce.

Music by MYLES B. FOSTER.



1. Fa - ther of Love, whose an - gels bright Forth - speed - ing from Thy



realms of light, Up - bear and hold in ten - der sway Our



lit - tle lives from day to day; . . . To Thee, whose love cre -

cres. *molto cres.*

- a - ted all, . . The crea - tures of Thy hand we call, That Thou the bride - groom

p

and the bride Wilt deign to bless, what - e'er be - - tide. . . .

mf

2. We do not ask that they may fare Ex - empt from mor - tal lot of care,

cres.

The irks and ills of ev - 'ry day, We ask not ros - es all the way;

mf

Sor - row and joy are in Thy hand, And Thou wilt per - fect who hast plann'd;

molto cres. *p*

But this we pray, that all - a - bove, Thou wilt vouch - safe to grant them love. . . .

f *mf*

3. Love, that shall crown their hearts with joy, . . . Love, that shall tem - per grief's al - loy, . . .

f

Love, that shall shine through need and wealth, Su - preme in sick - ness as in health, in

dim. e rit. *p* *più lento.*

sick - ness as in health; Love, that their guide and light may be, . . .

cres. *cres. molto.*

Love, that shall speak to them of Thee; That earth may mir - ror

sf *dim.* *p rit. al fine.*

heav'n a - bove, We pray Thee, Fa - ther, Fa - ther, grant them,

pp *rall.* *ppp* *pppp*

grant them love! . . . A - - - - - men. . . .