

## Hallow ev'n.

Violin

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Dear child ! how can I wrong thy name,  
 Thy form so fair, and faultless, stands,  
 That could ill tongues abuse thy fame,  
 Thy beauty could make large amends :  
 Or, if I durst profanely try,  
 Thy beauty's pow'rful charms t' upbraid,  
 Thy virtue well might give the lie,  
 Nor call thy beauty to its aid.

For Venus, ev'ry heart t'ensnare,  
 With all her charms has deck'd thy face ;  
 And Pallas, with unusual care,  
 Bids Wisdom heighten ev'ry grace ;  
 Who can the double pain endure ?  
 Or, who must not resign the field  
 To thee, celestial maid ! secure  
 With Cupid's bow, and Pallas' shield ?

If then to thee such pow'r is giv'n,  
 Let not a wretch in torment live ;  
 But smile, and learn to copy heaven,  
 Since we must sin ere it forgive.  
 Yet pitying heaven not only does  
 Forgive th' offender and th' offence,  
 But even itself, appeas'd, bestows,  
 As the reward of penitence.