## AN ACROSTIC

Composed Extempore on Reading the Announcement of the Marriage—at Broadway— of James Orchard Halliwell, Esq. of Alfred Place, London, to the eldest Daughter of Sir Thomas Phillipps, Bart. of Middle Hill, Worcestershire.

"HAIL, WEDDED LOVE !"

P-ROCEED, proceed, proud Hymen! H-ow can we wonder why men H-ail more and more thy name now, A-nd so resound thy fame now! I-nspired seem all around us,-L-et belles or beaux but bound us. L-o! how employed each tongue is-L-ouder thy praise still rung is !-L-est some dolt his voice raises, I-nquiring why these praises, I-n wedlock's bands, know, bound so W-e've now a pair, who're-crown'd so !-P-lain 'tis that no connection E-'er blended more affection !-P-rosperity, Fate, send them! L-ong from all ills defend them! S-weetly from thy store still L-ife's blessings on them pour still!

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C. C.

GREAT TOTHAM HALL, ESSEX, AUGUST, 1842.