A Compunction.

children of the light; that we
be not cast into utter darkness,
where is weeping and gnashing
of teeth. Let us not abuse the
goodness of God, who calleth
us mercifully to amendment,
and of his endless pity promis-
eth us forgiveness of that which
is past, if with a perfect and	ruheart we return unto him.
For though our sins be as scarlet,
they shall be made white
as snow: and though they be
like purple, yet they shall
be made white as wool. Turn ye
(faith the Lord) from all your
wickedness, and your sin shall
not be your destruction. Cast
away from you all your ungod-
liness that ye have done; make
you new hearts, and a new spir-
it: Wherefore will ye die, O
ye house of Israel; seeing that
I have no pleasure in the death
of him that dieth, saith the
Lord God? Turn ye then, and
ye shall live. Although we have
sinned, yet have we an Advo-
cate with the Father, Jesus
Christ, the righteous, and he is
the propitiation for our sins.
For he was wounded for our
offences, and smitten for our
wickedness. Let us therefore
return unto him, who is the
merciful receiver of all true
penitent sinners; assuring our-
selves that he is ready to recei-
ve us, and most willing to
pardon us, if we come unto him
with faithful repentance; if we
will submit ourselves unto him,
and from henceforth walk in his
ways; if we will take his ealy
yoke, and light burden upon
us, to follow him in lowliness,
patience, and charity, and be
ordered by the governance of
his Holy Spirit; seeking al-
ways his glory, and serving
him duly in our vocation with
thanksgiving. This if we do,
Christ will deliver us from the
curse of the law, and from
the extreme malediction which
shall light upon them that
shall be set on the left hand;
and he will set us on his right
hand, and give us the gra-
cious benediction of his Father,
commanding us to take posses-
sion of his glorious kingdom:
unto which he vouchsafes to
bring us all, for his infinite
mercy. Amen.

1 Then shall they all kneel upon
their knees, and the priest and
Clerks, kneeling in the Place
where they are accustomed to
say the Litany, shall say this
Psalm.

Miserere mei, Deus. PSAL. 51.

HAVE mercy upon me, O
God, after thy great good-
ness: according to the multi-
tude of thy mercies do away
mine offences.
Wash me throughly from my
wickedness: and cleanse me
from my sin.
For I acknowledge my faults:
and my sin is ever before me.
Against thee only have I fin-
ished, and done this evil in thy
fight: that thou mightest be
justified in thy saying, and clear
when thou art judged.
Behold, I was shapen in wick-
edness:
edness: and in sin hath my
mother conceived me.
But lo, thou requirest truth
in the inward parts: and shalt
make me to understand wis-
dom secretly.
Thou shalt purge me with
hyssop, and I shall be clean:
thou shalt wash me, and I shall
be whiter than snow.
Thou shalt make me hear of
joy and gladness: that the
bones which thou hast broken
may rejoice.
Turn thy face from my
fins: and put out all my mis-
deeds.

Make me a clean heart, O
God: and renew a right spirit
within me,
Cast me not away from thy
presence: and take not thy
holy Spirit from me.
O give me the comfort of
thy help again: and stablish
me with thy free Spirit.
Then shall I teach thy ways
unto the wicked: and sinners
shall be converted unto thee.
Deliver me from blood-guil-
tiness, O God, thou that art
the God of my health: and
my tongue shall sing of thy
righteousness.
Thou shalt open my lips, O
Lord: and my mouth shall
speak thy praise.
For thou desirest no sacrifice,
else would I give it thee: but
thou delightest not in burnt-
offerings.
The sacrifice of God is a
troubled spirit: a broken and
contrite heart, O God, shalt
thou not despise.

O be favourable and gra-
cious unto Sion: build thou
the walls of Jerusalem.
Then shalt thou be pleased
with the sacrifice of righteous-
ness, with the burnt-offerings,
and oblations: then shall they
offer young bullocks upon
thine altar.
Glory be to the Father, and
to the Son: and to the Holy
Ghost;
Answer. As it was in the
beginning, is now and ever
shall be: world without end.
Amen.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

O UR Father which art in
heaven, Hallowed be thy
Name; thy kingdom come; Thy
will be done in earth, as it is in
heaven: Give us this day our
daily bread; And forgive us our
trespasses, as we forgive them
that trespass against us; And lead us not
into temptation, But deliver
us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy
servants;
Answer. That put their trust
in thee.
Minister. Send unto them
help from above;
Answer. And evermore mightily
defend them.
Minister. Help us, O God
our Saviour.
Answer. And for the glory
of thy Name deliver us; be
merciful to us sinners for thy
Name's sake.