

Anne Steele, 1760

On the death of a child 86. 86. (C. M.)

Northfield

Transcribed from *The Bridgewater Collection*, 1804.

G minor

Bartholemew Brown, 1804

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Northfield'. It consists of four staves: Treble (Tr.), Counter (C.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). The music is in G minor, common time (C), and consists of 15 measures. The lyrics are written below the Tenor staff. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, accidentals, and ornaments. Measure numbers 5, 10, and 15 are indicated above the Treble staff.

1. Life is a span, a fleeting hour, How soon the vapor flies! Man is a tender, transient flower, That e'en in blooming dies.

2. Death spreads like winter's frozen arms,
And beauty smiles no more:
Ah! where are now those rising charms
Which pleased our eyes before ?

4. But wait the interposing gloom,
And lo, stern winter flies;
And dressed in beauty's fairest bloom,
The flowery tribes arise.

6. Then cease, fond nature, cease thy tears,
Religion points on high;
There everlasting spring appears,
And joys that cannot die.

3. The once loved form now cold and dead,
Each mournful thought employs;
And nature weeps her comforts fled,
And withered all her joys.

5. Hope looks beyond the bounds of time,
When what we now deplore,
Shall rise in full immortal prime,
And bloom to fade no more.

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1. Measure 3, *Counter*: changed F to F-sharp.

2. Measure 4, *Bass*: changed F to F-sharp.

3. Measure 8: *fermata* on first note in *Treble*, extended to other parts,

4. Measure 13, *Counter*: changed G to F

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