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To the Reader.

It is the opinion of carnal and wicked men that when sin is committed done and past that they shall never be call'd to an account for the same; But (alas) no length of time can wear sin away, if it be not taken away by true sincere and unfeigned repentance; It is said of David that after he had committed Adultery, and murder that he slept securely in his sin for a season, But then the Lord sent his Prophet to awake him out of his security to put him in mind of what he had done, and to pronounce his Judgments against him for the same hereby we may observe that men may commit many and great sins and offences and yet baffle their consciences

and sleep securely in the same for
a time but yet sin is so contrary
to the nature and being of God
that he will not suffer it to go
unpunished tho it be committed
never so secretly and by the
choicest of his ^{servants} also hereby we
may further observe the great
mercy and goodness of God
that he will not destroy a people
or person but he will first send
his messenger to put them in
mind and reprove them for
their sins, before he sends his
Judgments, to try them if they
will repent. To this end I have
written this little book as a
friendly invitation or warning
to all wicked men to leave of
their boasting and glorying of
their wicked and cruel actions
and to call their sins to remember-
ance, and to humble themselves
and repent for the same, that

they may prevent Gods wrath
and vengauce which hangs over
their heads and will be shortly
executed upon them, except
they repent, that wicked men
may know that there is a God
that revengeth the cause of the
Innocent (To me belongs vengeance
and recompence their foot shall slide
in due time, for the day of their
calamity is at hand, and the things
that shall come upon them make
hast Deut: 32, 35.

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ly therefore the hearts of the sons
of men are fully set in them to do
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FROM the first part of these words of
Scripture, we may observe the great
mercy and goodness of God towards
the sons of men, in that he deferreth
the time as not being willing to exe-
cute his Judgments speedily upon
them for their evil doings, because
he desireth not the death or destructi-
on of man, but rather that they would
repent, forsake their sins and come
to the knowledge of the Truth and
be saved.

From the Latter part of these words
we may also observe, the bad use too
too many men make of Gods mercys
and forbearance that is to harden
themselves in their sins, fully to set
their hearts to do evil, and resolved
ly to run on in a sinfull course of
life, as a hors ruth into the battle

without fear or dread untill they have often ruined both themselves and others, as we have dayly too many examples, to prove the truth hereof; one of which you have here following, an experimentall account of which I myself have received and suffered from the hands of this sort of men, and I desire it may be a sufficient example for all men to take warning by, who act without the fear of God and without the true light and life of Grace.

IN the Year 1668 on the eleventh day of August about the middle of the day and about the fourteenth year of my age as I was riding about my lawfull occasion to water my Fathers Oxen there chanced to come that way a company of Shearers amongst whome was a wicked man betwixt 25 and 30 years of age, who seeing me come at a distance did get a great horse or Goss thistle and brought it in

his hands behind him makeing
 hast before the rest of his company
 and casting to meet mee in the
 strait of the way, when I saw him
 I was greatly afraid of him be-
 cause of his stern and cruell
 Countenance tho' I saw no wea-
 pen he had in his hands, for he
 held his hands behind him &
 had his weapen therein; but
 for fear of him I shund the way
 as far as I could for the hedge:
 and gave them the tunc of the
 day, but God knows he run out
 of his company to me and struck
 a great Goss thistle which he had
 in his hands behind him under
 my mares tail which caused her
 to give a great leap that caused
 my hat to fall of my head,
 which both he and his company
 say she holding still this Thistle
 so fast under her Tail that it
 caused her to run so fastricusly
 away with me so that I cryed

out in the Name of God and
Jesus Christ to them to help me
else I was slain.

An old woman also in their
Company cryed out with me
for Christ sake help him else he
is slain, and it was in their power
to have helped me, for my Mare
did run streight to his brother
which was about two hundred
yards behind him, and I held
out my halter, and cryed out to
him in the name and for the
sake of Jesus Christ to take hold
of it and save my life and limbs
which he might easily have done
but he willfully stept away and
would not; But my mare con-
tinued running furiously down
a steep hill till she tumbled
over her head and broke my
Thigh bone in three pieces and
her own leg which so lamed
danted and amazed her that

she could not rise but she lay upon me till a little Girl which was keep-
 -ing of sheep came from the far side of the Moor and raised her up. But in the riseing up my buttons being ripped open with the force of the fall she trode upon my bare brest with her hinder foot which hath caused me a great deal of pain and misery.

They sent a boy after me with my Hat but he threw it upon the top of the hill and returned to them again.

But so little regarded they what they had done, what was be-
 -come of me or whether I was alive or dead that they never asked the boy, whether he saw me or no, till they heard a report that I was slain. Then they asked the boy what he did with

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my hat he replyed he saw me not and so he cast it upon the top of the hill.

Then they supposing I had been slain leaves of their work which was shearing of corn and goes home and takes in his hand such a like thistle thereby to act the part of the Divil. John 8, 44. first to murder me and then to swear and lye that that was the thistle which they struck under my mare's tail, and that it fell from her and she went softly whilst she was in their fight; whereas all the company that were with them saw and knew it to the contrary, also the deed testified the Truth of the sad and cruel Action, for the thistle the Mare's Halter and my shoe (all which was pulled off with the fall) lay by me and that all the people which

came thither to see me) saw be
sides, this Mare stood my Father
to thirteen Nobles and she was
so lamed with the fall that my Fa-
ther sold her to a poor man But for
six shillings who I suppose knock'd
her on the head for I never saw
nor heard more of her whereas
if she had gone softly she would
not have lamed herself

And now let wise and Good
men judg by all this what this
man hath done to me and what I
have suffered by him, and not my
self only, but also my Father and
Mother and all my Family for
want of my help and succour
which they cannot have, because
he hath destroyed my Health
and Limbs, though by Gods
mercy I was not murthered out
at present yet he hath put me
to a lingering and painfull

Dath and now this man never repented or said he was sorry for this wicked deed but on the contrary in my hearing amongst his Companions hath made it his boast and his Glory to tell of his Cruel Actions to pleasure his Hearers, forgetting that God is present at all times and in every place hearing the words and beholding the Actions of every man; But I greatly fear the Lord my God therefore have I never sought to take revenge of him my self though I have had full and sufficient power to have done it; For then should I have taken the Sword of justice out of the hands of my God who saith Vengeance is mine and I will repay Deuter. 32. 35. Now this and some other men

saith this was but a misfortune
 which God had ordained to me
 before I was born, and so he did
 nothing but what God had or=
 = dained should be done, and =
 = therefore what needs he to re=
 = pent or be sorry for it, and thus
 wicked men makes God the Au=
 = ther of their evil Actions to
 cleare themselves.

Ans: our Saviour Christ was
 foretold of his Father to come &
 by all his Prophets from Adam
 even till he did come and
 suffer those things which he
 suffered, so you may say of the
 persecutors and murtherers of
 Christ that they was but the in=
 = struments in the hand of God
 to bring his work to pass and
 do unto the son of God what he
 had foretold should be done

and come to pass, offences indeed must come but wo unto that man by whome they come
 Matt: 18, 7.

For search and enquire what became of his persecutors and murtherers, what became of Judas Pilate and Herod, and all those Jews who cryd crucifie him crucifie him let his blood be upon us and upon our children

Matt: 27, 25. God did revenge his blood upon them for the Romans came against them and burnt up their Citties destroyed their habitations slew their persons and dashed their children against the walls.

Tho' Our Saviour Christ forgave all his enemies and prayed to his Father to forgive them.

yet I heard of none that obtained
 pardon but those that repented
 but some of his enimies would
 not and some of them could not
 repent, for saith he how often
 would I have gethered thy Child-
 ren together as a hen gethereth
 her chickens under her wings =
 and you would not Matt: 23, 37.

Judas and Pilate could not repent
 but their Conscience terrified
 them so that they had no peace
 where ever they fled, but they
 laid violent hands upon and slew
 themselves, Matth. 27, 5.

peace comes from God and rests
 in the hearts of Good men which
 receives and walks in the light
 and love of that peace, my
 peace I Give unto you John, 14, 27
 Isaiah, 32, 17.

Good men you hear have peace

inward peace with God which carries and supports them through all difficulties and dangers and bring them to the Kingdom of Everlasting peace and rest; For the Kingdom of God consisteth in Righteousness peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. Rom 14, 17. But there is no peace to the wicked. Isaiah 57, 21.

No cruel sinfull and wicked man can enter into this Kingdom or enjoy this peace.

For the seed of this Kingdom which God hath sown in the Hearts of every man becomes in Good men the favour of life unto life, but in wicked men the favour of death unto death. For tho' God hath so loved us that he hath given his own

Son out of his Bosom to dye
 for us yet no man can be saved
 except he repent, except ye re-
 pent ye shall all likewise perish
 Luke, 13, 3. and no man can re-
 pent when he will, for to this
 end God hath exalted his Son
 to be a Prince and a Saviour to
 give repentance and remission
 of sins Act: 5, 31.

Therefore faith and repent-
 ance is the first steps to salvati-
 on Mar: 16, 16. Rev: 2, 5.

But what is Repentance it is not
 for wicked men they murder
 maim swear curse and lye and
 take Gods Name in vain or say
 or do any evil action it is not
 I say enough to say God forgive
 me or I have sinned, Mat: 27, 4.

This Repentance proceeds but
 from the stings of their Conscience
 which they ever feel to prick them

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after their sin.

Wicked men which never in all their life regarded God or Goodness, but made a Scoff at it yet when they come to dye and feels death and judgment to approach upon them, then if they have time they will cry out for fear of the same to God for help, for they know then as death leaves them judgment must find them, and their mouths will be full of good words but this is no true repentance for hear what the righteous Judge will say unto them *Mat: 7, 23.* For where now is the Earnest. *2 Cor, 1, 22.*

5, 5. The Evidence and assurance of your Salvation *2 Peter 1, 10.* which you must have if you hope to b saved, Where now is the Evidence of a good and

Godly life can you now say 15
with good Hezekiah and say
truly I beseech thee O Lord remem-
ber now I have walked before thee
in truth and with a perfect heart
and have done that which is right
in thy sight. 2 Kings, 20, 3.

True repentance in a word is to
cease to do evil and learn to do
well Isaiah, 1, 16, 17 to do justly to
love mercy and to walk humbly
with God

Therefore now while you have
time, youth health and strength
make it your cheif buisness to labour
to get your peace made with God
and your asurance of eternall life
by timely repentance forsaking
of your sins, and living in the full
and sincere obedience to the
Commands of God that so you
may truly say when you come
to dye I beseech thee O Lord,

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remember now how I have
walked before thee in truth
and with a perfect heart and
have done that which is good
in thy sight 2 Kings. 20, 3.
then you will find that your
labour hath not been in vain
in the Lord 1. Corinth 15, 20.
for then your death will be
pretious in the sight of the
Lord. Psalms, 116, 16. and
after death you will hear that
blessed and joyfull voice saying
to you come ye blessed of my
Father inherit the Kingdom
prepared for you from the
foundation of the world,
Mathew 25, 34.

There is a time also of our
calling to repentance which
if we refuse may never be
obtained again, The time is
the present time, to day faith

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the Lord if ye will hear my
voice harden not your hearts
Hebrews, 3, 8

For Some through the hardnes
of their hearts have refused
the voice of their calling to
repentance and afterwards
have sought it carefully. with
tears but have not found it, O then
to day whilest it is called to day
Let us hearken to the voice of Christ
who knocks and calls at the door of
our hearts let us prize time whilest
it is time, let us cast of the works of
darkness and put on the armour
of light. Romans 13, 12.

Let us walk honestly and work
the works of God whilest it is
day for the night comes when no
man can walk or work John 9, 4.
I made hast (saith David and
made no delay to keep thy
Commandments Psalm, 119, 61)

Now if you will not forsake your
sins for the love of God and
Goodness yet forsake them for the

love of your selves, for consider the Guilt of sin which you have felt what stings and pangs it leaves behind it upon your hearts and Consciences which grieves and quenches the good Spirit of God in you, Eph 4, 30 which is the earnest of your salvation. Now if you will not forsake your sins in time they will bring you to death for by sin came death and the sting of death is sin and after death they will bring you to judgment where you will hear that sad sentence of your Judge who would have been your Saviour, depart from me ye cursed in ^{to} everlasting fire prepared for the Devil and his Angells to all eternity from whence there is no redemption for ever Mat: 25, 41.

And now as I have said before Faith and repentance is the first Steps to salvation; but by faith here is not to be understood a dead faith James. 2, 17, 26. but a liveing and a working faith, 2 Peter, 1, 5, 6, 7. for every one that truly believes shall

be saved Mark 16,16.

And as here the promise of Salvation is made to the true believers in Christ so search all Gods promises which he hath made unto us in Scripture and you will find they are all made upon a condition, and if the Condition be fullfilled on our part he is faithfull that hath promised. Hebrews 10. 23, who will not fail but will certainly perform his promises made to every Condition, therefore believe repent and humble your selves before the Lord that so you may prevent Gods Judgments pronounced against you see Ahab 1 Kings. 21, 29. and the Ninivites Jonah 3, 10. God resisteth the proud but gives grace to the humble, and what shall I say awake thou that sleepeth Eph: 5 14. make hast and come unto Christ now when he calls come unto me all ye that are heavy laden and I will give you rest Mat

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For he is the teacher of his people

himself, first he teacheth them by his word John 15, 14.

Secondly he teacheth them by his Spirit John 14, 26.

Thirdly he teacheth them by his Example Mat, 11, 29. He is the way the Truth and the life John 14, 6. He is the good Sheppard of his sheep and the door into the sheepfold John 10, 9, 11.

He is the true light that enlightens every man that cometh into the world John, 1, 9.

He is the good Seedsman which hath sown the good seed of the Kingdom in the hearts of every man Mat. 13, 37.

The Kingdom of God is within you saith he Luke 17, 21. and it is like a grain of Mustard seed Mathew 13, 31.

and it consisteth in righteousness peace and joy in the holy Ghost Rom: 14, 17 which Kingdom if we be not a partaker of here we shall never be a partaker of it hereafter. I say if we be not a partaker of the Kingdom of

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Grace here we must never be a partaker
 of the Kingdom of Glory hereafter,
 how ever wicked men may flatter them-
 selves and say they are Christians and
 God is mercyfull and Christ dyed for the
 sins of all men and they hope to be sav-
 ed and go to heaven as well as the best
 tho' they neither walk nor work Io: 9, 4.
 But this is an uncertain foundation
 which is built upon the sand Mat, 7, 26.
 which (if they live and dye in their
 sins) will be sure to fail them for except
 ye repent ye shall all perish Luke 13, 3.
 For except a man be born again he
 cannot enter into the Kingdom of God
 for flesh and blood cannot inherit
 the Kingdom of God neither can
 corruption inherit incorruption
 Corinth, 15, 50 for heaven is a place
 of purity where no unclean thing can
 come 1 Cor: 6, 9, 10. Rev: 22, 15 Eph: 5, 5.
 But suppose a wicked man should be
 snatch'd away and carry'd into hea-
 ven how unsuitable would that
 place be unto him, for heaven is

an holy place there is an holy God
 there is the Son of God which is holy
 there is the holy Angels and there
 is the spirits of just men made per-
 fect their work there is to rejoyce
 and sing praises to God which sits up
 on the Throne and ^{to} the Lambe for
 ever Rev: 5. 12, 13.

Now how disagreeable would this
 place this Company this work be to
 an unregenerate and and wicked
 man, he would be like a Fish out of
 his Element, therefore follow peace
 with all men and holyness without
 which no man can see the Lord Heb:
 12, 14.

Hath not God made man upright
 after his own Image placed him
 a little lower then the Angels endu-
 ed him with sence and reason,
 wisdom and understanding where-
 by he is enabled to discern betwixt
 good and evil but man by his own
 will and disobedience diverts him
 self from God the chief Good turns
 himself to that which is evil and

there by runs the hazard of so great and invaluable a loss as the loss of the peace of his Conscience the love and favour of God the eternall Salvation of his pretious and immortal Soul, and all for the enjoyment of the uncertain pleasure of sin for so short a moment of time, and yet men who hath hardened themselves in their sins whose hearts are fully set in them to do evill do take such delight and pleasure therein that it is as hard for these men to cease to do evill and learn to do well as it is for the Ethiopian to change his skin or the Leopard his spots Jeram: 13, 23.

Wicked men that is brought up in the Custom and practice of an evill and wicked life will not be reclaim'd tho' one should rise from the dead to admonish and warn them of their destruction Luke. 16, 31.

For they believe not Gods word they dispise his Commands they regard not his promises nor fear his judgment but they will live in the

practice of a wicked life never
 considering or regarding their
 latter end till they come to dye
 and have no more time but to
 fetch or expire in their last groans
 then when they feel within them
 selves the terrours and cryes of
 their own guiltty consciences
 which accuses them for all their
 sinfull wicked and cruel actions of
 their lives then how will their hearts
 which hath been so stubborn and
 rebellious against God and man be
 filled with fear and dread and
 horror now saith the sinner if I had
 all the world I would give it for the
 peace of my conscience, the love
 and favour of God and the Salva-
 tion of my precious soul all which
 I have had often offered me by the
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 call to my friends they cannot
 help me Silver and Gold is of
 no value, If I call to the Rocks
 and to the Mountains to fall up
 on me and cover me they can-
 not chide me from the fierce
 wrath of the Lord who I have
 so much offended, alas alas what
 shall I do I cannot live nor I dare
 not dye and whither I am going
 I cannot tell, thus men in health
 rejects and casts of their Creator
 and God of all mercies spends
 their most pretious time in
 vanity and ends their dayes
 in miseries & from whence we

may observe what a sad thing
 it is for men to live in sin and
 put off their repentance from day
 to day saying they will repent to
 morrow, when they know not but
 to morrow may be the day of their
 death, nay they know not but
 this night their souls may be re-
 quired of them and then their
 thoughts perish for they that will
 not know God now in the dayes
 of mercy must certainly know
 him hereafter in justice and judg-
 ment for it is appointed for all
 men once to dye and after that
 to appear in Judgment where
 every man must be justified or
 condemned according as his
 works hath been good or bad
 Mat: 25, 31. to the end of the Chap:
 And now my advice to all Pa-
 rents as you tender your duty
 towards God the peace of your
 Conscience the everlasting

comfort peace and Salvation
of your own and the Souls of
your Children, take care nay I
say let it be your chiefest care
to educate and bring up your
childern in the fear of the Lord
while they are young that so
when they are old they may never
depart from it Prov: 22. 6.

as good and Godly parents ever
takes care to instruct their Chil-
dren and families in those
things which tends to the glo-
ry of God the comfort and hap-
piness of their Souls and bodys
both here and here after Gen: 18, 19
So foolish wicked and ungodly
parents as they live themselvs
so they train up their children
like bruits even like the horse
and the mule which have nei-
ther guide nor government
Psalms 32, 9. wherefore they
are a dishonour to God a shame
to their parents injurious and

28 often ruinous to their neigh-
- hours for they delight them-
- selves in mischief and glory in
their own shame but the fear of
the Lord is the chiefest wisdom
and to depart from evil the
greatest understanding Job 28, 28
Now had this man feared God
he would have suffered me to
have passed peacibly by him
and not have run out of his
way to have maim me and my
mare and broken my bones
asunder and brought Gods
Judgment upon his own head
when I gave him no occasion
but the fear of God was not in
all his thoughts, but here you
may see the fruits of wicked
men which in Scripture are
termed Devils Dogs Beasts
and swine and the like John
6, 70. Mathew 7, 6. 1 Cor. 15. 32

Rev: 22, 15.

From such can be expected no better fruit for do men gather Grapes of thorns or figs of Thistles - a good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit but every tree is known by its fruit Mat: 7. 16. there^{fore} all parents that fear God as it is your Duty so let it be your care to pray night and day to God for your Children to give them a portion of his heavenly grace and holy Spirit which is better then all the riches you can provide for them and that God may bless them in their rising up and in their lying down in their going forth and in their coming in and that God may bless preserve and keep them out of the hands and power of

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wicked, eniel and mercilefs
men which fear not God for
the tender mercies of these men
are cruel Proverbs, 12:10:

Wicked men are not only the
ruine of their owne souls and
Bodys but they are the ruine
and distruction of nations
Countrys and Kingdoms Cities
Towns and places where they
dwell was it not for the sins
and wickedness of those men
that God destroyed the old world
Gen: 6. was it not for the sins
and wickedness of the people
that dwelled therein that God
destroyed the Cityes of Sodom
and Gomorrah Gen: 19

Wicked men are so odious in
the sight of the Lord that he
hath caused the earth to open
her mouth and swallow them
up quick Num: 16, 31, 32
Have we not many such like

examples of the overthrow
and destruction of wicked men
Oh! then let us fear and trem-
ble before the Lord and the
power of his might, for as he
is a God gracious and merci-
-full Slow to anger and of
great kindness to them that
love him and keep his com-
-mandments So he is a severe
and just Judge to his enemies
and to them that hate him for
they shall be before him as
Chaff before the wind or as
Stubble before the fire for if
the righteous can scarcely be
saved where shall the ungodly
and sinners appear 1 Peter, 4, 13
And if many shall seek to enter
in at the strait gate and shall not
be able what shall those do
which never ~~will~~ seek or
strive at all Luke 13, 24

32 Consider these things and
Remember your latter end. Deu:
32, 29. Beleive repent and turn
unto the Lord in time, that you
may be saved, For as I live saith
the Lord God I have no pleasure
in the death of the wicked, but
that the wicked turn from his
way and live Ezek: 33, 11.
Reader do not think I have
written these lines out of envie
or malice to my enemie or
enemies for I freely forgive all
mine enemies but I have written
them but I have written them
out of love to them that he or
they may remember what they
have done and repent and be
saved, And though the fool
hath said in his heart there is
no God. Psalm 14, 1. Yet let not
wicked men make a mock of
these things for they will find
there is a God that will not nor
cannot be mocked for what
= soever a man sowes that shall

he reape Galations, 6, 7

And now my freinds I desire you
all to remember this act of cruel-
ty done to me yet not so as to
take any revenge for it but to
take warning by it so that you
may never use any manner of
cruelty either to man or beast
neither your own nor others in
publick nor in private for the
eyes of the Lord are in every
place beholding the evel and the
good Prov: 15, 3.

For he hath made all creatures
for our use but not for our abuse
and though he bear long and
suffer much yet will he remem-
ber every cruel action done to
his creatures and in due time
he will revenge their cause,
therefore take heed that you do
not forget God in your hearts
or say he delayes his coming and
so begin to smite and abuse his
Creatures which are your breth-
ren and fellow servants, least he

who is the Lord of these servants
come in an hour when you think
not of and cut you asunder and ap-
-point you your portion with Hypo-
crites there shall be weeping and
gnashing of teeth Mat: 24, 50, 51.

For what measure you meet to
others shall be measured to you
again Luke, 6, 38.

For he shall have Judgment
without mercy that hath shew-
-ed no mercy James, 2, 13

For as he hath promised to re-
ward the secrets works of piety
Mat, 6, 6. So he hath promised to
punish the secret works of Impiety
2 Sam, 12, 11, 12.

For nothing is secret that shall
not be made manifest neither
any thing hid that shall not be
known and come abroad Luke
8, 17. Mat. 10, 26, 27: therefore as
you hope to find mercy from
and in the sight of the Lord
be ye mercifull as your heaven-
ly Father is mercifull Luk. 6, 36.
Mat: 5, 7.

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Sani: 22, 26. 27.

See then that ye walk circum-
spectly not as fools but as wise
redeeming the time because the
dayes are evill Eph: 5, 15, 16.

And consider and let all that
read this book confider and
take warning hereby Ifay con-
sider what this desperate act of
cruelty hath done to me and not
to me only but to my parents also
who brought me up with care
and pains to the age of fourteen
years at which age I was
healthfull and strong exceeding
most of my age I was willing
carefull and industrious in my
fathers business, ^{which} was a joy and
comfort to my parents, but now

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by this deed their joy was
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 and mourning for me and that
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 their life for now I should have
 been an help to my parents but
 now I am become a greater
 care and charge to them then
 ever I was before and that
 without recovery for now I can
 not help my self but am forced to
 go upon crutches all the time of my
 life to support my body I might
 have been helpfull and Servicable
 in my generation to my Relations
 town and Country but now I am
 become a charge and burthen to
 all I might have lived in the society
 esteem and favour of men but
 now I am become a scorn and
 derision to all some men now out
 of scorn as I have passed by them
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 me abusing and calling me worst
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 head like a bulrush and to goe
 heavily I mourn as a dove and
 chatter as a crane of the Wilder-
 ness I am like an Owl of the desert
 and like a sparrow on the houstop
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Have mercy upon me O Lord for
 I am in trouble mine eyes are con-
 sumed with grief yea my soule is
 troubled my heart faileth for
 my life is spent with grief and
 my years with fighting my strength
 faileth and my bones are consum-
 ed, I was a reproach among my
 neighbours, and a fear to mine
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 me without fled from me.

I am forgotten as a dead man out
 of mind, I am like a broken vessel
 For I have heard the slander of
 many fears was on every side
 while they took councell against
 me they devised to take away my
 life

But I trusted in thee O Lord Haid

thou art my God,
 My times are in thy Hands
 deliver me from the hands of
 mine enemies and from them
 that persecute me.

Make thy face to shine upon
 thy servant save me for thy
 mercys sake.

And give me I beseech thee
 such a measure of thy heavenly
 grace and holy Spirit as may
 be sufficient to support me
 through all the dangers and
 difficulties of this life so that
 nothing may be able to separate
 me from the love of thee my
 God and that I may not suf-
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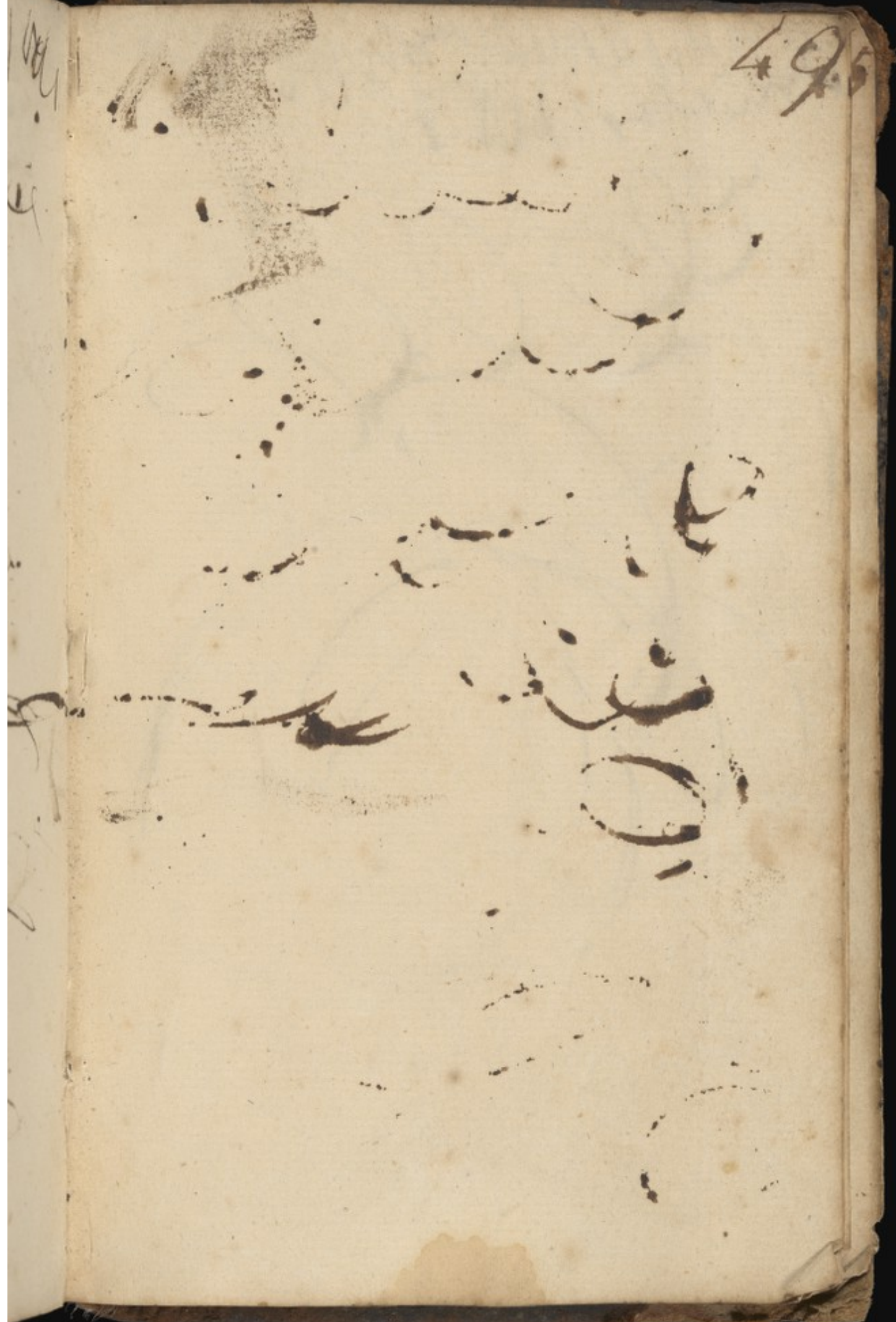
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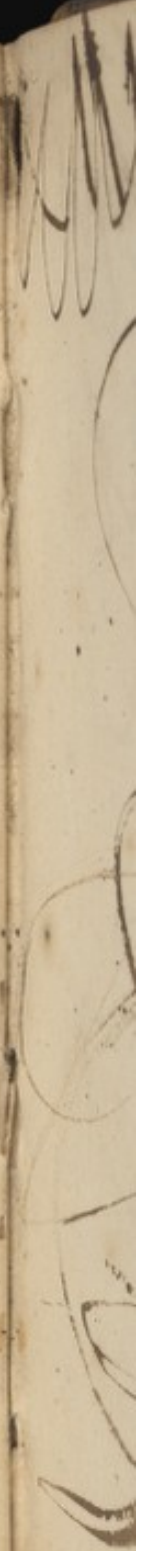
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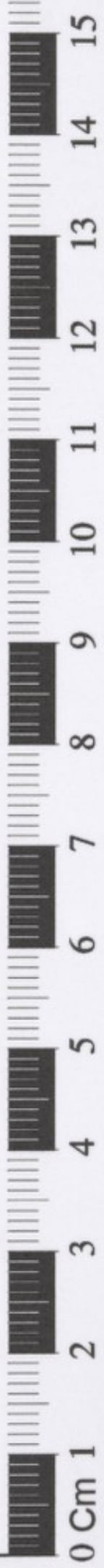
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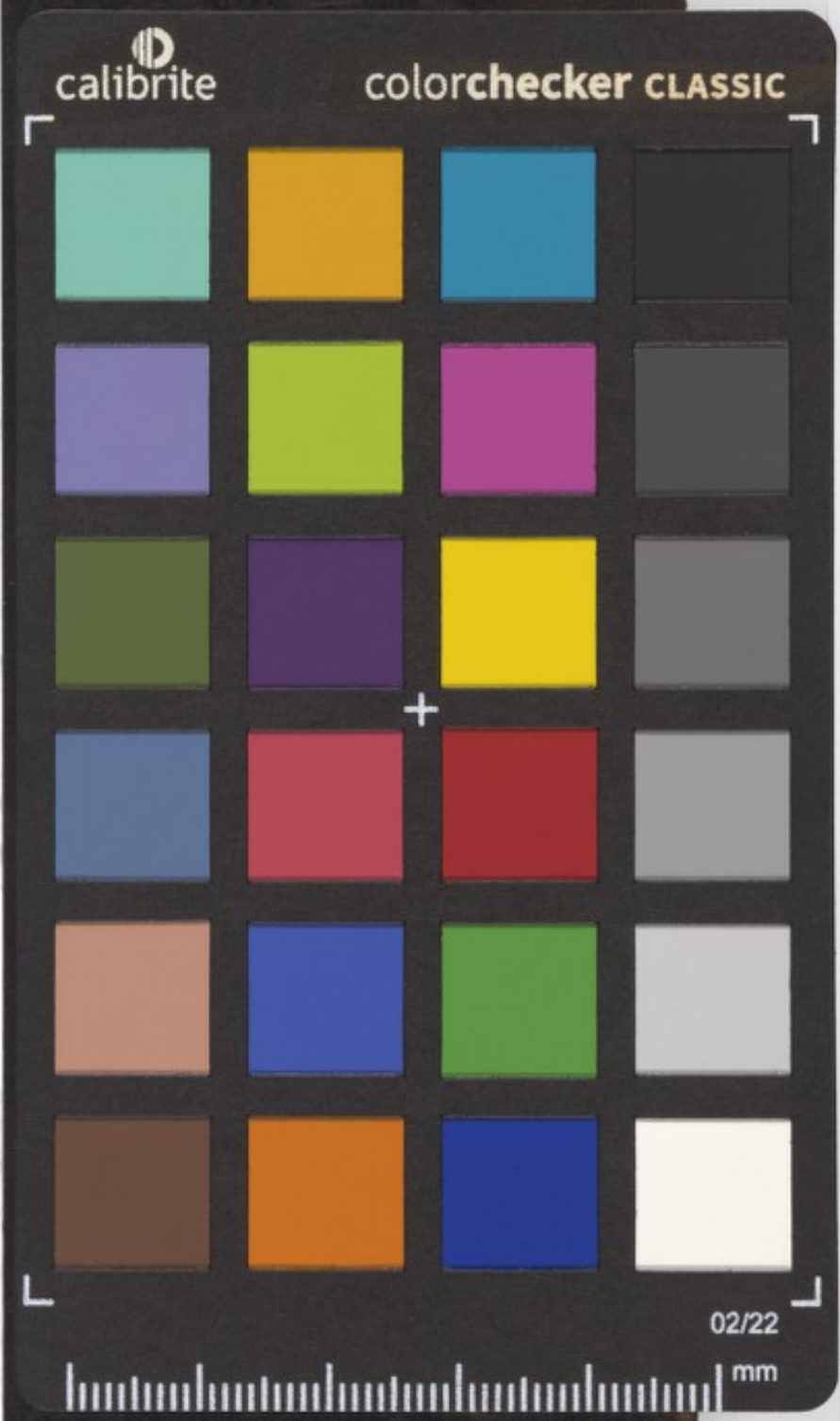
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