## ANTWERP

Words by the late Mrs. Brettell of Burslem


'The late Mrs. Brettell of Burslem' (1782-1815)

The author of the lyric to which Joseph Mayer set his tune 'Antwerp' was Ann Brettell (neé Ann Wood) who has not previously been identified. Salem's Lyre has only one verse of the lyric, the three further verses having appeared (with the first) in her book 'Susan Ashfield and Other Poems' published posthumously in 1820. The poem was one of several such short works written under the title 'Invitations' with the introduction:
'Distributed by the Burslem Sunday School Scholars, on the days of the Annual Charity Sermons'.

The poems were listed by year, between 1806 and 1815, the above having been written for the 1808 Charity Sermons Day. The music was originally set as TASB, with the Soprano and Bass parts bracketed for keyboard instruments. Original key A Major.

