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—proceed, proceed, proud Hymen!
H—ow can we wonder why men
H—ail more and more thy name now,
A—and 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—ounder thy praise still rung is!—
L—est some dolt his voice raises,
I—nquiring why these praises,
I—in 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!

C. C.

GREAT TOTHAM HALL, ESSEX, AUGUST, 1842.