If Human Kindness Meets Return

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1. If human kindness meets return, And owns the grateful tie;
2. Oh, shall not warmer accents tell The gratitude we owe
3. While yet His anguished soul surveyed Those pangs He would not flee,
4. Remember Thee! Thy death, Thy shame, The pangs which Thou didst bear!

If tender thoughts within us burn To feel a friend is nigh—
To Him who died our fears to quell, Who bore our guilt and woe?
What love His latest words displayed— "Meet and remember me!"—
O memory, leave no other name But His recorded there!

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