

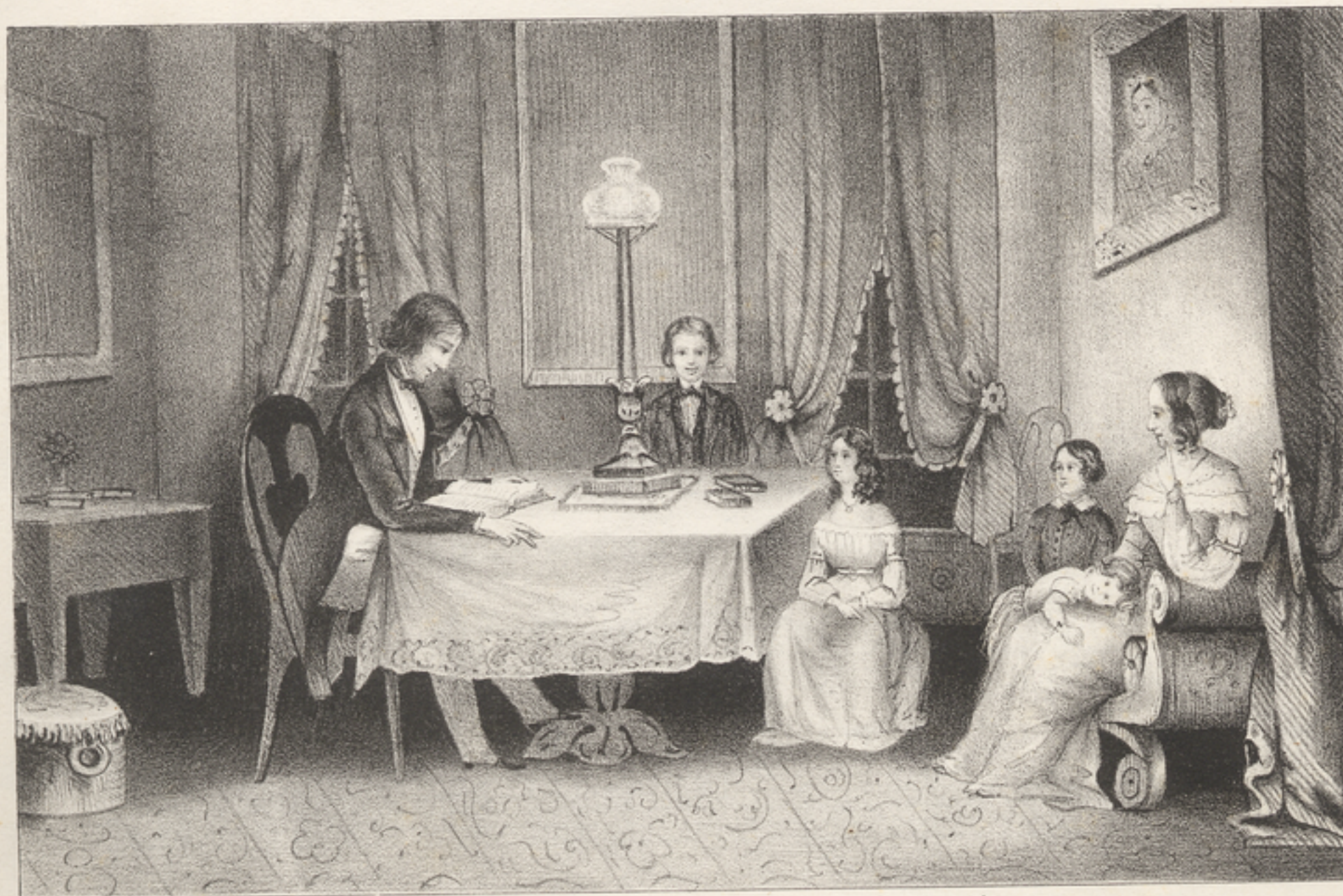
MY MOTHER'S BIBLE.
A Ballad,

The Poetry by

GEORGE P. MORRIS, ESQ.

By whom this song is respectfully dedicated to

HON. JOHN COTTON SMITH,
OF SHARON, CT.



"Again that little group is met within the halls of home."

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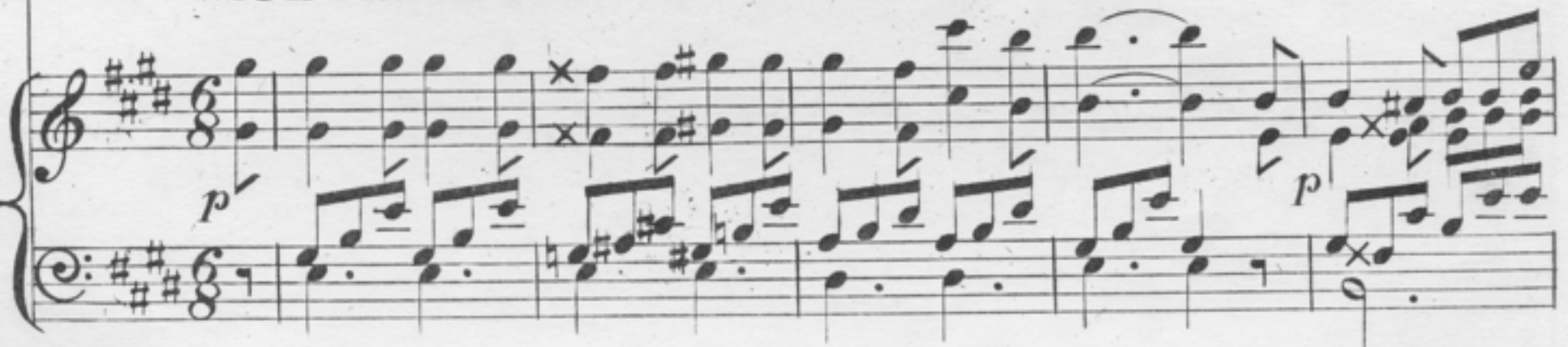
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WITH GREAT FEELING AND EXPRESSION.

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This book is all that's left me now! Tears will unbidden start! With faltering lip and

throbbing brow, I press it to my heart. For many generations passed Here

is our family tree! My mother's hands this bible clasped, She dying gave it

me.

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Ah, well do I re-member those Whose names these records bear! Who round the hearth-stone
 used to close, Af-ter the even-ing prayer; And speak of what this volume said, In
 tones my heart would thrill:—Though they are with the si-lent dead, Here are they living
 still!

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My fa-ther read this ho-ly book To brothers, sisters dear!— How calm was my poor

mother's look, Who leaned God's word to hear! — Her an-gel face!— I see it yet!— What

thronging memories come!— A-gain that lit-tle group is met With-in the halls of

home!

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My Mother's Bible. 5.

Thou truest friend man e-ver knew! Thy constancy I've tried! When all were false I
found thee true, My counsel - lor and guide. The mines of earth no treasures give, From
me this book could buy; For, teach-ing me the way to live, It taught me how to
die.

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