1. How pain - ful - ly plea - sing the fond re - col - lect - ion Of youth - ful con - 
nect - ions and in - no - cent joy! When blest with pa - rent - al ad-
vice and af - fect - ion; Sur - round - ed with mer - cies, with peace from on high, I
sweet in - vo - ca - tion, For mer - cy by day and for safe - ty thro’ night; Our
live brok-en - hear-ted, And wan - der un - known on a far dist - ant shore; Yet,
still view the chairs of my sire and my mo - ther, The seats of their
hymns of thanks - giv - ing with har - mo - ny swell - ing All warm from the
how can I doubt my dear Sav - ior’s pro - tect - ion, For - get - ful of

The Family Bible
Martin Dakin, 1879

Alonzo Judson Abbey

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gifts from His bountiful hand! Oh! let me with patience en-
hearts of that family band, Half raised us from earth to that
offspring as ranged on each hand; And that richest of books, which ex-
celled every other, The family Bible, which lay on the stand.
rapturous dwelling Described in the Bible that lay on the stand. The
endure His correction, And think of the Bible that lay on the stand.
old fashioned Bible, the dear, blessèd Bible, The family Bible which lay on the
stand.