The Head That Once Was Crowned

1. The head that once was crowned with thorns is
crowned with glory now; a royal diadem.
demands the mighty victor's brow.

2. The highest place that heaven affords be-
joy of all below; the King of kings and
Lord of lords, and heaven's eternal light.

3. The joy of all who dwell above, the
all its grace, is given; their name an ever-
festing his love, and grants his name to know.

4. To them the cross with all its shame, with
reign with him above; their profit and their
lasting name, their joy the joy of heaven.

5. They suffer with their Lord below; they
shame with their life and health, though
joy to know the mystery of his love.

6. The cross he bore is his people's hope, his
death to him, his people's hope, his
people's wealth, their everlasting theme.

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