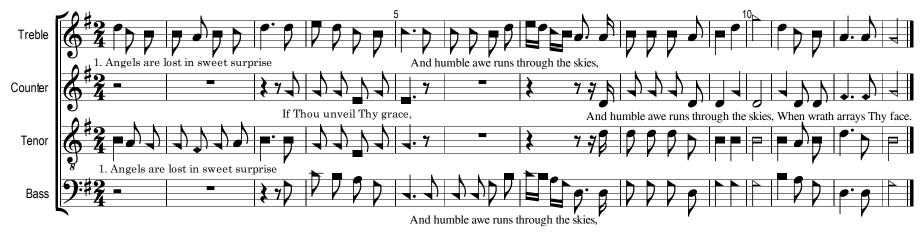
Sweet Surprise

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- 2. Who dares attempt the eternal name With notes of mortal sound? Dangers and glories guard the theme, And spread despair around.
- 3. Destruction waits to obey His frown, And heaven attends His smile: A wreath of lightning arms His crown, But love adorns it still.
- 4. Celestial King, our spirits lie Trembling beneath Thy feet, And wish, and cart a longing eye, To reach Thy lofty seat.

- 5. When shall we see the great unknown,And in Thy presence stand?Reveal the splendors of Thy throne,But shield us with Thy hand.
- 6. In Thee what endless wonders meet! What various glory shines! The crossing rays too fiercely beat Upon our fainting minds.
- 7. When mercy joins with majesty To spread their beams abroad, Not all their fairest minds on high Are shadows of a God.

- 8. Thy works the strongest seraph sings In a too feeble strain, And labors hard on all his strings To reach Thy thoughts in vain.
- Created powers how weak they be!
 How short our praises fall!
 So much akin to nothing we,
 And thou the eternal all.