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### 出版说明

我校外文系周考成教授,年逾九十,笔耕不辍,编成《英诗选注》。全稿共分十个部分,约100多万字。现在出版的是浪漫主义及先浪漫主义时期这一部分,名为《英国浪漫主义时期诗歌选注》。浪漫主义时期是英诗创作的又一高峰,出现了以布莱克、华滋华绥、柯勒律治、拜伦、雪莱、济慈等为代表的诗人。其诗作脍炙人口,经久不衰。编者遴选其中100余首,并将多年收集的对这部分的英党注释及汉译整理成书,具有一定的诗歌鉴赏和诗学理论价值,可作英语专业教学参考资料,也适合英国文学研究者和英语爱好者阅读。

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### PART ONE

The Transition from Classicism to Romanticism — The Return of Sentiment in Poetry

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# Henry Carey (1693—1743)

### 1. SALLY IN OUR ALLEY

Of all the girls that are so smart	
There's none like pretty Sally;	
She is the darling of my heart,	
And she lives in our alley.	
There is no lady in the land	[5]
Is half so sweet as Sally;	
She is the darling of my heart,	
And she lives in our alley.	
Her father he makes cabbage-nets	
And through the streets does cry 'em;	[10]
Her mother she sells laces long	
To such as please to buy 'em;	
But sure such folks could ne'er beget	
So sweet a girl as Sally!	
She is the darling of my heart,	[15]
And she lives in our alley.	
When she is by, I leave my work,	
I love her so sincerely;	
My master comes like any Turk,	

And bangs me most severely— But let him bang his bellyful I'll bear it all for Sally; She is the darling of my heart, And she lives in our alley.	[20]
Of all the days that's in the week I dearly love but one day— And that's the day that comes betwixt A Saturday and Monday; For then I'm drest all in my best	[25]
To walk abroad with Sally,  She is the darling of my heart,  And she lives in our alley.	[30]
My master carries me to church, And often am I blamed Because I leave him in the lurch <sup>1</sup> As soon as text is named; I leave the church in sermon-time And slink away to Sally; She is the darling of my heart, And she lives in our alley.	[35] [40]
When Christmas comes about again O then I shall have money; I'll hoard it up, and box it all, I'll give it to my honey; I would it were ten thousand pound, I'd give it all to Sally;	[45]

She is the darling of my heart, And she lives in our alley.

My master and the neighbors all

Make game of me and Sally, [50]

And, but for her, I'd better be
A slave and row a galley;

But when my seven long years are out
O then I'll marry Sally,—
O then we'll wed, and then we'll bed
But not in our alley!

#### NOTES:

### I. Introductory.

A little masterpiece in a very difficult style: Catullus himself could hardly have bettered it. In grace, tenderness, simplicity, and humour it is worthy of the Ancients; and even more so, from the completeness and unity of the picture presented (F.T.P.).

Henry Carey (died 1743) was a musician and a writer of operas and burlesque, the most famous of which is *Chrononhotonthologos*, "the most tragical tragedy ever yet tragedized by any company of tragedians." The authorship of *God Save the King* is sometimes attributed to him, and was claimed for him by his son, but apparently without reason. *Sally in Our Alley*, first published about 1715, won praise, according to Carey himself, from "the divine Addison". Carey also said that the poem owed its origin to his having "dodged" a "practice treating his mistress to various London amusements".

### []. Explanatory.

1. lurch. "The phrase 'to have in the lurch' was derived from its

use in anold game; "to lurch" is still used in playing cribbage. ... The game is mentioned in Cotgrave: F. lourche the game called Lurche, or a Lurch in game: ill demeura lourche, he was left in the lurch. (Skeat) 'To leave in the lurch' has come to mean 'leave in a forlorn condition.'"

G. T. Notes p. 109:16

### 2. GOD SAVE THE KING

God save our greatest King! Long live our noble King! God save the King! Send him victorious. [5] Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us! God save the King! O Lord, our God, arise! Scatter his enemies, [10] And make them fall: Confound their politics, Frustrate their knavish tricks: On Thee our hopes we fix-God save us all! [15] Thy choicest gift in store, On him be pleased to fall; Long may he reign! May he defend our laws,

And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice
God save the King!

[20]

#### NOTES:

··· The tune, however, is not certainly of English origin. The words of *God Save the King*, and often the air as well, have been contributed to Henry Carey, who is supposed to have written the song about 1740.

An Introduction to Poetry