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INTRODUCTORY NOTE

The laborious work of assembling the data on which this survey is based was carried out by the late Mr. R. J. Jones of Loughton, Essex; and the task of sifting the material and writing the commentary was undertaken by Professor W. K. Stanton, a member of the Committee of the Church Music Society. I wish to record the thanks of the President, Council and Members of the Society to both these gentlemen.

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Sixty Years of Cathedral Music 1898-1958

WHEN THE BOOKLET Forty years of Cathedral Music was published, the Editor referred to 'a spirit of divine discontent' which was rife amongst cathedral organists at the end of the 19th century.

A Committee was formed. At the first, and, so far as can be discovered, the only meeting, it became obvious immediately that some of the discontent was levelled at works composed by musicians of distinction who were still living. That was embarrassing, and there was no easement provided when it was discovered that some of the composers were the teachers of the malcontents. A resolution was therefore passed that all these works should be excluded from consideration, but that was tantamount to by-passing the major part of the problem; yet from the discussion action did result, for the Committee was able to persuade Dr. Percy Buck and The Rev. E. H. Fellowes, who were then respectively Organist of Wells Cathedral and Precentor of Bristol Cathedral, to find out exactly what music was being sung. As a result of their enquiries the repertoires of fifty cathedral churches and comparable establishments in the United Kingdom were collected. This was in 1898.

Nothing further seems to have been done beyond writing down in a note book all this information. It was not published, but about forty years later Dr. Fellowes (as he then was) gave it to the Committee of the Church Music Society. By that time (1938) further enquiry was necessary. This was made, and the booklet 'Forty years,' alluded to above, was published. This contained much new information, some comparisons between the music used at the two dates (1898 and 1938), and some notes on composers who had made and were making distinguished contributions to the corpus of anthems sung in cathedrals. It was at once evident that a good many items which were in the lists of 1898 had disappeared, while some had become more popular, and for others there was less demand.

Twenty years have passed, and the present enquiry has revealed yet more changes, not only in the repertoires but also in the number of choral services in each cathedral. The unpalatable fact is that Choral Mattins has now almost disappeared from our cathedrals. On the other hand, cathedral organists have at their disposal a far greater choice of music, for an immense amount of what is now available was hidden away in libraries in 1898. One may however regret the passing of single

parts, which were such first-class training for men and boys alike.

Comparisons between the information collected at the three dates (1898, 1938, 1958) is not easy, for the places from which information has been gathered differ widely.

In 1898 all English cathedrals, Westminster Abbey, most of the college chapels, the cathedrals of Ireland and Wales, and one (St. Mary's, Edinburgh) from Scotland, were included.

In 1938 no cathedrals outside England were included, but Birming-ham Cathedral, St. George's Chapel, Windsor, and St. Nicholas College, Chislehurst, were added.

In 1958 many newly-constituted English cathedrals come into the picture, together with three from Ireland, two from Scotland, two from Wales. Winchester College has been added to the list of college chapels, and Leeds Parish Church also finds a place.

Much music has been added, and much discarded. The result is good in both directions, but the opinion may be ventured that further use of the guillotine would do no harm. Eliminated from the present survey is the spirit of prophecy. To attempt to estimate the popularity in fifty years hence of an item by Mr. X, which is sung today in ten places, is a task of some difficulty, considerable unreliability, and slender reward. At the same time, it is dangerous to pontificate about many of the works which are now sung in one place only. There may be attendant circumstances which both admit the work to the one place and equally prevent its use elsewhere. On the other hand, it must not be forgotten that in 1898 Noble in B minor was sung at York alone; now the Evening Service is sung in 49 places in our lists, and probably in many other places besides. The present plan is to note the works which are sung in ten or more places; some comparisons with previous results are added.

LIST OF PLACES INCLUDED

1898 and 1938

Bristol	Hereford	Ripon
Cambridge (King's)	Lichfield	Rochester
Cambridge(St. John's)	Lincoln	Salisbury
Canterbury	Liverpool	Southwark
Carlisle	London (St. Paul's)	Southwell
Chester	Manchester	Tenbury
Chichester	Norwich	(St. Michael's Coll.)
Durham	Oxford	Wells
Ely	(Christ Church)	Westminster Abbey
Eton College	Oxford (Magdalen)	Winchester
Exeter	Oxford (New College)	Worcester
Gloucester	Peterborough	York
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Total 34

NOTE: 16 other places were included, from Ireland, Scotland, Wales, but no detailed list was given. This brought the total up to 50.

1938 but not 1898

Birmingham	St. George's Chapel, Windsor	College of St. Nicholas, Chislehurst
	Total 37	
	1958	
*Armagh	*Dublin	Lichfield
*Bangor	(Christ Church)	Lincoln
Birmingham	*Dublin (St. Patrick's)	*Llandaff
*Blackburn	Durham	London (St. Paul's)
*Bradford	*Edinburgh	Manchester
Bristol	(St. Mary's)	*Newcastle
Cambridge (King's)	Ely	Norwich
Cambridge	Eton College	Oxford
(St. John's)	Exeter	(Christ Church)
Canterbury	*Glasgow (St. Mary's)	Oxford (Magdalen)

(Parish Church)

Oxford

Ripon

(New College)

Peterborough

*Portsmouth

Gloucester

Hereford

*Leicester

*Leeds

Carlisle

Chester

*Derby

*Chelmsford

Chichester

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Rochester	Southwell	Windsor
*St. Alban's	*Wakefield	(St. George's
*St. Edmundsbury	Wells	Chapel)
Salisbury	Westminster Abbey	Worcester
*Sheffield	Winchester	York
Southwark	*Winchester College	Total 54
	* Not previously included	

WEEKDAY CHORAL SERVICES

In the following tabulation, the state of affairs in 1958 is compared with that of 1934 as set out in the Church Music Society's Occasional Paper No. 11, 'The Present State of Cathedral Music.'

1934		1958		
MATTINS	EVENSONG	MATTINS	EVENSONG	

CATHEDRALS Birmingham • 5 2 Blackburn 1 4 (+3) Bradford Bristol 5 5 Canterbury 2 6 1 6 Carlisle 5 5 Chelmsford 2 2 Chester 3 5 2 5

Chester	3	5	2	5	
Chichester	2	5	16.	5	
Coventry	-	=	_	1	(1962)
Derby	1	6	227	1	
Durham	2	6	2	6	
Edinburgh (St. Mary's)	-	6	_	6	
Ely	6	5	-	6	
Exeter	4	5	-	5	
Gloucester	3 .	5	77.0	5	
Guildford	-	5	_	5	
Hereford	5	4		5	
Leicester	_	_	-	3	(+3)
Lincoln	3	5	2	5	
Liverpool	-	4	-	2	

Llandaff

Manchester

London (St. Paul's)

London (Southwark)

^{*} Not previously included

WEEKDAY CHORAL SERVICES

CATHEDRALS (continued)	193	34		1958	
MAT	TINS	EVENSONG	MATTINS	EVENSONG	
Newcastle	-	5	-	5	
Norwich	5	5 5	-	5	
Oxford (Christ Church)	200	5	1000	5	
Peterborough	-	5	1	5 (+1)
Portsmouth	-	1	-	5 5 (+1 2 (+1) 5)
Ripon	5	5	-	5	
Rochester	5716	5	=	5	
St. Alban's	-	5	-	4	
St. Edmundsbury	-	042	2	2 (+2))
Salisbury	4	5		5	ii.
Sheffield	name.	200	1000	1 (+1)
Southwell	***	5 5	-	4	
Truro	***	5	_	5	
Wakefield	-	3	***	-	
Wells	6	6	-	* 5	
Winchester	4	5	- 3 2 2	* 5 5 5	
Worcester	5 4	5 5 5	2	5	
York	4	5	2	5	
OTHER INSTITUTION	IS				
Westminster Abbey	3	6	2	6	
Windsor					
St. George's Chapel	4	5	3	5	
Cambridge)	1000			
King's College		/ey	-	6	
St. John's College		LI I	11/-	4	
Trinity College		S		1	
Oxford		luded in 1934 survey	S		
Magdalen College		n 1	1 -	5	
New College		i ii	-	5	
Tenbury		t ii		*	
St. Michael's College		Not included in 193	6	5	
Leeds Parish Church	J		_	5	

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THE CANTICLES

In 1898 there were 459 settings in use; in 1938 the number rose to 468; in 1958, when Morning and Evening settings were counted separately, the total is 560, of which

198 are Morning settings. 170 of these are used in less than 10 places.

362 are Evening settings. 272 of these are used in less than 10 places.

It should be noted that owing to the alteration in the ordering of services today (one Psalm instead of the full number appointed; Canticles sung to chants instead of settings;) there is a tendency to use only part of a morning setting—e.g. Te Deum and not Benedictus, or Benedicite only. The inclusion of any setting may therefore mean that only part of what is available is used.

MORNING SERVICES USED IN TEN OR MORE PLACES

In alphabe	etical or	der of composers	
Alcock in B flat	19	Moeran in E flat	11
Boyce in C	34	Noble in B minor	22
Boyce in A	30	Purcell in B flat	11
Byrd (short)	21	Smart in F	19
Farrant (J.) (short)	10	Stanford in A	21
Gibbons (short)	32	Stanford in B flat	51
Gray in G	15	Stanford in C	46
Harris in A	11	Stanford in F	14
Harwood in A flat	34	Stanford in G	13
Howells, Collegium Regale	12	Sumsion in G	15
Ireland in C	21	Tallis (Dorian)	16
Ireland in F	38	Weelkes (short)	11
Lloyd in E flat	16	Wesley (S.S.) in F	11
Marchant in G	10	Vaughan Williams in G	40

The same, in numerical order of places

10.	Farrant (J.) (short)	15.	Gray in G
	Marchant in G		Sumsion in G
11.	Harris in A	16.	Lloyd in E flat
	Moeran in E flat		Tallis (Dorian)
	Purcell in B flat	19.	Alcock in B flat
	Weelkes (short)		Smart in F
	Wesley (S.S.) in F	21.	Byrd (short)
12.	Howells, Collegium Regale		Ireland in C
	Stanford in G		Stanford in A
14.	Stanford in F	22.	Noble in B minor

THE CANTICLES

The same, i	in numerical	order of	places ((continued)
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Boyce in A	38. Irela	nd in F
Gibbons (short)	40. Vaug	shan Williams in G
Boyce in C	46. Stan	ford in C
Harwood in A flat	51. Stan	ford in B flat
10 places:— 94 are used in 1 place; 2	3 in 2 places; 10 in	
	Gibbons (short) Boyce in C Harwood in A flat NOTE: 198 settings are us 10 places:— 94 are used in 1 place; 26	Harwood in A flat NOTE: 198 settings are used, of which 170

EVENING SERVICES USED IN TEN OR MORE PLACES In alphabetical order of composers

Aldrich in G	12	Gray in G	13
Arnold (J. H.) (fa-burden)	10	Harris in A	14
Arnold (S.) in A	43	Harris in A minor	22
Bairstow in D	18	Harwood in A flat	36
Bairstow in E flat	16	Holmes (fa-burden)	18
Bevin (Dorian)	13	Howells in G	18
Blow in F or G*	18	Howells, Collegium Regale	32
Blow (Dorian)	18	Hunt (short)	11
Brewer in D	14	Ireland in Ć	16
Brewer in E flat	23	Ireland in F	43
Bullock in C	11	Kelway in B minor	16
Byrd (short)	39	Kempton in B flat	16
Byrd, 2nd	30	King in F	10
Byrd, 3rd	27	Ley in A minor	14
Byrd (fa-burden)	24	Lloyd in E flat	21
Causton in F minor	22	Moeran in D	28
Cooke (B.) in G	23	Morley (short)	22
Davies (Walford) in G	14	Morley (fa-burden)	25
Dyson in D	19	Murrill in E	30
Dyson in C	12	Nares in F	10
Dyson in F	18	Nicholson in D flat	24
Elvey (S.) in A	15	Noble in B minor	49
Farrant (J.) (short)	13	Parry in D (short)	10
Farrant (R.) in A minor	21	Patrick in A minor	21
Gibbons (short)	43	Purcell (D.) in E minor	22
Gibbons, 2nd	17	Purcell (H.) in G minor	34
Gibbons (fa-burden)	25	Purcell (H.) in B flat	12
Goss in E	33	Rogers in D	13
Gray in F minor (8 vv.)	12	Stanford in A	37

* The returns do not make it clear whether Blow in F (transposed to G) or Blow in G (transposed to A) is meant.

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EVENING SERVICES USED IN TEN OR MORE PLACES

In alphabetical order of composers (continued)

Stanford in B flat	52	Watson in E	18
Stanford in C	48	Weelkes (short)	31
Stanford in F	37	Wesley (S.S.) in E	30
Stanford in G	34	Wesley (S.S.) in F	30
Statham in E minor	. 13	Wesley (S.S.) in F (chant)	15
Stewart Hylton in C	34	Vaughan Williams in C	19
Stewart Hylton (Dorian)	10	Wilson (S.) in C	14
Sumsion in G $(\hat{S}.A.T.\hat{B}.)$	30	Wise in E flat	21
Sumsion in G (boys)	12	Willan (fa-burden)	12
Tallis (fa-burden)	25	Wood in C minor	39
Tallis (Dorian)	35	Wood in E flat (1)	41
Tomkins, 2nd	17	Wood in E flat (2)	33
Tomkins (fa-burden)	18	Wood in F (8 vv.)	16
Travers in F	13	Wood in G (8 vv.)	18
Walmisley in D	20	Wood in G (men)	11
Walmisley in D minor	51	Wood in D	42

The same, in numerical order of places

10.	Arnold J. H. (fa-burden) King in F Nares in F		Rogers in D Statham in E minor Travers in F
	Parry in D (short)	14.	Brewer in D
	Stewart (Hylton) (Dorian)		Davies (Walford) in G
11.	Bullock in C		Harris in A
	Hunt (short)		Ley in A minor
	Wood in G (men)		Wilson (S.) in C
12.	Aldrich in G	15.	Elvey (S.) in A
	Dyson in C		Wesley (S.S.) in F (chant)
	Gray (8 vv.) in F minor	16.	Bairstow in É flat
	Purcell (H.) in B flat		Ireland in C
	Sumsion in G (boys)		Kelway in B minor
	Willan (Healey) (fa-burden)		Kempton in B flat
13.	Bevin (Dorian)		Wood (8 vv.) in F
	Farrant (J.) (short)	17.	Gibbons, 2nd
	Gray in G		Tomkins, 2nd

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EVENING SERVICES USED IN TEN OR MORE PLACES In numerical order of places (continued)

18.	Bairstow in D	28.	Moeran in D
	Blow in F or G (see note to	30.	Byrd, 2nd
	preceding list)		Murrill in E
	Blow (Dorian)		Sumsion in G
	Dyson in F		Wesley (S.S.) in E
	Holmes (fa-burden)		Wesley (S.S.) in F
	Howells in G	31.	Weelkes (short)
	Tomkins (fa-burden)		Howells, Collegium Regale
	Watson in E		Goss in E
	Wood (8 vv.) in G		Wood in E flat (2)
19.	Dyson in D	34.	
	Vaughan Williams in C		Stanford in G
20.	Walmisley in D		Stewart (Hylton) in C
21.	Farrant (R.) in A minor	35.	Tallis (Dorian)
	Lloyd in E flat		Harwood in A flat
	Patrick in A minor	37.	Stanford in A
	Wise in E flat		Stanford in F
22.	Causton in F minor	39.	Byrd (short)
	Harris in A minor		Wood in C minor
	Morley (short)	40.	Wood in E flat (1)
	Purcell (D.) in E minor		Wood in D
23.	Brewer in E flat	43.	Arnold (S.) in A
	Cooke (B.) in G		Gibbons (short)
24.	Byrd (fa-burden)		Ireland in F
	Nicholson in D flat	48.	Stanford in C
25.	Gibbons (fa-burden)	49.	Noble in B minor
	Morley (fa-burden)	51.	Walmisley in D minor
	Tallis (fa-burden)	52.	Stanford in B flat
27.	Byrd, 3rd		

NOTE: 362 settings are used, of which 272 are used in less than 10 places:—

115 are used in 1 place; 51 in 2 places; 26 in 3; 21 in 4; 20 in 5; 11 in 6; 10 in 7; 12 in 8; 6 in 9 (Total 272)

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COMPARATIVE USES OF SETTINGS OF THE CANTICLES

In the 1938 booklet titles were ascribed to different classes of settings, as follows:—

Perennials Those which had retained their position during the

40 years 1898 to 1938.

Survivors Those which had lost favour, but still held a fairly

firm place.

Defunct Those which were used in not more than three places.

In citing these, the pamphlet confined itself to

works by well-known musicians only.

Opportunity is now taken to show the movement of settings in these categories at three different dates. 1958 figures are those for Evening Canticles only.

'PERENNIALS'	1898	1938	1958
Aldrich in G	27	21	12
Arnold in A	32	29	43†
**Boyce in A	33	23	2
**Boyce in C	29	25	2
Cooke (B.) in G	32	29	23
Elvey in A	32	23	15
Gibbons in F	29	31	43†
Goss in E	31	28	33†
Kelway in B minor	17	24	16
Kempton in B flat	23	21	16
Lloyd in E flat	18	30	21
Parry in D	21	24	10
Rogers in D	18	22	13
Smart in F	33	25	4
Stanford in B flat	30	34	52†
Tallis (Dorian)	22	28	35†
Travers in F	26	22	13
Walmisley in D	24	24	20
Walmisley in D minor	26	33	51†
Wesley (S.S.) in E	16	26	30+
Wesley (S.S.) in F	26	29	30+
+ Position strengthened			

[†] Position strengthened

^{* *} This acute change is somewhat counter-balanced by the popularity of the Morning settings, which now read—Boyce in A: 30, Boyce in C: 34

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COMPARATIVE USES OF THE SETTINGS OF THE CANTICLES (continued)

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'SURVIVORS'	1898	1938	1958
Attwood in F	24	7	3
Calkin in B flat	26	6	_
Garrett in D	33	21	8
Garrett in E	20	10	_
Garrett in E flat	23	13	_
Gladstone in F	27	14	_
Goss in A	27	12	4
Hopkins in C	13	8	
Hopkins in F	29	17	2
Kelway in A minor	17	8	2
Mendelssohn in A	22	6	3
Nares in F	29	15	10
Smart in G	23	15	6
Stainer in A	22	9	1
Stainer in B flat	19	6	1
Stainer in E flat	30	14	8
Turle in D	29	14	2
'DEFUNCT'	1898	1938	1958
Barnby in E	29	1	
Bridge in G	21	3	
Calkin in D	9	1	_
Dykes in F	26	_	-
Ebdon in C	10	1	1
Elvey in F	13	1	
Gadsby in C	14	-	
Novello in E	11	3	_
Prout in F	12	1	_
Sullivan in D	16	3	-
Tours in F	22	3	_

One further category was described hopefully as 'Promising,' and the figures showing the movement prove that in this instance prophecy was accurate,

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COMPARATIVE USES OF THE SETTINGS OF THE CANTICLES (continued)

'PROMISING'	1898	1938	1958
Harwood in A flat	10	33	36
Noble in B minor	1	31	49
Stanford in A	14	31	37
Wood in E flat (No. 1)	3	25	41

The lists which follow are inserted because of new conditions in cathedral choral services. In 1898, services with 'boys only' or 'men only' were rare. In 1958 they are all too common where circumstances have dictated to Deans and Chapters. Further, a good deal of recourse is had to fa-burden settings of the evening canticles.

MORNING SERVICES

UNISON	MEN ONLY	BOYS ONLY
Dyson in C	Harris in A flat	Howells in E flat
	Harwood in A flat	Jackson (J.) in C
	Lang in F	Ley in D minor
	Lang in A	Wadely in E flat
	Ley in C minor	
	Macpherson in E	
	Wadely in E flat	
	West in C	
	Wood in E	
	Wood in G	

THE CANTICLES

EVENING SERVICES

	EVENTING	SERVICES	
UNISON	MEN ONLY	BOYS ONLY	FA-BURDEN
Bairstow	Batten in C	Arnold (J. H.)	Byrd
in E flat	Bennett	in ?	Causton
Shaw (M.) in D	in D minor	Blake in D	Clarke
Stewart (Hylton)	Bullock in B flat	Dyson in C	Ellis
in C	Dwyer in D	Harker in D	Fairfax
	Harwood in A	Harris in D	Gibbons
	Hewson	Hurford in A	Holmes
	in B flat	Jackson (B.)	Morley
	Howard in ?	in E flat	Mundy
	Howells in E	Jackson (F.)	Ross
	de Lacy in D	in C	Ruffi
	Lang in B flat	Long in F	Sario
	Lang in C	Macpherson	Shaw (M.)
	Lang in C sharp	in G	Tallis
	minor	Nicholson in G	Tomkins
	Lang in E flat	Robson in D	Whitbroke &
	Lang in F	Rose in E	Knight
	Lang in G	Smart in G	Whitlock
	Ley in C minor	Stewart(Hylton)	Willan (Healey)
	Naylor in D	in C	Zacharias
	Naylor in G	Sumsion in G	
	Read in F	Thiman in F	
	Stanford in D	Thiman in G	
	Sumsion in G	Wadely	
	Watson in E flat	in E flat	
	Wood in E	Walker in D	
		Watson in F	
		Watson in E flat	
		Vaughan	
		Williams in C	
		Wood in A flat	

There has also been a considerably extended use of *Benedicite* as an alternative canticle at Mattins during Lent. The following settings seem to be widely used at the present time:

Ashfield in F, Atkins in F, Jackson (J.) in G (boys), Ley in A, Lloyd in B flat, Naylor in G, Nicholson in G, Pullein in G, Purcell in B flat, Shaw (M.) in F, Shaw (M.) in E minor (boys), Hylton Stewart in C, Sumsion in B flat.

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COMMUNION SERVICES

It is now unusual to find a cathedral where a Sung Eucharist is a rare occurrence. Here again is a difference between 1898 and the present day, although by 1938 nearly every English cathedral had this service on at least one Sunday in every month, and in nineteen places it was sung weekly.

In 1938 the list contained 131 settings, and the present list contains 130, of which 117 are used in less than 10 places. Comment was made in 1938 that where a Eucharist was sung once a month, only a small repertoire was needed; but if this service was sung every Sunday and also on some Saints' days, a much larger choice would normally be expected, which was then not the case. Today's figures would seem to suggest that the plan is to use a few settings, and to use them frequently. It is worth while to notice that all the 13 names of composers whose settings are frequently used in 1958 appeared in the 1938 list. It is more remarkable that there are no new names in 1958. Comparison is difficult, because the 1938 list was made up of settings sung in five or more places, while that of 1958 conforms to the plan of listing those sung in 10 or more places.

COMMUNION SERVICES USED IN TEN OR MORE PLACES

In alphabetical order of composers 14 Palestrina (Aeterna Christi Byrd, 4-part Darke in F Munera) 40 Stanford in A Harwood in A flat 15 Stanford in B flat Ireland in C 27 Lev in E minor 10 Stanford in C Stanford in G Lloyd in E flat 11

The same, in numerical order of places

30

Wood (Phrygian)

10.	Ley in E minor	15.	Harwood in A flat
	Stanford in A	24.	Stanford in B flat
	Stanford in G	27.	Ireland in C
11.	Lloyd in E flat	30.	Merbecke
	Byrd, 4-part		Stanford in C
	Palestrina (Aeterna Christi	32.	Wood (Phrygian)
	Munera)	40.	Darke in F

Merbecke

NOTE: 130 settings are used, of which 117 are used in less than 10 places:—

72 are used in 1 place; 23 in 2 places; 7 in 3; 1 in 4; 6 in 5; 1 in 6; 6 in 7; 1 in 8 (Total 117)

COMMUNION SERVICES

COMPARISON IN USE OF COMMUNION SERVICES

	1938	1958		1938	1958
**Stanford in B flat	29	24	*Smart in F	9	1
**Stanford in C	25	30†	*Harwood in D	9	1
**Merbecke	25	30†	*Whitlock in G	9	7
**Harwood in A flat	23	15	**Byrd, 4-part	8	14†
**Wood (Phrygian)	21	32†	*Byrd, 5-part	7	6
**Ireland in C	20	27	*Alcock in B flat	7	1
*Wesley in E	16	8	*Macpherson in G	7	3
**Lloyd in E flat	16	11	*Garrett in D	7	1
**Darke in F	15	40†	*Nicholson in D flat	6	1
**Ley in E minor	13	10	*Causton	5	5
**Palestrina (Aeterna			*Stanford in F	5	5
Christi Munera)	12	14†	*Wood in C minor	5	5
**Stanford in A	12	10	*Brewer in E flat	5	3
**Stanford in G	9	10†			
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ANTHEMS

In the 1938 booklet the Editor propounded the interesting question 'What is an anthem?' and gave his definition of the limitations desirable in the choice of words.

He stressed that in the minds of the Compilers of the 1662 Prayer Book an anthem meant a musical composition based on a text taken from Holy Scripture or from the Liturgy of the Church (e.g. the Collects), or from metrical versions of the Psalms. To support this he advocated the exclusion of movements from oratorios where the words are not taken from the Bible or the Prayer Book, but retreated almost at once from this position by suggesting that such movements are permissible in provincial cathedrals where complete performances of oratorios are not possible. But he was careful to add that to sing music set to words from other sources was proper enough at a musical recital given apart from a service.

In order to explain what an anthem is, or should be, due attention should be given to this statement, but our task here and now is to give a list of the anthems which are sung, not to state what an anthem should be. This task is not without difficulty, for organists will be quick to notice that no mention is made of anthems by J. S. Bach. The reason is that the form in which information about items by Bach

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has arrived makes possible a risk that the same work may be included twice or even three times, owing to the foibles of editors and translators. An arbitrary decision therefore had to be made, but it is probable that this exclusion of an important name will not prove a hindrance, for organists will choose the movements they wish to include in their repertoire with full knowledge of the editions which they prefer to use.

ANTHEMS USED IN TEN OR MORE PLACES

In alphabetical order of composers

Allegri		Bennett (Sterndale)	
Miserere	16	God is a Spirit	16
Anerio		O that I knew	19
Christus factus est	14	Blow	
Arcadelt		I beheld, and lo!	33
Ave Maria	20	Let thy hand	13
Attwood		My God, my God	12
Come Holy Ghost	39	Salvator mundi	30
Enter not into judgement	17	Boyce	
Teach me, O Lord	38	Blessing and glory	10
Turn thee again	28	By the waters of Babylon	22
Turn thy face	35	I have surely built	19
Bainton		O where shall wisdom	38
And I saw another angel	19	Save me, O God	11
Bairstow		The heavens declare	16
Blessed city	23	The Lord is King	14
Jesu, grant me this	13	Turn thee unto me	24
Jesu, the very thought	30	Brahms	
Let all mortal flesh	27	How lovely are thy dwellings	31
Save us, O Lord	46	Buck	-
Though I speak	11	O Lord God	13
Batten			13
Deliver us	35	Bullock	
Hear my prayer, O God	19	Give us the wings of faith	45
Lord, we beseech thee	19	O most merciful	22
O praise the Lord	33	Byrd	
Sing we merrily	21	Alleluia. Ascendit Deus	15
When the Lord turned again	15	Ave verum corpus	42
Battishill		Bow thine ear	25
Call to remembrance	20	Christi qui lux es	22
O Lord, look down	34	Haec dies	23

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Byrd—cont.		Farrant	
Justorum animae	34		4
Laetentur coeli	11	Hide not thou thy face	4
O Lord, make thy serva	ant 17	(see also Hilton)	4
Non vos relinquam	17	Finzi	
Prevent us, O Lord	14		Stra
Sacerdotes Domini	32	God is gone up	1
Senex puerum portabat	17	Ford	
Sing joyfully	35	Almighty God	30
Teach me, O Lord	12	Gardiner (Balfour)	
This day Christ was born	10	Te lucis ante terminum	28
Veni sancte spiritus	10	Gibbons	
Cornelius	10	Almighty and everlasting	49
The Three Kings	11	Almighty God [God	
Creyghton	11	God is gone up	10
I will arise	20	Hosanna to the Son of Davi	d 43
Croft	20	Lift up your heads	16
God is gone up	32	O clap your hands	31
Sing praises	11	O Lord, in thy wrath	17
We will rejoice	15	O Lord, increase my faith	48
Burial Sentences	12	This is the record of John	43
Crotch	12	Goss	0.000
Comfort, O Lord	28	God so loved the world	12
How dear are thy counsels	38	I heard a voice	15
Lo, star-led chiefs	31	If we believe	37
Davies (Walford)	31	O Saviour of the world	36
God be in my head	18	Praise the Lord	13
Dering	10	The wilderness	19
Above him stood	10	Gray	
Factum est silentium	12	What are these?	14
Drese	14	Greene	1.1
Round me falls the night	11	God is our hope and strength	22
Ovorak	11	Lord, let me know mine end	22
Blessed Jesu	20	O clap your hands	29
Eccard	20	O praise the Lord	
When to the temple	42	Thou visitest the earth	10 41
Elgar	IL.	Hadley	41
The spirit of the Lord	11	My beloved spake	
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Handel		Lassus	
Let the bright Seraphim	20	Tristis est anima mea	1
Let their celestial concerts	10	Ley	1
Sixth Chandos Anthem	10	Lo, round the throne	2
Zadok the priest	17	The strife is o'er	2
Handl		Macpherson	40'
All they from Saba	14	O praise God	10
Behold, thou shalt conceiv	e 18	Thou, O God	13
Harris	33 B. T.	Mendelssohn	1.
Come, my way	12	Above all praise	11
Faire is the heaven	25	He that shall endure	
O what their joy	14	Hear my prayer	17
Harwood		How lovely	13
O how glorious	36	Judge me, O God	13
Hassler		Sleepers, wake	12
Dixit Maria	10	When Jesus our Lord	13
Haydn		Morley	10
Achieved is the glorious wor	rk 11	Agnus Dei	
The heavens are telling	23		11
Insanae et vanae curae	18	Nolo mortem peccatoris Out of the deep	25
Hilton	10	Mozart	25
Lord, for thy tender mercies	41		00
sake (also attr. to Farrant, R	, 11	Ave verum corpus Mundy (J.)	26
Holst	••)		10
Turn back, O man	12	Sing joyfully Mundy (W.)	16
Howells	14		40
A spotless rose	14	O Lord the maker of all thin Nares	g 42
Here is the little door	17		01
Like as the hart	16	The souls of the righteous Nicolson	21
O pray for the peace	18		10
Humfrey	10	When Jesus sat at meat Ouseley	10
Rejoice in the Lord	14		4.1
Ireland	11	From the rising of the sun	41
Greater love hath no man	36	How goodly are thy tents O Saviour of the world	27
Jacob (arr.)	30	Palestrina	19
Brother James' air	10	Adoramus te	10
John IV	10		12
Crux fidelis	17	Come Holy Ghost	10
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Palestrina—cont.		Stanford	
Haec dies	10	And I saw another angel	3
In divers tongues	10	Beati quorum via	3
O beata et gloriosa Trinitas	10	Coelos ascendit	1
O bone Jesu	16	Glorious and powerful God	. ::::::::
Thou art Peter	27	How beauteous are the feet	
Parry		If thou shalt confess	1
Hear my words	12	Justorum animae	2
I was glad	37	O for a closer walk	3
My soul, there is a country	31	O living will	1
Never weather-beaten sail	12	The Lord is my shepherd	3
There is an old belief	11	Ye choirs of new Jerusalem	1'
Pearsall		Steggall	
In dulci jubilo	21	Remember now thy Creator	1′
Philips			1.4
Ascendit Deus	32	Stroud	
Gaudent in coelis	10	Hear my prayer	1
Purcell	370.750	Sweelinck	
Evening Hymn	17	Hodie	30
Hear my prayer	23	Tallis (attrib.)	
Jehovah, quam multi sunt	30	All people that on earth	14
My beloved spake	19	Tallis	
O give thanks	10		10
O God, thou art my God	21	Hear the voice and prayer I call and cry	12
O sing unto the Lord	29	If ye love me	11
Remember not, Lord	38		36
Rejoice in the Lord alway	47	O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit O nata lux	
Thou knowest, Lord	44	Salvator mundi	20
Thy word is a lantern	36		20
Rachmaninoff		Tomkins	
Hymn to the Cherubim	10	O pray for the peace	10
Redford (attrib.)		Travers	
Rejoice in the Lord alway	35	Ascribe unto the Lord	31
Schütz	55	Tschaikowsky	
Praise to thee	11		35
	11		,,
Shaw (G.)	10	Tye	
Hail, gladdening light	12	Laudate nomen domini	12

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Victoria		The Lord is my shepherd	10
Glorious in heaven	17	The wilderness	26
Jesu, dulcis memoria	31	Thou wilt keep him	47
O my people	10	Wash me thoroughly	43
O quam gloriosum	29	Whyte	
O vos omnes	10	O praise God	21
Wagner (G.)		Vaughan Williams	
Blessing, glory	13	Lord, thou hast been	16
Walmisley		O clap your hands	11
From all that dwell	27	O how amiable	11
	21	O taste and see	29
Weelkes (attrib.)		Wise	
Let thy merciful ears	47	Awake, awake	20
Weelkes		Awake up my glory	11
Gloria in excels s	29	Prepare ye the way	32
Hosanna	41	The ways of Zion	12
Weldon		Wood (C.)	
In thee, O Lord	12	Expectans expectavi	44
O praise God	15	Father all-holy	21
Wesley (S.)		Glorious and powerful God	11
In exitu Israel	25	Glory and honour	31
	23	God omnipotent	25
Wesley (S.S.)		Great Lord of lords	12
Ascribe unto the Lord	30	Hail, gladdening light	40
Blessed be the God	47	Jesu, the very thought	19
Cast me not away	33	O most merciful	16
Lead me, Lord	24	O thou the sweetest source	23
Let us lift up	31	O thou the central orb	46
O give thanks	18	Oculi omnium	10
O Lord my God	23	This joyful Eastertide	15
Praise the Lord	15	'Tis the day	11

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10

Boyce Blessing an

Blessing and glory

Byrd

This day Christ was born Veni sancte spiritus

Dering

Above him stood the Seraphim

Gibbons

God is gone up

Greene

O praise the Lord

Handel

Let their celestial concerts Sixth Chandos Anthem

Hassler

Dixit Maria Jacob (arr.)

Brother James' air

Macpherson

O praise God Mendelssohn

When Jesus our Lord

Nicolson

When Jesus sat at meat

Palestrina

Come Holy Ghost

Haec dies

In divers tongues

O beata et gloriosa Trinitas

Philips

Gaudent in coelis

Purcell

O give thanks Rachmaninoff

Hymn to the Cherubim

Tomkins

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem

Victoria

O my people O vos omnes Wesley (S.S.)

The Lord is my shepherd

Wood (C.) Oculi omnium

11

Bairstow

Though I speak

Boyce

Save me, O God

Byrd

Laetentur coeli

Cornelius

The Three Kings

Croft

Sing praises

Drese

Round me falls the night

Elgar

The spirit of the Lord

Finzi

God is gone up

Hadley

My beloved spake

Haydn

Achieved is the glorious work

Mendelssohn Above all praise

Morley Agnus Dei

Parry

There is an old belief

Schütz

Praise to thee

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Stroud

Hear my prayer

Tallis

I call and cry Vaughan Williams

O clap your hands O how amiable

Wise

Awake up my glory

Wood (C.)

Glorious and powerful God

'Tis the day

12

Blow

My God, my God

Byrd

Teach me, O Lord

Croft

Burial Sentences

Dering

Factum est silentium

Goss

God so loved the world

Harris

Come, my way

Holst

Turn back, O man

Mendelssohn

Judge me, O God

Palestrina

Adoramus te

Parry

Hear my words

Never weather-beaten sail

Shaw (G.)

Hail gladdening light

Steggall

Remember now thy Creator

Tallis

Hear the voice and prayer

Weldon

In thee, O Lord

Wise

The ways of Zion

Wood (C.)

Great Lord of lords

13

Bairstow

Jesu, grant me this

Blow

Let thy hand be strengthened

Buck

O Lord God

Goss

Praise the Lord

Macpherson Thou, O God

Mendelssohn

Hear my prayer

How lovely are the messengers

Sleepers, wake Wagner (G.) Blessing, glory

14

Anerio

Christus factus est

Boyce

The Lord is King

Byrd

Prevent us, O Lord

Gibbons

Almighty God

Gray

Handl

What are these?

All they from Saba

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ANTHEMS USED IN TEN OR MORE PLACES In numerical order of places (continued)

Harris O what their joy Howells A spotless rose Humfrey Rejoice in the Lord Lassus Tristis est anima mea Stanford If thou shalt confess Tallis (attrib.) All people that on earth do dwell 15 Batten Byrd

When the Lord turned again

Alleluia, ascendit

Croft

We will rejoice

Goss

I heard a voice

Stanford

O living will

Weldon

O praise God Wesley (S.S.) Praise the Lord

Wood (C.)

This joyful Eastertide

16 Allegri Miserere

Bennett (Sterndale) God is a spirit

Boyce

The heavens declare

Gibbons

Lift up your heads

Howells

Like as the hart

Mundy (L) Sing joyfully Palestrina O bone Jesu Vaughan Williams

Lord, thou hast been our refuge

Wood (C.)

O most merciful

Attwood

Enter not into judgement

Byrd

Non vos relinguam

O Lord, make thy servant Senex puerum portabat

Gibbons

O Lord, in thy wrath

Handel

Zadok the priest

Howells

Here is the little door

John IV Crux fidelis Mendelssohn

He that shall endure to the end

Palestrina

Dum complerentur

Purcell

Evening Hymn

Stanford

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

Victoria

Glorious in heaven

Davies (Walford) God be in my head

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ANTHEMS USED IN TEN OR MORE PLACES In numerical order of places (continued)

Behold thou shalt conceive

Haydn

Handl

Insanae et vanae curae

Howells

O pray for the peace

Stanford

Coelos ascendit Wesley (S.S.)

O give thanks

Bainton

And I saw another angel

Batten

Hear my prayer, O God

Lord, we beseech thee Bennett (Sterndale)

O that I knew

Boyce

I have surely built thee an house

Goss

The wilderness

Ouseley

O Saviour of the world

Purcell

My beloved spake

Wood (C.)

Iesu, the very thought

Arcadelt Ave Maria

Battishill

Call to remembrance

Creyghton I will arise Dvořák

Blessed Jesu

Greene

O clap your hands

Handel

Let the bright Seraphim

Tallis

Salvator mundi

Wise

Awake, awake

21 Batten

Sing we merrily

Nares

The souls of the righteous

Pearsall

In dulci jubilo

Purcell

O God, thou art my God

Whyte

O praise God Wood (C.)

Father all-holy

22 Bovce

By the waters of Babylon

Bullock

O most merciful

Byrd

Christi qui lux es

Greene

God is our hope and strength

Tallis

O nata lux

Bairstow Blessed city

Byrd

Haec dies Haydn

The heavens are telling

ANTHEMS

ANTHEMS USED IN TEN OR MORE PLACES
In numerical order of places (continued)

Purcell
Hear my prayer
Wesley (S.S.)
O Lord my God
Wood (C.)
O thou sweetest source
24
Boyce
Turn thee unto me

Ley
The strife is o'er
Wesley (S.S.)
Lead me, Lord

Byrd
Bow thine ear

Faire is the heaven

Ley
Lo, round the throne
Morley

Nolo mortem peccatoris Out of the deep Wesley (S.)

In exitu Israel
Wood (C.)

God omnipotent

26 Mozart Ave verum corpus Wesley (S.S.) The wilderness

27
Bairstow
Let all mortal flesh keep silence
Ouseley
How good y are thy tents

Palestrina Thou art Peter Walmisley From all that dwell

Attwood
Turn thee again
Crotch
Comfort, O Lord
Gardiner (Balfour)
Te lucis ante terminum
Stanford
Glorious and powerful God
Justorum animae

Greene
Lord, let me know mine end
Purcell
O sing unto the Lord
Victoria
O quam gloriosum
Weelkes
Gloria in excelsis
Vaughan Williams
O taste and see

Bairstow
Jesu, the very thought
Blow
Salvator mundi
Ford
Almighty God
Purcell
Jehovah, quam multi sunt
Stanford
And I saw another angel

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Sweelinck Hodie Wesley (S.S.) Ascribe unto the Lord

Brahms
How lovely are thy dwellings
Crotch
Lo, star-led chiefs
Gibbons

O clap your hands Parry My soul, there is a country Travers

Ascribe unto the Lord Victoria Jesu, dulcis memoria Wesley (S.S.) Let us lift up

Wood (C.) Glory and honour

32
Byrd
Sacerdotes Domini
Croft
God is gone up
Philips
Ascendit Deus
Wise
Prepare ye the way

Batten
O praise the Lord
Blow
I heheld, and lo
Wesley (S.S.)
Cast me not away

Battishill
O Lord, look down from heaven
Byrd

Justorum animae Stanford

How beauteous are the feet O for a closer walk

Attwood
Turn thy face
Batten
Deliver us

Byrd
Sing joyfully
Redford (attrib.)

Rejoice in the Lord alway

Stanford Beati quorum via Tschaikowsky Hymn to the Trinity

Goss

O Saviour of the world Harwood

O how glorious is the Kingdom

Ireland Greater love hath no man

Purcell

Thy word is a lantern

Stanford

The Lord is my shepherd

Tallis

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit

Goss
If we believe
Parry

27

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38 Tve Attwood Laudate nomen Domini Teach me, O Lord Wesley (S.S.) Bovce Wash me throughly O where shall wisdom be found? Crotch Purcell How dear are thy counsels Thou knowest, Lord Purcell Wood (C.) Remember not, Lord Expectans expectavi 39 Bullock Attwood Give us the wings of faith Come Holy Ghost Farrant 40 Call to remembrance Wood (C.) Hail, gladdening light Bairstow 41 Save us, O Lord Greene Wood (C.) Thou visitest the earth O thou the central orb Hilton/Farrant Lord for thy tender mercies' sake Farrant Ouseley Hide not thou thy face From the rising of the sun Purcell Weelkes Rejoice in the Lord alway Hosanna Weelkes (attrib.) Let thy merciful ears Wesley (S.S.) Byrd Blessed be the God and Father Ave verum corpus Thou wilt keep him Eccard When to the temple Gibbons Mundy (W.) O Lord, increase my faith O Lord the maker of all thing Tallis 43 If ye love me Gibbons Hosanna to the Son of David Gibbons This is the record of John Almighty and everlasting God

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ANTHEMS FOR BOYS' VOICES

(including items treated as such)

Akerman Lo, from the hills Bax There is no rose Blake And now another day Happy is the man Blow O pray for the peace Bovce Examine me, O Lord O turn away mine eyes The sorrows of my heart Buck O Lord God Bullock Holy is the true light Byrd An earthly tree Cook (E.T.) Give us the wings of faith Croft Lord, what love have I? Dering Anima Christi Dyson Praise Elgar Doubt not thy Father's care Greene Blessed art thou My lips shall speak thy praise O praise the Lord The Lord God is a light Hadley I sing of a maiden

Song for Easter

God's tender mercy

Handel

Harris Behold, now praise the Lord Holman Prevent us, O Lord Ireland Ex ore innocentium Tacob The Lord's my shepherd Kitson Holy Father, cheer our way Knight Christ, whose glory fills the skies Lassus Adoramus te, Christe Alleluia, laus et gloria Lev O be joyful Rejoice in the Lord alway Lloyd Grieve not the Holy Spirit Marcello As the hart panteth Marshall O clap your hands Mendelssohn Lift thine eves Lord at all times O rest in the Lord Milford The God of love Nicholson Be strong in the Lord Cleanse us, O Lord Teach us, good Lord Ouselev In the sight of the unwise Piggott

NOTE: 1729 Anthems are used, of which 1478 are used in less

840 are used in 1 place; 240 in 2 places; 138 in 3; 84 in 4; 45 in 5; 48 in 6; 33 in 7; 32 in 8; 18 in 9 (Total 1478)

than 10 places:-

Come, my way

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ANTHEMS FOR BOYS' VOICES (continued)

Rubbra Dormi, Jesu Scarlatti

Christmas Cantata

Shaw (G.) Worship

Somervell Grasmere Carol Vann

Pleasure it is

Wadely

If ye then be risen again

Walmisley

Ponder my words

Warlock Balulalow

Adam lay ybounden

ANTHEMS FOR MEN'S VOICES

Akerman

O come ve servants

Ashfield

Fairest of moving lights God be in my head To this temple

Boyce

Sing, O heavens Sing praises The heavens declare

The Lord is King

Brewer

O Lord God

Bullock

O Saviour of the world

Byrd

Lord, hear my prayer O God which art merciful Right blessed are they

Tui sunt coeli

Constantini

Confitemini Domino

Croft

Blessed are all they O praise the Lord Praise the Lord

Cruce

O vos omnes

Darke

O God of truth

Darlow

O Lord, rebuke me not

Dowland

My spirit longs for thee

Gibbons

O Lord, I lift my heart Why art thou so heavy?

Greene

For God is in the midst I will pay my vows Sing unto God

Handl

In nomine Jesu

Hassler

Cantate Domino Laetentur coeli

Haves (W.) Tell it out Humfrey

Have mercy upon me Hear, O heavens

Lang

Rejoice in the Lord

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ANTHEMS FOR MEN'S VOICES (continued)

Lassus

Adoramus te, Christe Agimus tibi gratias Alleluia, laus et gloria Expandi manus In pace

Oculus non vidit

Lev

God so loved the world

Lloyd

I will sing of thy power

Locke

O give thanks

Macpherson

Thou, O God, art praised

Marchant

Judge eternal

Mendelssohn

When Jesus our Lord

Palestrina

Adoramus te Come Holy Ghost Iesu, rex admirabilis Tua Jesu dilectio

Ponsonby

God be in my head

Read

Sing we merrily

Shepherd

Alleluia, confitemini

Shepherd/Tallis

I give you a new commandment

Tallis

Audivi vocem

Tomkins

O give thanks

Tve

Ad te clamamus

Walker

I will lift up mine eves

Lord, thou hast been our refuge

Weldon

O praise God

Wesley (S.)

Behold how good Vaughan Williams

Nothing is here for tears

Wise

Out of the deep Rend your hearts

Wood (C.)

Great Lord of Lords View me, Lord

CONCLUSION

In the 1938 survey, notes were written on each of 57 English musicians who had contributed to the repertoire of what is called 'the genuine English anthem.' This list included living composers, to whom tactful references are made, and it was a useful choice out of perhaps 400 or 500 possible names. Here again, prophecy was at work, for we meet such sentences as 'This qualifies for mention here; some others by this composer may become more widely used in the future.' In the present survey comments on future possibilities for the life or death of a work have not been attempted.

Lists of anthems for boys' voices only, and men's voices only, have been included, as there is a growing demand for such compositions. These lists are in no way complete. They are anthems which are used, and their inclusion would seem to indicate that they have found favour.

Any attempt to summarise or to conclude this survey must include reference to the postscript in the 1938 edition, which contains much wisdom. Speaking of anthems, the Editor writes:—'The tendency has been to bring to cathedrals what has been found serviceable in parish churches, mission halls and even concert rooms. If this tendency should proceed unchecked there will be no such thing as a cathedral style to be described when the very existence of cathedral musical establishments is threatened, and those who value them are called to their defence. Cathedrals have learnt much from parish churches: but they (the cathedrals) stand for a higher type of musical culture.'

Again, with reference to the repertoire, he says:—'We want to see older work surviving because it has been proved to meet a need, and the new added to it for a like reason. . . . A constant process of taking in new nourishment and shedding outworn tissue is as much a sign of health in art as it is in the human body.'

We may well take encouragement from the lists of the music which is now being sung, though a constant watch should be kept, and the words 'musical integrity' should always be watchwords. On the other hand, we have lost ground in the number of choral services—a circumstance which ought to make us beware of reducing the psalms at Evensong to one only where more are appointed, and of singing Te Deum and Benedictus to chants on the much rarer occasions of Choral Mattins.

Economic conditions may yet deal us a heavier blow in the future; if so, may this be met by a strenuous fight to preserve our unique heritage. Let us be content with nothing but the most worthy music; let us see that the performance of it is the most inspiring of which we are capable.