



## **Updating the John Donne Listings in Peter Beal's *Index of English Literary Manuscripts, II***

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The following list promotes another manuscript to Peter Beal's list of main manuscripts (those having more than ten complete or partial Donne poems) (*Index of English Literary Manuscripts* [London: Mansell, 1980], I, ii, pp. 250-59); locates additional, previously unrecorded poems within manuscripts already listed in Beal's *Index*; and completes two entries in Beal's *Index* and two in his "More Donne Manuscripts," *John Donne Journal* 6 (1987), 213-18.

University of Illinois manuscript 821.08/c737/17 (previously credited with only three poems: ll. 1-12, "The Comparison" [DnJ 714]; ll. 1-8, "The Dampne" [DnJ 874]; and ll. 1-20, "The Extasie" [DnJ 1269]) actually contains forty-seven poems and belongs with the sixty-nine main manuscripts listed by Beal in his Donne Introduction plus the two—MS Bedford 26 (owned by the Duke of Bedford) and Christ Church, Oxford, MS Evelyn 254—added in "Manuscripts." This manuscript of 135 leaves is a commonplace book of verse and drama with entries in several hands and was likely owned by Peter Save (who signed the inside front cover and f. 133) and Joseph Butler (who signed and dated the manuscript "1743" on f. 59v and f. 109v).

The format of the following entries corresponds to that in Beal's *Index* with two exceptions: the inclusive sigla in the *Index* for manuscript versions of the poems and the Variorum Edition of the Poetry of John Donne short form for the poem follow the title/first line of the poem as given in the *Index*.

***Aire and Angels*** ("Twice or thrice had I loved thee"). DnJ 3-30. *Air*. Copy (ll. 2-4), untitled, in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743. University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 52.

***The Anagram*** ("Marry, and love thy Flavia, for, shee"). DnJ 31-99. *ElAnag*. Copy (ll. 3-8, 15-16, 23-28, 37-38, 55-56), headed "Beautie", in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743. University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 48v.

**The Autumnall** ("No Spring, nor Summer Beauty hath such grace"). DnJ 240-284. *ElAut.*

Copy (ll. 33-42), headed "For Age.", in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 46v.

**"Batter my heart, three person'd God; for, you".** DnJ 324-334. *HSBatter.*

Copy (ll. 12-14), untitled, in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 50v.

**Breake of day** ("Tis true, 'tis day; what though it be"). DnJ 414-471. *Break.*

Copy (ll. 1-6), second stanza of poem headed "Sonnett: 2", in a verse miscellany of Scottish provenance; [1653].

National Library of Scotland, Advocates' MS 19. 3. 4, f. 9v.<sup>1</sup>

**The broken heart** ("He is starke mad, who ever sayes"). DnJ 472-520. *Broken.*

Copy (ll. 23-30), untitled, in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 51v.

**The broken heart** ("He is starke mad, who ever sayes"). DnJ 472-520. *Broken.*

Copy (ll. 2, 4-32), headed "That no man can Loue aboue halfe an hower", in a verse miscellany possibly once owned by Sir John Reresby (d. 1646) who signed the front inside cover; among the papers of the Savile family, formerly of Methley Hall, near Pontefract; c. 1630s. Lines 1 and 3 have been adapted to read "I cannot think that any man/ . . . Since that Death killing sicknes can".

Leeds District Archives, MS MX 237, ff. 60v-61.

**The Calme** ("Our storme is past, and that storms tyrannous rage"). DnJ 534-571. *Calm.*

Copy (l. 24), headed "Storm", in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 75v.

**Change** ("Although thy hand and faith, and good workes too"). DnJ 607-644. *ElChange.*

Copy (ll. 35-36, 5-6, 15-16), headed "For Age.", in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 46v.

***DnJ714 The Comparison*** (“As the sweet sweat of Roses in a Still”). *ElComp*. Copy (ll. 19-22, 25-26, 31-34, 1-6, 15-18, 27-28), headed “Beautie”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, ff. 48v-49.<sup>2</sup>

***The Dreame*** (“Deare love, for nothing lesse then thee”). DnJ 914- 942. *Dream*. Copy (ll. 7-20), headed “Wak’t by a Lady”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 52.

***Ecclogue. 1613. December 26*** (“Unseasonable man, statue of ice”). DnJ 973-993. *Eclog*.

Copy (ll. 39-40), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 51v.

***Elegie on Mr<sup>s</sup> Boulstred*** (“Death I recant, and say, unsaid by mee”). DnJ 994-1027. *BoulRec*.

Copy (ll. 13-16), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 67v.

***Elegie on the Lady Marckham*** (“Man is the World, and death th’ Ocean”). DnJ 1050-1089. *Mark*.

Copy (ll. 41-42), headed “Pious things”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 59.

***The Expostulation*** (“To make the doubt cleare, that no woman’s true”). DnJ 1215-1242. *ElExpost*.

Copy (ll. 66-70), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 51.

***“Father, part of his double interest”***. DnJ 1288-1301. *HSPart*.

Copy (ll. 13-14), headed “Pious things”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 59.

***The First Anniversary*** (“When that rich Soule which to her heaven is gone”).

No manuscript occurrences of the poem listed in the *Index*. *FirAn*.

Copy (ll. 115-22, 125-26, 129-30, 143-46, 175-76, 305-08), headed “Decay o’ Mans Age”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 49r-v.

***The First Anniversary*** (“When that rich Soule which to her heaven is gone”).

No manuscript occurrences of the poem listed in the *Index. FirAn.*

Copy (ll. 305-08), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 67v.

***A Funerall Elegie*** (“’Tis lost, to trust a Tombe with such a guest”). DnJ 1338-1339. *FunEl.*

Copy (ll. 51-54, 59-60), headed “Decay o’ Mans Age”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 49v.

***A Funerall Elegie*** (“’Tis lost, to trust a Tombe with such a guest”). DnJ 1338-1339. *FunEl.*

Copy (ll. 51-54), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 67v.

***Goodfriday, 1613. Riding Westward*** (“Let mans Soule be a spheare, and then, in this”). DnJ 1408-1431. *Goodf.*

Copy (ll. 17-18), headed “Pious things”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 59.

***The good-morrow*** (“I wonder by my troth, what thou, and I”). DnJ 1432-1471. *GoodM.*

Copy (ll. 19-21), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 52.

***His Picture*** (“Here take my picture; though I bid farewell”). DnJ 1517-1549. *ElPict.*

Copy (ll. 5-10), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 51v.

***A Hymne to Christ, at the Authors last going into Germany*** (“In what torneship soever I embarke”). DnJ 1550-1568. *Christ.*

Copy (ll. 26-28), headed “Pious things”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 59.

***Infinitati Sacrum. 16 Augusti 1601. Metempsychosis*** (“I sing the progresse of a deathlesse soule”). DnJ 1659-1667. *Metem.*

Copy (ll. 309-20, 328-32, 334-35), headed “Whale”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 75.

***The Litanie*** (“**Father of Heaven, and him, by whom**”). DnJ 1921-1946. *Lit.* Copy (ll. 89-90), headed “Pious things”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 59.

***Loves Alchymie*** (“**Some that have deeper digg’d loves Myne then F**”). DnJ 1947-1984. *LovAlch.*

Copy (ll. 6-11, 23-24), headed “Wak’t by a Lady”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 52r-v.

***Loves growth*** (“**I scarce beleeeve my love to be so pure**”). DnJ 2093-2122. *LovGrow.*

Copy (ll. 11-14), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 52.

***Loves Progress*** (“**Who ever loves, if he do not propose**”). DnJ 2123-2158. *ElProg.*

Copy (ll. 41-86), untitled, in Haslewood-Kingsborough MS (I) (#25 in the *Index* listing of main manuscripts); c. 1630s.

Huntington, MS HM 198, Part I, pp. 193-94.

***Obsequies to the Lord Harrington, brother to the Lady Lucy, Countesse of Bedford*** (“**Faire soule, which wast, not onely, as all soules bee**”). DnJ 2408-2430. *Har.*

Copy (ll. 15-24), headed “Night”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 46v.

***Oh, let mee not serve so, as those men serve***. DnJ 2431-2471. *ElServe.*

Copy (ll. 14-19), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 51v.

***The Perfume*** (“**Once, and but once found in thy company**”). DnJ 2537-2583. *ElPerf.*

Copy (ll. 13-14), headed “For Age.”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 46v.

***Resurrection, imperfect*** ("Sleep sleep old Sun, thou canst not have repast"). DnJ 2700-2707. *Res.*

Copy (ll. 5-6), headed "Pious things", in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 59.

***Sapho to Philaenis*** ("Where is that holy fire, which Verse is said"). DnJ 2708-2723. *Sappho.*

Copy (ll. 13-14), untitled, in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 51v.

***Satyre I*** ("Away thou fondling motley humorist"). DnJ 2724-2752. *Sat1.*

Copy (ll. 15-22, 35-36, 41-44, 71-76), headed "Empty Fop", in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 60.

***Satyre II*** ("Sir; though (I thanke God for it) I do hate"). DnJ 2753-2785. *Sat2.*

Copy (ll. 47-52, 57-58), headed "Empty Fop", in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 60.

***Satyre III*** ("Kind pittie chokes my spleene; brave scorn forbids"). DnJ 2786-2814. *Sat3.*

Copy (ll. 45-48), untitled, in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 60.

***Satyre IV*** ("Well; I may now receive, and die; My sinne"). DnJ 2815-2849. *Sat4.*

Copy (ll. 18-20, 23-27, 30, 35-36, 73, 127-28, 198, 225-28), headed "A Pill", in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 74v.

***The second Anniversary. Of the Progresse of the Soule*** ("Nothing could make me sooner to confesse"). DnJ 2877. *SecAn.*

Copy (ll. 9, 12-13, 17-18), headed "Decay o' Mans Age", in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 49v.

***"Spit in my face you Jewes, and pierce my side"***. DnJ 3035-3046. *HSSpit.*

Copy (ll. 11-14), headed "Pious things", in Joseph Butler's commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 59.

***The Storme*** (“Thou which art I, ('tis nothing to be soe”). DnJ 3047-3087. *Storm*.

Copy (ll. 25-28, 43-50, 62, 71-72), headed “Storm”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 75v.

***The Sunne Rising*** (“Busie old foole, unruly Sunne”). DnJ 3088-3123. *SunRis*.

Copy (ll. 11-13), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 52.

***To M<sup>r</sup> M.H.*** (“Mad paper stay, and grudge not here to burne”). DnJ 3373-3389. *MHPaper*.

Copy (ll. 21-24, 47-48), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 51v.

***To S<sup>r</sup> Henry Wotton*** (“Sir, more then kisses, letters mingle Soules”). DnJ 3474-3506. *HWKiss*.

Copy (ll. 39-40), headed “Pious things”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 59.

***To the Countesse of Bedford*** (“T<sup>e</sup> have written then, when you writ, seem’d to mee”). DnJ 3538-3542. *BedfWrit*.

Copy (ll. 7-8), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 51v.

***Twicknam garden*** (“Blasted with sighs, and surrounded with teares”). DnJ 3639-3684. *Twick*.

Copy (ll. 19-22), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 52.

***“Wilt thou love God, as he thee! then digest”***. DnJ 3931-3944. *HSWilt*.

Copy (ll. 13-14), headed “Pious things”, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 59.

***Witchcraft by a picture*** (“I fixe mine eye on thine, and there”). DnJ 3945-3968. *Witch*.

Copy (ll. 1-3), untitled, in Joseph Butler’s commonplace book; c. 1743.

University of Illinois Library, MS 821.08/c737/17, f. 51v.



Four additional entries in Beal's *Index* and "Manuscripts" can now be completed: Beal traced the first two from the sale of Lot 135 in the Arthur A. Houghton, Jr. sale at Christie's on 13 June 1979 to Maggs and thence to the Huntington but did not get the final manuscript shelfmark, and the latter two had their manuscript locations inadvertently omitted in the transfer of Beal's "Manuscripts" from typescript to print:

DnJ 471 *[Breake of day]*

Copy, untitled, in a miscellany (p. 7) probably compiled by one or two members of the Calverley family; c. 1623-30s.  
Huntington, MS HM 46323, p. 7.

DnJ 3123 *[The Sunne Rising]*

Copy, headed "Ad solem", in a miscellany (p. 5) probably compiled by one or two members of the Calverley family; c. 1623-30s.  
Huntington, MS HM 46323, p. 5.

DnJ 2963.5 *Song ("Stay, O sweet, and do not rise")*.

Copy of lines 1-4, here beginning "Stay deere heart why doe yo" rise," in a composite volume of MSS; c. 1630s.  
British Library, Harley MS 791, f. 55.

DnJ 3086.5 *The Storme*.

Copy, headed "The description of a storme by Doctor Donne," in a verse miscellany compiled by John Holles, second Earl of Clare (1595-1666), in a composite volume of MSS; mid-17th century.  
British Library, Harley MS 6383, ff. 41-42.

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### Notes

<sup>1</sup> In his *Index* (DnJ 2975), Beal includes this stanza, beginning "Tis true 'tis day what if itt bee", as part of a "Copy of an 18-line version" of *Song* ("Stay, O sweet, and do not rise"). The first six-line stanza of *Song* was printed as the first stanza of *Breake of day* in the 1669 collected edition of John Donne's *Poems*; however, *Song* is now generally included among Donne's dubia. The authentic first stanza in the Advocates' MS 19. 3. 4, then, deserves a separate entry under *Breake of day*.

<sup>2</sup> Beal (*Index*) lists "lines 1-12" on "f. 49."