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Gaudent in coelis animae sanctorum, qui Christi vestigia sunt secuti: et quia ejus amore sanguinem suum fuderunt, ideo cum Christo exsultant sine fine.————Magn.Ant.Martyrs.

"The souls of the saints, who followed the footsteps of Christ, rejoice in heaven: and because they shed their blood for His love, therefore do they exult with Christ for ever."

PETER PHILIPS was born in England about 1560, and lived most of his life in Antwerp and Brussels. He was a canon at various cathedrals and was very famous in his day. He wrote much vocal and instrumental music. — a volume of his Masses, Psalms and Motets being in the library of John IV of Portugal. — His work is not widely known, but is of great merit. — Much of his vocal work is for five voices which probably restricts its use by average choirs. Traces of Spanish influence may be detected in his works, which deserve to be much better known.

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