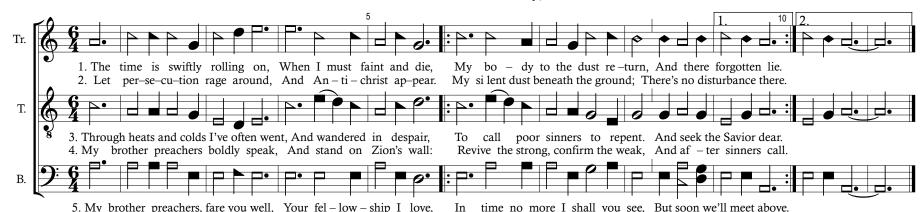
Hicks' Farewell

Berryman Hicks, 1778-1839 86. 86. (C. M.)

Transcribed from Southern Harmony, 1835.

A minor

Berryman Hicks, 1778-1839 Arranged by William Walker, 1835



7 O Lord a father to them be

6. My little children near my heart, And na -ture seems to bind.

- And keep them from all harm. That they may love and worship thee And dwell upon thy charms.
- 8. My loving wife, my bosom friend, The object of my love, The time's been sweet, I've spent with you, My sweet and harmless dove.
- 9. My loving wife, don't grieve for me, Neither lament nor mourn; For I shall with my Jesus be. When you are left alone.
- 10. How often you have looked for me, And off times seen me come; But now I must depart from thee And never more return.
- 11. For I can never come to thee, Let this not grieve your heart, For you will shortly come to me, Where we shall never part.

grieves me sorely to de – part And leave you all behind.

William Walker says "This song was composed by the Rev. B. Hicks (a Baptist Minister of Sonth Carolina) and sent to his wife while he was confined in Tennessee by a fever of which he afterwards [re]covered" (*Southern Harmony* 1835, p. 19). George P. Jackson (1933, pp. 203-205) identifies the composer as Berryman Hicks, a Baptist preacher of South Carolina anad Tennessee, 1778-1839.