

MY MARRIED HEART

In all desires
And all intents
That love inspires
With age or sense,
These sweetest fires
Find this defense:
As strength retires,
They flame intense!

My married heart
Is merry still . . .
While passion's art
And wedded thrill—
Which at the start
Began to fill—
Now flood my heart
With all my will!

— *David L. Hatton, 2/14/2013*