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Earth takes th' Example. See, the *Summer* gay,  
 with her green Chaplet, and ambrosial Flowers,  
 droops into pallid *Autumn*: *Winter* grey,  
 horrid with Frost, and turbulent with Storm,  
 blows *Autumn*, and his golden Fruits, away:  
 Then melts into the *Spring*: Soft *Spring*, with Breath  
*Favonian*, from warm Chambers of the South,  
 recalls the *First*. All, to re flourish, fades.  
 As in a Wheel, All sinks, to reascend.  
 Emblems of Man, who passes, not expires.

With this minute Distinction, Emblems just,  
*Nature* revolves, but Man *advances*; both  
 eternal, *that* a Circle, *this* a Line.  
*That* gravitates, *this* soars, Th' aspiring Soul,  
*ardent*, and *tremulous*, like Flame, ascends;  
*Zeal*, and *Humility*, her Wings to Heav'n.  
 The World of Matter, with its various Forms,  
 all dies into new Life. Life born from Death  
 rolls the vast Mass, and shall for ever roll.  
 No single Atom, once in Being, lost,  
 with Change of Counsel charges the Most High.

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