



**Horsley, a merchant venturer bold, Of good Northumbrian strain,
Founded our rule and built our school, In bluff King Harry's reign,
Long shall his name old time defy, Like the castle grim that stands,
Four-square to ev'ry wind that blows, In our stormy northern lands.**

**Fortiter defendit, fortiter defendit, fortiter defendit triumphans
Fortiter defendit, fortiter defendit, fortiter defendit triumphans**

**Many a name on the scroll of fame, Is the heritage of our land,
Collingwood and Armstrong, Eldon and Taylor, Akenside, Stowell and Brand,
Strong in their wisdom, wise in their strength, so many hear their call,
Far went they forth from the school of the north, that mother and maker of all.**

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**God speed the school on the shores of the Tyne, that has stood for centuries five,
Bright may the star of her glory shine, to endure and to thrive,
Pray too that we may worthy be, to tread where our forebears trod,
Bravely to speak for truth and right, for scholarship, King and God.**

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