

**Common Contractions and Abbreviations  
Used by Charles Wesley in longhand MS Items**

**Contractions:**

&	and
accept <sup>e</sup>	acceptable
accomplishm <sup>t</sup>	accomplishment
ag <sup>n</sup>	again
ag <sup>t</sup>	against
app <sup>r</sup>	appear
atonem <sup>t</sup>	atonement
b <sup>t</sup>	boast
bl <sup>d</sup>	blood
bou <sup>t</sup>	bought
br <sup>t</sup>	breast
br <sup>th</sup>	breath
bro <sup>r</sup>	brother
brou <sup>t</sup>	brought
c <sup>d</sup>	coud (could)
cau <sup>t</sup>	caught
child <sup>n</sup>	children
com <sup>s</sup>	commands
compl <sup>n</sup>	complain
conc <sup>l</sup>	conceal
confid <sup>t</sup>	confident
d <sup>n</sup>	down
D <sup>n</sup>	Dublin
del <sup>t</sup> , deli <sup>t</sup>	delight
desp <sup>r</sup>	despair
E <sup>l</sup>	Earl
E <sup>'s</sup> , Engl <sup>d's</sup>	England's
f <sup>s</sup>	friends
fau <sup>t</sup>	fault
fav <sup>r</sup>	favour
forb <sup>r</sup>	forbear
fount <sup>n</sup>	fountain
fr <sup>d</sup>	friend
garm <sup>t</sup>	garment
h <sup>d</sup>	hand
h <sup>n</sup> , heav <sup>n</sup>	heaven
h <sup>rt</sup> , h <sup>t</sup>	heart
heav <sup>n</sup>	heaven
hei <sup>t</sup>	height
husb <sup>d's</sup>	husband's

imp <sup>t</sup>	impart
innoc <sup>t</sup>	innocent
judgm <sup>t</sup>	judgment
judgm <sup>ts</sup>	judgments
kn <sup>n</sup>	known
L <sup>d</sup>	Lord
mank <sup>d</sup>	mankind
Method <sup>t</sup>	Methodist
mi <sup>t</sup>	might
min <sup>rs</sup>	ministers
mom <sup>t</sup>	moment
n <sup>t</sup>	nought
ni <sup>t</sup>	night
o <sup>r</sup>	our
omnipot <sup>t</sup>	omnipotent
p <sup>t</sup>	part
pleas <sup>e</sup>	pleasure
pleas <sup>t</sup>	pleasant
pow <sup>r</sup>	power
pray <sup>r</sup>	prayer
r <sup>t</sup>	rest, right
rec <sup>d</sup>	received
rec <sup>v</sup>	receive
red <sup>n</sup>	redemption
restr <sup>n</sup>	restrain
righteousn <sup>s</sup>	righteousness
ri <sup>t</sup>	right
s <sup>l</sup> , sh <sup>l</sup>	shall
S <sup>r</sup>	Sir
Sacram <sup>t</sup>	Sacrament
Sav <sup>r</sup>	Saviour
serv <sup>t</sup>	servant
sh <sup>d</sup>	shoud (should)
sh <sup>l</sup>	shall
si <sup>t</sup>	sight
sou <sup>t</sup>	sought
sover <sup>n</sup>	sovereign
subj <sup>t</sup>	subject
sw <sup>d</sup>	sword
tau <sup>t</sup>	taught
thou <sup>t</sup>	thought
thous <sup>d</sup>	thousand
tow <sup>d</sup>	toward
triumph <sup>t</sup>	triumphant
unkn <sup>n</sup>	unknown
w <sup>ch</sup>	which

w <sup>d</sup>	woud (would)
w <sup>dst</sup>	woudst (wouldst)
w <sup>l</sup>	will
w <sup>m</sup>	whom
w <sup>o</sup>	who
w <sup>th</sup>	with
wei <sup>t</sup>	weight
wrou <sup>t</sup>	wrought
y <sup>e</sup>	the (comment on “the thorn”)
y <sup>n</sup>	than
y <sup>r</sup>	their, your
y <sup>t</sup>	that
youthf <sup>l</sup>	youthful

**Abbreviations:**

-	a letter in a word with a line directly above it means to use the letter twice; e.g., “coñect” = “connect”
SS	Scriptures
Xt	Christ
Xtianity	Christianity