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This issue of CLQ represents two of the journal's special interests. Thomas Hardy is one of the major authors of Colby's special collections and Vern B. Lentz considers a frequent and sometimes unsettling situation in the shorter poems. William Blake is a particular interest of our former editor. Harriet Kramer Linkin studies The Book of Thel from the perspective of language and Robert Carr from theology. We hope that the implicit dialogue between these two essays is as interesting as they are when read independently of each other. Helen B. Ellis makes sense of the complexities of the different copies of The Book of Urizen and Henry Summerfield analyzes the powerful and ambiguous engravings of The Book of Job. The present editor would like to think of these essays as a tribute to and gift for John Sutherland.

The illustrations for this issue are four engravings from Blake's Illustrations of the Book of Job, his last masterpiece, finally completed between 1823 and 1826. Plate 1 is on the front cover, plate 21 on the back, and plates 2 and 3 on pages 92 and 93.

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