24. ONCE MORE

Once more a Day of Wrath's loud din
Fills old Ambition's hall:
The doomsmen seated on this hand,
The accused there in the dock.

Now see on whose heads the heinous sin
Of honesty must fall!
There its vile perpetrators stand,
And near them stands the block.

STANZA

I. Again there have been preparations of a doomsday in the hall of
ambition;
The justiciars are seated, the sinners are standing.
Yes, see against whom the crime of loyalty is proved:
All those miscreants are standing beside the gibbet.

QITA'

I. Phir āshīr ke sāmān ḫū'ī aiwān-e-havas men;
Baīṭha hain zavi-al-'adl, gunagār khare hain.
Hān, jurm-e-wafā dekhiye kis kis-pē hai ūbīt:
Vo sāre ḥaṭākār sar-e-dār khare hain.