An English Paragram
Composed by Ruth Tatlow,
with much love, gratitude for many encouraging conversations,
And happy memories of New England crab cakes.

For
Professor Emeritus Kerala Snyder
on the occasion of her Eightieth Birthday

Paragramma Cabbalisticum trigonale.

Prof.  399
Em.   93
Kerala 291
Snyder, 716
Pioneering 708
Researcher 718
andd 112
Roé 339
Moblé 355
For 279
Younge 725
Schol’rs 708

Facit 5443

Ex Lib. Proverbi XXXI v. 26

She 222
speaks 533
with 502
Wisdom; 650
andd 112
Faithfull 656
Instruction 1297
is 216
on 412
her 204
Tongue 639

Facit 5443

Alphabetum trigonale:

A = 1  B = 3  C = 6  D = 10  E = 15  F = 21  G = 28
H = 36  IJ = 45  K = 55  L = 66  M = 78  N = 91  O = 105
P = 120  Q = 136  R = 153  S = 171  T = 190  UV = 210  W = 231
X = 253  Y = 276  Z = 300

A Festschrift for Kerala J. Snyder
With a verse from the Bible, the paragram takes
One among many number alphabets and makes

A paeon of praise on the name and deeds to show
The great admiration and huge debt we all owe

To the dedicatee, who is Kerry our friend.
Favour’d by poets the paragram was a trend

In the German baroque for wedding and birthday,
By combining the verses, a poem or lay

Was written thereafter, in fine Alexandrines.
So sing of the wisdom and faithful love that shines

Through all deeds she has done. And with joy and with cheer
We raise hearts and voice for this her eightieth year!