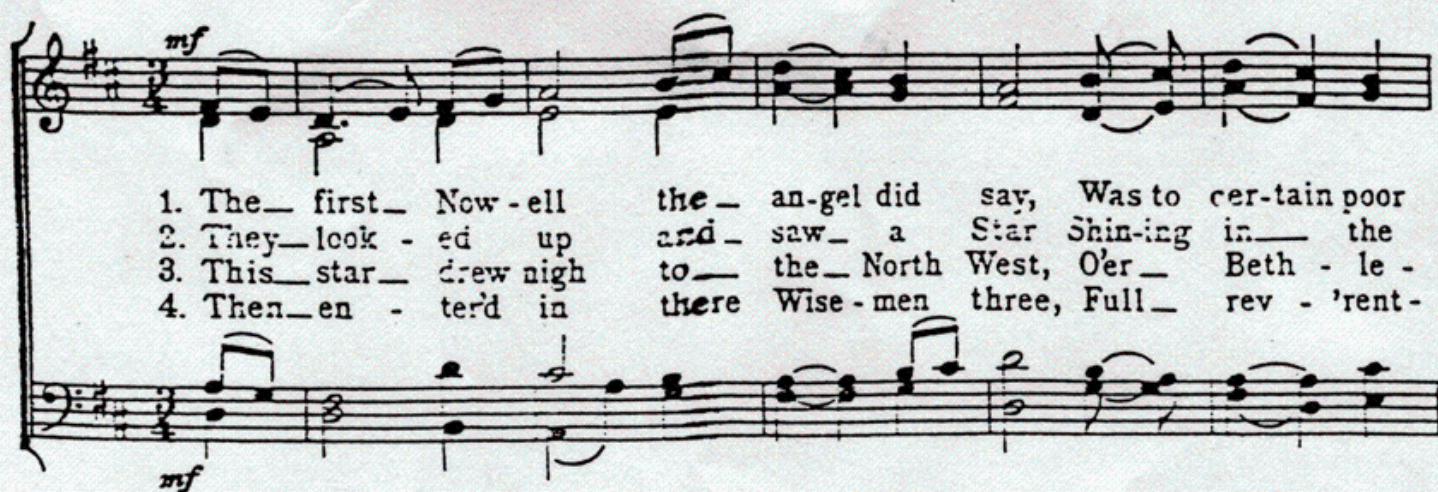


The First Nowell

Words traditional

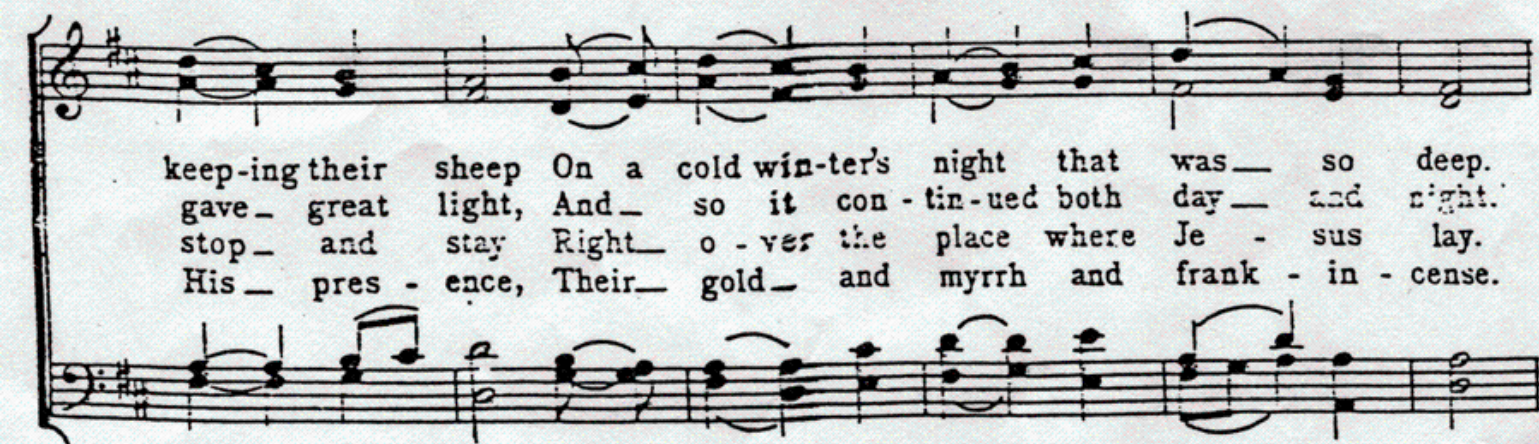
18th Century French Melody
Harmonized by Sir John Stainer



1. The— first— Now— ell the— an— gel did say, Was to cer—tain poor
2. They— look— ed up and— saw— a Star Shin—ing in— the
3. This— star— drew nigh to— the— North West, O'er— Beth— le—
4. Then— en— ter'd in there Wise—men three, Full— rev—'rent—



shep—herds in fields as they lay; In— fields— where they lay—
East— be— yond— them far, And— to— the— earth it—
hem— it took— its rest, And— there— it— did both—
ly— on bend— ed knee, And— of— fer'd— there in—



keep—ing their sheep On a cold win—ter's night that was— so deep.
gave— great light, And— so it con—tin—ued both day— and night.
stop— and stay Right— o— ver the place where Je— sus lay.
His— pres— ence, Their— gold— and myrrh and frank— in— cense.



Now— ell, — Now— ell, Now— ell, Now— ell, — Born is the King— of Is— ra— el.