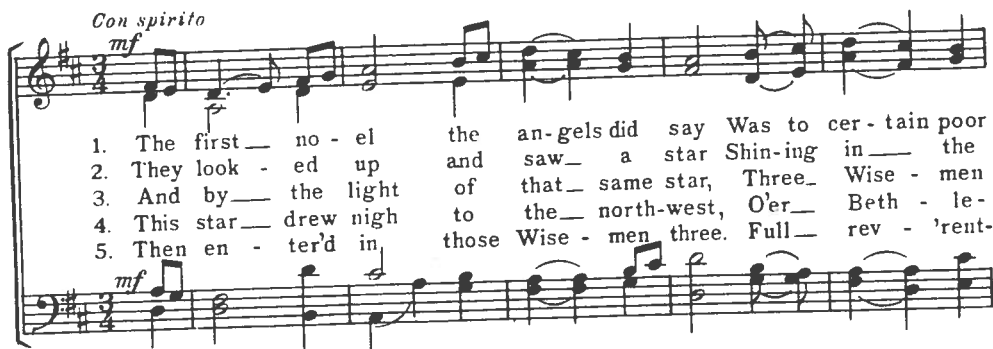


# The First Noel

French, 18th Century

Traditional

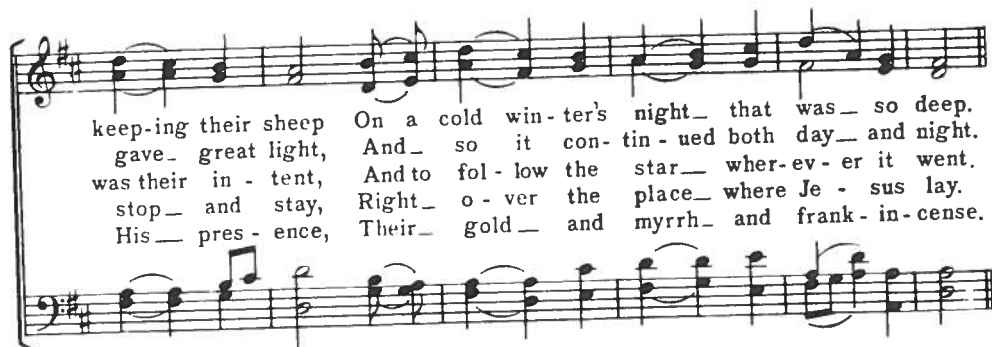
*Con spirito*  
*mf*



1. The first no - el the an - gels did say Was to cer - tain poor  
2. They look - ed up and saw a star Shin - ing in the  
3. And by the light of that same star, Three Wise - men  
4. This star drew nigh to the north - west, O'er Beth - le -  
5. Then en - ter'd in, those Wise - men three. Full - rev - 'rent

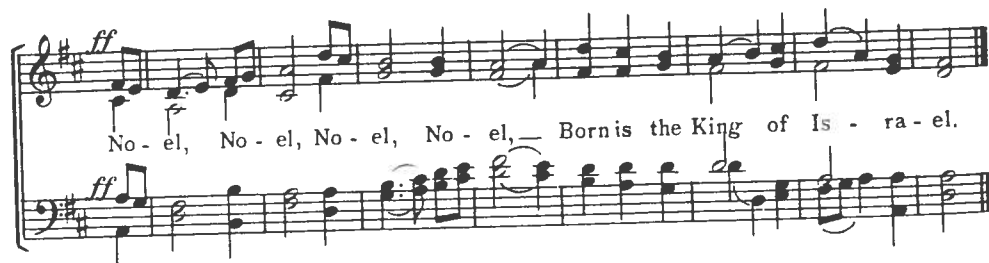


shep - herds in fields as they lay; In fields where they lay  
east, be - yond them far; And to the earth it  
came from coun - try far, To seek for a King  
hem it took its rest, And there it did both  
ly up - on their knee, And of - fer'd there, in



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.  
was their in - tent, And to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.  
stop and stay, Right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.  
His pres - ence, Their gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.

*ff*



No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el, — Born is the King of Is - ra - el.