

# The First Nowell "The First Nowell"

English Carol, 18th cent.

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harm. John Stainer (1840-1901)  
Descant and Organ Part by Paul Halley

Choir and Organ

1 The first No - well the an - gel 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 - tered in those wise men three full rev - erent-

1 shep - herds in fields as they lay, in fields as they lay,  
 2 east be - yond them far, and to the earth it  
 3 came from coun - try far, to seek for a king was  
 4 hem it took its rest, and there it did both  
 5 ly up - on their knee, and of - fered there in

1 keep - ing their sheep, on a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.  
 2 gave great light, and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.  
 3 their in - tent, and to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.  
 4 stop and stay right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.  
 5 his pres - ence their gold, and myrrh, and frank - in - cense.

For a full arrangement by Paul Halley of this hymn  
see PEL5021 in the Pelagos Liturgical Music Series

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,

born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Desc. 6 Then let all with one ac - cord sing prais - es  
Mel. 6 Then let us all with one ac - cord sing prais - es  
Org.

to our heav'n - ly Lord; that hath made heav'n and  
to our hea'vn - ly Lord; that hath made heav'n and

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