

## LO, HOW A ROSE E'ER BLOOMING

English Translation by  
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MICHAEL PRAETORIUS, (1571-1621)

*Con animo e molto espressione\**

*mp* = 116

*p* *poco rit.*

O glo-rious rose fair bloom - ing, From frag - ile stem hath sprung!

*mf* *poco rit.* *mf*

From frag-ile stem hath sprung!  
From Jes - se came a son,

As men of old were sing - ing, From Jes - se came a son, When bloomed this

*f* *p* *poco rit.* *pp*

From Jes-se came a son,

ra-diant flow - er A-mid the snows of win - ter, Close at the mid - night hour.

*p* *poco rit.*

at the mid - night hour.  
I - sa - iah had in mind.

That rose with fra-grance la - den, I - sa - iah had in mind;

*a tempo* *mf* *poco rit.* *mf* = 88 *sostenuto*

I - sa - iah had in mind;  
Should give to all man - kind.

Ma - ry, the ho - ly maid - en, Should give . . . to all man-kind. Thro' God's e -

Should give to all man - kind.

\* With elastic movement and variety of tone. In the style of a song rather than a choral, and without accompaniment.

ter - nal pow'r She bore the in - fant Sav - iour, Close at the mid - night hour.  
Close at the mid - night hour.

*f* *p* *poco rit.* *pp*

CALM ON THE LISTENING EAR OF NIGHT

(NOËL)

Rev. EDMUND HAMILTON SEARS,  
1810-1876. Abr.

Traditional Air  
Arranged by Sir ARTHUR SULLIVAN, 1842-1900

1. Calm on the list'n - ing ear of night Come Heav'n's me - lo - dious strains,  
Where wild Ju - de - a stretch - es far Her sil - ver man - tled plains.  
Ce - les - tial choirs, from courts a - bove, Shed sa - cred glo - ries there;  
And an - gels, with their sparkling lyres, Make mu - sic on the air. A - men.

2. The answering hills of Palestine  
Send back the glad reply,  
And greet from all their holy heights  
The Day-spring from on high:  
O'er the blue depths of Galilee  
There comes a holier calm;  
And Sharon waves in solemn praise  
Her silent groves of palm.

3. "Glory to God!" the lofty strain  
The realm of ether fills;  
How sweeps the song of solemn joy  
O'er Judah's sacred hills!  
"Glory to God!" the sounding skies  
Loud with their anthems ring:  
"Peace on the earth; good-will to men,  
From Heaven's eternal King."