

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 - nighthour.
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."