

38. THE FIRST NOWELL

English traditional carol
arranged by DAVID WILLCOCKS

VOICES

ORGAN

mf FULL

The_ first_ No-

Man. Ped.

-well the_ an - gel did say Was to cer - tain poor shep-herds in

fields as they lay; In_ fields_ where they lay, - keep - ing their sheep, On a

cold win - ter's night_ that was_ so deep: *f* REFRAIN No - well, No -

- well, No - well, No - well, Born is the King_ of Is - ra - el!

SOPRANO
ALTO

(ORGAN)

TENOR
BASS

mf

2. They look - ed up and saw a star, Shining
4. This star drew nigh to the north-west; O'er

in the east, beyond them far; And to the earth it
Beth - le - hem it took its rest, And there it did both

gave great light, And so it con - tin - ued both day and night:
stop and stay Right ov - er the place where Je - sus lay:

REFRAIN (voices in unison)

f

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

ORGAN

f

Born is the King of Is - ra - el!

Note: vv. 2 & 4 may be sung by unaccompanied voices.

SOPRANO
ALTO

(ORGAN) *mp* 3. And by the light of that same star, Three
pp 5. Then en - ter'd in those wise men three, Full
MELODY (*mf*)

TENOR
BASS

wise men came from coun - try far; To seek for a king was
re - v'rent - ly up - on their knee, And off - er'd there in

their in - tent, And to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went:
his pre - sence. Their gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense:

REFRAIN

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

Dal $\text{\textcircled{S}}$ for v. 4 (page 127)

Born is the King of Is - ra - el!

Note: vv. 3 & 5 may be sung unaccompanied, or with organ, or by unison voices (tenor part) with descant (soprano part), and organ.

VOICES *f FULL*

6. Then let— us— all with— one— ac - cord Sing prai - ses

ORGAN *f*

to— our heav'n - ly Lord, That hath— made heav'n and— earth— of

naught, And with— his blood— man - kind— hath bought: *ff* No - well, — No -

REFRAIN
DESCANT (Sops.)

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