

The snow lay on the ground

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Anon., 19th century

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1. The snow lay on the ground, the stars shone bright,
2. 'Twas Ma - ry, daugh - ter pure of ho - ly Anne,
3. Saint Jo - seph, too, was by to tend the child;
4. And thus that man - ger poor be - came a throne;



when Christ our Lord was born on Christ - mas night.____
that brought in - to this world the God made man.____
to guard him, and pro - tect his mo - ther mild;____
for he whom Ma - ry bore was God the Son.____



Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.____
She laid him in a stall at Beth - le - hem;____
the an - gels hov - ered round, and sang this song,____
O come, then, let us join the heav'n - ly host;____



Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.____
the ass and ox - en shared the roof with them.____
Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.____
to praise the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.____



Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.



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