

Gently falls the winter snow

Herbert Stephen Irons (1834 - 1905)

VERSE

p 1. Gently falls the winter snow, Earth lies silently below,

5 While the tender Plant appears, Promised long by holy Seers.

CHORUS

ff 9 Hail the ever blessed morn, Hail the day that CHRIST was born;

13 Tell it thro' Jerusalem, CHRIST is born in Bethlehem.

2. He who built the starry skies
Low within a manger lies,
Stooping from His Throne sublime,
High above the cherubim.
CHORUS — Hail, &c.

3. Say, ye wand'ring Shepherds, say
What your joyful news to-day;
Wherefore have ye left your sheep?—
Wherefore fail your watch to keep?
CHORUS — Hail, &c.

4. "As we watched at dead of night,
Lo! we saw a wondrous sight,—
Angels singing Peace on Earth,
Telling of the SAVIOUR's Birth."
CHORUS — Hail, &c.

5. Haste we now to greet GOD's CHILD,
Watch His Face so meek and mild;
Learn the Love of Heaven to see
In our Lord's Humility.
CHORUS — Hail, &c.

(Source: Carols old and carols new, Boston, 1916)