STAR IN THE SOUTH

absolutely final version (probably)

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2) *f* Sirius comes to us noon of night at Christmastide,
Procyon,[1] Pleiades,[2] great Orion at their side —
Was it the flaming torch Aldebaran,[3]
Or did Canopus[4] lead the caravan?

pp *Star on the hill-top etc.*

3) *f* Low and high in the sky many lights amaze the eye:
All the days we must praise Him who made the heavens blaze.
Yet we believe some radiant stranger
Stood in the south above the manger.

pp *Star on the hill-top etc.*

4) *p* Let us, then, troubled men, humble men and reverent,
Seek a spark in the dark, and salute the firmament,
cresc. For the same light that halted on the hill
f Brightens the night of all the nations still.

ff *Star on the hill-top etc. (dim. last 3 bars.)*

Pronunciation Note: (1) *Pro*-see-on (2) *Ply*-a-dees (3) Al-*deb*-a-ran (4) Can-*oh*-pus