A FRENCH-CANADIAN CHRISTMAS

Rien de plus, bergère, Rien de plus ?
Ya trois petits anges, Descendus du ciel, Chantant les louanges Du Père Eternel.

A simple English translation by Mr. William McLennan, is as follows :

-" Whence art thou, my maiden, Whence art thou?"
-" I come from the stable
Where this very night,
I. a shepherd maiden,
Saw a wondrous sight."

--" What saw'st thou, my maiden, What saw'st thou?
--There within a manger A little Child I saw, Lying softly sleeping On the golden straw.

—" Nothing more, my maiden. Nothing more ?
—" I saw the Holy Mother The little Baby hold, And the father, Joseph, A tremble with the cold."

-" Nothing more, my maiden,
Nothing more?"
-" There were three bright angels
Come down from the sky,
Singing forth sweet praises
To the Father high." (1)

(1) Songs of Old Canada. Montreal, 1886.

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