A CHRISTMAS CAROL.

COME love, and let us sweetly sing
A carol to our Saviour King,
To-day is Christmas Day!

Make all the merry echoes ring;
O! let all our hearts be gay
This happy holiday!

For Jesus left his home above,
Came down in lowliness and love,
To wash our sins away, and take away death's sting;
So while we watch and pray, O, let us also sing!

Sing? give the lordly hills a voice,
They wait in silence, yet rejoice.
Praise,—and they echo praise.
They long to join us in our joys;
'Tis ours to lead the lays.
Angels through endless days
With heavenly music clear and sweet
Bow low around their Master's feet.
As incense sweet our lays—our Christmas Carols—rise;
We sing our Father's praise, whose glory fills the skies.
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