

METRE 27 Reginald Heber **STAR IN THE EAST** 11s & 10s in *Supplement to the Kentucky Harmony*, 1825. 227

The musical score is presented on four staves. The first three staves are in treble clef with a 2/2 time signature, and the fourth staff is in bass clef with a 2/2 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with various note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests. The lyrics are placed below the corresponding staves.

1. Hail the blest morn, when the great Mediator Down from the regions of glory descends, Shepherds go worship the babe in the manger, Lo! for his guard the bright angels attend.

2. Brightest and best of the sons of the morning Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid; Star of the East, the horizon adorning, Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

3. Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining, Low lies his bed with the beasts of the stall: Angels adore him in slumber reclining, Maker and Monarch, and Savior of all.

4. Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion, Odors of Edom, and off' rings divine—Gems of the mountains and pearls of the ocean, Myrrh from the forest, and gold from the mine?

5. Vain-ly we of - fer each ample ob-la-tion, Vainly with gold would his favor secure; Rich-er by far is the heart's a-do-ra-tion,—Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.