
THE HOLLY AND THE IVY

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Old French Air

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1. The hol-ly and the i - vy when they are both full grown, of
2. The hol-ly bears a blos - som, as white as li - ly flower, and
3. The hol-ly bears a ber - ry, as red as a - ny blood, and
4. The hol-ly bears a prick - le, as sharp as a - ny thorn, and
5. The hol-ly bears a bark as bit - ter as a - ny gall, and
6. The hol-ly and the i - vy when they are both full grown, of

all the trees that are in the wood, the hol - ly bears the crown:—
Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ to be our sweet Sav - iour:—
Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ to do por sin - ners good:—
Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ on Christ - mas Day in the morn:—
Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ for to re - deem us all:—
all the trees that are in the wood, the hol - ly bears the crown:—

O the ris - ing of the sun, the run - ning of the deer, the paly - ing of the

mer - ry or - gan, sweet sing - ing in the choir, sweet sing - ing in the choir.