Watt's Cradle Hymn

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Violoncello

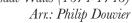


- 1. Hush, my dear, lie still and slumber; Holy angels guard thy bed; Heavenly blessings without number Gently falling on thy head. Sleep, my babe! Thy Food and raiment, House and home, thy friends provide, All without thy care or payment; All thy wants are well supplied.
- 2. How much better thou'rt attended Than the Son of God could be, When from heaven he descended, And became a child like thee! Soft and easy is thy cradle; Coarse and hard thy Savior lay, When his birthplace was a stable, And his softest bed was hay.
- 3. Was there nothing but a manger Cursed sinners could afford To receive the heavenly Stranger? Did they thus affront the Lord? Soft, my child! I did not chide thee, Though my song may sound too hard 'Tis thy mother sits beside thee, And her arms shall be thy guard.

- 4. See the kinder shepherds round him, Telling wonders from the sky; There they sought him, there they found him, With his virgin mother by. See the lovely Babe adressing: Lovely Infant, how he smiled! When he wept, his mother's blessing Soothed and hushed the holy Child.
- 5. Lo! he slumbers in a manger,
 Where the horned oxen fed
 Peace, my darling! here's no danger
 Here's no ox a-near thy bed.
 May'st thou live to know and fear him,
 Trust and love him, all thy days;
 Then go dwell forever near him,
 See his face, and sing his praise.

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