

EVENING HYMN.

Guard me throughout the silent night,
When none[^] but thou can see ;
For, Lord, the darkness and the light
Are both alike to thee.

When, by thy providential power,
Mine eyelids close in sleep,
Abide with me through every hour,
Thy vigil o'er me keep.

And if to-day, by word or deed,
My soul has gone astray,
Oh, pardon, Lord, the sin, and lead
Me in a better way.

Guard me throughout each silent night,
O Father, till that morn,
When to thy heaven of love and light
My spirit shall be borne.