

Boys and Girls Awake at Night

In the dark and silent night,
Little child, you need not fear;
Just as much as in the light
God is near you—God is near!

Though the room be dark and lone,
Though no moon be shining clear,
You may say, in gentle tone,
"God is near me—God is near!"

If you feel afraid, or start
At some sudden sound you hear,
Keep this thought within your heart,
"God is near me—God is near!"

He will guard you with His arm,
He is your own Father dear;
He will keep you safe from harm—
God is near you—God is near!
—Selected.

Where Is Mother?

A little fellow came running to a neighbour's house and there were tears in his eyes and anxiety on his face as he said:—
"Do you know where my mamma is? I came home from school and she is not at home."
A little girl met a friend on the

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(Rev. S. F. Coffman, Vineland, Ont., states: "This is to certify that I know Mrs. Thwaites and the party to whom she refers, and her statements are correct.")

Mr. J. E. Jones, 228 University avenue, Kingston, Ont., writes: "I had eczema in my hand for about five years. I tried a great many remedies, but found that while some of them checked it, none cured it permanently. Finally I tried Dr. Chase's Ointment, and in six weeks my hand was completely better. I would not do without a box of Dr. Chase's Ointment in the house if it cost \$2 a box. I am giving my name to this firm so that it will get to those who suffer as I did."

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street and said: "I want my mamma; have you seen her?"

A tiny tot stood at the window in charge of an older child and, peering out, said: "Why don't mamma come?"

"Where is mother?" shouts the big boy, as he dashes into the house. "Has she fixed that rip in my coat?"

"Where can mother be?" says the big girl who wants her waist all buttoned up behind.

"Where is your mother, children?" asks the husband and father, as he comes in from his work and looks about.

Is it not simply wonderful how many people want mother? Is she not the most important person, the most needed person, the busiest person in all the wide world? If she is not at home how quickly her absence is observed? If she goes out for an evening she is probably called to the 'phone and told to come home quick, because the baby is sick, or Jack has cut his finger, or Julia has the headache, or papa is lonesome.

Mother has the only hands that can banish the pain, the only voice that will soothe to sleep, the only kiss that will heal the bruise, the only words that will settle the disputes. She is the only one who knows where every single thing is kept, and so she is in constant demand, and, if absent from home, is most sadly missed.

Little boy, little girl, big boy, big girl, I do not know just where your mother is now, but wherever she is she is ministering to you, and thinking of you, and sacrificing for you, and living for you. And if, as it must be in the case of some of you, she has gone out of the home forever, yet believe me, God is true, and as the resurrection is true, your mother, somewhere and somehow, is ministering to you.—The "Presbyterian Standard."

The Little Boy Scout

The little Boy Scout goes marching out

In a khaki suit of tan,
And a broad felt hat with a silver cord,
Just like a grown-up man.

He feels so big as he swings along
In step with the line of boys,
That he knows he never again will cry
Or play with his childish toys.

The little Boy Scout is only eight,
And his eyes are blue and bright;
His mother kisses and tucks him up
In his pretty white bed each night.
Tramp, tramp, tramp, on the weary road—

He is tired and hungry too,
But to fall behind in the dusty march
Is not what a man would do.

The little Boy Scout is home again;
To bed in the dark he goes;
No more afraid of the bogey-bears,
That lurk on the stairs, he knows.
He has learned to conquer the pain of life,

As only a brave heart can,
And his mother steals to his cot to say,
"Good night, my dear little man."
—Selected.

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