

## GOOD NIGHT!

Mother! good night I may songs of love  
Befriend thee, when the shadows creep,  
And lead thy thoughts to God above  
And bless thy sleep!

Good night! may angels bring thee rest  
While, bright, the white stars serenade  
The lonely moon, that lights the breast  
Of field and glade!

Good night! and may bright gleams of peace  
Kiss soft thy burning cheek's, red rose,  
And may they bring thee, swift release  
From earthly woes!

Good night! and may God bring thee cheer,  
Through the long and silent hours,  
And may he bring no sorrow tear  
To thorn its flow'rs!

Good night! and, when on wings of prayer  
Love's accents sweet, so tender, mild,  
Float from thy lips to kiss the air,  
Think of thy child!