Lullaby of the Iroquois

Little brown baby-bird, lapped in yo nest,

Wrapped in your nest, Strapped in your nest,

Your straight little cradle-board rocks yo to rest;

Its hands are your nest, Its bands are your nest;

It swings from the down-bending branch of the oak;

You watch the camp flame, and the curling gray smoke;

But, oh, for your pretty black eyes sleep is best,-

Little brown baby of mine, go to rest.

Little brown baby-bird swinging to sleep, Winging to sleep, Singing to sleep, Your wonder-black eyes that so wide open

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