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CRADLE SONG. (11 11. 11 11. Anapaestic.)

Melody by WILLIAM JAMES KIRKPATRICK, 1838-1921.



AWAY in a manger, no crib for a bed,
 The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
 The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay,
 The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

2 The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
 But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes.
 I love Thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from 'the sky,
 And stay by my side till the morning is nigh.

3 Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay
 Close by me for ever, and love me, I pray.
 Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
 And fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there:

ANONYMOUS.