

To a Little Child (1922)
*also titled To a **Sleeping Child** [1931] and **Lullaby** [1920]*

Edward Joseph Collins, music and words

dedicated to Mme. Ernestine Schumann-Heink

Sleep little Prince of Peace and Love,
sleep and I'll watch o'er thee,

Sleep and dream of wond'rous things,
while angels fair adore thee.

Thou art the Light that warms our heart
and cheers a world of sadness,

A merry laugh, a joyous shout,
and all is turned to gladness.

Then rest sweet babe and fear no harm
thou'rt safe in love's fond keeping,

Birds and breezes, ev'rything
is hushed while thou art sleeping.