

The Virgin's Cradle Hymn

Anonymous - 16th century

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Treble Dor-mis Je-su, Ma-ter ri-det, Si non dor-mis Ma-ter plo-rat,

Countertenor Dor-mis Je-su, Ma-ter ri-det, Si non dor-mis Ma-ter plo-rat,

Tenor Dor-mis Je-su, Ma-ter ri-det, Si non dor-mis Ma-ter plo-rat,

Reduction

5 quae-tam dul-cem so-num vi-det, in-ter fi-la can-tans o-rat, Dor-mis Je-su, blan-du-le.

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8 quae-tam dul-cem so-num vi-det, in-ter fi-la can-tans o-rat, Dor-mis Je-su, blan-du-le.

Sleep, sweet babe! my cares beguiling:
Mother sits beside thee smiling:
Sleep, my darling, tenderly.

If thou sleep not, mother mourneth,
Singing as her wheel she turneth:
Come, soft slumber, balmily!

Paraphrase by Samuel Taylor Coleridge, 1772-1834