

Peace on Earth

The archer is awake!
The Swan is flying!
Gold against blue
An Arrow is lying
There is hunting in heaven –
Sleep safe till tomorrow

The Bears are abroad!
The Eagle is screaming!
Gold against blue
Their eyes are gleaming!
Sleep!
Sleep safe till tomorrow.

The Sisters lie
With their arms intertwining
Gold against blue
Their hair is shining!
The Serpent writhes!
Orion is listening!
Gold against blue
His sword is glistening!
Sleep!
There is hunting in heaven –
Sleep safe till tomorrow.

Gordon says: I saw this poem in the children's magazine **Cricket**, and I made a tune for it.
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