Away in a manger

Melody from Normandy
also found in
The Basque Country

1. 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 bedside until 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.