



Sleep, gentle sister

Alfred Arthur Graley
(1813-1905)

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S Robed in the gar - ments of the tomb, Sweet, gen - tle sis - ter, be thy

A Robed in the gar - ments of the tomb, Sweet, gen - tle sis - ter, be thy

T Robed in the gar - ments of the tomb, Sweet, gen - tle sis - ter, be thy

B Robed in the gar - ments of the tomb, Sweet, gen - tle sis - ter, be thy

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S rest: Earth, in thy bos - om find her room,

A rest: Earth, in thy bos - om find her room,

T rest: Earth, in thy bos - om find her room,

B rest: Earth, in thy bos - om find her room,



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S Room for the beau - ti - ful and blest. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

A Room for the beau - ti - ful and blest. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

T Room for the beau - ti - ful and blest. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

B Room for the beau - ti - ful and blest. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

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S Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

A Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

T Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

B Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

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S Death's pal - lid sig - net marks the brow, Hushed is the voice that charmed the

A Death's pal - lid sig - net marks the brow, Hushed is the voice that charmed the

T Death's pal - lid sig - net marks the brow, Hushed is the voice that charmed the

B Death's pal - lid sig - net marks the brow, Hushed is the voice that charmed the

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S ear, Beams the bright eye no long - er now,

A ear, Beams the bright eye no long - er now,

T ear, Beams the bright eye no long - er now,

B ear, Beams the bright eye no long - er now,

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S Tear can no long - er an - swer tear. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

A Tear can no long - er an - swer tear. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

T Tear can no long - er an - swer tear. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

B Tear can no long - er an - swer tear. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

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S Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

A Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

T Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

B Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

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S Death for our sis - ter had no sting, Christ was her re - fuge and her

A Death for our sis - ter had no sting, Christ was her re - fuge and her

T Death for our sis - ter had no sting, Christ was her re - fuge and her

B Death for our sis - ter had no sting, Christ was her re - fuge and her

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S stay, Un - der the shad - ow of his wing,

A stay, Un - der the shad - ow of his wing,

T stay, Un - der the shad - ow of his wing,

B stay, Un - der the shad - ow of his wing,

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S Calm - ly she breathed her life a - way. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

A Calm - ly she breathed her life a - way. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

T Calm - ly she breathed her life a - way. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

B Calm - ly she breathed her life a - way. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

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S Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

A Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

T Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

B Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

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S Oft at the plac - id eve - ning hour, Pen - sive we'll gath - er 'round thy

A Oft at the plac - id eve - ning hour, Pen - sive we'll gath - er 'round thy

T Oft at the plac - id eve - ning hour, Pen - sive we'll gath - er 'round thy

B Oft at the plac - id eve - ning hour, Pen - sive we'll gath - er 'round thy

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S bed, There will we strew the fra - grant flow'r,

A bed, There will we strew the fra - grant flow'r,

T bed, There will we strew the fra - grant flow'r,

B bed, There will we strew the fra - grant flow'r,

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S Em - blem of youth and beau - ty fled. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

A Em - blem of youth and beau - ty fled. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

T Em - blem of youth and beau - ty fled. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

B Em - blem of youth and beau - ty fled. Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter,

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S Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

A Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

T Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

B Sleep, gen - tle sis - ter, Sleep where no mor - tal sor - row Breaks thy calm re - pose.

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Alfred Arthur Graley (1813–1905) was born in London, England, and moved to New York as a youth. He worked as a cobbler for several years before deciding to go into the ministry. He studied at the Hamilton Academy and Princeton Seminary. After ordination, he served as pastor of the Congregational Church at Lenox, New York; in Pompey Hill, New York; Trinity Presbyterian Church, Manlius, New York; Medina, New York; Knowlesville, New York, and was state supply and mission at Clarkson, New York. After retirement, he eventually moved to Brockport, New York. He died in Brockport. His compositions include words or music for over 150 hymns, and part songs for singing schools and conventions.

Robed in the garments of the tomb,
Sweet, gentle sister, be thy rest:
Earth, in thy bosom find her room,
Room for the beautiful and blest.

*Sleep, gentle sister,
Sleep, gentle sister,
Sleep where no mortal sorrow
Breaks thy calm repose.*

Death's pallid signet marks the brow,
Hushed is the voice that charmed the ear,
Beams the bright eye no longer now,
Tear can no longer answer tear.

Death for our sister had no sting,
Christ was her refuge and her stay,
Under the shadow of his wing,
Calmly she breathed her life away.

Oft at the placid evening hour,
Pensive we'll gather 'round thy bed,
There will we strew the fragrant flower,
Emblem of youth and beauty fled.

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