

MY BENEVOLENCE DID NOT LAST LONG

**I passed a beggar in the street
I didn't know what to do
A few yards on I stopped and thought
To give him a bob or two**

**He thanked me with a friendly sign
A thumb raised to his stubbled chin
And with a "Thank You Sir" and a wave of his hand
He set off with a cheery grin**

**I crossed the road and began to think
When I was confronted with a "Sir pardon me,
That if you could spare a copper or tow
I'd be much beholden unto thee"**

**I stopped again and with a sad sigh
Reached into my pocket again
I pulled out a coin copper it was
Which I quickly slipped into his hand**

**Not a word did he say as at the coin he looked
His conversation ended there and then
And left me back where I'd begun
Wondering about my fellow men**

MEMORIES

**You remind me of all the good
And I've long since forgotten all the bad
And so I paint a picture of you every day
And sing a song about you every night**

**I look up at the moon
The full it just can't last
I look into your eyes
But cannot see a past**

**I sing then to the stars
They are so far away
I sing into your eyes
You understand then what I say**

***That little town that I now know
But I really have to go.***

**I reach up to the sky
It seems so very bright
I read into your eyes
An ever-loving sight**

**I feel that loving warmth
From the sun every day
I feel your brightening eyes
Wandering down my way**

***That little town that I now know
But I really have to go.***

**I see that morning come
When light shines all around
I see those caring eyes
I leave without a sound**

**I'll take my guitar and songs
And sing again to you
I'll take those giving eyes
And send you something new**

***That little town that I now know
But I really have to go.***

**Sitting at home
 Alone one day
 Thinking a lot
 Nothing to say**

**T.V. on
 Deadens my brain
 Keeps out the sun
 Brings on the rain**

***Trying to feel something* *Trying to forget things too*
Can make me feel down sometimes *Just forgetting feeling for you***

**It snowed today
 Covered all the ground
 Left things white
 Painted our little town**

**Faded away
 Just like a dream
 Flowing deep down
 Like water in a stream**

***Trying to feel something* *Trying to forget things too*
Can make me feel down sometimes *Just forgetting feeling for you***

**Night came down
 Sleep entered my head
 Made me seem to want
 To head off to bed**

**All alone one day
 Sitting safe at home
 Missing you now
 Now I'm on my own**

***Trying to feel something* *Trying to forget things too*
Can make me feel down sometimes *Just forgetting feeling for you***

**When we were almost hand in hand
I photographed your hidden mind
Wondering what simple wonderful things
I would on the negative find**

**A tree, a river, a trickling stream
A wave, a glance, a distant dream
A twig, a branch, a darkening sky
Or simply YOU just waving goodbye**

**When we were almost hand in hand
I felt you very near
Wondering what simple wonderful things
I might from you then hear**

**A rustle of leaves, a rumbling car
A whistle, a song, a strummed guitar
A word, a sentence, a laughing thought
Feeling something that can't be bought**

**When we were almost hand in hand
Watching the wind pass by
Wondering what simple wonderful things
We would someday together try**

**A creeping cloud, a peeping sun
A walk, a jog, a slippery run
A kite watching us from up in a tree
Wanting like us to be always free.**

**Listened to life at a bar late last night
Talking and music, clinking and laughter
The later it got the more it got dafter
And life glides on like a smooth flying bird
With the sudden release of a beautiful turd.**

AND THEN YOU MIGHT SAY

**Apple trees and bumble bees
You'll see there one day
Birds with wings and singing springs
And then you might say**

**Life is fine near the Vermont line
Learning every day
And through the night you can see the light
Brightening up the way**

**Falling leaves from wise-old trees
You'll see these things one day
Lying on the ground with a rustling sound
And then you might say**

**It is so still climbing that hill
On a chilly but clean fresh day
From way up there you can stop and stare
And then you might say**

IT'S TIME TO COME AND SAY HELLO

**Until I see you
I know not when
A little while longer
And then I'll send**

**A song to you
To let you know
It's time for me
To come say hello**

**I travelled far I travelled wide
To see what I could find
Looking for a continent
That's only there in the mind**

**I flew across a big wide sea
And almost found it there
But when I asked her about love
She could only at me stare**

**Time fluttered past and I spoke again
This time on the other side of the sea
Big city life we tried but failed
To get even a resemblance of we**

**But then in a nook in sunny Spain
We finally made it there
And for two weeks in loving splendour
We from each other did share**

**But love like that just cannot last
So we went our separate ways
Looking for other continents
For future happy days.**

**I no more know
What I'm doing here
Than an animal lover does
In a Zoo
Surrounding himself
With all those bars.**