The Blind Boy's Lament - song lyrics

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Strangers, will you kindly listen, Do not coldly pass me by, You who are so blest of heaven, Listen to a blind boy's cry? Poor and homeless here I wander, All my life one cloudy dream, For I cannot see the daylight, Cannot see the sun's bright beam.

Chorus.

I can clasp your hand in friendship, Listen to thy words of love, But I cannot see your faces 'Till we meet in heaven above.

Human help is unavailing, I must bend beneath the blight, I'd be happy in the sunshine, But my days are darkest nights; All my life is sad and lonely, Darkly groping all the day, I would give this world of nations Could these shadows pass away.-Chorus.

Here my brother sits beside me,
He'll protect me from all harm,
Where I go he kindly leads me,
Gently leaning on his arm;
May the blessings of kind heaven
Rest upon him day and night,
And the friends that now surround me
Keep their health, retain their sight.-Chorus.