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IF I LOST MY LEGS

If I lost my legs
In a tragedy -
Would you still be here?
Would you stand by me?

Would we take our walks
If I couldn't run?
Would it be the same,
Or no longer fun?

If I couldn't do
What I once had done,
Would you see me less
Than your special one?

If a lifetime thing -
This disrepair -
So much to ask
Of the one I care.

Love's hard enough
When we're standing tall,
Would this grievous loss
Lead to love's recall?

Could we make love
Or would sadness reign?
Could you lift me up
Above this pain?

If we had a son,
How could I meet
His boyhood needs
With my absent feet?

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If we had a girl
Would she one day ask
That I take her to
Her first school dance?

The man is meant
To protect his bride,
If hobbled so,
What a blow to pride.

So I've written this
As we plan to wed,
Before our path
Meets the wedding bed.

As I have to know
If the worst appears,
Will you hold me tight
Or give in to fears?

"For better or worse"
We'll be asked to vow,
Can we both say this?
Please tell me now.

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