

'Twas the Night Before a Nondenominational Christmas Holiday

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'Twas the night before _____ Event _____ when all thro'; the house

Not a creature was _____ Verb ending in ing _____ not even a mouse;

The stockings were _____ Past tense verb _____ by the chimney with care,

In hopes that St. _____ First name _____ soon would be there;

The children were nestled all _____ Adjective _____ in their beds,

While visions of sugar plums danc'd in their heads,

And Mama in her _____ Noun _____ and I in my cap,

Had just settled our brains for a long _____ Noun _____ nap â??

When out _____ Preposition _____ the lawn there arose such a clatter,

I

_____ Past tense verb from the bed to _____ Verb what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a _____ Noun

Tore open the shutters, and threw up the _____ Noun.

The moon on the breast of the _____ Adjective _____ Adjective snow,

Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects _____ Preposition;

When, what to my _____ Verb ending in ing eyes should appear,

But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny _____ Animal plural

With a little _____ Adjective driver, so _____ Adverb and quick,

I knew in a _____ Noun it must be St. Nick.

More rapid than _____ Animal plural his coursers they came,

And he whistled, and shouted, and call'd them by name:

"Now! _____ Name of a person now! Dancer, now! Prancer and Vixen,

"On! _____ Name of a person on! Cupid, on! Donder and _____ Name of a person ;

"To the top of the porch! To the top of the _____ Noun

"Now _____ Verb away! _____ Verb away! _____ Verb away all!";

As dry leaves before the wild hurricane fly,

When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky;

So up to the house-top the coursers they _____ Past tense verb

With the _____ Noun full of toys and St. Nicholas too:

And then in a _____ Verb ending in ing I heard on the roof

The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.

As I drew in my head, and was turning around,

_____ Preposition _____ the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound:

He was dress'd all in _____ Noun _____ from his head to his foot,

And his clothes were all tarnish'd with ashes and soot;

A bundle of _____ Noun _____ was flung on his back,

And he look'd like a _____ Profession _____ just opening his pack:

His eyes how they twinkled! His dimples: how merry,

His cheeks were like roses, his _____ Body part _____ like a cherry;

His droll little _____ Body part _____ was drawn up like a bow,

And

the beard of his chin was as _____Noun_____as the snow;

The stump of a pipe he held _____Adverb_____in his teeth,

And the smoke it _____Past tense verb_____his head like a wreath.

He had a _____Adjective_____face, and a little round belly

That _____Verb_____when he laugh'd, like a bowl full of jelly:

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old _____Noun_____

And I _____Past tense verb_____when I saw him in spite of myself;

A wink of his _____Body part_____and a twist of his _____Body part_____

Soon gave me to know I had nothing to _____Verb_____.

He spoke not a _____Noun_____ but went straight to his work,

And fill'd all the _____^{Noun}; then turn'd with a jerk,

And _____^{Verb ending in ing} his finger aside of his nose

And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.

He sprung to his sleigh, to his team gave a _____^{Noun}

And _____^{Preposition} they all flew, like the down of a thistle:

But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight â??

Happy _____^{Event} to all, and to all a good night.