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'Twas the night before holiday, when all through the house

Not a creature was Verb Present ends in ING, not even a animal;

The Noun Plural were hung by the chimney with care,

In hopes that St. name soon would be there;

The Noun Plural were Verb Past Tense all snug in their beds;

While visions of food danced in their heads;

And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,

Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap,

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,

I Verb Past Tense from my Noun Plural to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash,

Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the _____ of the new-fallen snow,

Gave a lustre of midday to objects below,

When what to my wondering eyes did appear,

But

a Adjective sleigh and eight Adjective animal,

With a Adjective Adjective driver so lively and quick,

I knew in a moment he must be St. Nick.

More Adjective than animal his coursers they came,

And he Verb Past Tense, and Verb Past Tense, and called them by name:

"Now, name! now, name! now name and _____!

On, name! on, name! on, name and Blitzen!

To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!

Now dash away! dash away! dash away all!"

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof

The Verb Present ends in ING and Verb Present ends in ING of each little hoof.

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

Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in Noun Plural, from his head to his foot,

And his clothes were all Adjective with ashes and soot;

A

bundle of Noun Plural he had flung on his back,

And he looked like a job just opening his pack.

His eyes--how they twinkled! his dimples, how merry!

His body part were like roses, his body part like a cherry!

His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,

And the beard on his body part was as Adjective as the snow;

He was Adjective and Adjective, a right jolly old elf,

And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself;

A wink of his eye and a twist of his head

Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;

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He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,

And

away they all flew like the down of a thistle.

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

"Merry holiday to all, and to all a good night!"