

Under the Mistletoe Bough

A CHRISTMAS STORY.

It was Christmas eve; that joyous season when the hearts of all are touched by a softening influence, and the fragrant blossoms of love and good will spring in more abundant luxuriance. In every home preparations were being made for the great Christmas Festival which the morrow was to celebrate. Many were the fair fingers deftly engaged in weaving graceful devices for the adornment of home, and many a joyous Christmas song rang forth from light and youthful hearts.

heart. Am I too presumptuous in hoping that you return my affection?" As Edward spoke he took the young girl's hand, and finding that she did not withdraw it, he proceeded thus: "Do you remember, Gertrude, that happy Christmas, now two years since, when, in idle play, you severed a tiny curl from your golden locks? I remember how you laughed when I said I should always prize it. See (and he produced it from an inner pocket). I have worn it ever since in my bosom. Let it plead for me now!" There was a softened light in Gertrude's eye, which trembled with something very like a tear, as Edward ceased speaking.

He saw it, and his heart leaped with hope and joy. "Gertrude," he cried, "see how beautifully the white berries of the mistletoe-bough are glistening this afternoon! If you do not spurn my suit, suffer me to lead you beneath it, and with one pure kiss of love we will seal our vows." And so it was. In the consent of silence Gertrude suffered the young man to read her heart, and angels might have bent from Heaven to mark the purity of the kiss which Edward Fenton pressed upon the young girl's ruby lips under the mistletoe bough.

GENERAL BUSINESS. The Comet of 1881. JAMES C. FAIREY'S DRY GOODS HOUSE FURNISHING STORE.

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Wm. A. Park, Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor, Notary Public, Conveyancer, &c. THEOPH. S. DESBRISAY, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, CONVEYANCER, &c.

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