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A CHRISTMAS STORY.

THE WIND'S WILL.

Written especially for THE HERALD.

It was a very cold night. Upon whatever subjects the pedestrians on Great St. James Street might have disagreed, on this their verdict would have been unanimous.

It was so cold, indeed, that there would have been no pedestrians abroad at all, except those whom urgent duty compelled to face the fierce nor'wester, if it had not been Christmas Eve. Hence low as the thermometer was, a hurrying and goodly throng was on the street.

The store doors would be opened quickly; the store of steam would rush out, as the heated air from within felt the biting frost, to be followed by a parcel-laden man or woman, who with a cheery exclamation of defiance to the cold, would start homeward, bearing happiness to waiting little ones.

Among the hundreds on the street there was one, whose appearance did not indicate much sympathy with the general good humor. He was worth a passing glance, all the same, for he was tall, well-proportioned, and admirably dressed for a shop-walker on a winter night. His fur cap was drawn over his ears; his fur collar of his "reefer" was close about his throat; his gloves were likewise of fur, and he carried a stout walking stick, which rang upon the pavement in time to the click of his boot heels, for he walked rapidly and strongly, looking neither to the right nor the left, but keeping well out near the curbstone to avoid collision with the hurrying people, who partly for protection from the wind, and partly from mere habit crowded near the buildings. One or two persons in passing greeted him with a "Merry Christmas," but he made no reply. What was Christmas to him?

Two years ago he had thought that this particular Christmas would be a great deal to him—no less than the anniversary of his wedding night. Then he had stood under the gas light in one of Montreal's fairest homes, with her, whom he believed the loveliest of her sex, by his side. These two seemed made for each other, every one said, and the gratified look with which the girl's father regarded them, was an endorsement of the general verdict. People said that Mr. Barston's endorsement on almost anything was valuable, and certainly the appointments of his home looked as though it might be.

"Harold," he said, "I need not tell you that I am pleased with Mary's choice. I shall cordially welcome you as my son. And when is the happy event to take place?"

"One year from to-night, sir," was the young man's reply. "You know that I was for Australia next week and will not be home for eight or ten months. So we thought we would fix a date far enough ahead to prevent any likelihood of a postponement."

"You are a very wise young person," said Mr. Barston, playfully. "I am the better pleased, because it will leave me my daughter for a few months longer. Then in more serious tones he added: "Must you take this Australian trip, Harold?"

"I am getting to know, and we cannot tell what may happen."

"It will be of very great advantage both to myself and the firm for me to go; besides I have promised to do so."

"That settles it my boy! Indeed it was foolish in me to suggest the idea of your not going, but let me say that I am glad to see you so determined. My only wish is that you should be successful in your business, and that you should be able to return home with a good deal of money."

And this was only two years ago! Could it be possible? Harold Cameron asked himself. He had passed the well-remembered home only a few minutes ago, and the glare of the electric light had shown him with horrible clearness the Christmas buyers to the fact that presents bought at their store are not only ornamental, but also useful to their respective owners.

Where was she now? Was she living or dead? And if the former, where had she been? Over and over again these questions forced themselves in his mind, but no answer suggested itself.

He had only this day returned to Montreal from his long voyage—a voyage very different from the one he had undertaken when he had undertaken it. A wreck in mid ocean, caused by a collision between two great ships; "Lost with all hands" was the word that was flashed under the ocean and around the world; days spent in an open boat under the hot tropical sun; and at last, but on an island out of the track of vessels; weary months of waiting for a ship; Australia at last—thus had eighteen months passed. With a heart full of expectation he had hurried to the post office at Melbourne to enquire for letters. None were awaiting him, and he knew that his friends believed him dead. To telegraph to Mr. Barston and to the firm of his safety was the next step. From the former no reply came; from the latter a message directing him to wait the arrival of the day of instructions. This and the business which it involved delayed him some months, and though he had returned to New York, where the firm's headquarters were, with the utmost speed, he had not been able to reach Montreal until this Christmas Eve. Meanwhile he had written to Mary and had telegraphed from New York; but neither to letter nor to telegram had he received any reply.

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