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intention to make final proof in support
of his claim, and that said proof will be
made before George Curry, Probate
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Dec 29, 1890, viz: David J. M. A. Jewett,
Homestead No. 1613 (L. C. S.) for the
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1/4 and S. E. 1/4 N. E. 1/4, Sec. 24, T. 6 S.,
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prove his continuous residence upon and
cultivation of, said land, viz:
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LEGENDS OF THE MISTLETOE.

BY OLIVE CHEMNEY.
(In The New York Ledger.)

In England and France, the
Christmas festivities are made beau-
tiful by the lavish decorations of
various evergreens.

Desolate must be the hearthstone
that has not its branch of the much
loved, time-honored mistletoe with
clusters of pearls set in dark, thick
rustlerless leaves, or of holly hung
with berries of vivid scarlet mid
its polished leaves.

Like the splendor of heaven's
sunlight, these leaves, storied with
romance and history, are heirlooms
alike to the hearts of prince and
peasant, making bright and beau-
tiful the humble roof-tree and
gleaming amid the banners, shields
and trophies of long ago, in the
great baronial halls that centuries
have aged. In our own continent,
America, the favored, if wayward
child of old England, at this holy
festival binds her brow with her
own beautiful greens twined with
those worn by her honored mother.

Apart from its waxen beauty,
the mistletoe is dear to our hearts
from childhood's associations that
hung around the legendary ballad,
"The Mistletoe bough," sung on
Christmas Eves of Lang Syne.

Many legends poetic and mythi-
cal, have made classic this beautiful
parasite. It was regarded as sac-
red by the Druids, who, on one of
of their festivals of the full-moon,
sought for a growth of it on an oak
tree, a tree also held sacred by this
ancient order. It was as now, rare-
ly found growing upon an oak, but
when its beautiful berries glistened
upon this tree, was esteemed pos-
sessed of mysterious virtues, and
its discovery celebrated with festi-
vities and solemn religious cere-
monies.

The turf beneath the sacred,
wide sprading branches became at
once the site of sacrificial rites and
feasting. A large space was incir-
cled by stones of enormous size.
The cromlech, or altar, formed of
one immense stone raised upon oth-
er stones on end, occupied the cen-
ter of the space. Two young milk-
white bulls, tethered for the first
time, were bound by the horns to
the sacred oak. The arch-Druid,
in priestly vestments ascended the
tree and with a golden sickle sev-
ered the mystic mistletoe, which
was caught in the snowy robes of
his acolytes. The victims were
slain amid the rejoicings and prayers
to their deity that the gift might
be prepitious to those upon whom
he had bestowed it.

An infusion of the precious leaves
was regarded by them as

an antidote to all poisons and a cure
for all diseases. The plant accord-
ing to Pliny, was called by them a
name which, in their language, sig-
nified "heal all." Its wonderful
twigs suspended in front of their
huts exempted the fortunate own-
ers from the frowns of the sylvan
deities and from the wrath of the
elements.

"A charm against all bad and evil,
A spell to keep away the devil."

The Scandinavian legends warn
us that the mistletoe has fatal prop-
erties to all who touch the sap in
plucking its bunches. Far away
in the North, upon a lonely moun-
tain-top, there dwelt a few lonely
peasant families. An inmate of
one of the lowly dwellings was a
young girl, lovely, loving, beloved
by and betrothed to her next neigh-
bor, a sturdy peasant lad. The
young girl fell sick. To restore her
to health her lover sought near and
far for the precious mistletoe grow-
ing upon an oak. At length his
search was rewarded. Upon a
snow-clad oak the coveted bunch-
es hung in generous profusion.—
With eager, reckless haste, forget-
ful of his own danger, he climbed
the oak, seized the life-giving or
death-dealing plant as handled and
fell lifeless to the ground.

The mythology of The North un-
folds to us the fatal power of the
mistletoe in the charming myth of
Baldur, the young god of oratory
and of poetry. Baldur the Good
was the favorite son of Odin, and
beloved of all the gods especially
for his marvelous courage. From
a succession of terrible dreams he
believed himself doomed to death,
and related the hideous vision to
the assembled gods, who with one
accord determined to avert from
him all danger, and to this end con-
jured all things. Frigga, his moth-
er, exacted from the elements and
from all things in nature, animate
and inanimate, a vow under no cir-
cumstances to do him harm.

Thus protected, Baldur, as of
yore, led the chase and courted
danger in protean form, giving him-
self as a target for the other gods'
arrows, battle-axes and other weap-
ons, believing that do what they
would they could do him no hurt,
thus spotted with his valor, deem-
ing it an honor paid to Baldur.

Loki, the detractor of the gods
and the author of all their misfor-
tunes, angered that no harm could
befall Baldur, and filled with envy
and jealousy at the tribute thus
paid to him by the other gods re-
sorted to strategy to find some way
to work him evil. Assuming the
disguise of a woman, he sought the
abode of Frigga, who questioned
her if she knew how the gods were

employed. She replied to the question and the passionate love and pride of the mother for her darling, gifted son, that they were testing their skill and the merits of their weapons upon Baldur, who was unscathed by them.

"Ay, ay," Frigga made answer, "nought can hurt Baldur. I have exacted an oath from all things, to do him no harm."

"What!" exclaimed the deceiver, "have all things really sworn to spare Baldur?"

"All things," returned Frigga, except an insignificant plant that grows near Walhalla, called 'mistletoe,' anything so weak could do him no harm."

Hastily Loki left the presence of Frigga, and, resuming his own shape, searched for and found the frail plant. Appearing amidst the gods with a branch of mistletoe, he directed it with aim so sure that Baldur was pierced through the heart and expired instantly.

A legend of the crucifixion, full of pathos and beauty, tells the origin of the mistletoe in its concluding words as follows:

"Ever since that day, the tree from which the cross was hewn has never been suffered to grow as a tree, but only exists as a parasite on other trees.

"It is neither fruit nor flower, but bears clusters of waxy white berries, and saps the life of any tree to which it attaches itself. It is called the mistletoe."

RAILROAD RUMBLINGS.

From the Pueblo Chieftain.

The delegation of citizens of El Paso, Texas, and Las Vegas, N. M., will not arrive in Pueblo until Wednesday. The board of trade will be ready to receive them and our citizens should make up their minds to listen carefully to any proposition they may have to make regarding the extension of a railroad from Pueblo to Texas. The project is one in which our smelters, business men and real estate owners are alike interested, and all possible efforts should be put forth to secure the building of the proposed line.

Special to the Democrat.

Denver, Col., Dec. 18.—There arrived in Denver this morning a delegation of business men from New Mexico to confer with the board of trade regarding new rail connection between Denver and Pueblo and Texas and New Mexico points. The party is composed of B. F. Davis and J. McGoffin, of El Paso, Texas, G. I. Houghton, A. H. Whitmore and Hon. Frank Manzanares, of Las Vegas. During a conversation this afternoon Mr. Manzanares said "The route which we have mapped out will be an air line through Las Vegas to El Paso and will be 122 miles shorter than the present line. We propose to take up the Union

Pacific survey started southwest from Trinidad and take a straight shoot from Las Vegas, keeping east

of the range all the way. The railway officials think our plan a good one but Mr. Moffat says on account of the president's alliance now gone into effect the Rio Grande will be unable to take up the matter. Mr. Meek, manager of the Union Pacific said the proposition would be submitted. We came for the purpose only of laying before the railway people the advantages and to the citizens of Deaver also. We think it would be an advantage to this city in many ways. Then by extending the line south to El Paso, the White Oaks mining regions are reached which are very rich and would be a good field for the smelters in Denver to operate. We expect to remain in this city to-morrow at least and hope to be able to return home with good news for our people who are more interested in this matter than I can tell you."

The Trinidad Advertiser is authority for the statement that Sidney Dillon, the new president of the Union Pacific, will be in that city within the next fifteen days, and that the following enterprises have been determined upon by his road. A \$250,000 union depot at Trinidad, an independent line between Trinidad and Pueblo, and the completion of the Long's Canon branch through Las Vegas and White Oaks to El Paso.

Perhaps there never was more interest created in any enterprise than has been created in the proposed Las Vegas railroad from Trinidad to White Oaks and El Paso, by the visit of the committee from El Paso and this city to Pueblo and Denver. The interest amounts to enthusiasm. If the road is not built, it will be because of the agreement not to build any more roads, forced upon the western lines by the influence and authority of Jay Gould. We are assured that the road will be built in the near future, and we believe that the present effort will result in its speedy construction.

Even the New Mexican hits the hired man of the Albuquerque Commercial club. It charges him with talking nonsense, and lay upon his folly the combined action of El Paso, Las Vegas and Trinidad to secure the Las Vegas and White Oaks Mineral Belt road.—Optic

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REAPPORTIONMENT.

From the World.

Both parties in Washington seem to be figuring for an advantage in making the required reapportionment under the new census. There ought to be no politics in this matter. It should be a simple question of mathematics. The new House of Representatives should consist of that number which would leave the fewest people without representation. Whenever the average constituency, there will be a remainder over in each State after dividing the whole population by the number taken. This last should be that which will leave these remainders as small as possible.

Unfortunately politics has been already introduced in the taking of the census. No intelligent statistician believes that the enumeration in the South and in New York is correct. The Republicans have begun the game and are now doing their utmost to devise such a House as will increase their advantage.

The Democrats should oppose them and should also resist the temptation of following their example.

THE DUTY OF DEMOCRATS.

The Force Bill is now the measure of desperate men who are determined to retain control of the Government notwithstanding the popular verdict against them. No wise man, certainly no patriot, would favor a measure so hostile to public opinion.

The Force Bill was originally designed to enable the Republican bosses, who are notoriously corrupt, to secure a certain number of Southern Congressional districts by doing their "own registration, counting and certification." It was assumed that with these captured seats the Republican party could maintain its hold on the popular branch of Congress, which for fifteen years has been generally Democratic.

The problem is now different. There is no part of the country in which the Republicans are not in danger of defeat, as the late elections proved. If the people are left to do their own registration, counting and certification through their duly chosen officers. Therefore the men who are pushing the Force

Bill are desperate. They are struggling for existence and invoke the aid of centralized power and audacious fraud to save them.

In this contest the Democratic Senators are the friends of law and order, of local self-government. It is their duty to resist the Force Bill by every legitimate device. They are contending for the integrity of the country and for the right of the people to choose their own representatives under their own laws and in their own way.

The Force Bill should be killed, if no other business is done at this session.

PARTISAN APPORTIONMENT.

The Republican members of the Committee on the Census have finally agreed upon the Reapportionment Bill recently described by The World.

It provides for a House of Representatives of 356 members. The division is so made that most of the additional members are given to States that have been Republican prior to the last election. As The World has shown, this is only accomplished by the infliction of gross injustice upon Democratic constituencies.

In Pennsylvania, for example, a few more than 28,000 people are given a Representative, while 72,000 people in Texas are doomed to go without.

The Democratic Congressmen will doubtless do their utmost to defeat this partisan scheme and its character will be amply exposed in the newspapers. If its authors succeed, however, the people can be trusted to punish the bold attempt to defraud them in the interest of the Republican party. The last election demonstrated that no political party can retain power through statutes. Votes are the only safe dependence, and the only votes that will be made by an unfair apportionment will be votes against those who are seeking an undue advantage.

Judging from the experiences Judge A. A. Freeman has had on his trip through Lincoln, Chaves and Eddy counties, the Reporter is inclined to the opinion that he will return thoroughly convinced that the selection of Socorro as headquarters of the Fifth district was wise.—Reporter.

The senate has confirmed the appointment of Col. Hinman Rhodes as agent for the Mescalero Indians. Col. Rhodes was appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by the failure of the senate to confirm Col. J. F. Bennett. As far as the Reporter can ascertain Col. Bennett made a faithful officer. Col. Rhodes was an applicant at the time Bennett was appointed, but made no further effort to secure the position. His endorsement was so strong and his

record as a brave and efficient soldier, both in the Mexican and Civil war, was so excellent that the President appointed him as soon as the adjournment of congress left a vacancy. The prompt action of the senate in confirming him is very pleasing to his friends. He is every way qualified for the position and will faithfully discharge its duties.—Reporter.

The Academy closed for the holiday recess after a very successful term. The attendance increased so that the next term an assistant teacher may be employed. The present principal of the academy, Miss Abby F. Hull, departed for El Paso and may make a visit to old Mexico during vacation. The teachers in the employ of the New West Educational commission will meet at El Paso and determine upon the various plans in connection with their work. The people of White Oaks desire to see Miss Hull succeed in her endeavors to improve the working force and a movement is on foot to provide more congenial quarters for the Academy another term.

The Commissioners of Lincoln county, at their first meeting in January, will make an appointment of Supt. of Schools to fill the vacancy occasioned by the failure of Samuel R. Corbet to qualify according to law. At present there are two applicants for the vacancy, John K. Byers, the present incumbent and Judge T. B. McCourt, of White Oaks. The Nogal Banner, in an article last week, called the attention of its readers to the fact that Mr. Byers was early informed of the determination of Corbet to not qualify and at once placed himself in communication with the various school officers of the districts throughout the county by placing in their hands petitions to be circulated in his, Byers' interest, thus early in the field, before people were aware that Judge McCourt was an applicant, secured signatures to petitions who were friendly to McCourt. After careful investigation of the whole matter, Judge McCourt's friends have determined to make a strong and vigorous effort to have him appointed. The gentleman has been connected with schools and held many positions of trust and importance at his old home in Wisconsin—clerk of school district and director—chairman of County Board, clerk of court, county to Judge &c.—has lived in Lincoln county three years—at present is Justice of the Peace for precinct No. 8, and should he receive the appointment of Supt. of Schools, will make it his duty to give such of his time and attention as the office requires.

Mr. McCourt has a family of children, four who attend school, and all his life the subject of schools has

been an interesting one to him this account especially. At present he is school director and in connection with the present board, is doing all in his power to adjust affairs of this school district, financially and otherwise to the satisfaction of all interested. The people of this end of Lincoln county are unanimous for McCourt, not alone for what he may accomplish as a school officer, but feel that the distribution of public office to the most populous section of the county should not be entirely ignored. There is nothing wrong in Lincoln asking for all the offices of the County, but in view of the fact that all the officers incoming, except one commissioner, are Lincoln men, this appointment of School Supt. should go outside of Lincoln, and White Oaks with its large and increasing school interests should not be ignored.

Judge McCourt will go before the commissioners with a strong endorsement for the place, composed of leading men all over the county, regardless of politics.

The following has been received from Antonio Joseph by M. H. Bellomy:

Washington, Dec. 15, 1890.

DEAR SIR:

Col. Rhodes' nomination as U. S. Indian Agent was confirmed by the U. S. Senate last week. With regards, I remain, Yours truly,

A. JOSEPH.

THE V. V. ANGUS CATTLE CO.

Major W. H. H. Llewellyn, the energetic live stock agent for the Santa Fe, is visiting the city to-day en route to his home at Las Cruces. He was asked to-day what all this racket is as to Capt. Brandon Kirby's statements in the Denver papers that New Mexico is played out as a range stock country and that the Angus V. V. company was preparing to move 40,000 head of cattle from Lincoln county to the British possession.

"Nothing, absolutely nothing," said Major Llewellyn. "Perhaps Captain Kirby has been misquoted in the press. The V. V. Angus Cattle company in Lincoln county has one of the finest ranges in New Mexico, extending from the Rio Bonito country, near Fort Stanton, down along the eastern slope of the White mountains, including Eagle creek and the Ruidoso country—one of the finest ranges in all the west. Capt. Brandon Kirby completely severed his connection with the company. Some time since, Mr. James Cree, late of Scotland, being the sole owner and proprietor of this property. Altogether he has one of the best graded herds of cattle in the southwest, admirably located as to range, water and market facilities. Mr. Cree and his estimable family reside on the home ranch, about eight miles from Fort Stanton, a delightful place, and have no intention of abandoning the country or taking their cattle to British possessions, as it is said to have been stated to the Denver press by Capt. Kirby."—New Mexican.

The Loyal Democrats of Santa Fe.
Special to the Democrat.

Santa Fe, N. M. Dec 19.—The democrats of Santa Fe serenaded County Clerk Mercellino Garcia at his office in the county jail to-night at six o'clock. Hundreds of loyal democrats surrounded the jail with a band of music and baskets of flowers and fruits, both wet and dry. The line is without a break and Santa Fe democracy grows more emphatic every day in its loyalty to the oppressed county officials who are going to jail rather than allow the courts to usurp their function and count in a republican majority in the legislature.

We direct attention to Young & Taliaferro's ad, Blood or Business, Gore or Greenbacks is the watchword of this enterprising firm.

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DIED.—Wm. McKinney, aged 49 years, residing at the Carriso hotel, after a few days illness, of pneumonia, on Friday last at 10 o'clock a. m. Mr. McKinney has been a resident of White Oaks about two months and came here from Milan Co, Texas, where he was born. During his short sojourn here he made many friends and much respected by all who made his acquaintance. He leaves a wife and two little boys, aged respectively about 7 and 3 years to mourn his loss.

Mr. J. F. McDowell, the succeeding editor of The Liberty Banner arrived in town this morning. Mr. McDowell bears the impress of a gentleman, and we wish him success in his new home.

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The board of directors of the American Live Stock Commission company, after a lengthy executive session at Chicago, voted to declare a dividend of 150 per cent to the stockholders of the company, payable January 1. No other business. **Can't Keep the Cattle Out.**

The Canadian Northwest mounted police are experiencing difficulty in preventing Montana cattle from entering Canadian territory in search of fodder. Over 5,000 head are known to be in Milk river region,

and the police have been busily engaged in driving them away from the Canadian quarantine district. It appears that the Montana ranchers are short of fodder. Range cattle in Montana are selling at \$10 per head, and a similar price prevails in Oregon, while horses can be obtained for \$40 each.

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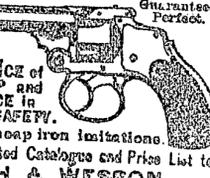
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The veteran historiographer contributes to this periodical the second of his papers on "Oliver Hazard Perry and the Battle of Lake Erie," portraying with rare ability incidents of the carnage and the fate of the flagship Lawrence. In watching the vivid scenes depicted here the reader is deeply impressed with the phenomenal activity of the nonagenarian, enabling him to rise superior to physical infirmity, and, like another Titian, continue to cover his canvasses to the admiration of mankind.

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Robert Grant begins "Mrs. Harold Stagg," a lively story of American life, displaying a profound knowledge of the life he describes. The opening chapters contain a striking illustration, drawn by H. C. Edwards.

Mrs. Deland's novelette, "To What End?" is brought to a close, and so is "Old Elizabeth," by the Marquise Clara Lanza.

An admirable dialect story is "Forefathers' Day," by "Josiah Allen's Wife," who is a much appreciated member of the community. Dr. Julia Holmes Smith gives sensible advice in the current number of "Common Sense for Mothers and Nurses."

A beautiful Christmas story of a West Jersey village is "A Happy Leaf," by Marion Harland, a writer who never fails to touch some secret spring of happiness, and set it vibrating for all to hear.

Mr. James Russel Lowell's poem, "My Brook," was written especially for this paper, and is a feature of prime importance; in recognition of its value the publishers print it as a supplement in a loose leaf, with a series of appropriate illustrations by Wilson de Meza. In "My Brook" the poet reverts to the days of his youth "when the hours were so many the duties so few," and sings some of the dreams suggested by the brook. The imagery is aerial in its delicacy and adapted to the evanescent "will-o'-the-wisp" char-

acter of the fancies exhibited in the verse. While reflecting on the "Land of Lost Days," as he calls the past, Mr. Lowell sings in a regretful strain, as if mourned the idyllic days.

The closing stanza implies a reconciliation with the Fate that had changed the rural stream, with suggestions of naiads and water-lilies, into a poor drudge, supplying "power" for prosaic factories. But the memory of the old joyous days abides with the poet:

"As the Moors in their exile the keys treasured still
Of their castles in Spain, so have I:
and no fear
But the doors will fly open, whenever we will,
To the prime of the past and the sweet of the year."

The sentiment expressed in "My Brook" places Mr. Lowell on a plane with Mr. Ruskin regarding the want of poetry implied by the flourishing era of manufactures. When the industrial arts, machine impelled come in at the door, bringing wealth, plenty and luxurious comfort in their train, poetry—according to these two voices—flies out at the window.

The Christmas number of the New York Ledger comes with a cheerful exterior, in keeping with the festive season. The cover displays a New York girl, with her arms full of parcels (Christmas shopping), hastening forward to greet the subscribers and wish them a "Happy Christmas."—Philadelphia Ledger.

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