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Oh, a funny boy was the devil boy,
 Devil a care cared he;
 He basted the oil, and he pried the ad,
 And he laughed in fennish glee.
 1884, poco tiempo.
 Tom Wallace is up from the Nogals.
 Sam Beard was in from the Jicarillas last week.

What did you get in your stocking? A hole lot?
 White Oaks is a good location for a quartz-mill.
 The song of the assayer: "Button, button, arise!"
 The question of the times; which way is it going to jump?
 Why don't we hear from the Bonito? Are you all dead over there?
 Assessment work is growing small by degrees and beautifully less.
 Assessments are finished or sinking on the Plata Verde, Little Nell and Star lode.

The music Christmas eve, was excellent. The different performers have general thanks.
 "Oh, do not be discouraged," sings another paper. That's so, boys; it is the stayer that wins.
 RAILROAD NEWS!! Oh, you needn't get so mad about it; we just wanted to ask if you knew any.
 An impromptu dance followed the exercises at the hall on Christmas eve. The young folks will be young.
 The smiling countenance of the gentle oyster has been seen in our midst of late—at about one dollar a smile.

Judge Blanchard has moved his court house into the building formerly occupied by Dr. Reid as a drug store.
 The Glass stamp mill has been running for the past week on Solitaire ore; the boys are milling a hundred ton lot.
 The committee who arranged the Christmas entertainment should feel happy at the general satisfaction expressed.

White Oaks boasts of a pet fawn. We once had a pet bear and a pet wildcat, but they have gone out after wood-bine.
 There is still matrimony in the breeze. This thing is getting frightful. It's catching. It is liable to get into the best of families. No one appears to be safe.
 Two booming loads of cabbage and other "garden-truck" stuff in from the agricultural precincts Saturday. We hope the day is not far distant when such an event will attract no attention.

White Oaks has the hardest luck of any camp in the territory. She has been hampered and fooled with beyond all patience, and beyond her just deserts. She has never had a square deal.
 The little child of Mr. Hale strayed from home last week, and caused some uneasiness to its parents, who finally found it fast asleep at Dick Young's, where the boys had taken the little stray, not knowing whose it was.

El alcalde de Manchester borrowed a shotgun. He tried to shoot a big wildcat, but it wouldn't go off—that is, the gun wouldn't; the cat went off all right. Then he tried to murder an innocent jack rabbit, with like result. Finally he soaked the gun in water over night, and the next morning she got there booming. Such an life. Some guns is different, Louis.

No Indian news since Fred Mayer's episode. If there had been two or three more of Fred there would probably have been two or three more of the Indians. They reported themselves and gave conflicting accounts of themselves, saying they left the reservation because no supplies were issued to them. They made very little trouble. They usually begin with some minor outrage of that kind. We will next hear of somebody's horses being stolen.

When a young man in this country wants a gold breast pin, or a finger ring, or anything of that kind, he need pay only for the workmanship, for with cradle or pan he can go out into the hills and secure all he needs of pure fine gold. We should think that the recipient of a ring acquired in that way would treasure it for a long, long time. Of course, all gold is obtained by some such labor; but to see the virgin gold which one afterwards wears re-worked and beautified, is a thing which happens to few. We know of several instances here.

Want to see wheels go round.
 "Ye Xmas comes but once a year,
 But when yte comes yte brings good cheer."
 Dan McKinley is in from the Tortolita ranch.

Ye editor and his wife ate an elegant Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Slight.
 The wife and daughter of Sam Williams arrived last week, and Sam is now happy.
 Capt. C. A. Morris, of Larned, Kas., arrived by Friday's stage, and will spend some time with us.
 New Mexican onions are attracting attention in the east by their massive cleanness and finish of design.

New Years books, suitable for engraving good resolutions, also for turning over a new leaf, for sale at this office.
 The revolvers came out on Christmas eve, and those who love their fretful music might have heard several hundred of it.
 Mr. Samuel D. Kiser and Mr. Aaron are visiting our town looking after their property, and will spend some time with us.

Uncle John Brothers spread a splendid Christmas dinner. Turkey, oysters and a string of and so-forths. He and Mrs. Brothers savy este, sure.
 The man with the big, big boots and the white, white hat is not the cowboy nor the westerner; he is the tenderfoot. He has read the books.
 The plates of the Glass mill, running on Solitaire ore, are showing up splendidly. The boys feel encouraged. They certainly deserve the best reward for their work, and we want to see them get it.

An experienced observer of New Mexican manners and customs says that whenever you see an American who smokes cigarettes and tries to talk Mexican, or a Mexican who smokes a pipe and tries to talk American, you want to keep away from him, for he is no good.
 An exchange says that dogs howl at night because they are cold and uncomfortable. Poor little doggies! Was they cold, the dearies? May be we'd better build a public hospital, with a steam register in it; or may be we'd better buy a few pounds of buckshot, and fire it into their rear. That'll warm 'em, too.

We hear that Pete Lanum lately met with a serious and nearly fatal accident while at work in the White mountains. He was engaged in warning a stick of giant powder in hot water, when it for some reason exploded, inflicting painful and dangerous injuries. Pete is now at the hospital in Stanton, and it is hoped his hurts will soon be mended.
 We hear that Mr. Fletcher, the gentleman who erected the Nogal stamp mill, will be instrumental in putting up another mill provided with Cornish rolls and concentrators in Dry gulch, and that operations will be commenced at an early date. Part of the machinery is now on the ground. Speed the good work, Lincoln county will be well healed before long, with mills.

On the 19th inst., the necessary steps were taken for filing seven different liens upon the Rockford mine, in the Nogal district. It is to be regretted that this property is lying idle; it and many another in Lincoln county, needs only a little more capital to put it in running order and in a position to help the county. As it is, the legal complications are going to stop it. An outfit that can't pay its miners, however, ought to stop, or be stopped.

The Christmas tree festivities of Monday evening were a success in every respect, and a triumph to the ladies who had the details in management. The decorations were as complete and tasty as any in the showy churches of the east, being in fact of no mean pretensions, inasmuch as the hands which arranged them had at their disposal the resources of a forest embracing a half dozen varieties of beautiful evergreens, together with mistletoe, willow berries and all the natural perquisites of Christmas. The crosses on the side walls were especially beautiful. The tree itself was a tall and comely spruce, and a finer for the purpose grew.

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Arcadio Sais, treasurer of Lincoln county, passed through town last Friday on his way to Santa Fe.
 Jones Taliaferro and E. L. Blood start for the San Andres this morning. J. O. Nabours and John Allen go at the same time to the lower country.

"I tell you, stranger," said the grizzled old frontiersman, as we sat in the office talking over the old times, "the Injuns was powerful bad in these parts then, and a man you might say, took his life in his hands when he went out of camp. They run me ten miles one day, with five arrows stickin' in my back hoppin' and a rattin' every jump. That kinder skeered the boys, for when they see me comin' they 'lowed I was some new kind of a wind-mill: I jest looked that curus. 'Nother time, 'n arver struck me in the leg, and run up along the bone and broke off; there's about six inches of it in there yet, and that's what makes that leg sorter stiff, you see. Then agin, I had about two inches of the lower end of my heart shot off by one of them cussed Spencer 50's; I've allus wondered why that didn't kill me, someway. Then I was shot in the left lung with buckshot; it kinder made me sore, like, and I've been coughin' up buckshot ever since, 'bout half a pound altogether; here's the bag I kerry 'em in. I've often thought that lung was a little bit affected by that, I hev, indeed. But stranger, the worst hurt I ever got, was when I got shot in the back by a load of slugs, and balls, and buckshot, and things. It was a spent load, and jest knocked me down; but sir, every one of them slugs and things made a blue spot on me as big as a hen-egg. When I got up, I could hear 'em rollin' off my back down the 'royo. more'n quarter of a mile. I gathered a few of 'em up, and here's the bag I kerry 'em in, if you don't believe it—nineteen buckshot, twelve slugs and seven Minies. Darndest wonder in the world to me how that load hung together so well after goin' so fur. Yes, yes, then was wild old days, and don't you neglect to remember it." And a deep, pensive look filled the eye of the old man as he limped out on his stiff leg which was kicked by a burro.

Married.
 At the residence of the bride's parents, Eagle Creek, at 7 p. m., of the 24th inst., Mr. E. Cochran and Miss Mollie Holder. We wish the contracting parties joy, heartily and sincerely. Richard will prove a model son-in-law, Mr. Holder, and a true and happy husband. United on the joyous Christmas eve, may the life of this worthy couple be a perpetual holiday. Married on very nearly the shortest day of the year, may their shadow never grow less.

The Christmas Tree.
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The dance on Christmas night was a most enjoyable occasion, and was fully attended by all the young people who dance, all the old people who dance, all those who could dance and didn't, and all those who couldn't dance and wanted to. Fifty-five couples danced. The excellent music was furnished by Messrs. Bonnell, Albright, Wallace, Sam Williams and Keely, who rested each other on the organ, violin and banjo, while Mrs. Green assisted admirably with the guitar. The main credit for the entertainment is due to Messrs. Fred Blood and Elmer Albright, upon whom fell the burden of management, although all interested gave their cordial assistance. It is impossible to tell who was the best looking, best dressed, best behaved, or best dancer, or to give the details of the program. Probably the most imposing event of the evening was when the aged Baxter mountain poet, the young Carizozo poet, the Alcalde of Manchester, and Jimmy the digger, all danced in the same set. There is nothing prettier, and nothing which speaks more highly of dancing as an amusement, than to see the old and the young dancing together; the children certainly did acquire themselves nicely indeed. Our devil Manuel danced, and he said this morning that his heart hurt him.

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 E. ANDERSON

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 Editor Golden Era...
 The snow has disappeared from low land, except where it has drifted, but there is plenty in the mountains which is melting. An abundance of water for present use.
 O. H. Kelsey was up to the canyon this week and Wm. Frost took a ride to the Oaks for his health when O. D. returned.

Messrs. Spence and Howard are finishing up assessments for this year.
 I have just received a letter from J. E. Nance. He has been to Moberg, and bought a lot of cattle for his ranch in Oldham county, Texas, and is getting along fine. He will not return to Red Cloud till next fall.
 Dr. B. F. Smith will not be back to start his smelter till next spring. He says he has procured the necessary funds, but is awaiting the actions of some other parties that so interested with him. Perhaps he has heard when he comes back.

Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly...
 This really remarkable periodical—(remarkable for its cheapness and literary and artistic merit), commences its seventeenth volume with the January number, and a more attractive one has never been issued by any of its contemporaries. The first of a series of articles is given by Everett A. Day, "New York: Past and Present"; Mrs. Ann S. Stephens contributes a charming Christmas story, "Half a Dollar"; and Elin W. Pineda contributes the most interesting serial, "A Dark Deed". There are articles by Victor M. Hollenback, N. Redman, A. R. Fuller, Scott, and others. The issue is a most interesting one, and is well worth a perusal. It is sold by all the news-vendors, and is also sent by mail on receipt of the price.

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PROSPECT NO. 1 - DEER CREEK
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County of Lincoln, N. M.

The silver in the Hermosa are
among the richest in the world.

The lead content of Colorado for
1888 is estimated will reach 72,000
tons.

Excitement over the
discovery of a gold and silver mine
near Hermosa, N. M.

The Old Man mine Silver City
shows a rich output of 200 and can
be made to produce 1000 per day.

An Eagle City (N. M.) man says that
gold quartz leads have been discovered
in the Clear Fork country that will
match the old timers.

Samplers of metal from the mine in
Lincoln county, Nevada, owned by
H. G. M. are valued at 12 and 66
cent, being the richest ever discov-
ered in the world.

An application for a mining patent
under the United States
surveyor for the tract work in
the necessary survey. The
work must be done by the Sur-
veyor.

An adit shaft down 60 feet
in the Buck, Oregon mountains,
about 1000 feet of adit and
sulphides was taken, most of it
from a pocket about 20 feet be-
low the surface.

A shaft has been sunk 120 feet in the
Silver Gilt, Oregon mountains, on a 45-
degree incline and a newly perforated
shaft is down 70 feet. Silver is
found in black shales and carrying
as high as 22 per cent galena.

The Black Hawk mine in Silver
City, N. M., continues to show im-
provement with development. The shaft
is 300 feet deep, and a test mill run
on a 6-foot vein at 225 feet gave 6000
ounces in silver per ton.

year will yield nearly \$30,000,000 in
gold—more by \$5,000,000 than
the whole Mexican Republic has averaged
during the last sixty years. The yield
for Mexico for the year, approximately
\$20,000,000—the result of American
mining.

In the case of Carney vs the Arizona
Mining Company, the question in
dispute was whether the laws of
Arizona requiring a certain amount
of work to be done by persons
claiming a lode until patent is issued,
applied to placer as well as lode or
not.

Place Improvement.
Act of Congress requires (section
1872, Revised Statutes) that "on
land located after the 10th day
of August, 1872, and until a patent has
been therefor, not less than \$100
labor shall be performed or
improvements made during each year;
and a failure to perform such
work shall be open to relocation
in the same manner as if no loca-
tion had been made.

In the case just mentioned the plain-
tiff did not work and made no im-
provement of any value whatever.
The defendant entered upon a por-
tion thereof, and located govern-
ment subdivisions, in compliance with
the act of Congress. The ground in
question belongs to that class of mining
claims known as placers.

At the hearing in Department Two
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The outlook is that Chihuahua, Mexico, will give a product of between \$19,000,000 and \$21,000,000 of bullion for the calendar year of 1883.

The Old Man mine, located near Silver City, New Mexico, one day last week produced over \$3,000 net...

Twenty thousand and eight hundred tons of coal have been shipped from Seattle, W. T., during November.

Minneapolis, Dec. 2.—A Billings special to the Journal says: Jack Meyer has rediscovered the Lost Cabin mine in Montana...

A Remarkable Brute. A negro rough, Hawkins, who attempted to rob the bank at Durango...

Mining Law. Work done outside of a mining claim, with intent to work the claim...

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Duel Between two Brothers. Two brothers, sons of a prominent business family, were students at the business in St. Petersburg...

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get off at the next stop. "Do you suppose I can find somebody that'll cash my certificate?"

One young man from Kansas said to his seat mate: "Why, anybody might know that fellow's no farmer..."

In a few minutes the young man from Kansas left the car, and a little later his seat-mate, who could tell a honest man by his eye, raised a tremendous din...

The young man from Kansas could not be found on the train. Chicago News.

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mornings. Watermelons are still on hand; the quince crop is remarkably fine and native fruits in general good.

The Chinamen of Silver City are investing in property and building substantial structures thereon.

A pickpocket and a thief is educated in the northern cities, comes down this way to practice his profession...

A very interesting railroad rumor comes up from Albuquerque. It is to the effect that the A. T. & S. F. has at last secured the heaviest interest in the Atlantic and Pacific...

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Miss Gordon, of the Springer Stockman, has returned from a visit east.

The El Paso Daily Times, suspended last Saturday. That's what they get for not exchanging with us.

Caldwell, Idaho, offers a town lot for every child born there between the 15th of May and 15th of June next. Well now —!

The Colorado (Texas) Clipper, a special Christmas edition, sent by our old school-mate, Asa Fagan, is at hand. Many thanks, Asa.

Eastern enterprise is well manifested in the pretty little lithograph and accompanying song "Wait for the (Studebaker) Wagon," sent out by Studebaker Bros., of South Bend, Ind.

Hanlan, the oarsman, lately offered \$1,000 to any man in the Pacific coast who would outrow him. Stevenson accepted, but Hanlan now asks the latter to release him, and won't state his reason why.

At a colored hop in Las Vegas Thursday night, one John Banks (colored) pulled out his revolver, and in flourishing it around it was accidentally discharged, killing a Mexican musician, named Jose Maria Abeytia.

Vick's Floral Guide for 1934, containing about a thousand illustrations of flowers, plants and vegetables, with instructions for growing, is at hand. Vick always has something new in his Guides, and this is no exception. Ladies wishing to order flower seeds of any kind, can see the book at this office.

Hawkins, the negro, murderer of Bruce Hunt, at Durango, is said to have fallen over a precipice, breaking his neck, and to have lived long enough after it to make his confession. It is very hard for us not to believe that he made his confession before his neck was broken, and that when he fell, there was a rope tied to him. At any rate, that is much more probable—and much nicer.

We learn from the Optic that the Las Vegas Gazette changes hands on the first of the month, going into the management of a corporation whose members are Jefferson Reynolds, L. P. Brown, George J. Dinkel, J. H. Wise and Walter C. Endrey. We have not at writing seen the Gazette as thus changed, but trust that the paper itself will not be changed for the worse for its reading acquaintances.

In regard to the placer-fever at Las Vegas, the Gazette and Optic have taken widely diverse positions, the Gazette playing the typical mining paper, and the Optic the sober, truthful and conservative business paper. There is no doubt as to which has the true interests of Las Vegas nearest at heart, or which is going to make the best capital for itself out of its position. Mark us, it will be the truthful, sober and conservative paper, every time.

Sensational journalism at times becomes disgusting. It will be remembered that some time ago there was published a maudlin screed to the effect that Sitting Bull was of English descent, and had received a classical education in an eastern college. Now appears a Pennsylvania paper with dates, incidents, and details to show that beyond a doubt, El Mahdi, the Egyptian scourge, is nothing less than an American, born in Fayette Co., Penn., who after strange vicissitudes, joined the Egyptian army, and finally became El Mahdi. Some poor reporter is working for an associate editorship.

A pending suit in San Francisco has brought to light considerable correspondence between Colton and Huntington relative to Texas Pacific legislation, and among it is following, which will be of interest to the people of New Mexico.

October 29, 1877.—Think Safford had better been in Washington at the commencement of the session, to get Congress to confirm his acts in Arizona. I saw Axtell, the governor of New Mexico, and he said he thought if we would send to him such a bill as we wanted passed into a law, he could get it passed with little or no money, while if we sent a man there they would stick him for large amounts. He said if you would make a bill and send it to him or to Mr. Waldron it could be explained from the judge is in

We are often asked what there is to make a town of White Oaks, and we will just say a word or two on that head. There is plenty to make a town, or a city of White Oaks, even if her gold mines were the poorest instead of the richest in the west; even if she did not have a single gold mine, or a single prospect of one. Our main resources are such as lie a long time idle from *inertia*; they are heavy; it takes power to move them; they will not go by wind; they need not talk, but money, in their development. Just such as they are, once developed, have become the life and soul and throbbing heart of mighty systems of commerce, of population, and of a civilization which knows no step if retrogression.

We have coal. We have iron. We have quarries of marble. We have, not a man, a prospect or an indication of coal, but we have coal, in one, two or a dozen places, where you can see it, feel it, burn it. There is plenty of it. There are vast fields of it. Do you believe that, you eastern man? No. "A western boom," you say. We can hardly blame you. You have been led to too often. We will wait. Some day someone will discover what we now know and will make a fortune of it, and will make a town of White Oaks. We have iron; not a vein, a prospect or an indication of iron, but iron. You can see it, feel it, weigh it, if you like, in one, two, or a hundred places. There is plenty of it. It is so plenty as to attract no notice. Do you believe that, you eastern man? Been lied to too often, eh? Some one will discover this, too, eventually. We have marble. Where is it? Come over and we will show it to you fast enough. We have unlimited pine forests, suitable for building purposes or for fuel. You can see them without coming within fifty miles of here. And yet we are poor. When the sharks are done manipulating their properties, when the big monopolies have frozen out the smaller monopolies which are freezing us out, and have got hold of enough coal land here at decent figures, and have obtained enough of the Sacramento timberlands for their purposes, we will get a railroad, and we will have a town, a city. When will that be? We do not know. We will not lie to you. There has been too much lying done in the territory. The poor foolish liars don't know that they are injuring themselves and doing the worst kind of hurt to the country by persistent misrepresentation. Are we discouraged? We are not. There have been fortunes made in Las Vegas, Santa Fe, Silver City and Albuquerque, plenty of them. There will be fortunes made here, plenty of them. Grant it to be true that no city or town in the union can show a permanent prosperity built only upon mines of gold or silver; it is nevertheless true that such mines help a town wonderfully, magically, and combined with other advantages furnish the sure means of immediate growth. We have these too. Our merchants send out wagon loads of goods daily; where do they go? To the cattlemen and farmers, who will come here when this is the terminus of a railroad, in such numbers as will surprise us. There will be fortunes made here. We get blue sometimes, and croak. We forget that it is the stayer that gets there. But we are going to be as solid a town as there is in this territory, some day. We have come to stay. We will stay. Please remember it.

At the beginning of the new year the public school children of Brooklyn will be supplied with books, stationery and slates free of cost. There are 61,000 school children in the City of Churches and the Board of Education has appropriated \$75,000 for the purchase of the necessary utensils of study.

We hope to see this system adopted throughout the land. It is a necessary part of our public school system, and the only wonder is that it was not generally adopted long ago. We now furnish school buildings and pay teachers for the education of our youth, and what reason can exist for drawing the line at school books? The cost of books, stationery, etc., would be but a mere fraction of the amount paid by the public to support the common school system, but it is a sufficient tax to prevent thousands of the children of the poorer classes from enjoying the benefits of free education. The very people that are most in need of the benefits conferred by our public school system are the ones that find the cost of buying school books most unbearable, and so we compel a large percentage of our youth to grow up in that ignorance which is that ally of vice and crime, in order to save the petty sum which would make their attendance in school no; only possible but certain. The total cost of providing text books would be greatly reduced by the adoption of the Brooklyn plan throughout the country. One set of books should suffice for several sets of scholars and by purchasing at wholesale a vast saving would be noticed in the present, bad method of individual supply. Besides, the evil of frequent changes of

text books, now so common and so costly, would be rooted out under the new system.—Denver News.

Our Washington Letter.
Washington, D. C., Dec 22, 1883.—A large audience interested in the fate of Ireland—an audience made up largely of enthusiastic Irish-American citizens, with a sprinkling of members of Congress was assembled at Ford's Opera House last night to take action concerning the execution of Patrick O'Donnell, in England, last Monday, for the killing of Carey, the informer. The assembly was of men mostly, but a number of ladies occupied seats in the orchestra chairs.

Mr. Robinson, New York, demanded the recall of Lord J. Russell Lowell, Mr. Calkins, of Indiana, maintained that O'Donnell had been illegally convicted, and Mr. Finerty declared that the President ought to have demanded the respite of O'Donnell for ninety days and in default of it, have suspended the diplomatic relations. He predicted that if, in consequence of this stern course, England had sent her fleet out here, she would have got the worst of it, as in the war of 1812. Mr. Belford, of Colorado, maintained the right of every man to kill a "sneak," and declared that had O'Donnell been tried in Colorado he would have been promptly acquitted. The bitterest rebuke, however, called forth by O'Donnell's execution, is the formal resignation by Mr. John Joseph Ryan of his American citizenship and the return by him of his naturalization papers to the judges of the Court of Common Pleas. He seems to be any longer the citizen of a republic which allows American citizens to be hanged abroad when they commit murder, or allows them to be imprisoned when they blow buildings up, under sentences which have not been approved by Irishmen in this country.

Sergt. John A. Mason, who was pardoned from the Albany penitentiary November 27th, to which he was sentenced by court martial for eight years for shooting at Guiteau, the assassin, arrived here last evening and put up at the Harris hotel. Mason, on his release, immediately went to see his wife and child, at Locust Grove in Orange county Va., passing through this city on his way. Since then he has received offers of engagements from showmen, clothiers and real estate men. One firm offered him an annual salary of \$5,000. Mason will not determine what to do until March next. A few days ago he received an invitation from a committee of his old regiment, the 78th Ohio, in which he served during the war, to attend a reunion at Zanesville, Ohio, during Christmas week, and this he has accepted. He will leave to night for Zanesville, and will remain there probably two weeks or more, visiting his old comrades and the scenes of his boyhood.

Congress indulged yesterday in its annual comedy, entitled The Christmas Recess. The plot of this amusing farce is well known, but is always produced with great laughter and delight. The curtain rises about a fortnight before the holidays, when Congressmen are found solemnly assuring reporters that this year they propose to sit right along, and keep Christmas by transacting the public business. As December advances, however, these gentlemen relent towards themselves, and say that perhaps they will take the simple holiday week, on the ground that a quorum of members could not be held in the city. But further than that they object most positively to vacation.

The Republican side of the House yesterday repudiated very decisively the assumed leadership of Mr. Keifer. To-day the newspaper correspondents indicated their opinion of Mr. Keifer by leaving the correspondents gallery in a body when he started out on a set speech favoring the appointment of a special committee on woman suffrage, and remaining out until he had completed it. They then filed into the gallery and took their places. It was the first time such a spectacle was ever witnessed, representatives of all the Republican and Democratic papers joining in it.

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