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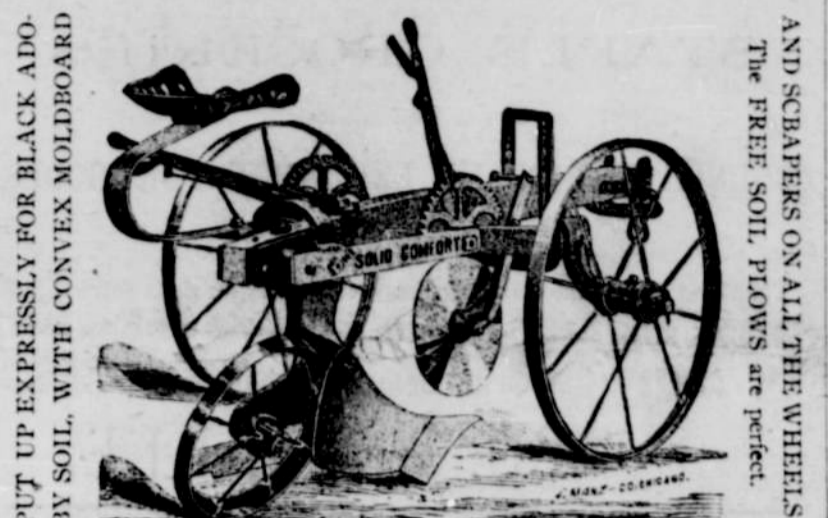
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"Good morning, sir, Mr. Editor, how are the folks to-day? I owe you for next year's paper—I thought I'd come in and say; And Jones is going to take it, and this is his money here; I shut down lendin' it to him, and then coaxed him to try it a year."  
"And here's a few little items that happened last week in our town; I thought they'd look good for the paper, so I just jotted them down; And here is a basket of peaches my wife picked expressly for you, and a small bunch of flowers from Jennie—she thought she must do something, too."  
"You're doing the politics bully, as of our family agree; Just keep your old goose-quill a flippin' and give them a good one for me. And now you are growin' full of business, and I won't be takin' your time; I've things of my own I must tend to—good day, sir, I believe I will climb!"  
The editor sat down in his sanctum, and brought down his fist with a thump; "God bless that old farmer!" he muttered. "He's a regular jolly old trump." And 'tis thus with our noble profession, and thus it will ever be still; There are some who appreciate its labors, and some who perhaps never will.  
But in the great time that is coming, when Gabriel's trumpet shall sound, And they who have labored and rested shall come from the quivering ground; When they who have striven and suffered to teach and ennoble the race, Shall march at the end of the column, each in his God given place— As they march through the gates of the city with proud and victorious tread, The editor and his assistants will travel not far from the head."  
—Will Carlton.

**WASHINGTON LETTER.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 31, '86.  
The city has been more quiet during the present Congressional holiday vacation than is usual at such times. Quite a number of Senators and Representatives went home to eat their Christmas dinners, the death of Senator Logan caused various proposed festivities to be abandoned, and the President prisoner, so that he has been compelled to forego certain social entertainments given in his honor.

To-day almost everybody of prominence in Washington attended the imposing funeral ceremonies of the distinguished dead, which were held in the Senate Chamber. General Logan and his wife were members of the Methodist church and Rev. Dr. Newman, the Washington pastor of the Lutheran church. The funeral procession from the Capitol to the cemetery, which was lengthened by a number of civic and military organizations, was in charge of Gen. Sheridan.

This was the sixth funeral that has taken place in the Senate Chamber. The first was that of Senator Hicks of Maryland, the next Senator Foote of Vermont, then Hon. Charles Sumner, Vice President Wilson, and last March Senator Miller from California.

Among all the tributes that are paid to the deceased Senator, the honesty of his legislative life was lost sight of. In an era when corruption was rife, and when many of the strongest men of both parties were broken down and blasted by public exposure or denunciation, which was almost as fatal, Logan escaped all those long years untroubled even by suspicion. Although his political friends accused him of being narrow in his prejudices sometimes, even they acknowledged that he was a firm, sincere friend who never stooped to hypocrisy.

The re-nomination of Mr. Matthews, the colored lawyer from Albany, to be Recorder of Deeds in the District of Columbia, promises to become a celebrated case. The President holds that since the Senate rejected him last summer much of the opposition to Matthews' appointment has been removed by the latter's management of the office. The Democrats are indignant that the President should have again seen fit to send in the name of this "carpetbagger from Albany" as they call him, and the Republicans are watching with interest to see how the Senate will treat the case of the same nominee which it rejected last session.

In renominating Mr. Matthews the President said to the Senate, "I have ventured in view of the demonstrated fitness of this nominee, and with the understanding that the objections heretofore urged against his selection have to a great extent subsided, and confessing a desire to tender to our colored fellow citizens just recognition and the utmost good faith, to again submit this nomination to the Senate for confirmation, at the same time disclaiming any intention to question its previous action in the premises." The matter will cause a warm discussion soon, and it is probable that Mr. Matthews will be rejected again.

Congress did a good deal of work in the brief time that it convened before the holidays, and it should not be severely censured if it were to do nothing more this session except to pass the regular appropriation bills. Still much more is projected. For instance, Representative Springer says he will do all he can to pass his bill enabling the Territories of Dakota, Montana, New Mexico and Washington to enter the Union as states, and he thinks he may succeed.

There are two propositions pending before Congress now relative to the subject of marriage and divorce, and whether or not any action will be taken on either of them, the question involved is one of great public importance and constantly increasing interest. One of these measures proposes a Constitutional amendment for the establishment of uniform laws throughout the United States regulating marriage and divorce.

The White House patient has been refractory and consequently he is not so well as he otherwise might have been. The President's physician warned him to keep still and not expose himself to drafts, and both of these orders were disobeyed. Then on Wednesday afternoon the President drove out to his country place in an open Victoria, wearing a light overcoat and caught some cold.

The President's trouble is a rheumatic knee and everything is being done to prevent the disease from spreading, but, said the Doctor, no medical skill has ever been able to

**HOW THE BONES WERE COVERED.**  
The first layer was ancient peat, then gravel, then volcanic ashes, then a layer of coarse peat. From this spring were taken no less than nine mammoth, or elephants of different sizes; the remains of a cave bear, and hyenas, extinct birds, and a sea turtle. Mr. Copley kindly presented me with some specimens of these relics. The dimensions of some of the bones of the large mammoth were wonderful to look at. The horns were a sort of tusk and protruded from the head just below the eyes extending downward below the jaws, then upward above the head. By dropping the head in the act of feeding, the circle of the horns that extended below the jaws partially rested on the ground giving support to the head which is estimated to have weighed a ton.

**ENORMOUS HORNS.**  
The horns were worn away several inches deep at the bottom of the turn or half circle, indicating constant use by rubbing on the ground or rocks. One of these horns was ten feet and one inch long, and twenty inches in circumference. It weighed 145 pounds. One of the tusks measured twelve feet and nine inches in length and twenty seven inches around. It weighed 295 pounds. The jaw weighed 63 pounds. The molar teeth weighed 18 pounds each. Some of the ribs were eight feet long. The pelvic arch was six feet across, and an ordinary man could walk erect through this opening. This huge and antique monster was eighteen feet and six inches high, and was estimated to weigh twenty tons.

**IN THE BACK AGES.**  
Just imagine far back in the misty by-gones of antiquity, probably before the appearance of man upon the earth, that Washington Territory was the home of these monstrous animals that roamed over the great prairies traversed the Columbia river and made the genial climes of Puget sound their haunts in winter. It matters not, what the theories may be in regard to these imbedded bones of such huge proportions, why so many of them were piled together in these springy places; what period or age the animals lived; at what time the great change took place which made them disappear from the continent, whether they first made their appearance, in this part of America and whether or not it was then a tropical climate. Certain it is that they lived and flourished here thousands of years ago, and the remarkable discovery of these bones may lead to fresh researches in the vicinity."—[Tacoma Evening Telegraph.

**Proprietary Medicines.**  
A visit to Dr. Green's Laboratory at Woodbury, N. J., has considerably changed our views, and especially our prejudices in regard to what are generally known as "Standard Patent Medicines." Of course we are getting to that age in life when we are forced to conclude Life itself is a humbug, and naturally distrust anything that has not withstood long and tried experiences. Being a physician I had the curiosity to know how such a sale of two medical preparations could be sustained for so many years. The perfect system upon which the business is conducted, and the pharmaceutical arrangements for the manufacture of the two recipes with which we were made acquainted, are sufficiently convincing to us that the "August Flower" for dyspepsia and

confine rheumatism to one part of the body. In the case of Gen. Logan it was the special aim of the physicians to keep it from the heart. While they succeeded in doing this, it attacked the brain. The President hopes, however, to be equal to the ordeal of the usual New Year's day reception at the White House. Even if he cannot endure the entire two hours' task, he proposes to receive until compelled by fatigue to retire.

**A Great Discovery.**  
W. M. Lee, the well known fruit grower of Tacoma, gives the particulars of a wonderful discovery of bones of extinct animals in Washington Territory which will attract the attention of the student of natural history and archeology all over the world. In a letter from Spokane Falls, just received, he says: "The face of the whole country shows unmistakable evidence of great volcanic upheavals. On my trip south through Spokane county, I stopped at Lathan, and in conversation with Mr. Copley, of that place, regarding the volcanic formation of that section, he informed me that he had examined some large bones of great antiquity. Accompanied by Mr. Copley I went to the spring where the relics were dug out. It is located on a low strip of springy prairie. The excavation around the spring is twelve or fifteen feet deep and thirty or forty feet across. The bones were covered by several distinct layers.

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**From Yreka to Grants Pass on Foot.**  
BY J. M. MACDONALD.  
As an evidence of the unusually mild season, we note that the road over the Siskiyou mountains is clear of snow at this time (January 6th). Considering that the summit has an altitude of about 4000 feet above sea level, the fact that the road over it is a mass of soft mud instead of several feet of snow, is remarkable, and taken in connection with the severe weather prevailing in the East, leads us to account for the fact as follows: The cold currents coming from the north on the Atlantic coast, cause a contrary current west of the Rocky Mountains. And this wind from the South, which has prevailed since October, is doubtless the cause of the mild weather experienced on the Pacific slope during the past two months. As a rule, severe weather on either coast begets the contrary on the other, and naturally from the causes stated above.

The unusually high temperature at this season, has been proportionate all over the Pacific coast. At San Diego, the weather in the latter part of December, approached nearly to the summer conditions of that part of California, although in October the thermometer there sank unusually low for a few weeks. During that few weeks, snow fell and lay on the Siskiyou range to the depth of about a foot; but it has now disappeared and left the mud on the slopes in a liquified state.

**A Happy New Year.**  
The friendly greetings we toss so freely about at the opening of a new year have a beautiful meaning and value. They mean that we have for once at least risen so far above the narrow life of self as to wish others well. This is no small thing to do. When one can sincerely wish only good for all others, he has got beyond self and come into the great warm life of humanity. He has conquered enmity, envy and jealousy. This does not mean to overlook the wrongs and vices of others, for that would not be well-wishing. No greater evil can befall many people than to go on happy and content in their present way of life. It means when we can wish all others well, we desire for them all honorable success and all proper enjoyment. There is a real value in this state of mind. It is a blessing to the one who possesses it as well as to others. It increases the joy of one who lives in that state, and it goes out in fragrant helpfulness and encouragement to all others. And how much we all need encouragement, and what a sweet inspiration there is in the thought that in the hurry of life we are not forgotten. Blessed will be the day when every human soul can say from the heart, "A Happy New Year!"—[Mining and Scientific Press.]

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