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Christmas and "The Evening Telegraph." To-morrow being Christmas-Day, in accordance with a time-honored custom of the press, there will be no paper issued from this office.

As a compensation for the suspension of our paper, however, we present our readers to-day with a lengthy article, in which the history of the great Christmas festival is traced from the earliest times down to the present day.

Christmas. We devote considerable space to-day to the great holiday which all Christian people have come to unite in observing. Even those who do not regard the day as a strictly religious festival, yet joining in its practical celebration.

MEXICAN MATTERS.—The Mexican problem grows more intricate daily. Ortega has finally effected his escape from the United States, and is now in Matamoras. This will doubtless result in an immediate demonstration by him and his partisans against Juarez.

AN IMPORTANT CASE.—A case of great importance is now being argued before the Supreme Court of the United States, involving the question of the right of State taxation upon National Banks.

THE COTTON TAX.—The Chamber of Commerce of New York has very wisely postponed indefinitely the consideration of a memorial to Congress against the tax on cotton.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE. Court of Quarter Sessions.—Judge Peacock's report of this morning was taken up in an unusual manner. The first jury's term of service having expired last Friday.

"When Doctors Disagree," Etc. An amusing libel suit has been in progress in London, which is attracting the very general attention of the English press and public.

Supreme Court at Nisi Prius.—Judge Thompson—Addison Foster and Annie his wife, vs. the Spruce and Pine Street Passenger Railway Company. An action to recover damages for an alleged illegal expulsion from a car of the company.

OBITUARY. Stephen Elliott, D. D., Bishop of Georgia. A telegram has announced the sudden death of Stephen Elliott, Bishop of Georgia, at his residence in Savannah.

Another item of defense set up by the Gazette people was that Dr. Hunter had been putting "M. D." after his name, with no greater authority therefor than the University of New York, which titular proceeding, it seems, was both "imp. oper. and illegal."

The Doctor, to show that he was not a "quack," "impostor," etc., brought crowds of his patients into court, who testified that he had cured them of tubercles in the lungs by the administration of oxygen gas; but when pressed by the other side as to how they

knew that they had tubercles in the lungs, they were obliged to reply that the Doctor told them so. The case was on trial five days, but the jury evidently did not deem that the Doctor had sustained any serious damage as to his reputation, as they returned a verdict in his favor of "one farthing."

The United States Supreme Court. The course of the majority of the judges of the Supreme Court of the United States, since the commencement of its annual session of the present year, has caused unfeigned surprise and grief among those who placed several of the Judges in power.

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