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IN NEW MEXICO. In certain parts of New Mexico, among the old Spanish settlements, the celebration of Christmas begins more than a week before the day.

AMONG THE SHAKERS. The Shakers observe Christmas by a dinner at which the men and women both sit at the same table.

IN HAWAII. The natives of Hawaii say that Santa Claus comes over to the islands in a boat. Perhaps he does; it would be a tedious journey for him under to make without stopping from San Francisco to Honolulu.

AMONG THE PENNSYLVANIA GERMANS. You'd better look out, or Pelznickel will catch you! This is the dire threat held over naughty boys and girls at Christmas-time in some of the contry settlements of the Pennsylvania Germans, or Pennsylvania Dutch, as they are often called.

IN PORTO RICO. The Porto Rico boys and girls would be frightened out of their wits if Santa Claus should come to them in a sleigh drawn by reindeer and should try to enter the houses and fill their stockings.

IN NEW ENGLAND. For a great many years there was no Christmas in New England. The Pilgrims and the Puritans did not believe in such celebrations. In fact, they often made it a special point to do their hardest work on Christmas day.

Christmas Decorations. How to use Ferns, Oak Leaves, Pine and Holly. In holiday decoration, says Collier's Weekly, the roadside ferns, both green ones and those in brown and yellowed by early frost, are most manageable.

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Buenas pasquas! This is the hearty greeting that comes to the dweller in the Philippines on Christmas morning, and with it, perhaps, an offering of flowers.

These plays are called pastores, and are performed by bands of young men and women, and sometimes mere boys and girls, who go about from village to village and present their simple little plays to expectant audiences at every stopping-place.

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