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Christmas Day Weather All Over the World

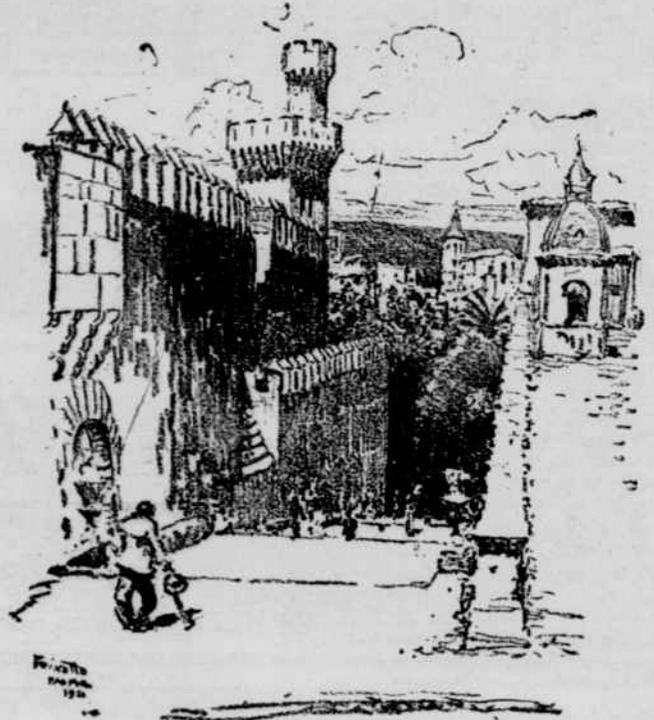
APPROACHING Christmas, the day of all days, when two-fifths of the world celebrates the natal day of Christ, interest in the weather increases, for while the weather can not destroy the religious significance of the day it can detract greatly from the innocent enjoyment of it. It is natural that the children of this clime should wish that a mantle of snow may cover the ground, for if it doesn't Santa and his reindeer would have a difficult progress and many of our traditional Christmas sports would have to be omitted.

In his book, "The New Air World," Willis Luther Moore writes of Christmas weather as follows: The event that gave origin to our Christmas holiday occurred nearly two thousand years ago in Bethlehem of Judea; and it may be a new idea to us to try to think of the weather that prevailed at that time and the character of the Christmas Day that land may have this year. We know that it was not cold and cloudy on that eventful night so long ago, for the shepherds were feeding their flocks upon the hillsides and the Wise Men of the East beheld a star and followed it. The star shone brightly from the time they left Herod until they reached the place where the Infant lay. We may, therefore, judge that this part of their journey was made under a clear sky and that the same conditions prevailed at Bethlehem. Weather observations made at Jerusalem, a few miles from Bethlehem, during modern

degrees below freezing at night to about 50 degrees during the day.

In Paris the weather is about the same as in London. It has the same percentage of cloudiness and its daily range of temperature is from 32 degrees to 45 degrees, slightly colder than London. The influence of wind direction and the relation of water and land areas to the location of a city are well exemplified in the fact that Paris, farther south than London, has a lower winter temperature. In the United States the coldest winter winds are from the northwest and they also would be so in western Europe were it not for the fact that they draw from the ocean, whose waters are much warmer in winter than the interior of the continent of Europe. The northeast winds are, therefore, the coldest that come to Paris and London. In the first case they draw from the cold interior and in the second case the air in passing to London from the northeast must pass over the North Sea and the extreme temperature of the cold land is somewhat modified by even this comparatively small body of water with the result that the average daily maximum temperature of London for December is 5 degrees warmer than its neighbor some two hundred miles further south.

Berlin and Vienna have the same degree of cloudiness, but there the similarity ceases. Berlin, only about one hundred miles from the Baltic Sea on the northeast and about double this distance from the North Sea on the northwest, has an average range of but 3 degrees between day



Among the Season's Picture Books. From "Through Spain and Portugal." By Ernest Peixotto. (Scribner's.)

times, show that during December there are less than fourteen cloudy days on the average. The prevailing winds are from the Mediterranean Sea, only thirty miles to the west of Bethlehem, and, therefore, rarely does the temperature exceed 65 degrees during the day or fall to freezing at night. While there is evidence that the climate is drier now throughout all of the Holy Land than at the birth of Christ, it is highly probable that when He was born the stars were shining brightly and the hills were green and beautiful and the weather smiling its benediction upon the Son of God.

We now will glance at the weather that experience teaches us will probably prevail in some of the principal cities of the world on Christmas Day and thus have impressed upon us the fact that on any day of the year humanity lives under widely differing weather conditions throughout the world.

In our own country we know that Maine is the home of ice, snow and chilling blasts, while in California and Florida orange blossoms perfume the temperate air.

In London Christmas is not always bright and comfortable, for on an average twenty-one days in December are cloudy and the temperature ranges from a few

and night temperatures, while Vienna, deep set in the interior of a great continent, has a daily range of 37 degrees, the average temperature swinging from 13 degrees to 50 degrees each day during December.

Constantinople was named after the Roman Emperor who made it his capital and who first protected the early Christians from persecution, then became converted and, in the manner of his time, forced others to accept the doctrine at the point of the sword. Here Christianity was first recognized and adopted as a State religion, but since the middle of the fifteenth century Constantinople has been the home of the Sultan of Turkey and the principal city of those who worship Mohammed as the prophet of God instead of Christ. This ancient city, so interwoven in the history of Christianity, has a delightful climate at Christmas time, the daily range being from between a little above freezing and 65 or 70 degrees, with clouds obscuring the sky about one-half of the time.

Historical Rome has about as many clear days as cloudy ones and the days are pleasant and the nights simply cool.

At Cairo, in the land where Joseph was

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