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Our goods are up to the standard of the best in the town. As a test try some of these for Xmas. Canned Plum Pudding, 1 to 2 pound cans. Plum Pudding Sauce, ready for use, 1 lb cans. Prepared Pie Crust, rich and flaky. French Crystallized Fruit. Huntley and Palmer's Italian Macaroons.

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THE INS AND OUTS.

Going and Coming of El Paso People and Others

Pat Durack is in town from Van Horn. Dr. A. Brown, has gone to Alabama on business. Elder Stewart, the well known colonist, is in town today. Messrs. Lamour and Niell, have gone north on a hunting tour.

Major Llewellyn of Cruces has been down to make his Christmas purchases in this city.

Mrs. Blachley and daughter Ella, of Anthony are spending their vacation in El Paso.

Chase Higgins is over from Big Springs on a holiday layoff, visiting among friends.

W. C. Reid has arrived from Las Vegas, and will take charge editorially of the Telegraph.

Mrs. James Grunfeld, who has been visiting her parents here, has returned home to Albuquerque.

L. Smith, of Chicago, has returned from the City of Mexico, and will remain here for the winter.

H. E. Hoffman and wife, of Lordsburg are their Christmas dinner with friends in Rochester, N. Y.

Conductor Merriman went down to Del Rio this afternoon to bring up the G. H. pay car due here Monday noon.

Maury Kemp, arrived yesterday from Austin, where he is attending the state University, in time to help demolish the turkey.

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Woodside and daughter were visiting the parents of Mrs. Woodside, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Smith, who reside at Albuquerque.

Mrs. Charles Iffeld, who before her marriage lived here, and who is now married to the Las Vegas merchant, has arrived home from a visit to New York.

Mrs. Lizzie Booker and daughter Miss Daisy Brewer have gone to Nogales, where Miss Brewer is to wed George Richard Andrews of the Pullman company.

H. M. Mundy spent yesterday in El Paso, and it is his first Christmas in twelve years he has spent with his family, his business interests requiring his presence elsewhere.

Frank Doss, who was employed at the Gregory barber shop, twelve years ago, says the Las Vegas Optic, is now the amiable proprietor of a four-chair shop, down in El Paso, Texas.

Prof. Hiram Hadley left for El Paso this morning and will return as far as Socorro on Monday where he will attend the Teacher's association convention. Albuquerque Democrat.

Will Dunlap is in town from Cripple Creek en route to the Sierra Madre gold fields. He says the Corralitos road will bring hundreds of mining men from Colorado down into the Sabinal country.

The Argus mentions the fact that Eddy has entertained the following El Paso business men the past week. Horace Broadbent, E. B. Patton, B. F. Darbyshire, E. Kohler, and that Ed Orr has returned from El Paso and is again holding down his old position on the Current.

Senator W. W. Turney of El Paso said to Roundup About of the Dallas News: "Two years ago, while a member of the lower house, I was an advocate of the Agnew assignment bill. I also introduced a bill similar to the Agnew bill sent from Dallas county. The preferred creditor clause of the present law should be stricken out. Yes, I am in favor of many changes in the present assignment law of Texas."

CHRISTMAS CHEER.

THE CHURCHES HAVE AN ENTERTAINING TIME.

The Most Enjoyable Christmas Eve in Local History.—Enjoyment and Good Time Everywhere.

"It was the night before Christmas when all through the house, not a creature was stirring—not even a mouse."

The writer hoists this sentiment at the head of the column, not merely because he thinks it eminently appropriate to the occasion, but because it is the only Christmas rhyme he knows, and he learned that while in short clothes. But, there many children in El Paso repeating that bit of rhyme to themselves and to their friends Thursday afternoon as they did just awfully well the hour would come for the tree festivities to begin.

So when the hour arrived the churches were not in being filled with a wriggling, uneasy infantile throng; and it is pleasant to note that none of the children had any just cause for disappointment; there was an immense amount of candles stowed away in the youthful stomach, and there was joy and happiness depicted on the countenances of all the children. The festa started bright and early. The church service in being so. Clements where the children's exercises began at 5 p. m.

The great feast was heralded with appropriate carols. The children were accompanied by their parents, and their happy faces were a pleasant sight. The service was simple, consisting of carols, a few appropriated prayers, a responsive reading and the reading of the prophecy of Christ's birth and its fulfillment, a brief address by the rector, and a distribution of Xmas cards.

The next church to open was the Mexican Methodist mission on South Campbell street. Rev. J. E. Corbin pastor. The interior was prettily decorated with Mexican flags of various sizes, and at the rear of the room a large hoyer of green was built up with various kinds of bunting decorations. The auditorium was crowded with members of the congregation and their friends and children, and the distribution of the numerous presents was represented by the scene of the nativity. This included singing and recitation with dramatic representation, and was prettily done. The presents were distributed by the children of the nativity. Crispo and Pedro Enriquez, and Senoritas Edington and Terry. Presiding Elder Edington of the adjoining English conference was presented with other English speaking friends. The occasion was a red letter day with the Spanish speaking Methodists, and presents were all on the useful order.

At the Baptist church, the auditorium was filled with a large number of school children and their parents and friends, who were all delighted with the stereopticon exhibition illustrating Scriptural scenes. The views were those of Gustave Dorand, therefore of artistic merit. With each scene some child repeated a descriptive verse of Scripture; so the exhibition was not merely interesting but instructive. It was one of the most interesting exhibitions ever given in this city. At the close of this part of the entertainment, the children adjourned to the vestry where there was a big Christmas tree filled with good things and a box of candy.

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their chapel on Stanton street, where the big tree display made a fine showing. With scores of lighted tapers, strings of glistening ornaments, candy packages and things that most delight the youthful heart, the tree surroundings were very brilliant, and the gathering was justly be proud of their exhibition. Then the children recited and sang in German, and the pastor, Rev. Simon, and Rev. Hoffman, of the Myrtle avenue church, spoke auf Deutsch to the pleasure of everyone.

There was Christmas preaching at the Door of Hope mission on South Oregon street by Rev. J. E. Corbin and an experience meeting followed.

THE MEXICAN SCHOOL. It was the pleasure of a reporter to have witnessed the Christmas exercises of the Mexican public school. Prof. and his efficient assistant Miss Emily Ruiz had the large room tastefully decorated with evergreens, and in the center on the east side, the platform was placed, at the right of which the altar was and behind and the sides the presents were hung and stacked. All the seats had been crowded in the room to face the tree. The Mexican children were all neat and clean though many of them were thinly clad, some having only a garment on their shoulders, but all eager-eyed and expectant to behold the glories of what was to many their first real Christmas, with its attendant and the legend of good old Santa Claus. Recitations and songs, some in English and some in Spanish, commemorating the birth of the Christ child, and told the traditional tales of Christmas tide. The affection between teachers and children was reciprocal, and without doubt the spirit of Christmas was better exemplified in this evenings work wherein the poor and lowly were gratified in body and spirit, than in any of the other many services held in the city. The program observed was as follows:

Song, America, by the school. Memory Gems in English by George Villegas, Francisco Barron, Jesus Lucero, Juan Garcia and Moises Napoles.

"El Porvenir de El Paso, Texas," Carmen Villarreal.

The Psalm of Life, Maria Rodriguez. If a body find a Lesson, Clemente Villegas.

The Spelling Match, Vibiana Limon.

"El Unico Padre," Carmen Villanueva and Jose Hernandez. Lighting of the tree.

Origin of Christmas Greens, Juanita Napoles.

"El Unalindo del Pobre," Soledad Casarez and Maria Enriquez. "He comes in the Night," Eliza Enriquez.

"Turrah for Santa Claus," Nellie Shroff.

Ned's Christmas Tree, Viola Baca. Song, Home Sweet Home, "El Hogar" the school.

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The Devil's Auction. It was standing room only at the open house last night. Chas. H. Yale's bright scenic novelties filled the house, and in the commendation of each act the parquetry with balcony. The auditors were not only interested in the spectacular, illustrating the illusions of fairyland, but the absurdities and the screaming as well. There was no particular plot to follow, it being the measuring of strength between immortals and the infernal one, the immortal winning the stakes. The pleasing features introduced from "Cavern of Gigantic Heads" to the "Palace of Hours" was of itself the reason that but few left their seats. None would run the risk of missing a specialty. The Magic Vaults of Benedictine, the Gardens of the Blue Dragon, together with the many magnificent transformations showed novelty in conception, and its presentation was in harmony with the ideal. Matinee this afternoon and a crowded house tonight.

Sunday Church Notices. CATHOLIC—Church of the Immaculate Conception; catechism at 9:30 a. m., high mass and sermon at 10 a. m.

St. Clement's—St. John, evangelist—First Sunday after Christmas, Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Christmas music will be repeated. Monday (Holy Innocents) Holy Communion at 10 a. m. Sunday school Christmas entertainment at Chopin hall at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, Litany service and short reading at 10 a. m. Friday (Circumcision) Holy Communion at 10 a. m.

GERMAN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN—Services at 2:15 p. m. Christmas sermon by the pastor at 1:45 p. m. under the Christmas tree.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN—The services for tomorrow will be as follows: Public preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Junior school at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Christmas music will be repeated. Monday (Holy Innocents) Holy Communion at 10 a. m. Sunday school Christmas entertainment at Chopin hall at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, Litany service and short reading at 10 a. m. Friday (Circumcision) Holy Communion at 10 a. m.