

CHRISTIANITY'S GREAT FESTIVAL. The Churches Borrowing the Forest's Mantel.

Washington's birthday may be erased from the calendar and from the memories of his countrymen, Independence day may follow it into oblivion, and Admission day may be no more remembered in all California, but Christmas day, with its holy and happy scenes, its Santa Claus and turkey, its grand anthems and tenuous carols shall last until the last page of history has been written.

Who trends the streets to-day will not need to be told for what holiday the thrifty merchant is making preparation, nor will he be told that San Francisco will honor the Christian holiday, as if it had not been sino-to-day and did not mean to right on Sunday to-morrow.

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HOTEL ARRIVALS. G. J. Gassner, Oakland. J. J. Gassner, Oakland.

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NEWBOYS' DINNER. Tickets Given Out for the Feast on Christmas Day.

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INTERNATIONAL HOTEL. A. Anderson, Tacoma. J. Anderson, Tacoma.

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NEAR THE END OF OUR POSITIVE SELLING OUT SALE!

We have but eight days more in this month in which to dispose of the balance of our stock, and realizing the necessity of effecting a complete clearance in this time, we have made prices sufficiently attractive to attain this end. All our HOLIDAY GOODS

Are being sacrificed, as we are determined to dispose of them during the season. We are under contract to give possession to new tenants on January 1st, so look out for slaughter in prices the rest of the month.

At 60 Cents a Box. 500 boxes LADIES' COLORED INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, worth 85c. At \$1.00 a Box. 500 dozen LADIES' WHITE INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, regular price \$1.50.

At \$1.75 a Box. 500 boxes LADIES' HEMSTITCHED AND INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, neat designs, worth \$2.50. At \$1.00 a Box. 400 boxes GENTS' HEMSTITCHED INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, fine quality, worth \$1.50.

At \$1.25 a Box. 400 boxes GENTS' HEMSTITCHED INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, handsome initials, worth \$2. At \$2.00 a Box. 300 boxes GENTS' EXTRA-FINE HEMSTITCHED INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, usual price \$3.

At 75 Cents and \$1.00. 250 dozen GENTS' JAPANESE SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, hand-worked initials, worth \$1.25. Our 75 Cent and \$1.00 Scarfs. Are not to be equaled in the city for style, quality and finish.

WE CARRY THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF GENTLEMEN'S UNDERWEAR AND OVERSHIRTS AT PRICES THAT DEFY COMPETITION. Our 75 Cent and \$1.00 Scarfs. Are not to be equaled in the city for style, quality and finish.

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AMUSEMENTS. BALDWIN THEATER. MR. AL. HAYMAN, Lessee and Proprietor.

OUR HOLIDAY SEASON. COMING THIS MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 22. The Ever-Popular and Most Celebrated of a Century. MR. WILLIAMS' GILBERT'S (NEW) "PRIVATE SECRETARY!"

THE BEST COTERIE OF ARTISTS EVER PRESENTED. THIS MOST MEMORABLE OF BRIGHT STAGE GEMS. HOLIDAY MATINEES. CHRISTMAS DAY, NEW YEAR'S DAY. HOLIDAY MATINEE PRICES: 25c, 50c and 75c. REGULAR MATINEE SATURDAY.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE. COMMENCING MONDAY, DECEMBER 22. Sale of Seats Opens This Morning for GEORGE T. LUMBER THE POLYTECHER!

Garfield Post, G. A. R. 100 PEOPLE ON THE STAGE 100 BOX OFFICE NOW OPEN. ORPHEUM OPERA HOUSE. GUSTAV WALTER, Proprietor.

PAULINE L'ALLEMAND! WITH THE C. D. HESS GRAND OPERA CO. TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT! LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR! L'ALLEMAND, MERTENS, HAMILTON and SIGNOR ALBERT CUILLE in the CAST.

REPERTOIRE FOR THE SIXTH WEEK, COMMENCING DECEMBER 22D. MONDAY AND TUESDAY, M. ARTHA. WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, RIGOLETTO. FRIDAY, RIGOLETTO. SATURDAY, RIGOLETTO.

ADMISSION: 25c 1st RESERVED SEATS, 50c, 75c, \$1. BALDWIN THEATER-EXTRA. MR. AL. HAYMAN, Lessee and Proprietor. MR. ALFRED BOUYER, Stage Manager.

NEW BIJOU THEATER. THE FLORENCE. SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1890. With the Great Success, THREE PAIRS SHOES. A MUSICAL COMEDY. Adapted by H. EHRENT.

GOOD FOR 25c! CUT THIS OUT. And present at the Box-office of the Grand Opera House, 1000 Broadway, N. Y. A 75-cent Seat for 50c and a 50c Seat for 25c!

TIDDLY WINKS. A New Game That Is All the Rage in Fashionable Society East.

It is the latest fad in society. All the ladies are taking about tiddly winks and learning to play it. In the East it has become a veritable craze, and all social affairs are considered dull and unexciting unless tiddly winks is introduced.

Already it is the prime subject of gossip among the ladies in this city, and the first thing they ask when they meet is, "How are you getting along with tiddly winks? Have you learned it yet?"

Then they compare experiences as to the best way of playing it. The game is a very simple game, easily learned, and yet requires sufficient skill to make it interesting. There are many reasons why it should be the ruling winter game.

New features are being added to increase the complications, and consequently the skill required. One of these features is a miniature tennis court, but the original tiddly winks will be found sufficiently entertaining.

The game is played on a table, covered with cloth. A round table is probably the best. The table is divided into four quadrants, and each quadrant is further divided into four smaller, being about the size of a ten-cent piece. The winks are arranged in a scuffling the "cheating rags" unless you in playing marbles.

The idea is to press on the winks with the tiddly winks and make it jump into the hole. The holes are of various colors, with winks of corresponding colors. The player who arranges them as pretty as taste may suggest. The counters are of colored pressed pasteboard.

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