

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

The Holiday Season in Europe One of Enjoyment and Happiness.

HOW ROYALTY AMUSES ITSELF.

Exchanges of Presents and Decoration of Large Christmas Trees

ARE THEIR PRINCIPAL DIVERSIONS.

Londoners Have Amusements Enough to Last Them a Lifetime.

Christmas in Europe was celebrated in the usual lively manner. The royal families enjoyed the day by decorating trees for their little ones and distributing presents among the poor.

BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.

LONDON, December 25.—[Copyright.]—London is just resuming its normal condition after its two days' holiday. As Britons consider the anniversary of the birth of Christ purely a spiritual occasion, that closes saloons and opens churches, thus making it necessary for a temporary holiday to follow, with the churches closed and saloons open, of course all of the Londoners who could get out of town for the two days did so, and an estimate of the number of people who purchased tickets at the various metropolitan railroad stations makes the figure 300,000.

There were still a few millions left, however, and to these there was plenty of amusement afforded. Barnum led everything, of course, more than 30,000 people visiting the Olympia on Thursday, where a new programme was given and the Circus Maximus added to Kiraly's "Nero."

Ten or 20,000 people were also turned away from Barnum's Crystal Palace, which entertained the next highest number of amusement seekers to the American show, 22,253 men, women and children being accommodated there, and 13,000 visiting Mrs. Tussaud's wax works.

LOTS OF OTHER FUN.

There were scores of other amusements as well at Covent Garden, Drury Lane and Her Majesty's Theaters. Christmas pantomimes were performed to the full seating and standing capacity of each house, and thousands were turned away from various theaters. The pantomimes were unusually brilliant this year, "Jack and the Beanstalk," at Drury Lane, in particular being one of the most magnificent spectacles ever produced on the stage, though it is far outdone by Kiraly's great performance at the Olympia. "Cinderella" at Her Majesty's, at the former theater a live lion riding about the ring on a horse and jumping from its back through a hoop, in the best circus manner. Drury Lane, however, disappointed this performance by introducing a new strong man, Carl Abe, who lifted a full-sized horse four inches off the stage. It is probable the lion trick will have to be abandoned at Covent Garden, as the new performer is just arriving at maturity, and is likely to develop the inherent ferocity of his nature at any moment.

A TREE FOR EACH PRINCE.

The German Emperor has regained his normal health. Christmas Eve he witnessed "Hamlet" at Herr Bernay's Theater, said gracious words to the artists being actress, and accepted presents. From the theater he went home, and donning his uniform, put on an unkingly but comfortable jacket, helped decorate Christmas trees, and had fun with the children. Each of the five little princes had a tree all to himself, and the value of the presents thereon was regulated according to the age of the proud possessor.

Princess Stephanie, widow of Rudolph of Austria, left the room in which she had been confined for a week with influenza, to superintend similar functions. The Christmas tree of her 6-year-old daughter was three times the owner's height, gorgeously adorned, and splendidly illuminated; but the present which caused the little Princess the greatest delight, and astonished and charmed the grown-up royalties as well, was a lovely doll furnished with a photograph, which on Christmas Day recited a poem by the Archduchess Valerie, and made a number of little speeches.

PRESENTS FOR THE POOR.

The other members of the Austrian royal family, the Emperor included, were busy early in the week sending out presents to the charitable institutions and poor citizens of Vienna. The Archduke Charles Louis and his wife, with their royal hands, lighted a large Christmas tree in the best parlor of their great palace, distributed the presents, and said kind words to several hundred poor children gathered from all parts of the city. The same evening, Mrs. Carnot also entertained, at the Elisee, a big crowd of children.

CHARITY OF THE POPE.

The Pope celebrated the festive season in characteristic fashion by giving from his private purse nearly 50,000 francs to the poor of Rome.

The royal family of Italy have not had a particularly merry week. King Humbert is suffering from the worries of State business, his hair is white, and he has some throat trouble, of which the surgeons are not certain. Ammonia, Lime of Arsenic, and other remedies have been tried, but he has had to be taken out of the hands of tutors to save his brain and perhaps his life.

The Revolver Arrestment.

They do things in very summary fashion (considering that this is the winter season) up in Harlem. A local tough in a restaurant yesterday said the best steak served him was as tough as himself, and drew his revolver to emphasize the remark. The waiter said "was a lie, and puller hi gun, shot the tough through the air, and he fell into the hospital and water to prison. All in five minutes and all on peaceful Christmas Day.

HERE to-day and there to-morrow. Such is the life of many men and women. Mathews and Pierson, of the Starvation House, Broadway and Twenty-ninth st., N. Y., endeavor to render happy all within their care.

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