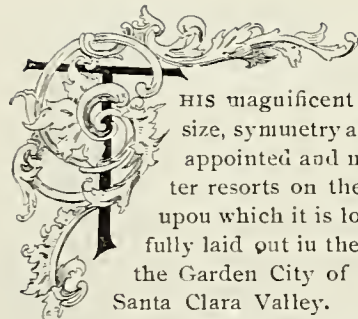


... HOTEL VENDOME ...



THIS magnificent hotel, world-renowned for its size, symmetry and grandeur, is one of the best appointed and most popular summer and winter resorts on the Pacific Coast. The grounds upon which it is located are spacious and beautifully laid out in the fashionable part of San Jose, the Garden City of California, in the wonderful Santa Clara Valley. This is one of the choicest spots in the State, selected by the Franciscan friars in 1777 as a pueblo, by reason of the salubrity of its climate, abundance and purity of its water, fertility of its soil and picturesque location. This celebrated structure is modeled after the Queen Ann style, being four stories in height with spacious verandas. Speaking generally in this connection this house with all its appurtenances is first-class, being scrupulously clean, bright, well lighted and ventilated, with the most approved electric light service, including the automatic fire alarm, call-bell service, etc. The music hall with its delicately tinted walls, perfect acoustic properties and its polished floor, is a continual delight, and the stage is well arranged for concerts and private theatricals. The club-room underneath the music hall is quiet and an inviting resting place given over to recreation and refreshment. The sun parlor, on the roof, easily accessible by the elevator, is the crowning glory of the building—the capstone of delight—where one may have the benefit of the sunshine without the annoyance of wind or dust, where



the natural beauty of the mountains on the east and west, with the garden vineyards and orchards between forms a panorama of perennial pleasure.

There is also an excellent stable connected with the hotel, where all conveniences for riding or driving are supplied. This is the headquarters for the Mount Hamilton Stage Company, which makes daily trips to the famous Lick Observatory. Under the able management of Mr. George P. Snell, who knows what hospitality means, the Hotel Vendome, with all its beautiful surroundings, furnish the highest amount of varied enjoyment to its guests, and is alike noted for the superior appointments mentioned above, and the excellence of its cuisine is absolutely the best, and so are its patrons. This edifice stands before the world as a monument to wealth, energy and art, and is a credit to the enterprising gentlemen of San Jose, who composed the company which erected it in 1888. As a place to spend the summer agreeably, and equally delightful in winter, this enchanted spot, provided with the most genial atmosphere and amid such surroundings, visitors cannot but feel as if they are in a veritable paradise.

Special rates are made for permanent boarders, also with theatrical and opera companies at the usual special rates. For commercial men convenient sample rooms have been established in the very center of the city free of charge.

