

Hotels.

THE BALDWIN.—This hotel is an addition to our already numerous palatial structures. E. J. Baldwin, Esq., is the proprietor, and H. A. Chadwick, recently of the Chicago Grand Pacific, is the lessee. The building is on the conical-shaped lot bounded by Market, Powell, and Ellis streets, and has a frontage of twenty-five feet on Eddy. It also has a frontage of one hundred and eighty-four feet on Market, two hundred and seventy-five on Powell, and one hundred and thirty-eight on Ellis. The basement is entirely of brick and iron. The building is six stories high, and contains four hundred and ninety-five rooms. The mansard roof and towers are of heavy timber, framed and bolted together. On the roof are several walks, laid out for the accommodation of guests who wish to take an elevated promenade, and at the same time have a beautiful view of the city and bay. The principal dome on Powell Street is one hundred and twenty feet from the pavement. In the base of the dome is a ladies' sewing room, where the fair sex can pursue their tatting free from the interruption of man, as none but ladies are allowed to enter the portals of this chamber dedicated to woman. It also contains a billiard parlor exclusively for ladies, and a conservatory, which will not only beautify the billiard and sewing rooms, but afford the ladies an excellent opportunity to study botany, and at the same time see what is going on all over the city. As a check against fire, a tank containing eighty-two thousand gallons of water has been placed on the roof. There are seven fire-plugs, with one hundred and fifty feet of hose, on each story. There are in the basement two artesian wells, capable of supplying one hundred and seventy thousand gallons daily, and a reservoir holding sixty thousand gallons. This would, in case of immediate necessity, give an ample supply for all purposes. In addition the Spring Valley water mains run into the building, but are to be used only in case of exigencies. The height of the main dome, surmounting the angle of Market and Powell streets, is one hundred and sixty-eight feet from the pavement. It contains five stories, and a "bulls-eye" look-out at the top. There are three elevators. One will be run by electricity, and only used for sending up cards of callers, instead of the usual way of ringing a bell and sending them by a slow boy. The elevator for passengers runs from the office to the dome, and is of the latest Parisian pattern—an open car. The Baldwin will be opened during February, 1877.

THE GRAND HOTEL.—This durable and solidly-built hotel is on Market and New Montgomery streets, occupying a lot two hundred and seven feet on the former, and three hundred and ten on the latter, and one hundred and sixty on Second. It was completed in 1870, at a cost of \$850,000. The furniture manufactured in Europe and at the East, expressly for this hotel, cost more than a quarter of a million. It contains four hundred rooms—the suites being elegantly furnished and commodious. The dining rooms are light, spacious, and airy, and will accommodate about three hundred guests at once. Last summer an artesian well was bored on the premises, which now furnishes the water supply for the hotel.

PALACE HOTEL.—This seven-story palatial structure covers nearly two and a quarter acres of ground. It has a frontage of two hundred and seventy-five feet on the south side of Market, and three hundred and fifty feet on New Montgomery. Twenty-six million bricks were used in its construction. The walls and partitions are built of stone and brick, laid in cement, and thus made earthquake and fire-proof. The lower story is twenty-five feet high, in the clear, and the seventh is fourteen. The building contains three inner courts, within which are miniature gardens of rare plants, ever in bloom. Broad galleries, or piazzas, on each story, extend around these open courts, thus affording the guests opportunities for afternoon or evening promenades, without going into the public streets. There are seven hundred and fifty-five rooms in the hotel, besides private parlors, etc., for distinguished guests. The accommodating capacity of the hotel is estimated at twelve hundred. The Palace cost \$3,250,000.

OCCIDENTAL HOTEL.—This hotel occupies the entire frontage of the block on Montgomery, between Bush and Sutter. It is four stories high, is richly, elegantly, and tastefully furnished, and continues to be regarded, as of yore, one of the first-class hotels of the city. It will accommodate about six hundred guests.

THE COSMOPOLITAN is on the southwest corner of Bush and Sansom. It has long been a favorite resort for the traveling public, especially those of the Pacific Coast visiting the metropolis. Recently extensions have been made, until this hotel adjoins the Occidental extensions on Bush toward Sansom. The capacity of the Cosmopolitan is about five hundred guests.

THE LICK HOUSE is on the west side of Montgomery Street, extending from Sutter to Post, with a depth of about two hundred feet towards Kearny. This hotel ranks among the first-class establishments of the city, or of the United States, its extensive patronage being an evidence of that fact. It is elegantly and luxuriantly furnished, and affords an unexceptionable table. It will accommodate about five hundred guests.

THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL is located at the juncture of Kearny and Pacific streets and Montgomery Avenue. It has a frontage of one hundred and forty-eight feet on the avenue, one hundred and thirty feet on Pacific, and thirty-five feet on Kearny Street, and is three stories high. During the past year it has been entirely refurnished, repainted, and many other important improvements made. Nothing that could add to the comfort and pleasure of guests has been omitted. This hotel is rapidly growing into popularity as one of the leading and best kept establishments in the city. Mr. John Kelly, Jr., formerly of the Brooklyn Hotel, is the genial landlord.

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