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This was not always so. The inn of former times, when the roads were mud and land journeys were performed in stage coaches, was a resting place, over which the hard. ships of the journey threw a halo of comfort by comparison. When the traveler had been jostled all day or all night in a coach, which constantly sank hub deep in the ruts, passing over perhaps twenty miles in as much time as would now be required to go five or six hundred, he was glad to rest and forget his discomfort in his inn.

Fancy the Londoners in 1750 going from London to Birmingham. The distance is 116 tailes, and the time required to make the journey three days. The importance of the English inn of the period is vouched for from the fact that it was the starting point for the coach. In the early morning the pas sengers who were "booked" met at the in. The insiders pass over the old fashioned rickety steps to the seats within while the outsiders climb to the top. The guard gives a blast on his horn and away goes the coach. But if there is any speed at first it is likely soon to give place to a slow walk. All da: the traveler is jerked and jostled while the stage is in the ruts, and jostled and jostled when carts and stage wagons, gigs, tilburys and all manner of vehicles which travers. the abominable road are passed, and it is necessary, perhaps, for both to turn aside in order to get by over the narrow way. One such day's travel would beget more discomfort than a trip from New York to San Francisco today.

At night the coach draws up before the ina. Mine host, with portly mien and ruddy English cheeks, comes out to welcome Lis guests. Sore in every muscle they enter the bar, a far different place from that which i. called a barroom today. A cheerful fire of logs blazes on a hearth under a mammot. chimney. If it doesn't blaze high enough some one kicks it with the heel of a heavy cow! ide boot. Then the sparks fly merrily up the chimney and the flames cast a bright light on the po ished brass of the bar, illu



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minating the pretty face of the bar maid who stands behind. The traveler takes a "bottom" of brandy or a flagon of old English ale with which to stiffen to after his journey. There is an odor of cooking, as delightful to the tired and hungry stage coach traveler as it would be disagreeable today to one who has idled away an afternoon with a novel in a parlor car. Then comes the supper, a supper which would doubtless suffice to feed two ordinary travelers of the present day. This over the men congregate in the tap room to drink and to smoke their long

On many routes the stages would lie up over night. If so the traveler would be shown to a room, with great hangings on the bedstead, and a valance all around, a bootjack handy, and innumerable contrivances now passed out of date. In the morning "boots" would call him and he would go down to a breakfast of hot tea, fresh eggs, and butter and toast, and cream, and cold beef, of which he would partake 'plentifully to brace him for the journey during the day.

The American hotel of colonial times was much like the English inn. The American hotel of the early part of this century is still remembered by many people who are growing old. As late as 1845 the office in American notels was with the bar, and the whole was not called the office, but "the bar." But the country hotels were then, as now, sorry abodes. They were frame barnlike buildings, with no beauty of shape, a trough before the door for watering the horses, and a great sign on a tall post, swinging with a grating noise on hinges, and these words incribed upon it:

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BIG CITY HOTEL.

Charles Dickens, while traveling in America, gave some pen pictures of American hotels which created a great deal of animosity against him. But it was an age of quick improvement in hotels in America, and what Dickens described, even if correctly, soon passed away, at least in cities. But it doesn't require a very old person to remember the day when a darky would rush through a hall clanging a dinner bell, making noise enough to call the neighbors for half a mile. What was the necessity for such deafening clatter is not apparent, since most of the guests were waiting the first slight tinkle of the bell, and rushed pell-mell into the dining room before the darky had

time to ring it. Dickens has given us some of the best pictures we have of the English inn of that period, and has left an merasable there is many a picture throughout Dickens works of inn comfort that almost causes one to regret that the cozy English receptacle for travelers does not exist today.

What a change from the hotel of 1830 to 1850 is the American hotel of today. The Astor house in New York was one of the first of the larger habitations for travelers in the United States. In its earlier day it towered above the surrounding buildings, and was a curiosity to those who visited New York, especially from the west. Now, instead of towering over its neighbors it looks diminutive in the shadow of the immense postoffice building opposite or in contrast with the elephantine Western Union building several blocks south of it. Then came the Metropolitan and the St. Nicholas, the latter now torn away to make room for business structures, and lastly the Fifth Avenue, and within perhaps a decade the Windsor.

Perhaps the Windsor, of New York, and the Palmer house, of Chicago, may be selected for two as fine specimens of eastern and western hotels as exist. The Windsor is spacious, genteel, comfortable looking; worthy to be set upon Murray Hill, where there are so many brown stone fronts and so many wealthy people who have brought comfort to the very highest attainable degree. The Palmer house is more typical of the west. Its architecture is more showy; indeed clumsy. It is of two separate parts, neither of which in the slightest degree resembles the other in architecture. The main part was built for a hotel, and is fireproof. In its dark corridors, over which are the arches of corrugated iron ceilings, one is reminded of a place made strong to hold involuntary dwellers. Its drawing rooms are luxurious, but too gaudy. Nevertheless the Palmer house is an attractive place to put up at. Its marble rotunda is a place of life at all hours. of the day and most of the night, and there is no place in America where one may meet more people, and from all directions. The portion fronting on another avenue, and led to by viaducts constructed for the purpose, was originally intended for a block of stores.



FROM A SPANISH MODEL. This portion is comparatively quiet, and is

mainly occupied by resident guests. In the south there is a new beginning i the building of hotels upon the lines of Spanish architecture, and a cut of a fine sample of this sort is given. Great coolness and picturesque lines of structure commend

this plan. The American hotel has taken root in England. The English hotel of forty years ago is as much dwarfed in comparison with her new mammoth structures as is the case with American hotels. On Trafalgar square, in London, for many years stood the old residence of the Duke of Northumberland, with a stone British lion over its center. It was venerated by Englishmen, but the march of events was sufficient to destroy even their reverence, and today in place of the ducal residence is a great hotel on the American plan. Surely if some English squire of the Eighteenth century should go to London and be directed to this mammoth hostelry on Charing Cross, he would no more know how to behave himself than a Sioux Indian in the

### Palmer house at Chicago. JANUARY'S FIRST FIRES.

Six-Story Warehouse at St. Louis Burnt-Fatal Conflagration.

Sr. Louis, Jan 1. - The mammoth sixstory brick building of the Richardson Daug Company at the north-west corner of Fourth-street and Clark-avenue burned this morning. The loss is about \$750,000 on stock and \$150,000 on building. There was considerable excitement during the fire caused by heavy explosions of benzine, oils, etc. . The building stood one block south of the Southern Hotel and there was almost a panic amang the guests of that holstelry until it was found that there was no danger of a spread of the flames. The insurance on placed by H. M. Blossom's agency in this

Fatally Burnt. Sr. Louis, Jan. 1 .- The three-story saloon and tenement on the southwest corner of Sixth and Morgan-streets burned at o'clock this morning. Half-a-dozen or more persons were taken to the dispensary more or less seriously injured. Mary Byshaicker, waitress, was instantly killed in Jumping from a window of the burning building. waiter girl named Lizzie (last name not learned), Mary Davis and Mary Westland were removed to the dispensary in a dying condition, burned and suffocated. Patrolman McFerland was nearly suffocated while rescuing lodgers, but was rescued by a brother officer in time to save his life. John Daly, a trapeze performer, saved himself and wife by sliding down a rope from a third story window with his wife in his arms. Several other lodgers were severely burned, but none fatally. The two upper | enames without injury. Never irritates the floors of the building were used as a lodging house attached to Hugh Sellers' restaurant brush and handle are imperishable. and saloon, which occupied the first floor. The building was old, with wooden floors and partitions, and burned rapidly. The loss on building and contents was about \$2000, no insurance.

A Narrow Escape. Boston, Jan. 1.—Guyer Bros.' hat factory in Roxbury was partly burnt to-day and forty employes had a narrow escape, losing hats, coats and other personal effects. The damage to the building and machinery is \$10,000.

A Listowel Dwelling Burnt, LISTOWEL, Jan. 1 .- A fire broke out

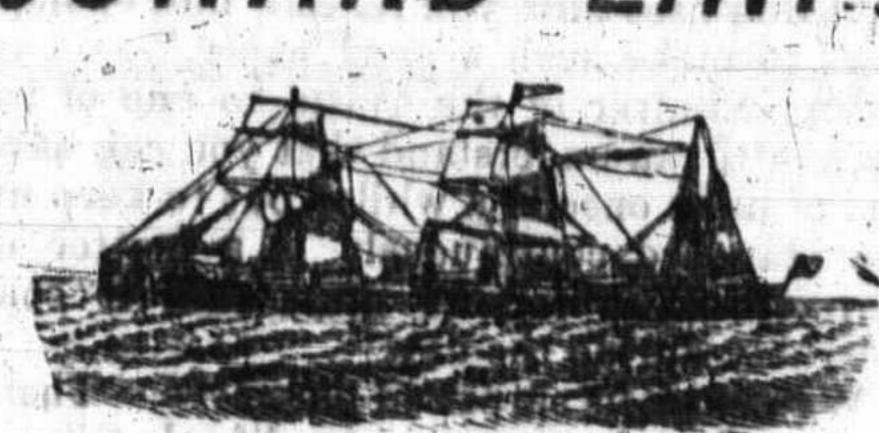
about 2 o'clock this morning in a frame dwelling owned and occupied by Mrs. Wiles. The building was totally destroyed; no insurance. The cause of fire is un-

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