

Griffith's, he finds, on reaching them, they are both full.

Before the day passes, however, he has established himself in one of these temporary abodes; and although there cannot be spared for him, at first, a whole room, he soon finds that the warmth of the atmosphere, and the exhilaration of spirits, produced by a brilliant sky, induce him to loiter abroad, rather than seek the interior of his dwelling. This is in the middle of the town, the Commercial Square, formerly the Grand Parade, afterwards the Alameda; and to an Englishman, quitting for the first time his native land, there can nowhere be presented a more animating scene.

9. It is here that sales by auction of all sorts of goods, wares, merchandize, and commodities, are carried on five days in the week, from seven o'clock till noon; and the stranger is surrounded by persons of all nations in