TALK OF THE STAGE WORLD.

Next Season's Plans of the Actors and Managers.

Many New Plays and Combinations, and a Bright Outlook.

Plans for next season now occupy the minds of managers and members of the theatrical profession. They are a sanguine people, and the disasters of the season just closed are forgotten in the anticipation of a prosperous season to come. Metropolitan managers are making elaborate preparations for a brilliant Fall season, and according to the most reliable agents the bookings for the country circuits are of a better quality than for several seasons past. The companies will be stronger and go out with better backing as a rule. Indeed, the outlook is considered bright, generally.

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Margaret Mather, who closed her season Saturday night at the Grand Opera-House, is reading a new four-act play by Edgar Fawcett, and may produce it next season. She goes to Europe in June, but will return in time to open at Minneapolis Aug. 22, in "The Egyptian," then playing through to the Pacific coast in a repertoire. It is probable that Frederick Paulding and Milnes Levick will be in her company. The cares of managing and acting at the same time have proved too exacting for Otis Skinner, and he will content himself with being Modjeska's leading man. He will go abroad in two weeks to recuperate and obtain a new wardrobe.

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Heinrich Conried will send out in the Fall Conried's Dramatic Company, headed by Miss Evelyn Foster. He proposes producing a number of plays which have met with success in Europe. The first of these will be "A Blind Marriage."

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Jack Mason, Boston's petted darling, and our own Marion Manola, who would not be—but was—photographed in tights, will open in their new musical comedy, "If I Were You," at the Tremont Theatre, Boston, Sept. 5, under the management of George Wotherspoon. Miss Manola will finish the performance with a one-act operetta.

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One of the new pieces which will be seen next season is "The Colonel," from the same source as Wyndham's "Wild Oats." Oscar Sisson will bring it out.

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Katie Emmett, a rather bright soubrette who has starred in "The Waifs of New York," will produce a new Irish comedy drama called "Killarney," at the Star Theatre Aug. 16.

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"The Harvest Moon" will go out next season under the management of Harry Booker, but without Janauschek. The piece will be rewritten by the author.

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The eminent John L. Sullivan is to abandon the drama, and will be seen under more or less favorable circumstances in a specialty with his own vaudeville company. Perhaps the dramatic stage will not mourn the loss.

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Work on the Fifth Avenue Theatre will now continue day and night without cessation to get it in readiness for the opening next Saturday night. "The Robber of the Rhine" has already been rehearsed on the stage. A peep into Mr. Miner's temple of amusement removes any impressions that further postponements may be announced. Only the finishing touches remain to be given to the interior. The general effect is white and gold and will be quite pretty.

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"The Vice-Admiral" has been in rehearsal at the Casino, but there is no telling when it will be produced. As stage Director Conried sails for Europe Thursday and Musical Director Kerker will follow him as soon as Manager Rudolph Aaronson returns, it was deemed wise to rehearse "The Vice-Admiral," so that it could be put on during the Summer if "Child of Fortune" showed signs of succumbing to the hot weather, but of which there is at present no indication.

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The costumes and scenery of the old McCaull Opera Company were purchased Saturday by a syndicate, which will give Summer opera with a stock company in a new theatre at Atlanta, Ga.

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The "Country Circus" goes into the Broadway Theatre in November, after De Wolf Hopper's new comic opera, which may be followed by the "Isle of Champagne."

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"Jane" will open the regular season at the Standard Sept. 5, to be followed by De Koven's new opera, "The Fencing Master," Nov. 14.

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Dupree & Solomon's comic opera, "King Kaliko," which will receive its initial production at the Broadway Theatre June 6, is in active rehearsal. It is in three acts, and is a satire on the Government of the Sandwich Islands and the superstitious follies of the natives. Edwin Stevens will create the title role of King Kaliko. Nina Bertini is the prima donna, and in the cast are William Blakely, Arthur Partz, Robert Scott, Sol Mirandolini, B. Einstein, Robert Magee, Clara Lavine and Agnes Paul.

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Jesse Williams has severed his connection with "Elysium" to devote his time to "King Kaliko." Max Figman retired in defense of his professional reputation, which he felt was being seriously affected by the disgusting part which he was called upon to assume.

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A. Y. Pearson cabled to Hamburg Saturday for the eight white llamas which are to be shown in one of the scenes in "The White Squadron." The animals will arrive June 15 and will spend the Summer at Glen Island.

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W. Andrew Mack, who will have a prominent part in "Wicklow," will drop the "W." and hereafter be known simply as Andrew Mack.

Fred Hodgson, who was last season manager of "After Dark," will look after the business interests of "Wicklow."

SPORTING NEWS AND NOTES.

A Sportsman's Opinion on the Jackson-Slavin Go.

Hub Collins's Death Keenly Felt by the Brooklyn Ball Club.

Just one week from to-day Peter Jackson and Frank P. Slavin will meet in the ring at the National Club, London, and decide the pugilistic supremacy of Australia. The relative merits of these men have been discussed throughout this country since they appeared as stars in the heavy-weight firmament. They have known each other for years, have sparred together time and again, and know that the battle for the purse of $10,000 will not be to them a matter of mere play. Both men are powerful punchers, and blows landed squarely by either of them mean punishment of a severe type.

The reports from the training quarters of the pugilists are of a character that would lead one to suppose that both men realized the necessity of getting into the best form possible, and it is generally conceded that neither of the men can afford to give any advantage to his opponent. It has been stated all along that Slavin would be seconded next Monday night by Charley Mitchell. Reports, however, state that Mitchell has been in a row with George Plesse, his old friend and backer, and Mitchell has been debarred from entering the National Club. In talking about the battle Billy Oliver, the well-known Harlem sportsman, said: "Slavin has the lead up here. I think he is a better fighter than Jackson, and any one who has seen Slavin fight has no doubt about his ability to hit. Jackson is a clever man, and if he lands he does so with effect, but I doubt his ability to withstand Slavin's rushing. Although his long reach, used in his scientific manner, is a great defense, he will need to do some hard in-fighting, as Slavin will force things with a vengeance. From what I can learn I should say that Jackson was a slight favorite in the betting in this city, but I have an idea that Slavin will be the favorite before next Saturday night. I have some money that I am willing to risk on him, and will place it to the best advantage possible during the coming week."

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Affairs in the Brooklyn baseball team have undergone a decided change. Capt. Ward has lost one of his most trustworthy men in Hub Collins, the well-known fielder and baseman, who died Saturday night of typhoid fever. Collins was regarded with much favor by the officers and players alike. He was always ready to obey orders, and could be relied upon every time when needed. He has not been in the best of health this season, as his system was badly shocked by his collision with Tom Burns last year. Collins was born in Louisville, Ky., in 1866. His first professional engagement was with the Columbus, Ga., team in 1884; in 1888 he played with the Savannah team, and with Louisville in 1887. He has been with Brooklyn since 1888, and President Byrne and Capt. Ward feel the loss keenly.

Games scheduled for to-day are:

New York at Boston. Pittsburg at Chicago.
Washington at Brooklyn. St. Louis at Cleveland.
Philadelphia at Baltimore.

These followers of the prize ring who saw Cal McCarthy decorated by George Dixon at Troy are speculating on the former's chances with Robert Burns on next Monday night. McCarthy will meet Burns before the Coney Island Athletic Club for a purse of $2,500. Burns, who hails from Rhode Island, has been training faithfully at Long Branch for several weeks past, and feels confident that he can beat the Jerseyman. McCarthy has not fought a battle of importance in this part of the country since his "go" with Dixon.

He feels the necessity of winning the present battle, and as he expresses it: "I'll be dead to the world if I don't." Burns has heard all sorts of reports as to McCarthy's condition. He banks largely on Cal's lack of form. The Jerseyman says he is all right and will show his friends that he is where the time comes. Betting is rather slow, but a larger wad will doubtless see the light, as the Club has lowered the price of a admission to $3.

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Billy Plimmer, the champion 110-pound man, has been acquainted for years with Fred Johnston, the English feather-weight, who is to fight George Dixon on June 27 as Coney Island. Plimmer says: "Johnston is a great fighter, does his work clean and with effect, is very shifty and is capable of giving and taking considerable punishment. I will be behind him in his coming fight, as will many others of his admirers. Johnston is looking for another match and will probably meet an Australian the next time I fight."

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Those who are accustomed to see President Barton S. Weeks, of the New York Athletic Club, about the club-house or attending to his duties in the District-Attorney's office would have hardly recognized him at the regatta of the Harlem River Association on Saturday. He was dressed in a tad-weather outfit, and stood out in the drenching rain during the entire afternoon. He was on the judges' boat, and no one cheered their club favorites more lustily than he.

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The pool cranks are awaiting anxiously the big tournament to be played at Tammany Hall on May 26, 27 and 28. The match will be four-handed, the contestants being De Oro, Manning, Powers and Werner. The game will be 600-ball continuous pool, in blocks of 200, for a stake of $1,000 and the gate receipts.

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A set of seats for the intercollegiate games to be held at Manhattan Field on May 28 will go on sale at the Manhattan Athletic Club house to-night.

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Nick Cox has not accepted Leonard's challenge to run fifty miles for $50. Leonard's offer has been up since Wednesday, and it will be taken down on May 25 unless Cox accepts.

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The Brooklyn Athletic Club is working hard to bring out the talent in its ranks. The grounds at Maspeth are being used very generally, and the Club will be represented at the big games throughout the entire season.

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Billy Oliver has turned over to Friendship Boat Club its new eight-oared barge, which he has just completed.

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The Varunas and Friendships will row a barge race on Flushing Bay in June for a prize banner.

FROM THE WORLD OF LABOR.

Painters and Decorators' Union No. 110 enrolled eleven new members last week.

The initiation fee of the Plasterers' Laborers' Union has been raised to $25.

The Phœnix Labor Club of K. of L. Brassworkers will have its annual picnic at Brunner's Union Park Aug. 6.

Journeymen Brewers' Union No. 1 has resolved to again send delegates to the Hudson county Central Labor Federation.

The Central Labor Union indorsed yesterday the strikers of the Hexagon Labor Club of Blacksmiths' Helpers for eight hours.

The union carpenters are on strike at Holyoke, Mass., and they request their craft to stay away from that city.

Textile-Workers' Union No. 23 reports that they are quite successful in organizing their craft in Union Hill and West Hoboken, N. J.

Laborers' Union No. 9 has formed the agreement with the bosses fixing wages at 30 cents per hour for eight hours per day.

Laborers' Union No. 1 has been refused representation in the Brooklyn Board of Walking Delegates because it joined the Brooklyn Central Labor Federation.

The weavers of the Paragon Silk Company at West Hoboken, N. J., have struck in sympathy with the men who went out from the factory of the concern at Paterson.

Annual picnic of Carpenters' Union No. 513 at Brunner's Union Park to-day. The proceeds are to go in part to the fund of the striking cabinet-makers.

The Convention of the Horseshoers has changed the organization from a National to an International union by admitting the twelve unions existing in Canada.

The Hudson County Waiters and Bartenders' Union had its contracts signed by the Hill-side Company and the Jersey City Heights Schnetzer Park last week.

The New York Branch of the National Granite-Cutters' Union resorted to the Central Labor Union yesterday that the great strike was progressing favorably, and that the outlook was hopeful.

Delegate Wilkins, who represented Typographical Union No. 98 in the Brooklyn Central Labor Union, has been appointed Deputy Sheriff in place of the late ex-Delegate Dill.

Tailors' Progressive Union No. 11 has resolved not to join the new central body unless Ale and Porter Union No. 1 be admitted. The Union was formerly connection with the United Garment Workers.

The cigar-makers of Lichtenstein Bros. have gained an advance of 50 cents to $1 per thousand without a strike. In the strike at the shop of Foster, Hilson & Co. a settlement is expected to-day.

The Brooklyn Branch of the Architectural Iron Workers' Union has nominated Louis Hoffmann for walking delegate of the Brooklyn (E. D.) Building Trades Council. The election is to take place this week.

Supt. Edward Melville, of Tate's furniture factory on Ninth avenue, had one of the striking cabinet-makers, John Schuttneiss, arrested yesterday on the charge of assault. The prisoner was discharged by Justice Divver.

A mass-meeting was held under the auspices of Machinists' Progressive Union No. 9 at Lincoln Hall, Houston and Allen streets, yesterday. J. Mass and August Delabar made speeches and eight new members were gained.

A report that the Socialist section of Pittsburg had been admitted to the Trades Assembly of Western Pennsylvania has proved to be erroneous. It originated through the statement of a delegate who was unable to thoroughly understand the English language.

New delegates were admitted yesterday to the Central Labor Union from Local Union Engineers' Union No. 2,022, A. F. of L., Progressive Painters' No. 4 and Brewers' No. 96. Resolutions were adopted promising aid to the locked-out barbers in this city.

Messrs. Thorne, Kline and Schimanel have been elected delegates to the Brooklyn Joint Executive Board by Bartenders' Union No. 10. Upon request of Bartenders' Union No. 2 it was decided not to admit any members of the latter to Union No. 10 unless they are clear on the books of No. 2.

The Committee of the Central Labor Union to assist the striking iron-workers of the Hoboken stove works, Shiuella & Co., reported to the body yesterday that the strike was progressing favorably and that it was collecting money enough to enable the men to speedily win.

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