AMONG THE PLAYER FOLK.

Theatricals Experiencing the Depressing Effect of Heat.

Young Salvini's "Cavalleria Rusticana" Delights the Bostonese.

The spell of weather that came in with the month of roses has a depressing effect upon the followers of the stage. The strongest attractions in town felt it last night, and slim houses greeted the weaker. The heat has caused the managers of some of the theatres that close this week to wish they had ended the season last Saturday night.

Manager J. M. Hill will devote all his energies next season to "The Fencing Master," in which he has great confidence. The new opera will receive its initial production in Buffalo Sept. 26. It then goes to Philadelphia for two weeks and Boston for two weeks, so that when it comes to New York, Nov. 14, it will be running smoothly. The week before "The Fencing Master" comes here the Standard Theatre will be closed and the interior done over for the new production. It is a fact that Marie Tempest refused an offer of $100 a week more than Manager Hill will pay her to appear in the new opera, and the offer was from a responsible manager, too.

The season ends at the Standard Saturday night and will reopen Aug. 29 with one week of "The Private Secretary," to be followed by Johnstone Bennett in "Jane."

"Imagination" is one of the most mirth-provoking entertainments in the town, but the imagination of the spectator plays an important part in the enjoyment of Mr. Rosenfeld's bright farce, as was illustrated by an incident which the writer witnessed the other night. Directly behind him sat an elderly couple. The man was gray and grizzled, with a bald and shiny pate. His companion, evidently his wife, also showed the signs of age. He appeared to appreciate fully the humor of gay old Harry Jellinman's imaginative debut in Bohemia, but it caused the wife to glance askance at him, and finally as her visage stirred he began explaining to her that it was only imagination that caused his immoderate laughter, and he really knew nothing personally about such experiences. Her suspicions were not allayed, however, by his keen enjoyment of the ludicrous situations, and when they left the theatre he was receiving a lecture which probably did not end at the front door.

Salvini's much talked of production of the acting version of "Cavalleria Rusticana" at the Boston Theatre last night appears to have delighted the Bostonese. The music was given by an orchestra of 40 musicians, with organ, chimes, a chorus of thirty voices and double quartet. The play, which is one act, was adapted by Sig. A. Arcarara, of the Patti company, from Vergas's text, from which Mascagni's opera was written. It was preceded by the two-act comedy drama, "Robert Macaire." Mr. Salvini's five weeks' engagement at the Boston Theatre closes Saturday night. He and his manager, Mr. W. M. Wilkison, will immediately sail for Europe and go to Mme. Patti's castle, Craig-y-Nos, in Wales, where the diva will produce "Cavalleria Rusticana," acting Santuzza to Salvini's Tiriddu.

Burr McIntosh's curtain-raiser, "Why," is being received with considerable favor on the Pennsylvania circuits. Will's rising, the principal character, is said to be unusually pleasing.

Here is the latest story they are telling on Impresario Pratt. A young newspaper writer from Washington, named High, came on to secure an engagement as second tenor. According to the story he was sent for by Impresario Pratt, who is reported to have said: "You are a second tenor, eh? Well, let me hear you sing high C."

For the testimonial concert to be given at H. R. Jacobs' Theatre Sunday night for the benefit of M. J. Jacobs and W. A. Edwards, there was a long list of volunteers, including Frank Rush, Charles T. Ellis, John W. Ransome, Edwin Arden, M. J. Gallagher, Tom Murray, Tim Cronin, Charles Jerome, Isabelle Ward, Julia Mackie, Wood and Shepard, Willard Newell, Bittie Charlotte Grant, Lillian Grainger, James B. Mackie, Katie Rooney, Henshaw and Ten Broeck, Lizzie Derious Daly, Gertrude Fort, Fitz and Webster, the Fitzgibbon family, Polly Holmes, Jessie K. Giles, the Clipper Quartet, the Gotham City Quartte and others.

Ad Gerber, business manager for Harry Lacy the past season, has been engaged by Managers Pearson and Greenwall as treasurer of the Union Square Theatre.

Joseph Haworth, wearing a yachting cap and as brown as a berry, forsook clam-digging long enough yesterday to greet his friends on Broadway.

The complimentary benefit to W. A. Meslater, which was to have been given this afternoon at Palmer's Theatre, has been postponed until next Tuesday afternoon, owing to the death of Charles Gayler and the fact that his funeral takes place to-day.

Adolf Neuendorf will inaugurate a season of summer-night concerts at the Lenox Lyceum Monday night with an orchestra of fifty musicians.

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GOSSIP OF RING AND FIELD.

Strong Efforts to Bring the Sullivan-Corbett Fight North.

Various Athletic Clubs Preparing for the Season's Games.

The principal topic of conversation among the followers of the prize-ring now, is the Sullivan-Corbett match. Although the men are not matched to meet until Sept. 7, speculation is rife as to the result of the contest and the work of match making between these men is now over. The selection of Phil Dwyer as final stakeholder completed the arrangements in that line. Both men have $5,000 of their side bet of $10,000 posted, and neither party seems willing to forfeit that amount. Although the present articles call for the appearance of the men at the Olympic Club, of New Orleans, the knowing ones do not think that Sullivan and Corbett will fight their battle in the Crescent City. Indications point towards the fight being decided within fifty miles of this city. One sympathizer of this scheme said: "Why should these men fight at New Orleans? They hail from this vicinity, they will train here, their backers are New York men and all their interests are here. What is the use of taking the men, the money and the interest down to the Gulf of Mexico? The weather will be something awful down there then."

Jimmy Wakely, in talking about the matter, said: "The match has been made, the battle-ground has been decided, and we would forfeit our money if we went back on the Olympic Club. Of course the men, by mutual agreement, could decide on some other place. That would be all right, and the loss of the forfeit money would not be much."

Charley Johnston comes out positively, and says: "We are after the biggest money we can get, and the Olympic Club must guarantee us what we want or they don't get this fight."

The Coney Island Athletic Club is making a heavy effort to land the fight. There is also another movement under way to bring the fight off in Long Island City, and the competition is likely to be very strong.

Sullivan's manager, Frank Moran, says: "Sullivan will come back to this city early next week. He had about made up his mind to run over and be present when the stakeholder was chosen, but he deterred his visit until later.

"Phil Casey will take the champion under his wing as soon as he gets here and will put him through a course of handball, but active training will not begin till the middle of July." Billy Delaney, Corbett's trainer, said: "Corbett will arrive in town on June 7 and will go to his training quarters at Asbury Park on the 9th. I had a despatch from Jim early in the week, and he is all right."

The Giants took another downward plunge yesterday. They met the Pittsburg team and were defeated by a score of 7 to 4. The crowd was not a large one, about 900 people being present. This defeat puts the Giants back in eighth place. A little over a month remains before the first section of the championship season will be over, and if the Giants do not pick up they will not figure as the winners of the first division. Johnny Ward and his players kept the ball rolling by defeating Louisville 12 to 3. Boston dodged the St. Louis team at Boston, and Arthur Whitney served an attachment on the receipts of the game for an alleged debt owed him by President Von der Ahe. Philadelphia jumped on Anson and his colts, 12 to 3, which sent Brooklyn back to second place. Cincinnati won from Baltimore, 6 to 4, and Washington was successful in the game with Cleveland, 8 to 7.

Games scheduled for to-day are:

Pittsburg at New York.	Chicago at Philadelphia.
Louisville at Brooklyn.	Cincinnati at Baltimore.
St. Louis at Boston.	Cleveland at Washing'n.

Dominick McCaffrey, of the Manhattan Athletic Club, has at last gained the point for which he has been striving some time. The Club has held several boxing shows during the season, and each one of them has been of interest. On June 22 the Club will hold a show that McCaffrey thinks will excel anything yet presented at the club. There will be three ten-round bouts—one in the middle-weight, one in the light-weight and one in the feather-weight class. The names of the boxers have not been made public as yet, but McCaffrey promises that the men will be well known and will give an excellent exhibition.

Since Walter Campbell, of Philadelphia, made such good exhibitions in limited-round goes in this vicinity recently, there is considerable talk of a match to a finish being made between Campbell and Billy Dacey, and the Coney Island Athletic Club is considering the question of offering a purse for a match between these men.

Jack Skelly, of Brooklyn, has never felt satisfied at the decision rendered in his bout with Johnny Gorman at Clermont Rink, Brooklyn, some time ago, and he wants to meet Gorman to a finish.

Ike Ingersoll, the backer of Billy Plimmer, is very much interested in Fred Johnson, the English feather-weight, who is to fight George Dixon. Ingersoll said yesterday: "I intend to watch Johnson carefully and see just what he can do. I like his appearance very much, but he will have to be an extraordinary man to cope with Dixon. At present I rather like Dixon's chances. I am in a position to change my mind at any time, however."

Mike Mulroy, who bested Pat Daly in a ten-round bout recently, is ready to meet any good man at 115 pounds.

The National regatta of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen, to be held at Saratoga on July 20 and 27, is attracting a great deal of attention among the oarsmen of this city. The New York and Manhattan athletic clubs will be represented by crews, as will several other clubs on the Harlem.

The Metropolitan Association of Cricket Clubs is preparing to hold a number of inter-city matches during the present season. The New Jersey Athletic Club cricketers are much in favor of such a scheme.

The Columbia Athletic Club sprinters and jumpers are preparing for the Club's annual games. Bob Conn, the President of the Club, is pleased with the work being done by his men.

There will be a three-mile race between J. Vogelius, of the Xavier A. C., and J. Rogers, of the New Jersey A. C., at the games of the Scottish-American A. C., to be held at Jersey City July 2.

AMONG THE WHEELMEN.

The membership of the Lenox Wheelmen has now reached 50.

The South Brooklyn Wheelmen will run to Fort Hancock on June 19.

The Riverside Wheelmen are much pleased with the work done by George Smith on his trip up the State.

The Acorn Wheelmen are adding largely to their membership.

The Staten Island Wheelmen will hold several races on Saturday.

The Century Wheelmen have several men riding for distance medals.

The work of securing a new club-house is being pushed by the Long Island Wheelmen.

The Brighton Wheelmen will hold a wheeling tour on June 5.

Coming Events.

The Sirian Society will hold a meeting to-night at 244 West Forty-second street.

Rev. Phebe Hanaford will lecture to-night before the Woman Suffrage League, at 4 Lexington avenue, on "Woman Advancing."

The Byronic Dramatic Society will hold a reception this evening in Criterion Hall, 289 Bleecker street.

Tonight the Xavier Ethical Society will hold a meeting at 39 West Fifteenth street.

Designs by the students of the School of Architecture will be on exhibition at Columbia College this afternoon and evening.

The Ambulance Corps of the Twelfth Regiment will drill for examination at the Armory to-night.

The Hungaria Ladies' Aid Society will give a Strawberry Festival in Arlington Hall, 21 St. Mark's place, Sunday evening, the proceeds to be devoted to the relief of destitute families.

To-morrow afternoon and evening the Superintendents and Clerks' Association of the New York Post-Office will have its annual picnic and games in Sulzer's Harlem River Park.

A Settlement Wanted.

[From Texas Siftings.]

Mr. Harlem Bridges was asked by his grocer to pay for six pounds of coffee.

"When did I get this coffee?" asked Mr. Bridges with rage stamped on every lineament of his countenance.

"It was last year you got that coffee."

"Then it is settled long ago, and if it isn't coffee that won't settle in a year shouldn't be paid for, anyhow."

A motion to consider was promptly laid on the table.

The Condition Had Changed.

[From Texas Siftings.]

"There goes a man that we ought to go for," said one Anarchist to another, pointing to a gentleman who was passing.

"Do you know who he is?" asked the friend.

"I do for a fact," was the response. "He's a big Wall street capitalist, and he should not be allowed to live."

"But he failed last week," said the other, "and hasn't got a cent."

"Ah, that puts a different face on the matter. He ought to join us. Capital has tyrannized over him, and he should try and get even."

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[From Pick-Me-Up.]

I.

The Victim.

II.

"Who 'it my little brother?"

III.

"Yah, coward! Come on. Who 'it 'im? That's wot oi want ter know."

IV.

"Oi did."
"You did?"
"Yuss; oi tek yer Ot 'it 'im"—
"Serve 'im right; 'it 'im again!"

Enough to Go Around.

[From Puck.]

"Charlie Wicks has only one arm, has he not? asked Maude.

"Yes," returned May, "but it's a long one."

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FROM THE WORLD OF LABOR.

It is calculated that the aggregate annual income of the working classes of England is about $1,500,000,000.

The sponge industry of the Bahama Islands employs 500 boats and nearly 5,000 workmen and boys.

Chris Jacobson, of the English Speaking Framers' Union, has been reinstated as a delegate to the Building Trades Section of the C. L. U.

Cabinet-Makers' Union No. 7 has voted against holding a convention by the International Furniture Workers' Union this year.

Many business men of Baltimore have contributed towards the strike fund of the carpenters of that city who are out for eight hours.

Bernard Farley has been elected President of the Seventh Division of the Laborers' Union Protective Society and J. Muller was made Secretary.

The striking cigar-makers of Landauer, Kahn & Strong resolved yesterday not to resume work unless the reduction of 75 cents to $1 per thousand be withdrawn.

"Scabs" have taken the places of striking miners at Uniontville, Ky., while the bosses at East Bernstadt and Altamount had to settle, as they were unable to replace the strikers.

The Journeymen Bakers and Confectioners' Union has given $10 to the striking machine woodworkers. H. Wohlch has been elected Vice-President pro tem. Eight members were out of work last week.

Judge James G. McGuire, the well-known single-tax man and Knight of Labor, has been nominated for Congress in the Fourth District of California, with a sure Democratic majority of 4,000 behind him.

Strikes and boycotts are far more successful in small places where the workmen are better acquainted with each other than in our large cities. Agitation in the latter is far more difficult than in the former.

The capitalists of Queensland engaged in the sugar industry claim that organized labor will drive them out of the business by its demands, and therefore they have commenced to employ cheap Polynesian laborers whom they import from the South Sea Islands.

The others of Pomeroy, O., have been victorious in their fight for an advance of wages. One of their demands was that they be paid for repairing the timber by which the roof of the mine is supported, a labor which the men had hitherto been compelled to perform gratuitously.

In consequence of the K. of L. boycott against the Whitely Reaper Works at Springfield, O., the plant of the concern, which was valued at $1,500,000, has been sold for $200,000, and the works were moved to Eaton, Ind. As Whitely still refuses to employ Knights of Labor, the Farmers' Alliance has been asked to continue the boycott.

The striking theblayers and helpers had a mass-meeting at their headquarters, Ledwitz Hall, Third avenue and Forty-fifth street, yesterday evening, which was addressed by the walking delegates of several building trades, who promised the support of their unions. There is a probability that a general strike will be ordered to secure to the tilelayers the eight-hour day.

Delegate Kelly, of the Gilders' Union, reported to the Building Trades Section of the Central Labor Union yesterday that seven ornamental plasterers resumed work at the Lenox Lodge of Herter Bros., after having pledged themselves to assist the striking cabinet-makers. The matter was referred to the Ornamental Plasterers' Union, which has placed a fine of $50 and the penalty of expulsion on all traitors.

There is discontent among the members of Beer-drivers' Union No. 1 because Brewers' Union No. 1 has declared the Bobbs Ferry Brewery to be a union concern, although the driver is employed there are not union men. To the striking cabinet-makers $10 were given.

The anti-sweating meeting held yesterday by Tailors' Progressive Union No. 11 and the United Coat Operators, at Liberty Hall, East Broadway, was largely attended. S. Hoffman was Chairman, and August Waldinger, M. Zometkin, J. Harn and H. Rotter made speeches. Another meeting, at which the new anti-sweating law will be explained by Counsellor B. B. Gretch, will take place at Florence Hall, First street and Second avenue, next Saturday evening.

The Executive Board of the Varnishers' Union have withdrawn all its men from the Bird's-eye to assist the striking cabinet-makers. From the shops of Bosses Flacher and Potter & Stymus, one man each was taken to join the strikers. The pickets reported that Boss Hildebrandt is making extra clubs for the policemen who are stationed at his door. Last Wednesday the strike assessment brought $1,508. The Tin and Sheet-iron Workers' Union contributed a large sum to the strike fund. At one shop the eight hours has been granted, but a disagreement occurred again, as the boss refused to pay for the carting of the benches he had removed from the shops.

Likely Enough.

[From Good News.]

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No one in Cuba, except the foreigner, ever smokes a pipe, but cigars and cigarettes are universal, says the Boston *Globe*.

Of necessity there is a great demand for a cheap cigar, and some of the cigars that fill that demand emit a smoke which will float a straw hat and wither the vegetation for rods around.

The cigarette, however, is the main reliance of the workingman. No remarks are passed in Cuba when a man lights a cigarette, nor is there anything effeminate in the article itself. Five cents pays for a big bunch as long as an ordinary cigar.

It is not easy for the visitor to get a good cigar at the tobacconist's. The 10 and 15 cent grades seem coarse and heavy, and a headache goes with every one. But a visit to a factory near Havana makes the old smoker's mouth water.

There one can buy cigars all the way from $35 a thousand up to $850. "Eight hundred and fifty dollars for a thousand cigars! Who buys them?" Oh, lots of people in different parts of the world—mainly wealthy Spaniards and Portuguese.

Very few of these cigars are sold to the United States. The Yankee is allowed to bring just forty-nine cigars home with him without paying duty.

COOLNESS SAVED HIM.

The Duke of Wellington's Adventure with a Maniac.

Some years ago the Duke of Wellington was sitting at his library table when the door opened, and without any announcement in stalked a figure of singularly ill omen, says London *Tid Bits*.

"Who are you?" asked the Duke in his short and dry manner, looking up without the slightest change of countenance upon the intruder.

"I am Apollyon. I am sent here to kill you."

"Kill me? Very odd."

"I am Apollyon, and must put you to death."

"'Bliged to do it to-day?"

"I am not told the day or the hour; but I must do my mission."

"Very inconvenient; very busy; great many letters to write. Call again, or write me word—I'll be ready for you."

The Duke then went on with his correspondence. The maniac, appalled probably by the stern, immovable old gentleman, backed out of the room, and in half an hour was in an asylum.

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TOM'S BARGAIN.

He Sought a Piano, but Found a Wife Instead.

"It is very, very nice, and I am extremely proud of it, but"——

And here little Maggie Denton hesitated. It was very nice, from the neat little drawing-room, simply but elegantly furnished, right away to the kitchen, where everything shone again. And Tom had got everything together in eighteen months, too, when the luck had changed and his writing all at once got to be appreciated. But, as Maggie put it, there was one trifling drawback, consisting of an alcove in the drawing-room which would never—no, never look complete without a piano.

"And a piano you shall have," Tom said, looking up heartily from the breakfast bacon. "I had a good slice of luck last week which I never expected. You remember that long love story I wrote three years ago, and which I have sent to pretty well every magazine in London. Well, Ned Hartley advised me to send it to *The Woman's Companion*, where it was accepted. They paid me £5 for it, not quite a half-a-crown a page, but it's better than nothing. Don't you think I could get a decent instrument for the money?"

Maggie smiled pleasantly. She was extremely fond of music and, being a managing little soul, equally fond of a bargain. It would be far better, she said, sapiently, for Tom to keep his eyes open than to go direct to a maker, by which he might save at least £10 of his hard-earned money.

"There are lots of them advertised every day in the *Telegraph*," she observed. "Give me the paper and I will show you what I mean. Now listen to this one."

"FOR SALE—A bargain, magnificent piano, by well-known maker, upright grand, overstrung, double-back action, brilliancy soft pedal, steel frame, full compass, trichord throughout; the property of a lady going abroad, cost £75 but a few months ago; will sacrifice for £25. Apply "Beethoven," 195 Gunnersbury road, Greenthorpe Park, Hampstead, or personally any day this week."

Tom nodded approvingly. An instrument costing but a few months ago upward of "three-quarters of a century" to be disposed of for a third of the amount struck him as the very thing he desired. It was a little strange, though, an outsider would have decided, that so valuable a property should have gone so long begging, or that the lady going abroad did not get to see the folly of advertising regularly in the *Telegraph* at the rate of £1 per week.

"I tell you what it is," said Tom, "as Gunnersbury-road is close by, just walk over there after dinner and interview Mrs. 'Beethoven' personally. If I like the look of the instrument you can come over afterwards and try it."

So it was arranged, and Tom retired to his writing den, where for three solid hours the anticipated purchase was forgotten. There was plenty of work now for the young writer and journalist, who for the last five years had found it a terrible struggle to keep himself, and find Maggie, who had until recently been out as a governess, with those trifling luxuries which even the princely salary of a governess does not afford. But the tide had turned now, and although Tom would never be a great novelist or brilliant essayist, he earned a comfortable income, which by the end of the year promised to touch close upon four figures. It seems a lot of money, but I know more than one of the quiet ones of whom the general public have never heard who are doing quite as well. It is so easy to get a living in literature if you have the ability and know how to set about it—especially know how to set about it, which, perhaps, in the long run is better than ability. But this secret is only learnt by much grief and pain, and better disappointment.

So Tom finished his morning's work, and, after dining comfortably, walked over to Gunnersbury road, a pleasant, semi-genteel street, with neat little houses, all bearing a strong family likeness to each other and all striving to look as if they were semi-detached residence and not the occupants of a common terrace. No. 195 was, perhaps, a little cleaner and neater than its neighbors; the door had been painted within recent memory, there were extremely white curtains in the windows, and a neat little maid took Tom's card after she had ushered him into a tiny drawing-room, the furniture of which struck him as being new and cheap. But tawdry as his surroundings were, Tom speedily forgot them as the door opened and a lady entered holding his card in her hand.

"I presume you came to see me about the piano," she said.

Tom was a tolerably self-possessed man, but he felt at a disadvantage now. The speaker was the prettiest woman he had ever seen in his life. She was young—not more than twenty-two or three, tall, with an elegant figure; she had a wonderful mass of red gold hair piled up in some bewildering, fascinating fashion; her features were wonderfully sweet and regular, and her sorrowful blue eyes, half bold, wholly shy, went straight to Tom's heart and enslaved him on the spot. He was a very sensitive, feeling kind of fellow, and when he noted the black dress and tiny white cap perched upon the golden, wavy hair, Tom felt that he could do anything for her, or die happy in the attempt.

"It is of no consequence," he stammered, unconsciously paraphrasing Mr. Toots. "I did come over to see the instrument, which I thought of purchasing if it—that is"——

THE NEXT THING THAT HAPPENED WAS THAT HIS ARMS WERE AROUND HER.

"It it is satisfactory," the lady said, with a smile, and concluding the speech Tom deemed it almost heresy to utter. "It is there, as you see. You are, no doubt, a good judge, and in that case the piano speaks for itself."

It did, and pretty loudly, too, as any connoisseur of the popular form of harmonial torture would have readily testified. It was suspiciously new, the varnish was bright and obtrusive. There was also some little difficulty in raising the lid, and when Tom did clumsily run his hand over the keys, even he—ignorant of music as he was—felt startled at the metallic demon he had aroused.

"It is a great bargain," the lady remarked, "and, as you see, almost new."

Tom did see, and hastened eagerly to pay a fitting tribute to its youth, which apparently was the only virtue it possessed. And yet the soft-hearted fellow, with those pathetic blue eyes tur