TALK OF THE STAGE WORLD.

Improvements in the "Mascot's" Cast at Palmer's.

Minnie Renwood Makes Another Hit in a Grecian Dance on the Roof.

There were very few changes at the theatres last night, which is possibly due to the fact that most of the theatres are still closed. Tony Pastor's, as usual, had a new bill, and a very good one. The Detroit Brothers, described as hand balancers, did admirable work, and were much applauded. Miss Birdie Brightling made her first appearance in this country, and the programme also included Little Bonnie Thornton, in her topical songs; Capitola Forrest, with skirt, hoop and butterfly dances; Harding and Ah Sid, Sam Dearin, Layman, Murray and Alden, George E. Austin and the Dillons. In "The Mascot," at Palmer's Theatre, there were a couple of changes in the cast. Miss Grace Harper, daughter of Col. John W. Harper, of Cincinnati, sang the small part of Giuseppe and sang it very well, while Miss Kate Cart appeared as the Prince of Pisa in the place of Miss Hilda Hollins. At the Madison Square Roof Garden there were some innovations. Miss Minnie Renwood did a Grecian dance, called "The Yorke," and made a hit with it. The dance belongs to the serpentine class. Mlle. Theo, well known at Tony Pastor's Theatre, made her first appearance on the roof garden, and Bernstein's band was heard there for the first time. At Koster & Bial's there was no change of programme. At Eldorado a new dance was introduced into "Egypt Through the Centuries" by Francioli. It proved to be a wonderfully picturesque affair in which 150 entire ballet participated. It will become one of the most favored features of the handsome spectacle.

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Charles H. Hoyt, at his home in Charlestown, received a telegram from an actor who wanted to play the part of Willard Strong in the second "Trip to Chinatown" company. And the telegram: "Am very desirous of playing Willard Strong. Please answer." To which Mr. Hoyt immediately replied: "You are entirely alone in your desire."

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A number of actors are indignant at the manner in which managers expect them to dress parts for which they receive small salaries. When they get their manuscript they frequently receive elaborately written descriptions of the attire they must purchase. Togas must be made of this and that, at so much a yard; cloaks must be made of a particular kind of plush and hats of a peculiar make. "In order to comply with managerial ideas," said an actor yesterday. "I should have to spend about six weeks salary for my wardrobe, and there is always the pleasing possibility that at the end of the seventh week we may come marching home."

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H. Mack will remain in the cast of "Sinbad" after all. Henry Peakes, who was to have taken his place, rejected the part. Mack had special inducements offered him, so he will continue to expend his bass notes on "the Bogie Man."

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Sarah has at last found an adverse critic in England. He says: "Madame is a great artist, but she is not perfect, and her imperfections are such as would imperil the success of an English actress. When not fully in touch with her character—and those who have followed her career know well how curiously madame sometimes falls from some slight cause to entirely lose the character she represents—she is mechanical in her acting, and irritating to a degree."

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They played a sorry joke upon Elia Ringquest, of "The Mascot" Company, at Palmer's Theatre the other night. Miss Ringquest has a poodle dog that she brings to the theatre every evening. On the occasion in question, a number of stage hands took it downstairs and pelted a big moon upon it. The animal certainly presented a very remarkable appearance. When the singer saw it she was furious and refused to be comforted. "I wouldn't have minded," she said, in her broken English, "if they had done it to me. But to my poodle!"

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Manager Daniel Frohman denies that he has engaged Kyrle Bellew, or that he has the slightest intention of so doing. He is quite satisfied with Herbert Kelcey. Said Mr. Frohman: "I happened to meet Mr. Bellew in London with a number of gentlemen. That is all there is to the report."

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E. H. Sothern spent his Sunday at Long Branch, much to the delectation of the "summer girl" there sojourning.

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Cut this out and paste it in your scrapbook, then when another actress weds a lord you can pretend to know it all. This list of actresses who married noblemen in Queen Elizabeth's reign is apropos of the marriage of Connie Gilchrist to the Earl of Orkney. It appears that Lavinia Fenton, who made her debut in 1726, married the Duke of Bolton; Harriet Mellon became the wife of the Duke of Albany; Anne Sofia Robinson married the Earl of Peterborough in 1724; Elizabeth Farren the Earl of Derby in 1797; Louisa Brunton the Earl of Craven in 1808; Maria Foote the Earl of Harrington in 1831; Katherine Stevens the Earl of Essex—eighty-three years old—in 1838; Mary Bolton, Lord Edward Thurlow in 1813, and Polly Tester the Marquis of Ailesbury. Then there were Elizabeth O'Neill, Louisa Mordaunt, Miss Robinson, Miss Saunders, Susannah Paton, Camille Dubois and Kate Vaughan, who married baronets and younger sons.

WHEN THE DINNER BELL RINGS

People ought to feel hungry, and when they feel hungry they ought to have good digestions. But, alas! they don't—frequently. That plague alike of the just and of the unjust, of the abstemious and the glutton; of youth, middle age and life's confine—the protean imp, dyspepsia—exacts dire penalties for appetite's appeasement in the shape of heartburn, wind on and uncomfortable distention of the stomach and general disturbance in the gastric region. Dyspepsia is very generally accompanied by biliousness, irregularity of the bowels, insomnia and nervousness, for each and all of which, as well as their cause, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is the nation's chosen remedy. Malarial, rheumatic and kidney troubles, lack of strength and flesh, and failure of appetite and the power to rest tranquilly, are also overcome by the Bitters.

SPORTING NEWS AND NOTES.

Date of Metropolitan Championships Thought to Be Unwise.

Talk of Giving the Big Fellow a Benefit.

The selection of Sept. 10 as the date for the Metropolitan championships is, in the opinion of some athletic men, not a wise one. That is, it may have been a good one when the selection was made, but as things have turned out the Metropolitan Association meet is so surrounded by other important athletic fixtures as to somewhat detract from its drawing powers. There are the games of the Passaic A. C. Sept. 3, the New Jersey A. C. and Columbia A. C. Sept. 5, previous to the Metropolitan games. Then comes the big Manhattan Carnival Sept. 17 and the A. A. U. annual championships Oct. 1.

It is hardly probable that both people and athletes will turn out to all these events; they come too close together. So it looks as if some one of them would have to suffer, and unless that committee of seven which is to be appointed to take charge of the Metropolitan affair does some tall hustling it looks as if that particular one would be the Metropolitan. The members of the clubs which give meets near by will be interested primarily in making their Club games a success. Then the A. A. U. championships will require a good deal of looking after, for this year should see the most successful annual meet the A. A. U. has ever given. Their being held in New York is a starter in that direction. Next to the A. A. U.'s, the Metropolitan championships are the most important of the lot and should by all means receive as much attention in the preparatory work, but with the other events on it is difficult to see just how they will get the necessary attention.

Another thing which it might be well for the Metropolitan Association officials to consider is, Will not the close proximity of the carnival or the A. A. U. meet tend to make otherwise patrons hold their dollars for the latter events? In view of the failure, financially, of the Metropolitan Association's indoor meet last Winter, it is highly important that the coming one should be a success, but, as previously intimated, its promoters, energetic though they may be, must do some hustling to make them so.

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For the first time since they have been born again the New Yorks played a game away from home, and though defeated, they were not disgraced. The game was played in Boston, and was close and anybody's contest until near the close, when the first-half champions made a run. The final score was 4 to 3.

Three runs was the best Ward's nine could make against the Washingtons yesterday. The team from the town where they make laws and hold Congresses made five. Philadelphia was beaten by Baltimore, so the Clevelands went into first place.

The following games are scheduled for to-day:

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

Some good judges think that Harding, of the Manhattan A. C., is the coming man at the 120-yard high hurdles. They express the belief that he is not to show the way to either his clubmate, Copeland, or to Lewis, the A. C. S. N. man, at the Fall championships.

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Garvey Fitzgerald, the well-known runner, is in training and will probably compete in the half-mile at the Metropolitan championships. He should not finish worse than third if he does. Fitzgerald is the athlete over whom the Stars and the Naviers had such a row last Spring when he entered in the former's team for the cross-country championships. He is the half-mile champion of Long Island, and is a high-class performer.

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The directors of the aquatic department of the Manhattan Athletic Club are not discouraged by the defeat of their pets by the New York A. C. senior eight at Saratoga, but will enter them in the Middle States regatta, Aug. 13. Also the Donoghue brothers in the doubles, Cade in the junior singles, and Davis in the intermediate singles. The victory of the New York A. C. "Chippies," by the way, was a fitting one. Under the splendid captaincy of Capt. Gianini, they have rowed consistently all the season, and it is doubtful if the crew exists that can beat them at their distance.

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There is talk of giving John L. Sullivan a benefit at Clermont avenue rink, Brooklyn, Aug. 29. Some first-class man may be selected to spar with the big fellow—perhaps Peter Maher or Choynski, at least that's the way the story goes. To a good many people it will seem extremely imprudent for Sullivan to take any chances of injuring his hands, especially when there is $45,000 at stake. So the Maher or Choynski part of the story is a bit doubtful.

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FROM THE WORLD OF LABOR.

The typewriters of Chicago are about to organize a trades union.

John McBride, President of the United Mine Workers, is talked of for Congress in the Canton (O.) District.

The Philadelphia Plasterers' Union is succeeding in its strike against the employment of non-union men.

The composition roofers of St. Louis were out one day last week and thereby gained $2.25 per day at eight hours.

The Knights of Labor paper-rulers of Boston, have surrendered their charter and joined the Bookbinders' National Union.

Thomas Morgan, the well-known macaitist and agitator of Chicago, has been nominated for Congress by the People's party in said city.

The elevator constructors of Otis Bros. have succeeded in establishing the eight-hour day in their shop. Their wages range from $2.50 to $4.50 per day.

Louis Rascher has been elected manager of the Labor Bureau of Machinists' Progressive Union No. 1, and Eugene Whelm is the new Recording Secretary.

Branch 2 of the United Machinists has thirteen members out of employment. Last week five men found work at the Labor Bureau.

A strike of K. of L. laundresses is going on at the Quaker City Laundry, Tenth and Locust streets, Philadelphia. They oppose the introduction of labor-saving machinery.

Factory Inspector Connolly is busily engaged in inspecting the sweating-shops of the cloakmakers. Joseph Barondess is accompanying him on his tour.

Tobacco Workers', Laundry-Workers' and Newspaper Carriers' Unions were formed at St. Louis last week. They are all chartered by the American Federation of Labor.

A motion to exclude the red flag from the Labor Day parade at Elizabeth, N. J., has been voted down by the Labor Day Committee of the Elizabeth Central Labor Federation.

During the last six months not less than 1,145 cases of differences between bosses and workmen were submitted to the Government Board of Arbitration in Belgium.

The street-car men's unions of Missouri have joined the American Federation of Labor, and they will send delegates to the Indianapolis Convention called to organize a National Union.

The joint Local Executive Board of the New York Brewers' Unions has elected: Jacob Huber, Secretary; Martin Maier, Treasurer; Chris Heinrich, Charles Wyell, Fred Schaefer, Auditors. Otto Michaelis was seated as delegate from Union No. 23.

The brewery workers of San Francisco have spent $22,000 during the last six months in their fight with the Employers' Association, and their average receipts from dues and assessments amount to about $1,200 a month.

Bernard Wiesel, of Carpenters' Union No. 513, is dead. His comrades, to honor his memory, arose from their seats when the announcement was made at yesterday's meeting. William Fischer and Peter Faul were elected members of the Press Committee.

The boss printers of Victoria, Australia, have proposed to reduce wages two cents per thousand ems, and now the men are out with a determination not to resume work unless $14 be guaranteed to them for forty-eight hours per week.

A monument will be erected by the printers and pressmen of Austria to Leo Mueller, the first builder of a steam press in that country. His first press, which was finished in 1833, is still in use at Wagner's printing office in Innsbruck, Tyrol.

The contemplated strike of the messenger boys employed by the American District Telegraph Company will not take place just now, as the boys found out that the company has "scabs" on hand to fill their places. The boys demand a reduction of their hours, which are at present 12 a day. They also want an advance of wages.

Newspaper Printers' Union No. 1 requested the Central Labor Federation last Sunday to furnish them with a lecturer on Socialism for next Wednesday evening at Kuhrin's Hall, North William street. The request was granted and Charles Sotherin, although not a Delegate to the C. L. F., agreed to address the Union, the title of his lecture being "What Socialism Can Do for the Printing Trades."

The Trades Assembly of Fostoria, O., has published a voluminous statement concerning an investigation of the K. of L. boycott on Rochester-made clothing, and unanimously declared the boycott unjust. Similar action was taken by the unions belonging to the American Federation in Denver, Col.

The delegates of the House-Painters' Union to the Central Labor Union have been instructed to declare that those of their members who refused to go on strike on the Grand Central Hotel work to be severely punished; henceforth the delegates will receive 50 cents each for attending the meetings of the C. L. U. and the Building Trades Section.

The Organizing Committee of the Cloakmakers' Union has reported to the Central Executive Board that the firm of Friedlander is willing to accept the new price list. A special committee is at work making arrangements for a theatrical performance to strengthen the strike fund. The members were requested to attend the picnic of the journeymen tailors on Aug. 8.

Yesterday's picnic of the United Piano-Makers at Brightmer's Union Park was a grand success. At least 4,000 people were there, among them delegates from many other labor organizations. The Committee of Arrangements consisted of George McVey, W. Wagner, W. W. Wakholz, C. Tuecken, E. Worms, Jr. Sinram, M. Starke, E. Miller, R. Sutter, C. Fikenstedt, C. Wodenscherk, A. Knell.

The General Executive Board of the Journeymen Brewers' National Union has granted a charter to Local Union No. 94, Knoxville, Tenn. The unions in Buffalo are to be amalgamated, where two were preferred. Organizer T. S. Greelle, of the American Federation of Labor, for having interfered in favor of several boycotted breweries in St. Louis, Mo., and Aurora, Ind. The receipts at the general office last week amounted to $217.80.

What the unions themselves could not achieve is now being done by the combination of the building trades bosses: A thorough unification of all organized labor in the building industries, with a central administration and a big hall in the centre of the city. This, at least, is now contemplated by the walking delegates of all building trades unions, and they expect to raise a fund large enough to carry through successful strikes in any and all of their different branches.

In its annual report to the Convention of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, General Secretary P. J. McGuire says that during the last eleven years the Union has advanced wages from $1.50 and $2.50 to $2.75 and $3.50 per day in 531 cities of this country. The Union has now 802 local branches, with 51,313 members in good standing. Last year 5,054 members had to be suspended for non-payment of dues. For the Protective Fund $75,377 were received during the last two years, and $75,014.24 were expended. The total receipts amounted to $153,076.80, the total expenses to $162,951.07. To 620 members general benefits amounting to $72,013.35 have been paid since 1890. The sum total paid for benefits since the Union was organized is $452,160.

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The only man in New York who thought it wasn't hot last week was Robert V. Ferguson, the well-known Thespian, of Charles A. Gardner's "Fatherland" Company. He met me on Broadway as I was about to collapse and coolly remarked: "This isn't a burger compared to the four weeks' tussle with typhoid fever I've just been through in a Buffalo hospital." And then feicle Bob went over on the sunny side of the street to receive congratulations from his many friends on his convalescence.

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