

THE OPERA SEASON OPENS.

VERDI'S "RIGOLETTO" THE FIRST OFFERING.

Mme. Semblich Reappears as Gilda and Mr. Scott as the Jeer...

The regular season of opera at the Metropolitan Opera House began last night...

Heinrich Conried proved to be as truly a martyr to the star system as his amiable predecessor, Maurice Grau.

People are bound to go to the opera on the first night...

Stop an Italian tenor on the street and he'll sing "La donna è mobile."

So the audience had nothing to fear from the opera itself.

When people who are believed to have special information about the opera...

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NEW STAR SEEN IN A NEW PLAY

CHARLES RICHMAN APPEARS IN "CAPT. BARRINGTON."

A cleverly contrived and forcible historical melodrama in which Richman...

Yet another dramatic star transposed from the planetary system of mere leading men!

Never were so many carriages—Piper There With a Plan for Handling Them.

The crush of carriages and people after the opera was greater...

Early in the evening a crowd began to gather about the entrances...

During the performance the carriages were lined up in a mass on Broadway...

To avoid delay in getting their carriages home the audience departed before the performance closed.

Capt. Piper was there early in the evening, and after looking over the situation...

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CHANGES AT THE THEATRES.

George Adre's New Play To-night—French Players Have a Big Night.

At Wallace's to-night another play by George Adre will be presented.

Charlotte Wiehe and the French Company which has been appearing at the Vaudeville will be at home at the Savoy Theatre for the week only.

This is the last week of Edward Harrigan and "Under Cover" at the Murray Hill.

Ethel Barrymore will give only seven matinee performances of "Cousin Kate" at the Hudson.

Mrs. Carter is appearing in "Du Barry" at the Belasco Theatre.

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Advertisement for "Just this side of Paradise" featuring a woman in a dress and the Rock Island System logo.

Advertisement for "The Coward Shoe" for men, women and children, featuring a shoe illustration.

Advertisement for "Ask the Waiter Gold Seal Champagne" featuring a waiter and a glass of champagne.

Advertisement for "Harpers A Keystone of Empire" featuring a woman in a dress and the Harper & Brothers logo.

Advertisement for Charles Frohman's leading New York theatres, listing various plays and performers.

Advertisement for the Lyric Theatre, listing plays like "The Girl from Kays" and "Three Little Maids".

Advertisement for the Metropolitan Opera House, listing the performance of "The Barber of Seville".

Advertisement for Wallack's American Art Galleries, listing various art pieces and exhibitions.