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## THE GOSSIP OF LONDON. METROPOLIS BMBRGING FROM JUBILEE TIMBERS.

Royalty Visits the Opera...A State Function Which Surpassed Everything of the Kind Since England Kutertained the Empress Eugenie of France.

LONDON, June 29.—London is emerging from its packing case; carpenters are still engaged in removing the remains of the Jubilee timbers, but have so far progressed that the intelligent foreigner who still crowds our highways and by-ways may without any great stretch of imagination conclude that he is no longer in a huge city ot wigwams, and that London is really a solidly-built town of stone and brickwork, with some moderate pretensions to architectural display.

The state visit to the Royal Opera on Wednesday was the most brilliant function Nothing has been seen to approach it since London entertained the Empress Eugenie, when she and the Emperor Napoleon were in the zanith of their glory. The whole auditorium at Covent Garden

was converted into a veritable bower of roses and orchids (I hear 100,000 roses and 50,000 orchids came by special trains from Essex), and surely such a tasteful coup de'oeil has never been witnessed in any theatre before. Pink roses, white orchids and smilax adorned the front of the royal box, which had been tormed by the removal of eight of the ordinary boxes. This handsome room was draped in white and gold silk, while over the centre of the box was placed a splendid crown, composed of crimson roses and gold irises, the fluer-de-lys being in white orchids, the effect of the whole being quite enchanting. To provide an ante-room for the exclusive use of the royal party the saloon bad been shut off and converted into a lovely garden several tall palms being banked six feet high, with endless varieties of exquisite blooms.

Coming within the open house, one step ped into tairyland, the vestibul ; being one mass of palms, while an endless array of blossoms extended to the grand staircase, which exhibited two rows of handsome tropical plants in the centre. Viewed from the front row of the stalls the arrangement and adornment of the interior of the Opera hou.e did not fail to command admiration, yet the plan of decoration was simplicity itself. Roses of the deepest tints of red had been reserved to conceal the tront of the pit tier. while the royal box in the centre of the grand tier was covered with pink flowers of the same description, the remaining boxes on each side being decked out with roses ot a darker hue, thus forcing the royal loge into greater prominence. On the second tier the decorations consisted of pink roses, with large aigrettes of white o chids suspended between every alternate box. Above this, in front of the amphitheatre stalls, yellow roses were testooned, providing a charming contrast with the varieties employed elsewhere.

Special white satin programmes, edged with gold and printed in gold, were laid on each of the seats in the royal box. Depicted thereon were two medallion portraits of the Queen as she appeared in 1837 and in the present year, and smaller medallions of the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York, four generations of the royal family being thus called to mind.

When the Princess o' Wales entered the royal box every eye was turned towards it. Our beloved Princess looked exquisite in pearl-white satin, embroidered very elaborately in silver and brilliants and pearls. Her Royal Highness wore a high and very magnificant diamond crown, and many diamond ornaments sparkled on her field marshal's uniform, and wearing the ribbon of the Garter, escorted into the box the Grand Duchess of Hesse, who wore high diamond ornaments in her hair, as well as a diamond coronal. The Prince, paid this tribute to his niece as a reigning sovereign. The Duchess of York was attired in pink satin ot deep ahade, while her tiara of of ther head, was high in front and narrow-ed downward at either side. The Duchess of File was dressed in white satin, with silver and pearl embroidery, and her Royal Highness had a high pointed diamond noce delicate and effective. The Duchess of Albany wore palest mauve brocade, with a foral design in white; her hair ornament so the boat her gown that were at once delicate and effective. The Duchess of Albany wore palest mauve brocade, with a foral design in white; her hair ornament so the sond ot diamond, white a star raised it. Our beloved Princess looked exquisite of Albany wore palest mauve brocade, with a floral design in white; her hair ornament was a band of diamonds, with a star raised high in front, while at the back appeared a cluster of mauve and white marabout

Christian, Grand Duchess of Mecklenburg-Strelitz; Crown Princess of Naples, and many more-in fact, round the house in every direction lovely faces crowned with diamonds looked out from frames of roses and greenery, while in the background was the gleam of gold on uniforms, the display of orders or the flashing white

of the Oriental turbans. After the opera performance Mr. and Mrs. Leopald de Rothschild entertained a brilliant company at supper, and a dance at their charming house in Hamiliton Place. The Prince of Wales and the royal party were among the guests, and for their accommodation a temporary building was constructed, leading out of the balconies and ball-room. It was draped with siks and bunting of artistic hues, roses forming the ground work of the decorations. Geraniums and marguerites were used with much liberality, but so far as the flowers were concerned interest centered around some rare and choice exotics, which the host had been peculiarly success tul in raising—an assortment ot colored water-lilies, which were as rich and delicate in their variegated tints as pelargon-iums. In fact, everything was done 'en

Prince.' The usual round of 'season' entertainments was suspended to a great extent during the jubilee testivities last week. On Monday, however, there were several social events, including a reception giv en by Cardinal Vaughan at Archbishop's House, Westminster, which was attended by a large number all anxious to pay their respects to the Archbishop of Corinth. On Thursday the Austrain Ambassador and Countess Deym had bidden a large party to Belgrave Square, where the Prince and Princess of Wales and the Archduke Francis Ferdinand of Austria met at luncheon In the evening came the Prince of Wales' dinner to distinguished colonia visitors at Marlborough House, besides

which the Duke and Duchess of Montrose had bidden a large party to dine and meet the Prince and Princess of Naples; and, later still the evening party at Buckingham Palace came off, which larger than had

Palace came off, which larger than had been expected, was less comprehensive than a court ball, and before it had been long in progress turned into a very plea-sant dance. Friday was perhaps the busiest day of all for the royalties, with a large luncheon at the Mansion House, Lord and Lady Lans-cowne's dinner at Lansdowne House, and the Duchess of Westminister's ball to be got through.

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Grosvenor House is so magnificent that it depends little on extraneous decoration, and the Duke and Duchess only augment-ed its periection by building a large sup-per room, which leaves the whole of the house available for dancing and sitting out. There were some magnificent flowers in the rooms, and the garden, with its thousands of color-d lamps, was very fairy-like. The che ertuiness of the ball was a little marred by the royal and colonial elements, but the Duke and Duchess were most gracious and attentive to their guests. The fouchess has another smaller dance on the fot at which, I believe, there are to be no royalties.

proceeded at a walking pace around the large lawn, attended by the Lord Cham-berlain and the Lord Stewart walking by her side, the guests torming themselves in-to a wide lane through which the Queen passed, so that everybody was enabled to make obein nee and get a good look at the dear old lady.

to a wide lane through which the Queen passed, so that every body was enabled to make obeies nee and get a good look at the dear old lady. After making a considerable tour of the beautiful palace grounds in this genial and welcome style, and then taking a little rest in the deliciously warm but fresh air, the Queen retired as tranquilly as she had ap-peared, and the guesis for the most part repaired to the refreshment tents. When we came out of the palace gardens by the Constitution Hill gate we crossed into the Park amids such a crowd of carriages, horsemen and pedestrians as I have never seen in my life. Generally for the past ten days the congestion of traffic in Piccadilly and its neighborhood has been murvelous, and in itself a sight to see—if only to ad-mire the admiraole way in which it is dir-ected by the police and in which accidents are avoided. Sometimes, however, the traffic is even beyond the control of our admirable "bobbies," of which I had personal proof last Thursday. I was in Piccadilly when the Prince and Princess of Wales with a number of their royal guests in several carriages were absolutely blocked for a considerable time and it was only by the herculean efforts of the police that a way was made into a side street, so that the royalties were coachman managed to tollow on to the royal carriage before the crowd closed up, which enabled me to winness a very pretty little scene. When we arrived in the Park the Queen was on her way to Paddington Station, returning to Windsor. Her Majesty was no doubt unsware that the Prince and Princess of Wales were also in the Park, but his Royal Highness rose in the carriage and waved bis hand to attract her Majesty's attention The Queen eaw bim and the others, smiled

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A LAME BACK.

ONE OF THE MOST PAINFUL OF MALADIES,

Mr. Peter Millar Suffered for Years, and Experimented with Many Medicines Bc-fore Finding a Cure. From the Brockville Recorder.

toro Finding a Cure. From the Stockville Recorder. Perhaps to prettier place is to be seen in Outario than that at Norman's upper lock on the Rideau Canal. At this station for a quarter of a century resided Mr. Peter Mullar, who during that period acted in the capacity of lockman, and was per-haps the b st known man ou the canal. Mr. Millar is now a resident of Merrick-ville, naving retired from active life. To a correspondent of the RECORDER he re-lated the following expansion. For many years 1 was troubled with a lame back, which gave me great pain at times, and caused me much loss of sleep. I tried different sinds of medicine but found little or no reliet. The spring of 18951 hwas assisting at getting out ice one day when 1 felt something support of the second a when 1 felt something support of the second a when 1 felt something support of the second a when 1 felt something support of the second a when 1 felt something support of the second a when 1 felt something support of the second a chronic invalid, and never expected to see a well day again. A couple of weeks after my back had almost entrisity given out I saw by an article in a paper that Dr. Williams<sup>2</sup> Pink Pills had cured a person troubled similarly, and I immediately sent and pro-cured a box to test them. Before I had finished the box 1 found my back somewhat stronger so I procured five boxes more and by the time they were used I found myself completely cured. Since I took the last box I have nothad a pain or particle of lame ness, and my health has been far better than it had been or years before. To ensure obtaining the genuine always ask for Dr. Williams Pink Pills, as there are many pink colored imitations. ANGRY AT HIS WIEEFDE 30 YEARES contributions to the support of his wife and contributions to the support of his wife and child were received. A short time sgo Mrs. Hatton heard that her husband had brought suit for divorce, and that judgment was about to be entered by default. The matter lookad irregular, as Mrs. Hatton had never, she says received a service of the papers or an intimation of the litigation until in-formed by an acquaintaince. An answer was put in denying the charges made and alleging the tacts as Mrs. Hatton and the people about Amboy remember them It is said that Hatton, since living in Chicago, his present residence, has accum-ulated some property. A Silver Medal

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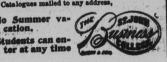


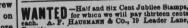
Because Mrs. Marion W. Hatton threw stool at him and sewed a pants button on his vest nearly thirty years ago, Theodore Hatton wants an absolute divorce. The action is brought in the State of Illinois. and evidence is being taken in this city both for the plaintiff and the defendant The parties are well advanced down the toboggan of time, the defendant being up-ward ot 50 years old and the plaintiff at least as aged.

There are some interesting things about There are some interesting things about the case. Until about 1872 the Hattons lived near Amboy, supposedly happy, as all married people are to be considered un-til they reach the courts. One day the plaintiff, after a quarrel with his wite, which neither claim was regarded more than a trivial matter, left his home and went west. He was heard from at various times, but no

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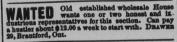


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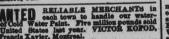
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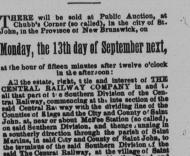
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