

# PARKER SHOWS PLEASE CROWDS

### IMPROVED WEATHER DRAWS INCREASED ATTENDANCE.

Hundreds of Sightseers Go to Ball Park to See Parker's Great Shows—Improved Weather Affects Attendance—Varied and Diversified Amusement Is Furnished—Trained Animals Continue Popular—Broadway Belles Get Crowds.

The improved weather conditions that prevailed yesterday and all of last night had a tendency to draw increased numbers to the ball park where the Parker shows are holding forth. Hundreds of anxious sightseers thronged the carnival grounds, crowded the entrances to the various attractions, and filled themselves with merriment while visiting the shows, one after another, in a good natured manner.

Beginning with the predominating feature, Al G. Barnes' wild animal circus, and ending with "The Outlaws," there is amusement so varied and diversified as to amuse all while pleasing the discriminating and satisfying the most exacting. Mlle. Altmore, and her six Nubian lions thrilled the many auditors that invaded the animal show tent last night. Martha Florine's work with the Persian leopards was quite sensational enough to satisfy even the most jaded, and Mme. Barnes' riding lion, Nero, was easily the feature of an excellent performance. The dogs, ponies, goats, elephants and monkeys made separate and distinct hits, while the educated sea lion and the boxing kangaroo proved to be wonderful animals, trained to a point where there is little or nothing to be added. One of the mirth-provoking stunts was contributed by the big black clown bear, Barney, and the trick mule, Maud, delighted the children.

If one might judge by the manner in which the crowds surged into the cozy little theater occupied by the Broadway Belles, that attraction was undoubtedly the most popular one on the grounds. But two performances a night are given at this attraction, the performance being so elaborate and diversified that it is impossible to give more and do justice to the excellent bill provided, which is undoubtedly the best straight vaudeville offering ever presented in the city. The work of "The Dancing Richards," and "Biff and Bang" proved to be the decided features of the performance, which was clean and free from coarse humor or unrefined lines.

# TWELVE LANGUAGES HEARD AT REVIVAL

(Special Correspondence.)

Tutulla Mission, April 29.—Jack Long from the Yakima reservation came forward when the invitation was given and made the following confession: "I have a feeling now that I want to follow God. I have not had that feeling very long. I see you people have stepped farther than I ever have, so now I must quicken my pace to keep up. I don't want to be left alone, but desire to follow Christ so that I will not be separated from you. Therefore I will be faithful to my Lord as long as I live, so that I, too, may go to heaven. I don't want to have the brand of the devil on me, as Geo. Waters has explained. But I desire to be stamped with the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, as he said. This is the feeling in my heart now, and I am glad to express it."

Jack Long has never been a Christian before, though he has been a faithful temperance worker, having united with the society at Ft. Simcoe last May when similar meetings were held there. He is about 65 years old and is a bright and able man and speaker. He addressed these words before the people in the Wisham language, and Mr. Frank Mencham of Yakima, a college man, interpreted them into English and they were in turn interpreted into the Nez Perce by Albert Barnhart, so all present could understand them. For at present it is a babel of tongues which is of much interest to all.

This is in some respects the most unique gathering of its kind in these quarters since about 12 languages are represented, and many more can be spoken by those present. At one service the sermon will be preached in Nez Perce and interpreted into Klickitat for the Warm Springs and Yakima delegates. Or again, it will be spoken in Klickitat or Umatilla, and interpreted into Nez Perce, as the bulk of the home people and the visitors are more familiar with this tongue. But in the testimony meetings, the witness bearing and prayers can be heard in Nez Perce, Klickitat, Umatilla, Shoshone, Bannock, Yakima, Wasco, Wisham, Warm Springs and English.

J. M. C.

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