

---

THE circus business has decidedly waned from what it was twenty years ago, and for the coming season the traveling concerns will be very few compared with former times. Many of the names once familiar on the flaming bills are not seen now in connection with circuses. Dr. Spaulding is living on his money in Saugerties, New York. Yankee Robinson is an actor in Western theaters. Ben Maginley, Tony Pastor and Frank Pastor, formerly clowns, are also on the theatrical stage. Andrew Haight, once owner of the Great Eastern Circus, is keeping a hotel in Chicago. Of other proprietors, Joseph Cushing is farming in New Hampshire, J. M. Nixon is managing a theater in Chicago, Montgomery Queen is interested in Brooklyn street railroads, Levi North is also living in Brooklyn, W. J. Metchear keeps a hotel in Providence, George K. Goodwin runs two theaters and a dollar store in Philadelphia, Eaton and Daniel Stone are farming in New Jersey, R. E. J. Miles owns a Cincinnati theater, Burr Robbins is lecturing in the West on temperance, and the Cooper of Cooper & Bailey keeps a horse mart in Philadelphia; Dan Rice, after many ups and downs, is building a floating theater to run on the Mississippi. Barnum, Forepaugh, Robinson and Lent are about the only old proprietors still in the business.

---

THE arrangements for giving immediate