MYAN'S TRIUMPHANT TOUR OF NEBRASKA

NEVER WAS THERE A GREATER INTEREST SHOWN IN POLITICAL AFFAIRS BY THE GOOD AND TRUE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE,

Mr. Bryan was Never Greeted by Larger Audiences Nor By Greater Warmth of Feeling Than He is Now Receiving. The Man and the Principles He Advocates is Growing Stronger and Stronger.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 26.—Never was a public man received with greater warmth and larger audiences in Nebraska than was Mr. Bryan last week. The people were hilarious in their reception. The crowds were immense and the enthusiasm was even greater than it was in 1896.

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than it was in 1896.

There were two big straws which shows which way the political cyclone is traveling. They were the presence of an unusual number of women and the great number of republicans. The presence of so many ladies is indicative of the intensity of the feeling in the home circle, and the presence of republicans fellowshipping with the Bryan crowds is proof of the new recruits from the party which is making it a business to betray every republican sentiment.

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Mr. H. E. Newbranch, who represented the World-Herald on Mr. Bryan's tour through the state last week, gave graphic descriptions of these Bryan meetings, and from whose reports we make the following extracts, descriptive of the reception accorded Mr. Bryan.

At O'Neill all day long a crowding, surging throng of humanity jammed the streets of the capital city of Holt county to do honor to William J. Bry-an. From points a hundred miles and more away, sun-browned farmers, with their wives and ciffairen, drove to O'Neill to greet the champion of de-

Mayor John A. Harmon, standing on the court house steps with Mr. Bryan, facing a sea of upturned faces, delivered the address of welcome, which was greeted with uproarious applause. Mr. Harmon said in part:

"As the representative of our local government, as mayor of this city, knowing its people and their senti-ments, I take pride in their behalf and for them in cordially welcoming you to

"Three years ago, when you were a great and historic party candidate for the highest office in the gift of the nation, I proudly recall the fact that you received nearly one million more votes for president than any candidate ever elected prior to that time. And, in that memorable political conflict you, sir, received a larger percentage of the votes in O'Neill than in any other city in Nebraska.

"In turning over to you the keys of the city, I feel reasonably confident that you will construct no high tariff walls you will construct no high tariff walls about us to impede our trade with our neighboring cities. That you will impose no tax upon us to carry on a war of conquest with a less powerful but a liberty-living people. That you will not contract the currency to such an extent as to make your dollar dearer than ours, and in conclusion, that you will enter into no entangling aillances with other cities, and that you will foster but one trust amongst our people, and that a trust in God."

TUMULTUOUS GREETING.

When Mr. Bryan stepped forward to to respond, the scene was enthusiasm

to respond, the scene was enthusiasm run riot.

The people of this section have never before been afforded an opportunity to meet Mr. Bryan, and they seemed determined to testify the devotion of years in five minutes of unrestrained tumuit.

The speaking was billed to begin at The speaking was billed to begin a

2 o'clock from a platform that had been constructed in a big open space. At 12 o'clock the people began wending their way thither, willing to wait two hours in a hot September sun, that they might be assured places where they might both hear and see.

MUST ELECT NEVILLE.

Mr. Bryan was particularly forceful in his appeal for votes for Judge Neville, the congressional nominee in this district. He pointed out that the man who should be elected would have to vote on whether or no the greenbacks should be retired, more bonds issued, the standing army increased, an income tax amendment submitted, bimetallism restoored, imperialism be indorsed.

When these questions are being con sidered down in Washington," represent the interests and voice the sentiments of the people of this dis-trict. Whys I heard a man say today was going to vote for the republican candidate because he was a friend of his. I want to say that I had rather be represented by a man I never saw. who would protect my interests, than by one I knew who would not protect

Mr. Bryan's references to Judge Ne-ville, interiarded throughout his speech, were received with applause. Speaking of the campaign for supreme judge this fall the orator paid his respects to the republican tax shirker who now occu-ples a seat in the supreme court in these words:

TO THE TAX SHIRKER.

"Judge Norval, who owns \$50,000 of uncancelled mortgages in his own county, and returns but an insignificant portion of it for taxation, is asking the farmers in his own county to pay his taxes while he draws a salary as supreme judge. (Cheers.)

"I want you to help elect Judge Holcomb this fall, so that he, with Judge-Bullivan, may form a majority against Judge Norval, rather than allow Judge Norval, with another republican, to constitute that majority." (Cheers and cries of "We will!")

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state issues, some republican in the au-dience yelled, "Why didn't you go to Cuba?"

"Quick as a flash and sharp as a pis-tol shot came the answer: "I offered my services to the republican president the day that war was declared (cheers). That offer was never accepted. I then raised a regiment of my own. When the treaty of peace was signed I re-signed because I believed this country was more in danger than Cuba (cheers) and I came home to fight republicans (Cheers.)

(Cheers.)
"I had five months of peace in the army, and have had constant fighting since I came out."
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For several minutes the audience went from one convulsion of enthusiastic cheering into another, while the mis-guided interrupter was assailed with a thousand bantering challenges to ask him another question, made his way out of the crowd as best he could to repent his rashnes in abundant leisure.

Laurel, Neb., Sept. 19.—The lowest eatimate that has been made of the crowd assembled at this little village this afternoon is between 3,00 and 4,000. One ingenious citisen, a republican, by the way, being somewhat skeptical and of an inquiring turn of mind, started out shortly after the near hour to count the wagons and buggies that lined the streets and occupied the vacant lots.

He counted up to 648, then got tired and stopped. "The whole blamed coun-

Mr. Bryan left O'Neill at 10 o'clock this morning, the depot platforms being jammed with admiring friends who had come down to bid him godspeed. The run over to Laurel was in the nature of a triumphal journey. At Orchard and Savage and Brunswick big crowds, in which were farmers, were gathered for the purpose of cheering the idol of Nebraska's democracy as he sped upon his mission. Around each station was hurrahing and cheering and a tremendous crush and jam to reach the platform of the rear car, on which stood Bryan shaking the hands of as many as could get near him. At

which stood Bryan shaking the hands of as many as could get near him. At Plainview, where a ten-minute stop was made, nearly 1,000 people were gathered, and to them Mr. Bryan delivered one of his happy short talks. In Osmond, where there was no stop, was a crowd almost as large and quite as enthusiastic. At Randolph another ten-minute speech was made to a crowd of fully 1,500 people, and their cheers could still be heard when the train had left the town haif a mile behind.

GREETED AT LAUREL.

GREETED AT LAUREL Mr. Bryan reached Laurel at 1 o'clock and was met at the station by Hon. M. H. Dodge with a carriage and by two bands and a good share of the population of four counties. The distinguished visitor was driven to the hotel for dinner through streets almost blockaded with cheering, shouting people. In the crowds were hundreds of men who had driven from Wayne, Pierce and Dixon counties, as wel las the major portion of the population of the

jor portion of the population of the south end of Cedar county. At the Park hotel a brief reception was held in the parlors and hundreds of people were presented to the greatest of dem-

ocrata The speaking began at about 2:30 from a covered platform. Seats had been arranged for 4,500 people, but scarcely a third of the crowd was in scarcely a third of the crowd was in the seats, which were all occupied an hour before the time advertised. The rest of the big audience stood patiently for two hours and listened to a plain and simple but forceful presentation of the issues of the campaign

AT HARTINGTON.

The patriotic people of this beautiful little city had made royal preparations for the welcoming of the chief. Every store in town and most of the residences were handsomely decorated with bunting, Old Glory and Bryan pictures Pictures of William McKinley adorned the windows of the postoffice, a bank and a millinery store and the local re-

publican sheet. Every street was thronged with people.

While practically every inhabitant of the town turned out to listen to the next president tonight, the great bulk of the audience was composed of farmers, who, from twenty to thirty miles around, had driven into town to listen to the words of truth. No hall was one-tenth large enough to hold the crowd and the meeting was held in the open air. The seats, which had been provided for 1,000 persons, though all

occupied, were lost in a sea of people who encircled them. APPEAL STRIKES HOME. APPEAL STRIKES HOME.
The speech was a masterly plea. The orator's powerful voice rang out thro' the still September air, a clarion call to arms in defense of the principles of liberty and a free people. The audience swayed by the eloquence of the speaker, thrilled by his earnestness, inspired by his loftiness of purpose, was demonstrative to a degree, and it cheered itself hoarse and then kept on cheering till vocal chords were but shreds and till vocal chords were but shreds and

tatters. SETS EM TO THINKING. After Mr. Bryan had finished, there was a splendid exhibition of fireworks from the roof of the First National bank building, during which the great leader was the center of thousands of

struggling people, all crowding up to 'I am a republican, Mr. Bryan," said where room could not be found to stand

a gray-haired farmer, "but I try to be a lath upright. an honest man. Before I again vote the The people

Oakland, Neb., Sept. 20.-William Bryan left Hartington at 5 o'clock this to audiences aggregating 12,000 people and shook the hands of most of them at four different points in as many northeastern Nebraska counties.

The day has been marked by all the

hurry and bustle and crowds and flags and bunting and enthusiasm and cheers that characterized the famous campaign of 1896.

down tight and started over to deal with the insurgents himself, the committee at his heels.

As he reached the neighborhood of the presence of the big hall, the thousands who were this morning when the train drew into Wakefield, yet 2,000 people, at least half of fwhom had driven many miles in the early morning twilight, were gathered at the depot to greet with cheers and thurrahs the leader of the nation's democracy.

Income held a rousing raily on court house grounds, speaking to people, inflicting many large hole the presence outside seemed to divine his presence of the presence of the big hall, the thousands who were outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside seemed to divine his presence of the proposed that cloaks republican hypocrisy. Outside

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A stand had been erected at the de-pot platform, and from it for three-quarters of an hour Mr. Bryan, who was introduced by Hon. Thomas Raw-lings, addressed his fellow citizens. The crowd was large, but the enthusiasm was even larger. Those people had come far and at an unseasonable hour, and they let no opportunity escape to testify to their devotion. They not only listened to and cheered the speech, but they shook the hand of the speaker

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STOP AT EMERSON.

At Emerson a stop of thirty-five minutes was made. He also here made a speech from the depot platform, at least 1,000 people being present. The streets of the little city were lined with farmers' wagons and of farmers the addience was largely composed.

Mr. Bryan was introduced by C. M. Martin, and though the morning was sharp and frosty, the audience was red-hot. Like voileys from a gatling gun came the speakers arguments to republicas, and with the cheers of a charsing army the crowd responded. Here, too, an impromptu reception of a few minutes was held while men, women and children surged across the platform, againing from the hand of Bryan. And when Bryan is making hands one thing is noticeable, his preference is for the children. He hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the hand of some tiny little tot who is the control of the hand of some tiny little tot who is the control of the hand of some tiny little tot who is the control of the hand of some tiny little tot who is the control of the hand of some tiny little tot who is the control of the hand of some tiny little tot who is the control of the hand of some tiny little tot who is the control of

being borne hopeleasty along in the multitude. The child's look of appeal, if Bryan catches it, is enough to assure it that the great and strong shall be compelled to respect the rights of the child though the hand of none other be shaken.

In Emerson Hon. Nick Frits of Pender met Mr. Bryan to escort him to that town where, during a stop of fitteen minutes, he spoke to 800 or 1,000 people, being introduced by Judge J. M. Currie. The farmers were again in evidence. It is plain that the Nebraska farmers are in earnest this year, and that populists, republicans or democrats, they are eager to learn and are willing to go far any hour to hear the man whom they admire discuss new issues and old ones.

But two-minute stops were made at Bancroft and Lyons, yet at both staerson Hon. Nick Frits of Per

Bancroft and Lyons, yet at both sta-tions hundreds of people were gathered, insisting that Bryan at least come on the platform and show himself and shake their hands.

OLD FRIENDS AT OAKLAND. At 10:15 the train pulled into Oakland and here Mr. Bryan met a welcome, such as it is given to the lot of few men to experience. In Burt county are many of Bryan's first and warmest friends. In the memorable democratic state convention of 1893, Burt county alone of all counties north of the Platte river, gave its solid delegation to the support of Bryan in his gallant fight for free silver. Of that delegation one, Henry Shearer, three years ago joined the silent majority, but three of them, Pat Gleason, Wellington Harrington and A. A. Plummer, are still fighting democracy's battle, and today met Mr. Bryan at the depot and escorted him to the hotel. There were also present to see hi mabout thirty-five members of the Third Nebraska, among them Captain Hugo E. Nelson of company I and Lieutenant John H. Cameron of company E. At 10:15 the train pulled into Oaklan pany E.

Republicans who had driven twenty miles, overcome by the contagious enthusiasm, with the love of truth and justice in their hearts struggling for expression,did not wait for the speech making to convert them. They crowder about the hotel and into it, shook Bry an's hand and without more ado an nounced their emancipation.

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The crowd gathered early in Welles park, a beautiful place, with pienty of shade and green grass, and when Mr. Bryan ascended the platform, accompanied by Hon. Ira Thomas, who presided; T. A. Nary, who introduced him, and Rev. G. W. Minier, who pronounced the invocation, 7,000 or 8,000 people, on a conservative estimate, were present. For almost two hours they listened and cheered for Bryan.

POWERFUL ADDRESS.

Mr. Bryan's speech was a powerful effort, directed, as always, to the re-publican portion of the audience, and was particularly strong in its presentation of the issues of trusts and imper

One thing particularly noticeable was the great number of republicans present. The claim of republican sheets that ent. The claim of republicans sheets that a large portion of Bryan's audiences in Nebraska this year are republican may be cheerfully admitted, and the reason is made plain to any one who spends five minutes in inquiries. The rank and file of the republicans are worried and confused; they are opposed to the trusts, yet they see their party fostering them. They believe in a republican form of government, yet they see their party striving to make of this republican empire, and because they know these things they are beginning to cast about for information and are willing to leave their homes and travel ten and twenty miles to hear what democracy has to offer.

The republicans admittedly are this year attending democratic meetings Let their party beware lest they also vote for the application of truths they are there learning.

DEMAND AN OUTSIDE SPEECH.

DEMAND AN OUTSIDE SPEECH. At Blair Mr. Bryan was greeted with the officials of the fusion conventions which met there oday and in in har-mony and accord united on one ticket. He was escorted by the band and a countless throng of people to the hotel where he ate a hurried super, and then a comical but significant situation developed. Germania hall, in which the speaking was to be held, was already jammed with 1,500 people when Mr. Bryan was eating his supper. Men standing in the aisles packed tight as sardines in a box; otuside were assembled three times as many people as were within, clamoring for admission

The people who were outside had driven from afar, many of them to hear republican ticket I am going to take this question of imperialism and study it. You have set me to thinking."

driven from afar, many of them to hear this question of imperialism and study it. Bryan, and hear him they swore they would. They sent an ultimatum over to would. They sent an ultimatum over to the hotel, that if Bryan attempted to speak in that hall where they could not hear him they would tear down the morning and Oakland at 5 o'clock this walls. The anxious committee who had afternoon. In the twelve hours he spoke not expected a crowd one-third so large. not expected a crowd one-third so large, consulted with Mr. Bryan. He advised that word be sent that he would speak outside for a few minutes first and then speak to the crowd in the hall. This was done; the crowd replied it didn't propose to put up with a few

minutes' speech from a man whom many had driven twenty miles or come on excursions from neighboring coun-At every stopping place great crowds ties to hear. Then Bryan pulled his hat of cheering people from town and farm down tight and started over to deal have gathered to at least shake the with the insurgents himself, the com-

speech, a whole speech, all for them-selves. The people inside, they said, were warm at least, and most of them had seats and they could wait.

SPEAKS FROM A WAGON.

Bryan capitulated. An old lumber wagon drawn by a team of mules

that the present policies of the national administration may be stornly rebuked, the response comes with a vim and gusto that indicates mighty few stayathome fusion voters in November.

Such was the spirit shown in Blair tonight. It is a spirit that springs as much almost from the great love of the people for Bryan himself, as from their devotion to his cause, deep though that devotion is. At every town he visits, at the depot of every village through which he passes are multitudes whose shining eyes and earnest faces, whose cheers and tumultuous acclaim indicate the affection and veneration in which the people of Nebraska hold their greatest man and their truest and best.

North Bend, Neb., Sept. 21.—As the train pulled into the depot at 10 o'clock a. m. the station platform, streets and sidewalks were a black mass of singing, cheering humanity, and on every lip was the name of Bryan. Hundreds of men and boys had climbed onto freight cars and the roofs of nearby buildings, the better to catch a glimpse of their friend and leader as he emerged from the car.

"That's him," came a shout as the "That's him," came a shout as the familiar, strong and doubly lined but smiling face appeared, and with a rush and a universal push the great crowd made for the leader, jostiling and crowding about him, clasping his hands and all talking and shouting together. A magnificent parade was formed, escorting My Bryan to a handsome care corting Mr. Bryan to a handsome car-riage driven by Captain William Mc-Vicker, formerly of company F, Third Nebraska, through the principal streets of the town, where Mr. Bryan was en-tertained during his few brief moments of leisure while in North Bend.

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North Bend's welcome was no halfway measure. Such is the love of the
common people for William Jennings
Bryan that the mere news that Bryan
was coming was enough to cause republicans to join with populists and
democrats, to get together a meeting
and make a demonstration that would
tell in no uncertain terms their love tell, in no uncertain terms, their love for their distinguished fellow citizen.

ADDRESS IN THE PARK. At the beautiful park on the outskirts of the village 2,500 people gathered this afternoon and for over two hours list-ened to such a speech as they had nev-

Mr. Bryan was introduced by Mr. E. Hanks. The audience was composed in large part of farmers, among whom Swedes and Germans predominated. There were seats for 1,200, but so eager was everyone to listen that most of those who could reach the seats stood on them in order to hear and see the better, while the major portion of the crowd stood from necessity. Mr. Bryan never faced a more atten-

anxious to learn. Clearly and dispassionately he showed those people why they should no longer act with the republican party.

YELLOW RIBBON INCIDENT.

An agent of the republican commit-ee was stationed in the park with yards of yellow ribbon in his pockets. He strove manfully all afternoon and got a man to help him, and they both labored till the perspiration was streaming in rivulets from their faces, streaming in rivulets from their faces, while the great crowd cheered for Bryan. And the result of all the peddling of free yellow ribbons was that probably 100 men were induced to don the yellow, and these could be found only by close search. And before Bryan had finished speaking, a fair-haired young Swede, who stood with his pretty wife by his side, too off the bit of ty wife by his side, tore off the bit of yellow and threw it to the ground an

rampled it beneath his feet.
"If God will forgive me, I will nev vote another republican ticet," he said.
"I'm for a free country and a free people after this." And he meant it.
Following Bryan is Nathias Lee of
Canfield, O., who sells the leaders' photographs to the multitude. He began the business in the campaign of 1872 following Horace Greeley. He has fol-lowed Ingersoll, Moody, Ben Butler Garfield, Blaine, McKinley and many

"Bryan is easily the most popula man and the greatest orator of thi generation," said Mr. Lee today, "T give you some idea how he ranks wit other notables. others, in 1384 I sould 56 000 pictures of James G. Biable: in 1895 I sold 118,00 of William J. Bryan. I am averaging now 500 pictures a day, and the demand seems to be constant'y increas When Blaine spoke to 10,000 peop I believe he made, directly and rectly 500 votes; I am satisfied Bryan makes as many votes with hal

the audience It may fairly be presumed that a sal of 800 or more Bryan pictures a da indicates that "Bryanism" is still do ing business at the old stand.

WAHOO'S HEARTY GREETING. Wahoo, Neb., Sept. 21.-Wahoo mixe fire and torchlights, brass and cheering multitudes and Jefferson ian simplicity in almost equal propor tions tonight and the result n the hall.

Bryan rally that was as cleasing it some respects as it was novel. It was man whom the hearts of the people, and it had no frills or furbelows.

During the afternoon Governor Hol comb and Hon. George W. Berge of Lincoln held a rousing rally on th court house grounds, speaking to 1.50 people, inflicting many large holes to the pirendy tattered and torn garmen ernor Holcomb is popular in Saun ders county, and he was approached to

manded a again this fall. Tonight, at the same place, Bryan spoke to a crowd which he himsel characterized as being so large tha "when some republican at the oute edge hurrahs for McKinley we can edge hurrahs for McKinley we car catch but a faint echo of his voice here on the platform."

t has been a great day for the é rines of Thomas Jefferson and Ab am Lincoln and William Jennis

ham Lincoln and William Jennings
Bryan.

On the court house grounds this afternoon Bryan delivered a speech magnificent in its eloquence, sp endid in its Americanism, lofty in its high ideals—usaad pur 'Alignou 'Alignous' Alignous' Alig

cipies of the charter of American lib-erty. So the whole county came and good portions of all the adjacent coun

ties.

The four sides of the big old-fashioned square were lined with teams.
Every side street was packed with
them. They overflowed into the vacant lots and the pasture lands adjoinfing town. From twinty and twenty-five and thirty miles away, the farmers came and brought their wives and sons and daughters and babies.

REPUBLCANS ARE WORRIED.

Devid Huff lives twenty-six miles from town, but he hitched up and drove in with his family to hear Bryan; so

in with his family to hear Bryan; in with his family to hear Bryan; so did A. Soderstein, a prosperous and intelligent Swede, who lives as far away. H. A. Van Dusen is a republican, but republican policies have worried him of late, and he drove twenty-five miles to listen to the gospel of brotherly love, liberty, equality and justice.

The crowd stood for over two hours.

The crowd stood for over two hours and listened to that speech. The mass of humanity completely surrounded the speaker's stand. It occupied the broad flights of steps on the south and west sides of the court house and packed the balconies and all the windows and even hung onto the fire escapes in or-der to get a better view. So far to all sides did the vast multitude extend that the orator could not be seen even from the elevation of the band stand,

so hed stood up on a chair that those the most remote might see.

Mr. Bryan reached York this after-noon accompanied by S. H. Sornberger and Hon. B. F. Good, fusion candidates for judges in the Fifth district, and the party was warmly welcomed. They were met at the depot by Lieutenant Governor E. A. Gilbert, Dr. George W. Shidler and wife, Judge Bates and other leading fusionists and escorted to the hotel. The Thayer band discoursing martial airs, leading the

Mr. Bryan was tired and worn with the fatigue of constant campaigning as he began his speech, but he warmed with the grandeur of his theme and inspired by the attentiveness of his au-dience he delivered what was in many respects the greatest speech he has thus far delivered in this fall's cam-

paigning in Nebraska.

He took the republican platform yesterday adopted at Omaha and he tore it to shreds, scattering the fragments to the four winds of neaven. He exto the four winds of neaven. He exposed its shiftiness, its evasion, its cowardice, its subserviency to monopolies and corporations. He took its declaration for the gold standard and contrasted that declaration with the platform of 1896, which pledged the republican party to do all it could to get rid of the gold standard by international agreement. He recounted how, after that election President McKinley had named a commission to go all the way that election President McKinley had named a commission to go all the way to Europe to beg of British financiers their assistance in releasing the Unit-ed States from gold monometallism, while the republican congress appropri-ated 100,000 of the people's money to pay that commission's expenses.

RIDICULOUS FIGHT. "It remains for a republican convenaughter of the crowd; "it remains for republican convention to declare that resident did not want bimetallish

BRYAN HITS THE KEYSTONE. Aurora, Neb., Sept. 22 .- "I love the Declaration of Independence," was the assionate cry of William J. Bryan at urora tonight, "and I'd rather defend t than defend a president who tramles on it and carries on a war of con-

And 6,000 people cheerd in unison, and houted as one man their approval of he sentiment. It was a magnificent neeting. From thirty miles around the meeting. From thirty miles around the armers of this section have been pouring all day in a steady stream into this seautiful little city. And notwithstanding the carnival at Hastings, less than hirty miles away, notwithstanding : ircus and a magic lantern show to-light, when Bryan reached Aurora at

n gat Yor he faced an audience of 000 to 7,000 men and women. Seats had been provided for 3,000, and very seat was taken, with more peo-le standing than were seated, while undreds more occupied wagons and uggles on the outsidits of the crowd. Mr. Bryan finished his speech at York

ilitie after 5 o'clock and before 6 he was whirling over the prairies thirty niles to Aurora, behind a spanking eann of bays driven by James Broadbent, who had been sent by the Aurora ommittee to meet him.

MORE THAN EVER FOR HIM. The orator was late in arriving and the great audience had patiently waited, a large portion of it, for two hours for his coming. Never has the lovole of Nebraska for William Jenning Bryan been so warmly manifested as during this fall's campaign. The ardor seems more deeply seated, more heart feit and universal than ever before ven during the memorable campaign of 1896, and the magnificent assemblage at Aurora tonight was as hearty and uneffected in its greeting as any that he has faced since he stood before hithousands of friends in O'Neill last day afternoon. Bryan was introduced by John

Mr. Bryan was introduced by John J. Roach, prosecuting attorney of Hamilton county. As he stood with bared head, his strong features dimiy outlined beneath the flickering flare of the gas jets, his audience stretching far fore him and to his right and left, while over the corn crib against which the platform stood, the full moon rose in mellow radiance, inundating in a silver sheen the shouting thousands, the scene, with its impressiveness. Its ver sheen the shouting thousands, the scene, with its impressiveness, its primal simplicity, a picture of a democratic people limned on a giant canvas was one to be seen and never forgotten. And not only for its unique, simple and powerful setting, typical of the great west and its people, but for its lossons in justice, truth and righteous ness, that meeting will never fade from the memory of the thousands who composed it.

AT GRAND ISLAND. Grand Island, Neb., Sept. 22.—The first week of Bryan's campaign in Nebraska closed today at Grand Island. In the week just closed he has addressed al-

Interne.

The meetings have been attended, not alone by Mr. Bryan's supporters, but by thousands of his political opponents. As a result, not only have fusionists been encouraged and aroused, but hundreds of republican voters have been set to thinking and studying American principles, reviewing American traditions and investigating into human rights. Scores of conversions have been openly announced and hundreds more will result between now and election day.

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At Grand Island this afternoon the meeting was the same in kind as all his meetings everywhere—great crowds burrahing and cheering, streets lined with teams from all the country round and patriotic artor and enthusiasm fairly effervescing from the

HOW THE ENGLISH VIEW IT. It took but a few words for Bryan It took but a few words for Bryan to settle the republican disclaimer of the term "imperialism." He quoted from the New York Sun, and administration organ, a report of a Fourth of July celebration of Americans in London, in which it was said: "Imperialism was the keynote of the evening. Every speech was imperialistic and the spirit of imperialism aroused the greatest degree of enthusiasm ever witnessed at a gathering of Americans in London." He showed that to annex continuous He showed that to annex contiguous horogeneous territory to be inhabited by Americans and become an integral portion of the union of states is expansion, but to cross an ocean to conquer an alien people to be held as subjects and governed by the doctrine of might

NEBRASKA NEWS.

The masonry of the new West Point reservoir is completed, and as soon as the roof is in place the reservoir will be filled.

Early completion of the Nebraska Telephone company's new line will give Oxford direct communication with Omaha. The poles have been distributed as far as that place and the line will soon be in operation.

The Elkhorn road has leased a large number of Union Pacific engines because of the immense cattle traffic now being handled. Special stock trains are being run every few hours.

The contract for an addition of 24x38 feet, two stories high, to the Valparaiso high school building has been awarded to J. C. Allen at \$1,262, the building to be completed November 20.

A contract has been let for the erection of a handsome church by St. Mary's Catholic parish at Norfolk. The building is to be of pressed brick, 42x 70 feet, and will cost \$10,000.

Charles Harper, a prominent farmer; living near Allen, in Dixon county, while working with the threshers had his clothes caught by the tumbling rod of the machine and was seriously hurt, nearly all the clothing being torn from his body.

Sheriff Bonawitz of Jefferson county arrested Thomas Cox, who was wanted in Richardson county for a highway robbery committed several years ago. Cox broke iail and his whereabouts were not known until he went to Fairbury to visit relatives. Sheriff Bonawitz will get \$50 reward.

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> Winding willow withes about her neck until she strangled herself, Mrs. H. Steinheider ended her life at her home, two miles east of Dorchester. Ill health drove her to commit the crime. Mr. Steinheider had gone to town during the afternoon and about 3 o'clock the crazed woman went to the willow saplings which fringed a pond about 200 yards from the house and wound the supple boughs about her neck. Throwing her weight backward she leaned until she choked to death. A neighbor found her dead, with hands still holding the ends of the boughs which she employed to commit suicide,

Some time within the last few weeks thirty-five head of cattle have been stolen from Huffman & Rollins' east feed yards at Neligh. The loss was disovered Wednesday night of last week. At first no clew whatever could be disovered, but finally suspicion pointed to man who had been working at different times during the summer at the Deloit and upper and lower Neligh ranches of Huffman & Rollins, and he was arrested. It was apparent from the circumstances that some one thoraughly acquainted with the premises must have been connected with the stealing, and the party arrested told conflicting stories regarding his wherebouts during the last few days. Finaly Sheriff Brainard exhibited to Mr. luffman a photograph of a man wantd for cattle stealing in Lincoln county. It was recognized as the employe in question and the arrest was made as soon as the man could be located. When searched a fine 45-caliber revolver was taken from his pocket. On searching his grip, a stock contract from the railroad company was found for a shipment of one car of cattle from Clearwater on September 20. This was made out to J. M. Wells and was consigned to Clay Robinson, South Omaha. It is almost certain that the man under arrest had a confederate, and another arrest will probably be made soon. It has been ascertained that the accused has served time at Lincoln under the name of B. M. Wilson, and is wanted in Lincols county for cattle stealing, where a reward of \$150 is offered for his arrest, when last heard of by the autherities there he was in the neighborhood of Deloit, and was supposed to be in hidding at a ranch where he had been going under the name of Wilkinson Wilkins When employed by Huffman & Relling he gave his name as J. S. Willy. It was recognized as the employe in