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NEBRASKA'S APRIL BLIZZARD

Worst Storm of the Season Raging Through-

out the State.

FARMERS LOSING DROVES OF CATTLE

Many Disposed of Their Herds Rather Than

Permit Them to Remain in Quarters

Rendered Uncomfortable by Wet

Weather-In Other States.

TERAMAN, Neb., April 13 - Special Tele-

gram to Tun Ben. |-The worst storm of the

cason for live stock is raging tonight. Ab

most constant rain for an entire month has

rendered the country roads impassable and

has compelled many feeders to ship their

cattle before they were fat in order to get

them out of the filthy vards in which cattle

stand up to their knees in mud with no op-

portunity to lie down, while many others

have allowed their sheds to become out of repair on account of the near approach of

spring. The present storm, which began with a very damp snow and has now as-sumed the fury of a blizzard, finds many berds without shelter, and it is feared the

loss will be heavy should the storm continue, O'NEILL, Nob., April 13.—[Special to This BEE.]—Rain prevailed in this section all day yesterday and this morning there are three bushess of forem such still account dams. Little

nches of snow and still coming down. Little

plowing has been done in the county so far, but ground will be in good shape to work

FIGHTING FACTIONS

TWENTY-FIRST YEAR.

Democracy's State Convention One Continual Round of Wordy Warfare.

WRANGLED ALL DAY AND ALL NIGHT

Many Hours Spent in Trying to Bring About Something Like Order.

BOYD MEN GAINED THE FIRST POINT

Temporary Organization Not Favorable to Martin's Claims for Recognition.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS HAS IT

All Matters Pertaining to the Fight Handed Over to the Committee Which is Engaged in Earnest Consultation Behind Closed Doors.

After a whole day of caucusing and wire pulling, a day of bitter personal warfare and factional strife, the delegates to the demo cratic state convention met last night in Exposition hall for the purpose of electing sixteen delegates to the national convention at Chicago,

mued.

The various district delegations held their caucuses or conventions during the afternoon and agreed upon their choice for district delegates. Each of the six districts had a right to name two delegates, making tweive, and the convention had the right to nominate four delegates-at-large. It is considered a greater honor of course to be nominated as a delegate-at-large than to be a district delegate. This was the principal reason for the bitter fight that took place between the friends of Governor Boyd and Mr. Martin. They each wanted the special honor of being elected as delegate-atlarge.

Before the State Committee.

The meeting of the state central committee at 3 o'clock at the Merchants hotel was a red hot one. The Douglas country fight came in for a loag and fierce discussion. The Boyd faction wanted the Martin faction shut out, but the committee finally decided to seat the Martin delegation, but give them no vote in the temporary organization. They had to keep still until the committee on cre-dentials passed upon their rights in the convention

The committee also decided that Mr. R. A. Batty of Hastings should be named as the temporary chairman. Tickets of admission were distributed to the chairmen of the county delegations.

The surging throng that filled the rotunda of the Paxton hotel began to move toward the Exposition hall about 7:39 o'clock and in half an hour every seat in the lower part of the house was occupied and the gallerie were packed. It had been the intention of the committee on arrangements to admit none but delegates to the lower part of the house, but the effort was not a complete suc-cess. Hundreds of wire pullers found their way to the first floor and stood around the chairs occupied by the delegates.

Welcomed Congressman Bryan, There was a long and tedious walt prior to the call to order. At about 8:30 Congress-man Bryan entered the ball and his name was shouted for a few minutes by the hilar ous throng while he bowed and shook hands and smiled those broad, free silver smiles for which he has become famous. But it was not yet time for Mr. Bryan to uncork hi oration, so the crowd had to be satisfied with velling and swinging their hats and filling the air with tobacco smoke and choice bits of political chit-chat such as the average democrat has always in stock.

read the call for the convention. The cro-dentials of several counties, the socretary said, had not yet been received. The reading of the list of credentials was disposed with and Chairman Ogden plumage for a day to wondering eyes and then wing away. We are every day denic-crats." There were mingled cheers and hisses given during Mr. Gannon's speech. Matt Miller said that Butler county wanted to be fair to all concerned, and he hoped to announced that the central committee wished to recommend the election of Mr. R. A. Batty of Hastings is chairman and Mr. C. R. Glover of Brown county as tom see the motion before the house put without T. J. Mahoney wished simply to enter his protest. [Hisses.] The convention would save time by letting him do it. Up to the present time no man knew, which one of porary secretary. The recommendation was approved by the convention and Mr. Hatty and Mr. Glover were excerted to the platform. Judge Batty said: "Gentlemen of the Douglas county's delegations the committee favored unless they were behind the closed doors of the caucus. Douglas county was Convention-I am sorry that we have experi-enced so much delay, but the demo-crats of Nebraska can afford to spend registered on both sides of the question. When Hitchcock county was reached a delegate arose and announced that his county a little time in a love feast. Four years ago the eyes of the democracy were centered upon one man. But today we have so many • had a double-header. They had indulged in a contest up there and were double-barrelled whitent men before our eyes that we scarcely know whom to select as our standard bearer." [Yells of "Cleveland! Cleveland."] in consequence. "But the name that shines above all others," continued Mr. Batty, "is that of Grover Cleveland [Tremendous applause.] Gen-tlemen, what is your pleasure?" The vote upon the appointment of a committee on credentials consisting of nine mem-bers, to be appointed by the chair, stood 343 for and 163 against. During the time taken by the secretaries in footing up the totals Governor Boyd came upon the platform and his appearance cre-Defeated Some Motions. Mr. Ireland moved the appointment of a ated a which wind of applause. When the secretary announced the result committee of nine on credentials. A delegate from Custer county moved as an amendment the appointment of one memof the vote the chairman drew a piece of paper from his pocket and began to read the names of the committee Mr. Mahoney arose ber from each county be named by the varous delegations. Mr. Offutt called attention to the fact that and asked if the chairman had prepared the "Yes, sir, I had," said Batty. "I was told by the central committee that I would prob-ably be elected chairman of the convention the amendment would create a committee of ninety, The amendment was lost Knox county wanted the committee to conand I have all the committees appointed. ist of two mainbers from each congressional district, but that was likewise defeated. M. V. Gannon hoped that every man in the This frank and fearless statement from the chairman fairly disarmed his critics, al-though they jeered at him and received hisses from the majority of the delegates for convention would meet with just treatment. There were contesting delegations present and he would like to see four delegates ap-pointed from each congressional district. He their pains.

a round of applause Secretary Montgomery

Committee on Credentials. moved that as a substitute and it was see Following is the committee on credentials appointed by Chairman Batty: Ireland of Otoe county, White of Cass, Harwood of Luccaster, North of Flatte, Parker of Sa-line, Ray of Phelps, Wolbach of Hall, Scan-ian of Buffalo, Kesterson of Jefferson. A motion to adjourn until 9 o'clock a. m. received only a few faint crips of aye, while During the full that took place before the rote on Mr. Gannon's substitute Chairman Ogden stepped forward and spoke to Chairman Batty. "Foul, foul, stop that," was the yell that

arose from the Martin men. The vote of Gannon's substitute was taken and Chairman Batty decided that the substitute was lost. received only a few faint cries of aye, while the noes fairly brought down the house. A motion for a twenty-minute recess was put and lost. In spite of the motion being lost, The announcement called forth a storm. Gannon demanded a poll of the counties, but early every one commenced to move about. Some sought fresh air and refreshment outthe chairman ignored it, and a warm discussion ensued. A gentleman from Richardson county said there was but one way to settle the difficulty.

side, but the majority gathered in groups and discussed the situation. "I am hungry," said a rural delegato. He moved as a substitute to the motion of the centleman from Gage, that the matter be "I am buogry for an bonest and fair man on that committee," said Martin. Congressman Bryan became the center of

down like that eastern god and show their

In Favor of Nine.

referred to a smaller committee. The con-vention wrangled for ten minutes. During the row Gannon called for an apa constantly changing group in once corner of the hall, where his friends shook him

peal from the decision of the chair. He domanded a call of the roll. Offutt of Douglas demanded a roll call in heartily by the hand. The delegates crowded about the secretary for the purpose of having their transporta which there were no contests. Alley of Saline offered an amendment calltion certificates signed. It was now midnight. Half an hour later Judge Julius S. Cooley appeared in the hall

ing for a reading of the coustles in which there were contests. Offatt kept demanding that the secretary and provoked the delegates present into a chorus of gibes and calls that lasted several call the list of counties having no contests. The chairman stood the storm very calmly, minutes.

but it was difficult to keep matters straight. Smyth of Douglas wanted to know whether this would prevent the roll call demanded by Mr. Gannon The chair hoped that the geatleman would had informed him that the committee would not be ready to report before 3 or 4 o'clock in

not anticipate him as acting unfairly. Making the Suarl Worse.

seconded.

The secretary then read the list of coun The secretary then read the list of coun-ties having no contesting delegations. Gamon then renewed his motion to have twenty-four members of the convention ap-pointed on the committee on credentials and that no delegates be appointed on the com-mittee who belonged to contesting delega-tions. He also demanded a poil of the coun-ties. Another long wrangle followed. Martin of Gage moved that the question of the Dansies emitty contest he them and the Douglas county contest be taken up and each side be allowed twenty-five minutes to present its case, after which the convention would pass upon it. The motion was not

CONSIDERED IN COMMITTEE.

heard.

Merits of the Local Fight Presented by the **Opposing Champions**,

retiring to the committee roo

Adjourned Until Today,

At 12:30 Chairman Batty called the con

rention to order and aunounced that the obsirman of the committee on credentials

THE United States Troops Relieve the Besieged Regulators. THEY ARRIVED AT THE ELEVENTH HOUR Arrangements Had Been Completed for the Final Charge.

CONDITION OF THE INVADING ARMY

One Man is Believed to Have Been Fatally Shot.

TAKEN AS PRISONERS TO FORT M'KINNEY

Rustlers Agree to the Surrender on Condition That the Cattlemen Shall Be Turned Over to the Constituted State Authorities.

Douglas, Wyo., April 13 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE, |- The Buffalo wire is down again, having probably fallen of its own weight, as frequently happens. At 8 o'clock this morning Colonel Van Horn with three companies of cavalry from Fort Mc-Kinney started to the T A ranch. The president, at the request of the governor,

issued the necessary orders for the troops to assist the civil authorities. When they arrived at the scone it was found that the besiegers and besieged occupied relatively the same position as at an early hour this morning. The besiegers had increased to propably 1,000 persons, some of whom had come from adjoining counties. These were invariably small ranchmen distinct from the rustiers, who believed that their lives and nomes were in danger from the invasion.

When they arrived at the scene a conference was held between Colonel Van Horn, Arapahoe Brown and Sheriff Angus. The two latter represented the besiegers. Both explained that the only thing they desired was to be assured that if the stockmen were surrendered they would be turned over to the civil authorities. No difficulty was found on this score.

Arranged a Peaceful Surrender. A flag of truce was then sent forward to

the besieged. They were informed of the presence and intentions of the United States troops and assured that they would receive protection in the event that they surrendered. Those under the flag of truce then returned to their respective commands. the morning. He suggested, therefore, that the convention adjourn until 9 o'clock A rather long conference ensued, after the convention adjourn until 9 o'clock this morning. After several mo-tions to adjourn to various hours of the day and a chorus of yells against any which the stockmon sent forward another flag of truce with the information that they would surrender to Cotonel Van Horn. The adjournment whatever, the motion to adjourn until 9 o'clock today was carried. Most of the delegates left the hall at once for their cavalry then entered the line of investment and threw about a line of pickets, which encircled the ranch houses. The busiegers then withdrew to some dis-

botcls, while the others hung around the doors of the committee room, where the great Douglas county contest was being tance and the sheriff and Arapahoe Joe went forward with Colonel Van Horn. It took more than two hours to complete all the arrangements. A complete tally was made of all the prisoners, but the list cannot be secured owing to the fact that the wires are iown. There were forty-six in the party twenty-five of whom were Texans. Each was armed with a Winchester, two revolvers and two beits of cartridges. Besides these there were many personal possessions. Finally the line of march toward the fort was taken up. The men were guarded in the flanks and rear by the cavalry, but there was no effort made on the part of any of the late besiegers to offer violence. Extreme curiosity was maulfested, and as it was then about 7 o'clock the route was soon quite crowded with people.

pressing disorder just received, 12:05 a. m. Three troops of cavairy are now preparing to move, and wil start for the T A ranch, the scene of the disturbance, in two hours. It appears that a body of fifty armed men known as regulars, and supposed to be in the employ of large cattle owners, left the vicinity of Casper about the 6th inst. and proceeded to a point on the north fork of Powder river, sixty miles from the point known as the 'K C' ranch, where they killed two men and burned the ranch. This body of men is now at the 'T A ranch,' about sixteen miles from this post, on the north fork of Crazy Woman, where they are strongly intranched and defending thomselves against the sheriff's posse comitatus, which have them surrounded. The wagons owned by the regulators have been captured by the sheriff's posso. They contained supplies of ammunition, dynamite and personal baggage. One of the teamsters has divulged the names of the regulators. He snys the expedition is officered by Major Wolcott, from Canton, and Fred Hesse. The entire country is aroused by the killing at the 'K C ranch.' and some of the best citlzens are in the posse. The reports have been forwarded by mail on the 11th and 12th insts.,

giving full particulars. I shall accompany the troops. HUNTING FOR HELP.

One of the Cattlemen Out in Search of

Reinforcements. GILLETTE, Wyo., April 13 .- |Special Telegram to Tus Bss. |-The war on Powder river seems not to have abated. A cattleman from near the scene of action arrived at Gillette this evening. He says he is on his way out of the country, but it is presumed that he is looking for reinforcements from this section of the country. He does not give any discouraging views from his side, but says that this will be a fight for extermination and kept up until the rustlers are driven from Wyoming.

The situation seems unchanged from my dispatches of vesterday, except that each side is making itself secure and awaiting a pattle.

It is reported by Burlington stage this evening that the cattlemen are surrounded at the Tisdale ranch and closely pressed. A number of cowboys and cattlemen are seen in Gillette this evening all well armed and well mounted, apparently going somewhere, but are quiet and not much information can be obtained from them.

Glenrock Guarded.

Chapnen, Neb., April 13 .- [Special to THE BEE. |- The militia company at Douglas has a branch company of twenty-five men at Glenrock, Wyo., which has some thirty Springfield rifles. Glenrock has the reputation of being headquarters for rustlers of the Platte valley. In corraling the state militia the catulemen overlooked the guard, and as the guard is friendly to the rustlers and not at all disposed to see hirelings kill their fellow citizens, the members would probably defend their friends to the last. Public sentiment has turned against the cattlemen and the farmers who were their friends are going into the camp of the enemy this evening.

Glenrock is patrolled night and day by an armed guard. Yesterday word was sent Division Superintendent Harris not to send up a special train, as it would be ditched.

Killed by a Gambler,

the president's order to furnish a sufficient force to co-operate with the governor in sup-be killed. Is the time that action was men have also be killed. Is i taken by the law ing citizens of the state for their own projection? Laramie Republican: "If the rastlers should defeat the men who have zone on this

raid against them," says the Denvor Repub-lican, "the effect would be to arouse the peo-ple of Wyoming and Montana to such an ex-tent that a much larger force would be organized." For the Republican's instrucyon it may be stated that the popular sent ment of the state is not with the raiders. That fact is proven by the further fact that the range barons were compelled to go out-side the state to culist the army that has hiegally invaded Johnson county. "The people of Wyoming" are residents of Wyo-ming-small landhoiders, minors and artisans -and while they do not approve cattle-rustling as a business, neither do they sup-port any movement on the part of the nonresident range barons to "exterminate rustlers everybody who may desire to trans form the range into homesteads and promothe settlement of the state. If the people of

this state are ever "aroused." It will not be to avenge the defeat of a band of imported thugs whose mission is to slay. BLOWN INTO ATOMS.

Seven Men Instantly Killed by an Explosion in a Powder Mill.

WILKESBARRE, PA., April 13.-A frightful explosion of powder completely demolished the mills of the Mosale Powdar company today. The first explosion was in the drying mill and a fraction of a second later the storage house blow up. The shocks were felt over a radius of forty miles, and thousands of people in surrounding towns rushed out of doors, thinking an earthquake had taken place. Both shocks were distinctly felt here, twenty miles away. The mills were blown to the smallest atoms, and there was no fragments found larger than a foot long. men were instantly killed and two fatally in-jured. The names of the dead are:

JOPEN. The hames of the dea JOHN GIRBONS, DANIEL CARRY, AARON COOLHAUGH, MOSES TUCKER, EDWARD J. VANDERG, ALLAN SMALL, CARADOC REESE, The fatally wounded aro: Concer A 110

GEORGE ALLIS. DASIEL BULLONGS.

The body of John Gibbons was blown 150

feet into the air. Caradoc Reese was found sixty feet from the scene of the explosion. Moses Tucker was found 150 feet away from the mill. Other bodies were found fifteen to 200 feet distant. The terrible scenes of grief and anguish duplicated those of the frightful mine accidents. The iron framework on the Erie & Wyoming railway, noar the scene, used as a spark room, was torn and twisted like paper. The absolute desolation of the scene cannot be pictured in words. The last explosion of these mills was eighteen years ago, when several men wore killed. The loss will reach \$20,000.

NEW YORK LIFE.

Ex-President Beers Will Nut Get His Big Peasion-Officers Elected. NEW YORK, April 13 .- The annual trustees election for the New York Life Insurance company took place today. Forty-seven thousand votes were cast, the largest number in the history of the company. The enthe number of votes cast were in favor of the ticket named by President McCall and by the policy holders' committee. Ex-Mayor W. R. Grace, Jadge Hiram E. Steel, C. C. Baldwin, Walter Lewis and Henry C. Mortimer were elected trustees. Mr. Grace takes mer were elected trustees. Mr. Grace takes the place of ex-President Beers and Judge Steel that of John N Stearns. The other three trustees were re-elected, President McCall says, for the reason that they oppose voting a pension to ex-President Beers.

President McCall announced that he had reinstated Theodore M. Banta, the cashier who was dismissed several months ago.

has announced his intention of contesting his

FOR HER CHILDREN'S SAKE.

Wife of a Barlington Engineer at Holyoke,

Colo., Horribly Burned,

BEE. - A frightful accident happened here

last evening at the residence of Matt Conlin,

a Burlington engineer. Late in the evening

one of the Conlin children accidentally tipped

over an oil lamp that his mother had jus

her offsprings than her own, her clothe

IN PRIME CONDITION.

England in Good Time,

to THE BEE. |- The White Star steamer

Faurie, from New York April 3, arrived in

count of the Kent Cattle company of Genoa,

Mail Robbers Arrested

JACKSON, MISS., April 13.-Government

detectives sent to Winston county, Missis

sippi, have arrested a man named Pearson

for robbing the United States mail. The

robbers disguised thomselves and held up star route riders in unfrequented localities.

Some \$300 had been obtained by rifling the mail pouches, part of which the detectives recovered. The robbers are in juil.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Owing to the retarding influence of the

and eastern Nebraska and raining in Illinois

A high barometer is forming over the middle mountain regions and high northerly winds

are blowing over the western states. Tem-perature has fallen over the upper Missis-sippi and the Missouri valleys, but fair

weather prevails over the mountain region

For Eastern Nebraska, Omaha and Vicin-ity -Snow, with high northerly winds and colder, followed by clearing weather during

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 13.-For the Da

kotas-Warmer by Thursday night; variable

For Kansas-Generally fair, colder; north

For Colorado Generally fair; warmer by

winds, becoming southeasterly,

Toursday.

OFFICE OF WEATHER BUREAU, OMANA, April 13.

scattered burning oil over the children.

HOLYOKE, Colo., April 13 .- [Special to THE

pension in the courts.

recover

The resignation of the trustees, Edward will cause may be serious. Sioux Cerr, Ia., April 13. Martin and Robert B. Collins, were ac-The trustees ratified the election of Hugh

when the weather clears up. NORFOLK, Neb., April 13.- [Special Tele-gram to Tag BER.]-One of the worst storms of the season has been raging hore today. Rain has been failing for two or three days until this morning, when snow commenced falling and has continued a blinding storm all day, but molting nearly as fast as it fails.

HARTINGTON, Neb., April 13.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-A sovero snow-storm has been raging in this locality since noon. The streets are in very poor condition. as the mud and slush in some places is about a foot deep. The prospects are that a regular January blizzard will come on before morning.

AGAIN THE WEST IS STORMSWEPT.

Snow, Sleet, Rain and Wind Cause Havoo About Us.

DENISON, In., April 13 .- One of the worst storms of the season is raging here. First there was rain, then spow, sleet and hall, and later a heavy snow storm. A part of the time the wind blew a hurricano. Spring sowing will be delayed throughout central

lowa and fruit trees will be damaged. MARSUALITOWN, IA., April 13-It has been showing and sleeting furiously since 7 o'clock this morning. The storm has not awated this afternoon. The weather is growing colder.

Orrug way Ia., April 13.-A heavy snow storm set in this morning followed this afternoon by a violent hail and rain storm. It is thought considerable damage has been done to winter wheat and rye.

to winter wheat and rye. CEDAR RAPIDS, IA, April 13.—A heavy snow is falling here. A high wind is blow-ing and it is unusually cold. BOONE, IA, April 13.—A snow storm set in this morning which turned into a blizzard in four four former with

this morning which turned into a blizzard in a few hours. The ground is covered with snow and a sovere storm is raging. Four Dongr, Ia., April 13. -[Special Fele-gram to Tur Ber.]-More snow fell here today than in any one day during the past winter. From 6 o'clock in the morning the snow has been failing steadily, with no prospects of ceasing. At 6 o'clock sixteen inches had fallen. A strong cast wind ac-companied the snow and is rauddy piling it companied the snow and is rapidly piling it up into drifts. Farmers had just commenced their spring seeding and the delay the storm

"I am for Boyd," yelled an enthusiastic admirer of the governor and the ball rang with a rousing yell for Boyd.

One rural delegate who had evidently lin gered too long at the glass which cheers but also inebriates, stood in the aisle near the stage and harangued the delegates and re porters upon the alleged failures and mis takes of Governor Boyd. He was finally led to the back part of the house.

Yelled for Both Sides.

After several rounds of applause for Gov ernor Boyd had rent the atmosphere the Martin delegation, occupying seats near the front, awakened to the fact that a yell for their chief would sound pretty well just at that particular juncture, and they joined in a vigorous yell for Martin. This was immedi-ately followed by a tremendous cheer for Boyd. The gaierres joined and assisted in Boyd. The gaileries joined and assisted in ising such a storm of enthusiasm that th Martin outburst was completely overshad owed.

Then the gathering drifted into a state of extreme disorder and all sorts of yells and cat calls rent the smoke befogged air. "Hurrah for Thompsen," "Hurrah for Boyd," "Hip, hip, hurrah," and everybody yelled and gasped and yelled again.

Couldn't Stand Water.

The windows in the upper gallery let i some rain upon the Sarpy county delegation seated near the north side of the house, and they raised their umbrellas. One enthusi nstic Thurman man tied a red bandanna t the top of his umbreits and waved it over th heads of the delegation. Then such a howl The lights fairly danced and everybody for rot Cleveland for a minute and cheered the old Roman. But the tide soon turned. for "Cleveland, hurrah for Cleveland," they

howled. "Boyd, Boyd, burrah for Boyd," again

shook the atmosphere. Again the Martin men tried their lungs and

a royal yell they did raise. After this Mr. Frank P. Ireland arose and announced that the central committee was busy with credentials and would be ready to call the convention to order in fiteen min utes

The yells for Bryan became so vigorous and general that the young statesman finally stepped upon the platform. The entire convention arose as a man and cheered him a the top of their voices.

Didn't Speak-Just Talked.

Mr. Bryan said he did not intend to make a speech. It was too soon for him to enter into a speech in this convention. He simply wished to say that it was only four years since he had entered Nebraska politics and he had feit that the democrats of Nebraska had accorded him .better streat-ment than he had deserved. He had done only that which his conscience as an hones man prompted him to do. He believed that honesty was the only true policy to follow in politics as well as in other walks of life

Applause.] "I am sory," said Mr. Bryan, "that this dissension has arisen among the democrats of Douglas county. It has pained me to see good men warring against each other." [A yorce from the audionce: "We'll settie that, Voice from the audience: "We'll settle that, You leave that alone."] "I shall not meddle with that difficulty. And I want you as men to be governed by the action of this convention, and let that be the end of it. I thank you, gen-lemen for this manifestation of rood will " tlemen, for this manifestation of good will." Applause. | Mr. W. H. Thompson of Hall county was

then called out, and he spoke for ten minutes upon the general prospects that he saw in upon the general prospects that he saw in the future for the party. He dealt is gener-alities mostly, but touched upon tariff in par-ticular, and eulogized prominent democratic comparison of the same from Tilden to Cleve. statesmen all the way from Tilden to Cleveland.

Batty for Temporary Chairman.

And then the committee came in. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ogden, who said he wished to congratulate the democracy of Nebraska upon the intelli-gent gathering of delegates he saw before him who would assist in nominating the wext president of the United States. After

T. J. Manoney said: "The motion made by the gentleman from Otoe county was subject to amendment. It was put to the house and we claim that the galleries voted. We claim a poll of the house and reiterate that de A fielt county delegate wanted the chair to

give a man from the country a chance, and moved as an amendment a call of the coun-ties without contesting delegations on appointing a committee of three from each con-gressional district by such districts as a ommittee on credentials.

The amendment was put and the roll call was declared to be in order. Jim North of Columbus raised the point o

order that it was not in order for a district to select a committee for the whole state. The point was declared to be not well

Martin of Gage raised the point of order that 260 delegates would be thus disfran-chised by such a proceedure. The point was not sustained.

Gallagher of Douglas moved to lay the motion on the table.

No Wonder He Doubted.

In spite of vigorous protest Gallagher's substitute was put and, after a howing vote the chair announced himself in doubt. [A voice, "Look out for Gallagher the trick

Frank White of Cass offered as an amend ment to the amendment the appointment of eighteen members to be fairly chosen from the various congressional districts, and none to be from counties having contesting delega tions.

Knox county demanded to know why the

oll call was interrupted. Mahoney of Douglas raised the point of order that a call of counties was in order on the motion to lay on the table to solve the loubt in the chairman's mind, and he again demanded a call of the roll upon the motion to lay on the table. The chairman then de-cided to call the roll and a cheer wont up.

Offutt of Douglas wanted to know if dele-gates being prima facio accredited as such affidavits. were entitled to vote. The chair ruled that the finding of the central committee would be the rule for gov-ernment in that matter. The motion which

was to be laid on the table was that made by the gentleman from Holt county to appoint nmittee of eighteen on credentials. Pandemonlum again broke loose, and an attempt was made to start the roll call, but was again interrupted. Twenty men were celling at the chairman and he became very much confused.

Heaven and Earth Met.

The call of the roll proceeded amid tremen-dous confusion. The motion to have the chair appoint a committee of eighteen on credentials was the motion then being voted on and the vote proceeded fairly well unti Douglas county had been reached. Then the Douglas county had been reached. Then the storm in all its fury broke forth. The Boyd delegation made an attempt to vote, but before the vote had been recorded Mr. Mahoney got the floor. The silence was su-preme as he began to speak. He demanded fair treatment, and declared that the central committee had no right to decide the Doug-las county context without first submitting las county contest without first submitting it to the convention. Mr. Mahoney's re-marks were greeted by tremendous applause. Offutt of Douglas insisted that the action of the state central committee should be the guide and that the Douglas county delega-tion that had been favored by the central ommittee should be the only one allowed to

The Donglas county vote of 103 votes was recorded under the "No" heading. On went the roll call and the hum of cosversation formed a bass accompaniment to the tenor of the secretary as he piped out the names of the counties. It was whispered through the hall that the Boyd men would attempt to secure an adjournment at mid-night, but the country delegates were not inclined to the idea.

Tabled Very Decidedly.

When the call of the roll was completed the secretary announced the result as being 97 for the appointment of the committee by the chair and 400 against. The result was

received with applause. A gentleman from Frontier county then called for the previous question, which was to appoint a committee of nine on creden-The motion was seconded. tials M. V. Gannon again should forth to the convention the claims of the Martinites. "This delegation is always found in the fore front. We are not like some of the gen-

tlemen in the other delegation, who come

committee organized with Mr. Ireland as chairman, and the contest cases from Chey enne, Cuming and Hitchcock counties were taken up before calling the more intensely nteresting case begotten and still owned by Douglas county, each contestant to be a

lowed fifteen minutes. The Cheyenne county case was presented by Messrs, Reagan and McIntosh. This proved to be largely a personal fight betwee the two gentlemen. Messrs, France and Crawford presented

the case of Cuming county, which involved the right of the county central committee to appoint delegates to a state convention in stead of having them elected by a county onvention.

Mr. Hughes delivered his little speech re garding the Hitchcock county row. As it was then nearly 1 o'clock and the temperature of the room was uncomfortably low, the committee adjourned to the Paxton cafe, where the Douglas county case was

Mr. North wanted to exclude the reporters but masked it under a motion to keep out al disinterested parties in order to "preserve order," but under pressure admitted that he wanted the report of the doings before th committee kept out of the papers for fear o the effect it might have on the doings of the convention when it came to act on the com

mittee's report. Mr. Parker stated that the reporters would get the report anyway, whether they were inside or out, and he favored allowing them o remain

It was decided to leave the matter to the contestants and contestees, and thus it was that the reporters were invited to remain and make themselves comfortable. Started on Affidavits.

It was agreed that each side should have forty-five minutes to present its case and Mr. Mahoney, in behalf of the Martin fac-

began reading from a good sized pile of The affidavits alleged fraud and intimidation on the part of the Boyd men at the primaries, and unfair and unjust treatment of and conspiracy against the Martin faction in the convention. They desired to throw th vote of the Seventh ward on the ground that the Boyd men voted forty votes that did not belong in the ward and then secured a ma-

jority of but eighteen. It was alleged that railway employes did not vote their free choice, but voted the Boyd ticket under dictation and in fear that they would otherwise lose their positions in

the employ of railway companies. Mr. Mahoney's principal point was that several of the Martin delegates were deprived of a scat or voice in the convention, and that if the rightfully elected delegates had been seated, the Martin faction would have had a clear majority. He spoke for sixty three minutes, and Mr. Offutt was then given an inning. He stated that after the Martin faction withdrew a majority was still left at the Boyd convention. At 3 o'clock Mr. Offutt still had the floor

and there was no prospect of an early set-tlement of the dispute. The Boyd faction had about 500 affidavits to read, and they were being patiently waded through.

BEFORE THE START.

How the War Horses Spent the Time Prior to Assembling. It rained in Omaha yesterday. Out doors it rained water, but about the leading hotels it

appeared to rain democrats. From every corner of the state on every in coming train came the unterrified to attend the state convention which meets tonight at Exposition hall. The Paxton hotel became the vortex of the political mailstrom. Al-

though several of the district delegations had headquarters at other hotels, the great tides of migr tion were set toward the Paxton. One thing soon became evident to the man who circulated among the delegates. It was that the country delegations did not wish to take a partisan stand upon the Boyd-Martin embroglio. Many of the county delegations

had their own little kettles of fish, and they preferred to attend to them and let the Douglas county fight stand in statu quo until the convention was called. Another thing could be easily seen. The

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Not Exactly Friendly. Expressions from the younger men par

ticularly wore very far from friendly, but the general feeling seemed to be one of in tense satisfaction. Various members of the captured party were pointed out to the friends in the crowds by those who knew

them. This was particularly true of all the Johnson, Crook, Western and Converse county men who were known. General bitterness was manifested towards a few who seemed to be the objects of undisguised hatred. Altogether, however, it was a re-

markably orderly procession. The troops who had looked for trouble vere pleasantly disappointed. Their arrival was providential. Scarcely anything else could have actually saved the stockmen. Militia were of no avail even if they were to be secured and had any of the besiegers' blood been, spilled no sheriff's posse could have restrained wholesale violence. The besiegers had worked with extraordinary en ergy. It was generally felt that matters would have come to a "showdown" some time today, but for the interference of the militia.

The circle of rifle pits were carried for ward energetically during the night and the line of investment by daylight had narrowed down to painfully small proportions with the apparently doomed stockmen in the ranch house in the middle.

Expected Much Bloodshed,

All of the besiegers were confident of a speedy outcome, but they realized that the final assault would succeed only by the loss of much blood. All of the besieged looked haggard and careworn. They had evidently not slept much for the previous four days and looked ti**red** and worn out. Only one man of the besieged party had been injured. He was

one of the imported Texans named Lowrey. He had been struck in the groin by a striv bullet and is dangerously hurt. In the march the crowd was kept at a distance from the troops.

Under Arrest at the Fort. The march to the fort was made in about two hours. At Fort McKinney all of the men were formally placed under arrest. What most of them required was rest and sleep, and at the carliest moment possible

they all disappeared from view to recruit their wasted onergies. Every one of the party will be indicted.

The feeling is that They have brought this upon themselves and that they must and should be made to suffer whatever penalties the law may inflict. A rumor that when the ranchmen surrendered the dead body of W. C. Irvine was found there while Major Wolcott was fatally wounded created a tremendous sensation here. It was traced down and prove to be a canard without the least foundation in fact.

TROOPS ON THE MOVE.

They Will Aid the State of Wyoming in Putting Down the War.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 13 .- A telegram was received at the war department this afternoon from Brigadier General Brooke, transmitting the following telegram from Colonel J. J. Van Horne, Eighth infantry, at Ft. McKinney, Wyo.:

"Your telegram of this date referring to

CASPER, Wyo., April 13- Special Tele gram to THE BEE. |-Last night Jeff Dunbar cented. a gambler, snot and killed Lowis Adams, a S. Thompson, civil service commissioner, as Mexican negro, familiarly called Joaquin. omptroller of the company. He is a shoep shearer by trade. He came It was resolved that the pension of \$37,500 here from Rock Springs, Wyo. It was a year, awarded ex-President Beers by the former board of trustees, should not be paid. Mr. Beers was not present at the election for the first time in thirty-three years. Ho cold blooded murder, without seemingly any provocition. The examination and inques

morning. Dunbar was held to the district Fort Robinson Troops Under Orders.

ourt without bonds.

vere held last night and lasted till this

Four Romisson, Neb., April 13.- (Special Telegram to THE BEE. - The cattlemen' war has struck this post. Sixty picked mer and horses, under command of Captain John F. Guilfole and Lieutenant Jacason, are under orders to hold themselves in readiness t take the field in Wyoming at a moment's no tice. For transportation they have six six mule teams and ten pack mules, and are to go by rail to the end of the road, presumably Gillette, Wyo.

TROOPS ORDERED OUT,

General Brooke Sends Three Campanie

Into the Field in Wyoming. In accordance with instructions received at nidnight from Washington by the commanding officer of the department of the Platte a telegraphic order was sent to the com mandant at Fort McKinney, Wyo., ordering the three troops of the Sixth cavalry sta tioned there to proceed at once to the scene of the difficulty between the cattleme and rustlers, in accordance with Governor Barber's request of the president. As the distance between the fort and the seat of warfare is only about twenty-five miles, it i tated ut headquarters that the troops would reach there by daylight.

General Brooke expressed the opinior thi-morning that the situation had been exagger Liverpool tousy with 901 head of cattle, ac ated by the newspaper correspondents. While he did not question the real facts as alleged regarding the actions of the armed Neb. All are in prime condition. contending forces said to be in the field, he was disposed to regard the reports of bloodshed with some allowance. He did not think that the number killed was anything like what had been reported. He said that he had received no official in his four sons and a man named Dompsoy

formation on the subject and therefore could only form his conclusions from his general cnowledge of the situation and what he read in the newspapers.

VIEWED AT HOME.

What the Wyoming Papers Say of the Present Demonstration.

Laramie Boomerang: Is an anti-Chines rlot any worse than an organized and armed nvasion f

high barometer over the lake region the Rock Springs Independent: Under such storm center, which on Tuesday evening was circumstances the only thing for the stockin northern Texas and this morning in men to do is to organize for self-protection and give the cattle thieves to understand Kansas, is now only in southers Iowa. As that if the law is powerless to protect them expected, it crossed the lower Missouri val ley during the day, and generally rainy weather attended it. At Omaha the rain and snow fall up to 7 p. m. amounted to 1.13 inch. It is now snowing in Wisconsin, Iowa they can protect themselves.

Cheyenne Leader: It is a deplorable state of affairs which now exists in Johnson county and the outcome of it all no man can foresee People are beginning to fear the worst. They cannot see the good which it is claimed will ultimately come out of this sad business nor will they believe it will render human life safer on the ranges hereafter. The accounts of the affair sunt out to the eastern press, even if they should literally describe what takes place, will not produce a good impres-sion abroad, neither will they tend to encourage emigration to Wyoming, Infrac citizens, whether high or low, will not en courage respect for the law in any other di-

For Missouri-Fair in southwest; thunder storms in northeast, followed by clearing weather; colder; northwest gales. Cheyenne Sun: It is very plain that the cattle interests of the state are not protected, and it is well known that cattle owners have been ordered away from their property. It is west winds. also a fact, beyond dispute, that the rustlers in Johnson county have assumed to handle Thursday night; variable winds. For Iowa - Thunder storms Thursday the range cattle in defiance of the law, hav-ing already driven out the owners. Twenty-two of the best citizens of Buffalo are desirafternoon; high winds, becoming northwest erly. For Nebraska-Generally fair: proceeded nated for destruction by the rustlers. Their by showers or snow flurries east; variable winds; warmer by Thursday night. names are on the death list simply they expressed their disapprobation of the

Special gram to The Bes. |- This afternoon the rain turned to snow and there are now heavy drifts. There is every symptom of a blizzard. trains are reported late on nearly all the roads.

FLOOD OF THE TOMBIGBEE.

Lowlands Inundated and West Point, Miss., Surrounded by Water.

MOBILE, Ala., April 13 .- The Tombigbee river at Demopolis is rising six inches an hour. Great areas of lowlands planted to corn and cotton are under water. The high water mark of 1874 will probably be passed today. Every railroad is washed out and nearly all the wires are down. Every large bridge in the county has been washed away and much stock lost. West Point, Miss., is surrounded by water and cut off from the rest of the world.

NEW ORLEANS, La., April 13.-The Pica-yune's West Port, Miss., special says: "Relighted and placed on the table in the room ports sent out from this point of the devasta-tion caused by the late washouts have not where the children were playing. The lamp in falling struck a chair and in breaking been at all exaggerated, but, in fact, under-stated. Destruction both of property and life has been the result and the end is not Mrs. Coulin rushed to the assistance of her childran and succeeded in extinguishing the vet reached. The Mobile, Georgia & Atlanflames that had enveloped them. But the frantic mother, looking more to the safety o the and Illinois Contral have been blocked for the past ten days, but the first named was a day. The first train this week on the Georgia Pacific started today, but did not caught fire. Frantic with pain, caused by the flames that were enveloping her, she rushed into the street, and before assistance go as far as Columbus. On accout of high water the Illinois Central will be required to could reach her the flesh on her face, right arm and side was burned to a crisp. He get up another track. The Tomuigbee is as high as ever and causing great damage. There are reports of loss on every river in life for a time was despaired of, but she may this country, all the drowned being negroes. Much stock has been drowned and crops washed away, and planting is retarded. Re-ports continue to come of the great damage to projecty and life in Columbia and on the special Shipment of Nebraska Cattle Reach LIVERPOOL, April 13. - Special Cablegram

river near that city. The damage to bridges and stock and build-ngs and crops in this county will reach \$100,000.

Bigh Water at Memphis

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 13.-The Mississippi at this point is booming and is tonight within three inches of the danger line and rising. A large area of lowlands on the Arkanens line near the city is flooded and between Walnut Bend and Council Bend, fifty miles below this city on the same side, about 500 acres of corn has been washed out. No serious damage or loss of life has been reported. A lot of colored Oklahoma "boom-ers" who left here last Saturday for an overland trip in wagons were water-bound in the Arkansas bottoms a few miles from Memphis. They sent a contingent back to this city to tell of their distress, and collections have been taken up in the different churches for their benefit. The money collected will be sent the belated negroes to enable them to proceed on their journey by

High Water in Manitoba

WINNIPEO, April 13 .- The Rod and Assiniboine rivers are on the rampage. Parts of the Northern Pacific railway transfer are under water. Five big bridges are in imminent danger of being swept away. Basements are flooded and goods are being removed from the river front.

BOSTON, April 13 .- The triends of Rev.

Edward Everett Hale have arranged to give

the distinguished elergyman and outbor a

reception at the Hotel Vendoms on Monday

afternoon, April 15. A banquet will follow

in the evening. In their letter asking Dr.

Hale's consent to the reception, his friends say: "When we endeavor to count the in-numerable good and great things that you have accomplished, we should almost be willing to credit their author with twice the

number of years you have seen." Signed to the latter are the names of William E. Rus-sul, John G. Whittier, Oliver Wendell Holmes, George William Curtis, R. W. Gilder, Bishop Phillips, Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott, George F. Hoar, B. F. Butler and many others.

Declared Their Independence.

BUENOS AVRES, April 18.-The legislature

of the Brazilian province of Matto Grosso has declared that state independent of the republic of Brazil.

many others.

To Honor Edward Everett Hale.