## MORRISON'S LITTLE

Illinois Democrats Said to be Working Against Cleveland.

HOW THE EX-PRESIDENT NOW STANDS

Washington Followers of the Party Insist That Grover Has the Only Organization Worthy of the Name-He Will Probably Be Nominated.

WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE BEE, 513 FOURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., June 15. The boom for Colonel W. R. Morrison of Illinois for first place on the democratic ticket has developed remarkable strength within the last few days, and it is now really the most prominent of any of the so-called booms which have been noticed at the national capital, with the single exception of that for Mr. Cleveland,

Mr. Morrison is now the second choice of most of the men in Washington who are primarily for Cleveland, if it can be shown conclusively that it would not be bad policy to nominate him. This situation has brought about by the clever of Messrs. Forman, Fithian, and other "Egyptianites," and by the natural affinities existing between Messrs. Morrison and Cleveland in the minds of many politicians here. Mr. Morrison has usurped the place which was until recently occupied by Governor Gray of Indiana, and there are not a few men to be found in Washington now who look upon "Horizon-tal" Bill as the coming man. Colonel Morrison was nimself at the capi-

tol today, assiduously trying to spread this boilef to put his boom on a more substantial foundation. He had a long conference with the members of the Hilinois delegation, but not one of them would divulge what was the purport of their talk. Mr. Morrison later in the afternoon visited the senate chamber, and there held an earnest conversation with democratic senators, and it is very evident this evening that the author of horizon-tal tariff reform has his lightning rod ele-Cleveland's Forces Organized.

Aithough there is much talk of other can didates for the nomination of the Chicago convention there is no mistaking the fact that two-thirds or more of the politicians in Washington are confident in the belief that ex-President Cloveland will carry off the prize easily. Pretty much the same thing is occur at Chicago as was witnessed last week at Minneapolis, and most people here are looking for Mr. Cleveland's nomination on the first ballot. This conclusion has been reached after consul-tation between the brightest politicians on the democratic side of the upper house, and is due to the fact that Cleveland will have in the Chicago convention a thoroughly organized body of friends.

ized body of friends.

At Chicago, as at Minneapolis, organization is bound to tell, and many of the democrats who are not enthusiastic Cleveland men insist that the ex-president is the only democrat who has an organization worthy of the name. Of course there will be a great many votes cast for "favorite sons." but these are in the main "favorite sons," but these are in the main nothing more than complimentary and it is believed that any attempt to center them on any other candidate than Cleveland would necessarily be a failure. Even earnest adherents of Hill admit that Cleveland has a majority of the delegates but they claim that majority of the delegates but they can't that he will find it next to impossible to secure the necessary two-thyrds. Against this it is agreed that the majority candicate, with the exception of Van Buren, has always suc-

Congressman Frederick Edward White of the Sixth Iowa district, and a new member today created something of a sensation in the house. During the discussion of the tin bill he made a speech as remarkable for its style as for its radicalism. With the rough exterior of his calling, that of a farmer, and with a sligh German accent denoting his foreign birth he, without a note, and apparently with the greatest ease, struck straight to the heart of his subject. When Mr. White arose he shared the fate of new members and received but scant attention, but he had not proceeded far before an audience began to gather, and soon he had caught every ear in the house. The clearness of his reasoning, its strength and the beauty of language and the sincerity of his manner astonished and thrilind his audience of veteran speakers, and when after speaking perhaps half an hour he attempted o stop a chorus of voices cried: "Go on, go

He held his audience, republican and democrat allke, for an hour and a half, and when he at length sat down every man in the house crowded up to shake hands with him. It was the unanimous expression that Mr. White had made the strongest speech of the session and had at a bound established himself as one of the most brilliant cham pions of the rapidly strengthening radica wing of the democratic party in the house of representatives.

Returning from Minneapolis. Ex-Speaker Reed is one of the latest pil-grims to return from Minneapolis. He was asked soon after be reached the capital to tell what he thought of the convention.

"Are you newspaper men absolutely merciless?" was his only reply.
Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota is, however, not adverse to expressing himself. It will be remembered that he was a Blame man at the convention at which all the six South Dakota delegates voted for Mr. Har

"I do not say," said he this evening, "that it will be impossible to re-elect Mr. Harrison but I think it is very doubtful. I think the country has reached the stage where it does not desire to give a president a second term. You see, during a long term of four years the president's every act and movement is subject to the closest scruting and there are bound to be a number of dis One man will say that he does not like the president because he did this, another dislikes him because he did that and so it comes about that there are several voters in pretty nearly every precinct who fail to go to the polis on election day. It was for this reason that I took the stand I did, because I really believed that Mr. Harrison would be a hard man to elect in view of these facts. However, now that he is nominated, every republican must do his best to carry the election next November. There will be no

sulking so far as I am concerned. Miscellaneous. Mr. A. McDonald was today appointed postmaster at Argane, Jones county, Ia. and Mr. J. Porter at Mooreroft, Crook county,

The First National bank of Spirit Lake, Ia, has been authorized to begin business with a capital of \$50,000. P. S. H.

PETITION FROM COLORED PEOPLE.

Peffer Presents One to the Senate-A Ne

braska Scheme-Washington Notes. Washington, D. C., June 15.-In presenting a petition in the senate today from the colored people in Riley county, Kansas, in relation to the prevalence of lynch law, Mr. Peffer stated that from newspaper reports the practice was growing in all parts of the country, north, south, east and west. Many poor people-particularly colored-were being bounded and hunted and hanged or shot to death when merely suspected of crime. It was time he thought, for the American con-gress to take action in that matter, and he hoped the judiciary committee (to which the petition was referred) would report promptly.

Could Not Agree. The committee on the river and harbor bill have failed to reach as agreement and have decided to report that fact to the two houses and ask for instructions. The conferces, it is learned, disagreed hopelessly upon the new Oregon and Washington projects. They were

both senate amendments, one appropriating \$187,500 for the improvement of the Columbia at Three Mile rapids, including the construction of a boat railway around the Dalies, with authority to make a contract for the comple-tion of the work at a total cost of \$2,676,262, and an amendmendment appropriating \$200,-000 for the construction of a ship canal connecting lakes Union and Washington with Puget sound.

Want Them Paid in Silver.

Senator Paddock today presented rather an odd petition signed by S. A. Howe and 110 other citizens of York county, Nebraska, urging in future the salaries of all senators and representatives in favor of free and unlimited coinage of silver be paid in silver and silver only.

General Schofield said this afternoon that

General Miles at Chicago was last night ordered to send troops to Guthrie, Okl., for the purpose of assisting in the preservation of peace and good order. This action was based on information that serious trouble was apprehended in that city, but no trouble has yet occurred so far as he is aware. The Treasury department today purchased 08,000 ounces of silver at \$0.89J.

FOUR LONG HOURS OF SILVER.

Advocates of the White Metal in the Senate Earnestly Plead Its Cause. WASHINGTON, D. C., June 15.-The sepate spent four hours today in a debate on the silver bill, Mr. Morgan occupying about three-fourths of that time in an eleborate presentation of arguments in support of the measure. His speech was not so directly aimed, as some of his preceding speeches on the same subject were, at supposed candidates for the presidential nomination. Mr. Morgan did criticise, however, the silver plank in the Minneapolis convention as timid and irresolute, while he gave it the credit of being a step to the front, and as to the Chicago convention, Mr. Morgan said that democracy would have also to step to the front and declare not only that silver should be equal with gold, but that it should have the right of free coinage. And he threatened that if such a declaration were suppressed at any man's bidding that man would be in turn suppressed at the bidding of the people.

In another part of his speech he applied

the presidential aspirants (in addition to the winners) the sporting phrases of the "dark horses," the "beaten norses," the "bandicapped horses," the "spavined horses" and the "colts."

Palmer Makes Suggestions.

He was followed by Mr. Palmer, who moved to strike out all of the bill except the first section, which fixes the standard of gold and silver dollars, makes those coins leval tender and permits owners of silver or gold bullion to have it minted for their benefit and without charge. He declined to answer the question whether if that motion was agreed to be would vote for the bill.

Mr. Stewart had something to say in sup port of the bill. No action was taken on the bill, and Mr. Morrill is to address the senate in opposition to it tomorrow before, as he put it, "all the other side of the chamber should have left for Chicago."

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 15 .- After the transaction of some routine business the house went into committee of the whole on the fortification apprepriation oil. Mr. Breckinridge in charge of the bill briefly explained its purpose. It appropriates \$3,412,-372-being \$1,362,427 less than the amount of the bill of last year-and authorizes the secwork involving a further expenditure of \$1,-376,600.

After some debate the committee rose and the bill was passed.

The house then went into committee of the whole on revenue bills. The first bill called up by Mr. Snively was the bill to re-duce the duty on tin plate. He had evidently giver the question great study and his which elicited a great deal of applause from his party colleagues, bristied with figures and was attentively listened to Mr. White of lowa delivered his maiden speech in favor of the bill, which was very

After further discussion the committee rose and the house adjourned.

Homeopathists Adjourn. Washington, D. C., June 15. - At the morn ing session of the American Institute of Homeopathy the reports of the board of censors, the auditing committee, the committee on medical education and the com-mittee on medical legislation were read and Chicago was unanimously chosen as the

next place of meeting and the time was left to the executive committee. Adjourned.

CASHIER STARRETT ARRESTED

Affairs of the Platte Valley Bank Culminate in Charges of Embezziement. CENTRAL CITY, Neb., June 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-S. B. Starrett, the defaulting cashier of the Piatte Valley bank, which closed a week ago, was arrested today on a warrant sworn out by County Attorney Ewing. He is charged with embezziement

The bank examiner has made a report which has not yet been made public, but those in the best position to know say that they know of some crooked work on the books and it is believed the examiner has found others. At least those most directly interested here deny having anything to do with his arrest, and it is believed it has been done on orders from Lincoln.

The bank has been reorganized as a stock company, the heaviest depositors taking most of the stock, and will open again on Monday, June 27.

Michigan's Crop Outlook. Lansing, Mich., June 15.-The Michigan crop report for June shows the condition of wheat as compared with average years as 92 per cent, which is better with one exception than in any year since 1885. The acreage of corn planted is not up to the average, owing to the large rainfall, it being 82 per cent in the state. The acreage of oats and barley is 12 per cent below the average and the average condition of the state is 85 per cent. The outlook for a full crop of apples and peaches is better than the six years past, the figures for the former being 193 and the latter 95 per cent of an average crop.

WEATHER FORECAST.

OFFICE OF WEATHER BUREAU, ) The storm center has moved off northeastward across the Lake Superior region, leaving a trough of low pressure extending from Lake Superior southwestward to Mexico, In this trough another storm is developing in southeastern Colorado. Temporature has risen in the central valleys and fallen in the upper mountain regions as far south as Denver. There is about 300 difference in temperature between northern and southern Colorado. It is now raining in northern and western Nebraska, and show have occurred to the upper Mississippi vai-ley and from Colorado and Utah northward For Eastern Nebraska-Slightly warmer.

For Eastern Nebraska—Slightly warmer, with showers during Thursday.
For Omaha and Vicinity—Warmer, fair weather during the day followed by showers Thursday night or Friday, much cooler weather approaching.
Washington, D. C., June 15.—For Nebraska—Cooler, partly cloudy weather and local rains; winds shifting to northwest; fair Friday night. fair Friday night.

For Iowa-Partly cloudy weather and local rains; south, later shifting to west, winds; cooler Thursday night.
For South Dakota-Cooler, northwest winds and fair.

For North Dakota-Fair, warmer, variable

ANTE-CONVENTION CHATTER

Democratic Delegates Already Assembling at Chicago.

INAUGURATING BOOMS FOR CANDIDATES

Cleveland, Boles, Palmer and Hill have Representatives on the Ground-How the Situation Looks at Present-Political Pointers from Everywhere.

Cuicago, Ill., June 15 .- The democratic national convention is snowing the first signs of becoming a thing of life. Its start has been made, and by tomorrow it will begin to grow until by next Tuesday the biggest convention the democratic party has ever had will be fullgrown. Mr. Boies' managers from Iowa started the boom for their favorite early this morning by establishing their headquarters at the Palmer house and were kept busy during the day sending out Boles documents and pamphlets showing the great popularity and safety of their favorite son. The lowa people are inclined to believe that the convention will be a long one and that Boles will be nominated on the seventh or eighth ballot.

The Cleveland men are not to be outdone by the Hawkeyes and they have established umilar quarters at the Grand Pacific where two handsome young ladies are hard at work sending out letters, circulars and articles to various weak delegates who, it is supposed. are to be won over if the proper evidence is shown that Cleveland is the strongest can didate.

Hillites on a Still Hunt,

The Hill men seem to be on a still hunt. Only one Hillite has so far put in an appearance, and he is Caarles F. Peck of New York. But this individual has enough enthusiasm for half a dozen men and is loudly proclaim ing the virtues of David B. and his great ability as a vote-getter.

The national committee will be the first or ganized body to get to work, and through its subcommittees on arrangements is already preparing for the accommodation and seating at the convention of delegates.

None of the national committeemen except Secretary Sherin and Treasurer Canda of New York are here, and on them and Hon. Richard Bright, the sergeant-at-arms, who has acted in a similar capacity several times, devolves the work of making everything ready for work. They spent a considerable part of the morning at the wigwam, overseeing what was in progress. The members of the national committee will begin arriving tomorrow, and on Friday there will be a full meeting of the committee on arrangements of the national committee, at which the plans for the convention will be definitely settled upon and approved.

Squabbling Over Tickets.

The representatives here of the arrange ment committee bave quite a little fight or their hands with the local democratic or-ganizations over the distribution of tickets to the convention and the chief work of the meeting of Friday night will be to settle this matter.

The national committee of the democratic party has much less important functions to perform than the republican national com perform than the republican national com-mittee, so far as respects the organization of the convention and for this reason is not so essential a factor in the presidential fight. The temporary organization of the repub-lican national convention is quite a formal affair, involving the grant by the com-mittee of prima facie title to seats. The temporary organization of the demo cratic convention is very informal in its nature and the national committee does no undertake to pass upon the credentials o contesting delegations, that being left to the whole convention through its committee

Talked of for Temporary Chairman. The national committee has appointed a subcommittee, of which John C. Haskell o Columbia, S. C., is chairman, to select temporary chairman, temporary secretary and other subordinate officers for the convention. This report will be presented to the full committee, which meets Monday, for approval, and with the adoption or rejection of the suggestion of the national committee to the convention of officers for preliminary organization will end, practically, the vention will then itself decide upon the manner in which its affairs shall be conducted, and will name the necessary committees. Thus far the only names mentioned around headquarters for temporary chair man is that of A. E. Stevenson of Illinois, and ex-Governor Campbell of Ohio but Henry Watterson of Kentucky has been spoken of for the honor in the press and elsewhere. Until the arrival of delegates

and national committeemen, the field is widopen for speculation. The differences between the mode of organ zation of the two conventions, it is said by those democrats here, will be still further emphasized by the course of individual mem-bers of the national committee, and these and all other distinctions between the two

parties will be brought out, Will Leave It all to the Delegates. Mr. Sherin, secretary of the national com-mittee, said that he did not believe that any members of the national committee would enter actively in the nomination canvass and endeavor by whatever influence they migh have to change the course of the convention

There are three places to fill on the na tional committee, two caused by death and one by resignation of members since the last meeting. C. A. Brondwater of Montana and the late John S. Barbour of Virginia have died, and J. H. Estill of Savannan, Ga., re-

but would leave the delegates to decide that

signed from membership.

The Boics boomers say it is first place for Iowa's favorite or nothing. They do no want second place on the ticket for nim, having a design to send him to the senate wher the proper time comes, if he is not the presi-dential candidate, and have already selected John F. Dancombe of Fort Dodge to place their candidate in the field.

Boles' Bustling Boom.

Arrangements are being made for a dem-onstration in favor of Governor Boies, which will open the eyes of democrats from the south and east who have heard of Iowa's democratic governor in a desultory and cas-ual way only, and have not regarded him as of the national reputation necessary for a presidential nomination. A number of clubs from all parts of lown will be here in strength and they will make the name of Boies known everywhere, On behalf of Boles it is being urged that he has demonstrated his ability to carry

lowa if nominated. Mr. Suaver of Dubuque, speaking on this point, said: "Boles was elected on the largest vote ever polled, not excepting any presidential election. There were 16,000 more votes polled last year than n 1888, and, not withstanding this. Governor increased his plurality from 6,500 to We have yet to discover a man who voted for him for governor who would not vote for him again; we have reason to be-lieve him to be as strong in Wisconsin as in lows and his opposition to sumptuary legislation will make him popular all over the coun-

With Lightning Rods Erected.

The so-called Hill "big four" -Colonel tichard Croker, Boss McLaughlia, Edward Richard Croker, Boss McLaugung, Murphy and Lieutenant Governor Sheehau— The probabilities are will arive tomorrow. The probabilities are that the entire opposition to Cleveland will be combined and directed by the Hill men, who, when convinced that there is no possible chance for their man, will center upon a dark borne. a dark horse. The dark horse contingents are apt to unite in one strong legion, tellev-ing that if the tide sets against Cleveland it will also make Hill's chances hopeless, and the lightning is then apt to strike on one of

There are strong indications that the

Cleveland opposition will assist Dan Voorbees of Indiana in making trouble for Governor Gray, the latter in his probable capacity of vice presidential candidate with

Cleveland being a great pillar of strength in the Cleveland column,

Illinois Delegation.

The position which the Illinois delegation The position which the Illinois delegation is to occupy in the national convention is still one of extreme uncertainty and of engressing interest to the politicians. Their state convention instructed the delegates, in case it should be deemed expedient to come west for a candidate, to use all honorable means to secure the nomination of Senator Paimer of Illinois, but since that time it has come to public knowledge that the friends of Colonel William B. Morrison by skiliful management successed in gaining control of the delegation, and the question now is, whether

agement successed in gaining control of the delegation, and the question now is, whether Cleveland, Palmer, or Morrison is to have the support of the Ellinois delegation, "I have sent out a call for a meeting of the Illinois delegation on Friday next," said Secretary Neison of the state committee, "and I presume the policy of the delegation will then be generally discussed."

J. J. Malone of Tacoma, Wash., reached the Palmer house teday. Though not a delegate himself, Mr. Malone is practically the courier of the Washington delegation. Mr. Malone says Washington, Montana and the coast states, so far as he knows, are for Cleveland. He thinks Cleveland will be nominated and elected. Delegate-at-Large Griggs of Washington, who is expected today, is the only anti-Cleveland man in the delegation. delegation.

Contests to Be Settled.

John C. Kayse of Sau Francisco, delegate to the national convention, is at the Wellington. He things Cleveland will be nominated. The Missouri and Kansas crowds will arrive Sunday morning. Colorado, Utah, Nevada and Wyoming at 7 a. m., Monday, now and Arkanas, at 4.45 day next, and Texas and Arkansas at 4:45 Sunday afternoon. The Nebraska delegation is due to arrive Saturday evening. Up to this afternoon the secretary of the national committee, Mr. Sherin, had learned of only four reported contests, and the information that the secretary of the national committee, Mr. Sherin, had learned of only four reported contests, and the information that the secretary of the secretary mation in these cases came indirectly, there being no requirement that delegations should file papers with the national committee whenever contests are to arise, the committee of-ficially knowing nothing of them. The prin-cipal contest, aside from the one in New York cipal contest, aside from the one in New York between the February and May convention detegations, will come from Louisiana, where there is a hot fight between rival organizations, arising out of the lottery question. One district in Pennsylvania is also the subject of contest, and from the District of Cclumbia Morris and Davis come here as the regulars, and opposed to them are William Dickson, a member of the national committee, and one associate. The former are Cleveland and the latter anti-Cleveland men. In Florida an ugly fight threatened to de-In Florida an ugly fight threatened to develop, but it was averted by the patching up of difficulties under an agreement that each side should have one-half a vote each.

New York's Fighting Factions. The records of preceding conventions of the democratic party show that it has been quite customary for states having contests when they are reached in the roll callto rewhen they are reached in the roll call to request that they be passed and that no members of the committee or credentials and other committees be appointed from such state pending a final determination by the credentials committee and the convention of the persons entitled to the seats. In this way a state does not become the judge of its own case. In New York state the conditions of the contest are extraordinary and it is not of the contest are extraordinary and it is not known here whether or not the usual method will be followed or the regularly elected dele-gates take part in the organization and ignore the claims of the anti-midwinter men But with this the national committee wil

have nothing to do.

Speaking of this matter Secretary Sherin said: "Mr. Canda and Teach have a great deal to attend to, but it is all executive and not political, and if ty were not for the distribution of tickets, placing of seals and work of that kind, we could all go out and that he is the seal of the seals and the seals are seals and seals are seals and seals are seals and seals are seals as the seals are seals and seals are seals as seals are seals and seals are seals as seals are seals are seals as seals are seals are seals as seals are seal

To Shout for Their Favorites.

Friday upon the arrival of the landers of the February and May conventions.

The visiting clubs will be a great feature of the Chicago convention. The Boies adherents are planning for about 2,000 clubmen and the convention of the chicago convention. in uniform to come here and shout for th favorite son of the corn state. This is a many in numbers as all the clubs at Minne-apolis aggregated. The Des Moines, Ia, club, which will arrive Sunday, is put down for 500 men. The Duckworth club of Cincinnate will be here 200 strong, the Jackson club of Columbus, O., will be here in force. The Buffalo Cleveland club is expected to have 300 men in line. The Young Men's Demo-cratic club of Philadelphia, 250; the Kansas City Young Men's Democratic club, 175. Indiana will send its dub cohorts here in great numbers, and clubmen from Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois and other near by states will be here in large humbers. has engaged extensive quarters and can b looked to confidently to show up in strength Eight hundred men it is said will co from that organization. The anti-snappers will also have clubs here with good-sized ranks. Most of the delegations will arrive

WON ON THE PIRST BALLOT.

Saturday or Sunday.

Andrews of Adams Nominated by Fift District Republicans. McCook, Neb., June 15 .- | Special Tele gram to THE BEE. |-The republican congres sional convention for the Fifth district was held here today. The delegates commenced to arrive last night ou the late trains. Hon. W. E. Andrews of Adams county, and Hon.

D. M. Nettleton of Clay were the only candi dates before the convention, Colonel J. D Gage having withdrawn from the field. As the delegates arrived from the various counties it was soon apparent that Andrews would be the nomines of the convention.

At 2 p. m. the convention was called to order by J. D. Gage, chairman, and the roll was read by Secretary George P. Reed of the congressional central committee. There were no contests and the list of delegates as presented by the secretary was adopted. J R. McPheely of Minden was elected tem porary chairman of the convention and C. T. R. Williams secretary.

McPheely, on taking the chair, responded with a ringing republican address and called on the republicans assembled to nominate and elect a good republican, as two years of mis representation was enough for one district The temporary organization was made per manent and ex-Governor Abbott of Grand Island, Joe Garber of Webster, John Gam-meli of Frontier, J. W. James of Dundy and A. V. Cole of Adams were appointed a com-

mittee on resolutions. Report of the Committee.

The committee made a report, reaffirming the principles and standing square on the Minneapolis platform a favor of reclamation of the arid hads, coding the same to the states, in favor of substantial pensions to soldiers of the late robellion, in favor of bet-ter outlets to the guif and seaboard for west-ern products and in favor of alding in the development of the best sugar industry. The convention then proceeded to take as informal ballot for congressman which resulted as follows: W. E. Andrews, 93 D. M. Nettleton, 37.

The first formal ballot resulted in the nom

ination of Prof. Andrews, who received 100 yotes, and D. M. Nettleton 24. The nomination was then made unanimous on motion the Clay county delegates, and Hon. W. Andrews of Adams county was declared the republican nominee for congressman for the Fifth district of Nebraska. The convention unanimously selected Hon.

Pifth district. Fifth district.

The central committee for the ensuing term is as follows:
Adams county, Leopoid Hahn; Clay, T. G. McClellan; Chase, James Burke; Dundy, L. Morse; Franklin, C. E. Budlong; Furnas, N. A. Pedigrove; Frontier, A. Wiltsle; Gosper, T. J. Carter; Red Willow, H. H. Trothe; Hayes, J. K. Paxton; Hall, C. P. R. Williams; Harlan, C. A. Luce; Hitchcock, Mac

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How Sturdy Greek and Valorous Persian Chased Each Other in Battle Array.

THEY ALL GOT LOST IN THE SHUFFLE

Red Hot Sham Battle Brought to a Sudden and Unlooked for Close-Skirmishers Who Skirmished - Huge Crowd Out to See the Fan.

Biggest crowd ever on the grounds. That's what there was at Camp Brooke vesterday afternoon. A conservative estimate would be 20,000 people; in fact, that is the very lowest estimate, as the attendance

variously figured at all the way up to 40,000. The sham battle was the great attraction, and although it was, in many respects, the shammest kind of a sham battle, it had many deeply interesting features, and the deficiencies were, to a great extent, excusable. There was plenty of powder burned, there was an abundance of noise and smoke, and what there was of the battle was in the main satisfactory. It was on what there was not that all kicks were based, but the association is hardly responsible for that, as there would have been more of the battle but for an unexpected circumstance. But more of that anon!

It is no small matter to handle crowd of 20,000 reople, but it was very satisfactorily accomplished, and the disagreeable feature yesterday were no more numerous than must be invariably encountered on such an occasion. If they were not there, the term "crowd" would lose its significance, and this was a crowd and don't you forget it. Coming of the Crowd.

Up to noon the grounds were still comparatively deserted, but from that hour the general aspect rapidly changed. Arrangements had been made with the street railway company for a two-minute service on the Sherman avenue line between the center of the city and the camp, and for two hours even that was insufficient to accommodate the thousands who were headed for that common destination. They were landed at the gates about as fast as they could purchase tickets and pass through the three entrances near the southeast corner of the grounds, but even that would not have done the business. Thousands went over the North Twenty-fourth street line, and thousands more passed through the south gate in their carriages. There were still other thousands who got there somehow or other, for not a one got away. They filled the grand stand to overflowing, swarmed over the race course, and lined the quarter stretch.

And still they came. The track was filled with them and the quarter stretch crowd continued to grow until it extended far beyond the limits of the quarter and reached entirely around the half mile track. It even encreached on the parade ground and the prospective battlefield, and then the work of the police began. Don't think for a minute that they didn't have their bands full. Clearing the Battle Field.

Everybody had paid money and wanted to see all there was to see and they objected to being pressed back in a heterogeneous mass of gasping, panting hunanity. Noobdy blamed them for that, but it was a manifest necessity. They had to go, but they yielded unwillingly, and it was a long, hard task that the officers had to accomplish. It was finally necessary in order to companies that were already forming the line of battle to assist in the operation, and ropes were then stretched to keep back the crowd that was densely parked along the entire outh side of the battle field. All other vere driven back to the north side and the

mes were heavily patrolled. The Chicago Zouaves gave a pretty exhibi-tion drill on the parade ground to interest the vast crowd, while the preliminaries for the battle were being arranged, and their be-wildering evolutions evoked storms of ap-

plause. Then came the double quick marching of company after company, hurrying to the place to which it had been assigned, and the general stir that became noticeable through all the vast throng of onlookers in dicated that the grand event was on.

It didn't come off exactly according to program, but there is nothing surprising in that. According to the sacred historian, rest of the dinner set," and this case was no exception to the general rule.

Plan of the Battle, Captain Richards had called all the cap tains of companies together at noon and ex plained to them his plans for the reproduction of the famous battle of Marathon The companies representing the Greeks were o form across the east and of the ground with strong flanks and a weak center, so as to extend their line and protect their flanks from Persian cavalry. At the west end of the grounds the Persians were to form with

a strong center and weak flanks, and make

heir coup de main on the center as was The attack was to be opened by artillery. and then the skirmish lines were to grad-ually advance to within fifty yards of each other, when the Persian charge was to be made, breaking through the Greek center. The Hale Zouaves were to scale the east fence and attack the Persian left, the Per sians to be defeated on the flank the Greeks, who, holding their the Greeks, who, holding their men well in hand, were to make a complete inner wheel, closing up the broken part of their line, and fire into the rear of the Persians thus routing them and winning the battle.
Commander Richards took his captains
over the field, explained the formations and
movements in detail.

Troops in Line,

The Greek line of battle, as formed in ac cordance with this plan, was as follows:
Branch Guards, Captain Sinciair, front live,
right flank, supported by the Fletcher
Rifles; center, Governor's Guard; left flank,
front line, McCarthy Light Guards, supported by the Lima City Guards.
The right of the Portion line was held by

The right of the Persian line was held by the Delvin Cadets; left, University Cadets center of front line, Belknap Rifles supported by the National Fencioles. The Sealy Rifle furnished the skirmish line for the Persia and one platoon of the Fietchers and one o the Lima Citys were detailed for the Greek skirmishers. The artillery was stationed on the north

side of the battle field, and the batteries in-cluded field pieces and machine guns. Colonel Waldron of Fort Smith, adjutant general of the Arkansas National g was given command of the Greeks, Colonel Mount of the Third Regiment. Iow National guard, commanded the Porsians.

Thus far the original plan was followed but no farther. As to the why or wherefore deponent sayeth not; that is the fact. Fought to a Finish.

The battle was engineered from that point just as the individual captains saw fit. The conflict, for the irrepressible Greek skirmish ers were too auxious to begin the carnage. They cut loose while their battery was being wheeled to a more commanding post ion, and they advanced their own at the rate of a mile a minute or less. work might have been a correct imitation of skirmishing on the original fleid of Mar-athon with the changes incident to more modern arms, but it wouldn't do the regulations of the present It smacked more of a general engage engagement and was not in it beside the skirmish firing of the Sealys, who were doing the advance work for the subjects of the shab. As the lines advanced the artiliery began to get in its more or less deadly work, and

ing spurts.
The Persians charged and broke the weak Greek center, driving it back nearly to the

the machine guns opened with powder burn

edge of Marathon's bloody field Grecian flanks regulated their adversary wheeling in behind the flushed Persian compounting a fire, said to be very galling pon the rear of the supposedly victor. The Persians wilted before the arderou fire like grass under the scyther mower.

but they hadn't wilted long bel Domer got his second wind an wavering forces. Gathering the inant of his shuttered band around it like an ill fitting linen duster no led a forlorn hope against the doughty Grecians, and the other companies that were voting and the other companies that were voting the same ticket on that occasion took after

nim like a well-bred pack after the trail hound on a hot scent. And it wasn't such a foriorn hope after all, for the Greekers turned tail and pulled for the top of the bill as if a prairie fire was after them. There From Marathon to Omaha.

What the belligerents intended to do nobody knows, for the flight of Militades was interrupted by an unteward incident. How it happened nobody seems to know, but it was probably an accident. In the mere the McCarthys and Branches were in close quarters, and one of the former slipped and fell. As he went down, his rifle smashed Captain Sinclair of the Branches—biff—behind the ear. The captain old not like it and con-cluding that it had been done purposely swung his trusty sword and smote the reckless private—smash—across the head. That settled it so far as Marathon was concerned, for affairs became decidedly Omahan at once Hot words followed, and the outlook for trouble could not have been brighter. Ready partisans were there to take up the fray, and the officers of the two companies had some difficulty in getting their men to "about facet and march away. Orders were forci-bly reiterated several times before they were obeyed, but the forces were finally separated, and the direct participants were gradually and forcibly crowded apart and each rejoined his

company, tenderly caressing sensitive spots and carefully wiping away imaginary gore, Commandant Richards hastened across the field, waving back the erstwhile contend-ing armies and Marathon's great grand-

daughter dropped into history.

The original intention had been to extend the battle for at least twice the time of its actual duration, and its brevity caused some dissatisfaction among the spectators, who had expected to see several things that did not pan out on the program as expected. They had expected to see the generals mounted and accompanied by their respective staffs; they had auticipated beholding gallant orderlies dashing hither and thuther across the field; and had rather expected to see adoubt a terminal and and are the respected to see adoubt a terminal and are the respected to see adoubt a terminal and are the respected to see adoubt a terminal and are the respected to see adoubt a terminal and are the respected to see adoubt a terminal and are the respected to see a second and the second and the second are the respected to see a second and the second are the second are the second and the second are the rather expected to see redoubts stormed and colors captured. The original Marathon had no redoubts or stands of colors, and in this respect, at least, the reproduc-tion was a correct one, much to the disappointment of the spectators, who would gladly have witnessed a little varia tion from the original in this respect. The companies at once withdrew from the field, and were followed to their quarters in the camp proper by thousands of sightseers,

who for hours wandered up and down through the various company streets making themselves familiar with a soldier's life in camp. Drills and Dress Parade. Exhibition drills were subsequently given by different companies of the various branches, and the crowd had something to look at continuousiv until almost 6:45 o'clock, at which hour there was dress parade, participated in by all the companies

in the camp, attired in their richest uniforms.
All in all it was a great day, a great crowd and a great exhibition. Active work was shown in all branches of the military repre-sented, even to the signal corps of the Cin-

cliniati battery, which was busy not only during the fight, but during much of the It was a crowd that probably will not be duplicated in a long time, certainly not during the drill aithough there will be an increased attendance during the remaining five days. There was no competitive five days. yeste. Will contests will be resumed today, and the interest awakened in the respective companies will lessen space in the grand

Additional prizes have just been offered, to be awarded by popular vote. Among them are a sword for the most popular officer, a flag for the most popular company, and cups medals, etc., in bewildering numbers. view of the awakening interest, the prospec for the outcome is encouraging, and the indications are that the entire association will move in as soon as the Sealys vacate their

present quarters on Easy street. Guests of Major Watson. Major John C. Watson isn't like a man who doesn't want the boys to have a good time. He couldn't see any other way to get the Nebraska City company to the encamp ment, so he took hold of the matter himself and now forty men of company C. Second regiment, Nebraska National guards have quarters at the camp and headquarters at the hotel Dellone, the guests of Major John C. Watson. Not only did the generous major assume the expense of the company's trip, but he chartered the old Second regiment band and it will be on hand tomorrow

to remain throughout the week. By the way, the members of company wear the bronze medals presented by the state for service during the Pine Ridge war. It does not intend competing in the drill, but came to fraternize with the visiting guardsmen, exchange experiences and swar inters. Already the boys are prime camp fire favorites.

DRUM TAPS.

Happenings and Incidents of the Camp-Gossip About the Soidiers, Mayor Bemis and party were on the ground and witnessed the battle from the judge's stand.

Everybody said the battle was too short. and everybody knows that everybody right in this case, The Burlington headquarters were closed this alternoon to give employes an opportu-nity to attend the sham battle.

The Fencibles will devote today to resting in camp. This is quite a hardship as they have been allowed unlimited liberty. Several of the r'encicles are now under the gentle care of their surgeon. Dr. Foster. Change of water is the main complaint,

The Zollenger battery, Fort Wayne, con manded by Captain Mungeon, was the first command on the field yesterday afternoon. W. Morton Smith and Frank C. Zehrung of Lincoln spent last night in camp as guest of Lieutenant Pershing of the University cadets.

The Omaha club, through its secretary has extended the couriesies of the club to the commandant and the officers in camp for The high wind yesterday carried clouds of

dust all over the grounds, and made it very unpleasant, particularly on the north side Drs. Foster and Sessford, who accompany

the Fencibles, have been a much sought after couple. They treat all slike, as many members of other companies can attest. At 6 o'clock on Sunday there will be a "giraffe drill." Not a man in the company will be less than six feet high, and the tailest "giraffe" stands just seven feet. The detail will be made up from every company in camp. THE BEE stated yesterday that Tuesday's

parade was witnessed by 8,000 people, in stead of 80,000, as was intended. The im posing spectacle was not overlooked o Omana's citizens, who testified their appre-ciation of it by their appearance in such numbers at the camp yesterday afternoon The Hale Zouaves which bear the name of Fire Chief Halo of Kansas City, gave as hour's exhibition drill last night for the benefit of Chief Galligan and his firemen in front of No. 3 engine house. After the drill Chief Galligan escorted the Zonaves to a Farnan street resort where they were lunched and

given refreshments. The Hale Zouaves called on their sponsor, Miss Parker, 2523 Dodge street, last evening and presented her with a hand-ome gold souvenir shoon, and the maids of honor, Miss Ada Parker and Miss Wallace, with autograph albums containing the names of the entire company. Mrs. Broach, the

## NOT YET CONFIRMED

Nothing Definite Concerning the Reported Flight of President Palacio.

KNOWN TO BE DESPERATELY SITUATED

Venezuela's Dictator Has Been Deserted by His Friends.

ARMS SEIZED BY MANY CITIZENS

Coraythed Wrested from the Government Troops by a Mob.

THEY WERE PREPARED TO USE DYNAMITE

Rebel Forces Raid Railroad Camps and Take Charge of All Explosives-Ready to Make a Fight for Life.

[Copyrighted 1892 by James Gordon Bennett,1 PANAMA (via Galveston, Tex.), June 15.—By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to THE BEE. J-I have received your dispatch inquiring what truth there is in the rumor that Dictator Palacio of Venezuela is a fugitive. There are rumors here to that effect, but they have not yet been confirmed. It is common talk among persons arriving here from Venezuela that Palacio has been drinking heavily, that his forces have been defeated in several successive encounters, and that all his influential friends have descried his cause.

The general belief is that if the dictator has not already fied, he will soon be compelled to so do.

CURACAO (via Galveston, Tex.), June 15. -[By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to THE BEE.]-I have not yet heard from Caracas any positive confirmation of the rumored flight of Palacio up to date. I have sent three separate dispatches of inquiry into the truth of the rumor. Not one of my messages has yet been answered.

they were suppressed by the government censor, or else that the telephonic or cable service is completely demoralized. 1 have taken steps to find out the true situation of affairs in the capital and expect to get definite information within a day or two. I shall probably write of the results. It is

I can only explain this on the ground that

possible that the recent departure of ex-Minister of Finance Mattes from La Guayra for Paris may have given rise to the report about Palacio. PUERTO CABELLO Venezuela (via Galveston. Tex.), June 15 - | By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to THE BEE. !-It is reported here today that a serious in-

surrection has taken place at Coraythed, a

few leagues from La Guayra. The citizens

seized all the arms stored in the plaza. Chereni has also rebelled. The legalists have possession of the entire coast as far east as Espiritu and west to within a few miles of this town. The man-of-war sent by Palacio against Rio Chico failed to land his troops. The rebels there prepared to defend themselves with dynamite which the railway blasters, who deserted the construction works, carried into the revolutionary camp Word has reached here that the English camp mining at Yurnarı presented the dictator with 2,000 uniforms for his soldiers and was thanked officially through the war office for its "timely gift and manifestation of

friendship." The news has created a big sensation and is understood as further proof of a deal with British authorities.

CLOSED THEIR MEETINGS.

Iowa Druggists and Bankers Conclude Important Sessions at Davenport.

Davenport, Ia., June 15.-|Special Telegram to The Bee. |-The Iowa druggists closed their annual convention here today, electing the following officers: President, T. W. Reute of Dubuque; vice presidents, Norman Lichty of Des Moines, Frank Natiler of Davenport and F. Reppert of Muscatine; secretary, Dr. Rosa Upson of Marshalltown; treasurer, J. H. Webb of De Witt; executive committee, E. A. Aidrich of Creston, T. E. Houghton of Adei and J. W. Baliard of

Davenport. The lowa bankers in session at the same time closed their convention, and are holding a brilliant banquet tonight. They elected of-ficers as follows: President, S. F. Smith, Davenport; first vice-president, V. F. New-Davenport, first vice-president, V. F. New-eil, Des Moines district; vice-presidents: J. W. Garner, Columbia Junction; John B. Meyer, Davenport; W. W. Donnan, Inde-pendence: S. B. Siegler. West Union: A. F. Balch, Marshalltown; L. M. Hutchinson, Ottumwa; O. P. Right, Knoxville; Charles T. Cole Courbie: I. M. Kelly, Maccolonia: A T. Cole, Corning; J. M. Kelly, Macedonia; A. D. Clark, Algona; J. P. Farmer, Sioux Rapids; secretary, J. M. Dinwiddie, Cedar Rapids; treausurer, J. F. Latimer, Hamilton, They meet next June at Council Bluffs.

Physicians Concluded a Business Meeting. CEDAR RAPIDS, In., June 15 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-At the business session of the Iowa Union Medical society the following physicians were admitted to membership: J. A. Lee, Lisbon; J. R. Guthrie, Dubuque; P. C. Jones, Dysart; B. H. Stover, Cedar Rapids; L. W. Harding, Solon; W. B. Brock, Olin; J. L. Richardson, Fairfax; T. S. Farrer, Cedar Rapids. The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year; President, G. E. Fullerton, Marion; first vice president, J. M. Listine, Cedar Rapids; second vice president, Kate A. Mason, Mt. Vernon; secretary, A. B. Poore, Cedar Rapids; treasurer, C. H. Hunt, Starwood; board of censors, H. Ristine, Cedar Rapids; G. L. Carhart, Marion; S. S. Spicer, Blairstown; committee on necrology, George Crawford, J. M. Ristine, H. S. Raymer. The next meeting will be held at Marion.

One Drowned and One Saved. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., June 15 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. ]-High water in the English river undermined the bridge approach, and John Lameraux and Link Miller, who attempted to cross in a cart, were thrown into the water by the cave in. Lameraux was drowned but Miller escaped.

Suicided at His Wife's Grave. CEDAR RAPIDS, Is., June 15. - [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Wencil Machacek suicided last night by hanging himself at the foot of his wife's grave in Oak hill ceme-tary. Morbid despondency over the loss of his wife was the probable cause.

Protecting the Park. IOWA CITY, Ia., June 15 .- | Special Tolegram to THE BEE. |-Judgo Fairall this morning granted a temporary injunction restraining the Board of Supervisors of Iowa county from using the public park at Marengo for a court house site.

Exercises at lown's University. IOWA CITY, IS., June 15 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- The exercises of the law department of the Iowa City university today passed off very pleasantly with a large list of graduates. Prof. Wambaugh made the annual address.

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