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ing the entrance of some fairy king or queen

an illusion which was not far from the

Annual Message of President Diaz to the Mexican Congress. RENEWAL OF ACTIVITY IN MINING Increased Postal and Railway Recelpts Indicate Commercial Development of the Republic-

PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS

CITY OF MEXICO, Sept. 16 .- President Diaz on opening congress tonight said:

_ New Lines Being Built.

The friendly relations with foreign powers have continued without interruptions since my last message. The international boundary commision created by the treaty of May, 1889, between Mexico and the United States has fixed the boundary as passing through the central points of the bridges between Lurdo and Nuevo Laredo and has ordered the renewal of protection works on the Mexican side of the river near Matamoras and authorized the construction of supplementary works. As the time fixed for the conclusion of the work of said commission would expire December 24 has fixed the boundary as passing throught the next, and it being impossible to dispose In that time of all cases before it, both governments have agreed to extend said term for one year.

The executive has for some time been endeavoring to obtain an amendment to the extradition treaty of 1861 between Mexico and the United States, owing to difficulties created by a clause of the treaty which leaves to each government the question of the delivery of its citizens, by an exception made by the United States in favor of offenses by employes against proper individuals or private institutions, and by the necessity for insti-tuting expensive and intricate judicial procoordings which delay the faifiliment of the treaty and frequently make it a dead letter. These difficulties, especially in regard to re-cent cases, have attracted attention in both countries, and the Mexican government has suggested through the American legation here the desirability of amending the treaty. The agreement signed in this city the 1st of April last for the settlement of the misun-

derstanding between Mexico and Guitemala regarding the fulfillment of the boundary treaty of 1882 has been approved by legisla-tion and the executives of both countries and is now in course of fulfillment.

By the agreement of the 7th of May last the term for the conclusion of matters entrusted to the Mexican boundary commission has been extended one year. Under said agreement the minister plenipotentiary of the United States was appointed at the instance of this government as arbitrator to fix the compensation payable by Guatemais to Mex-ican citizens injured by Guatemaian officials. the value of the properties destroyed and the damages incurred. The extrail ion treaty ap-proved by the Mexican senate October 22 last was ralified by the Guatemalan legislature on the 22d of May, 1895.

country the republic will take part in thin new contest of civilization and labor. TOLD OF HIS FATHER'S PLAN POSTAL EARNINGS INCREASED. With the object of increasing the already remarkable growth of postal business, it was decided to reduce the inland rate on cor-respondence to half the former figures, to take effect on the 1st of July last. The loss Colonel Fred Grant Addresses the Army of take effect on the 1st of July last. The loss no far experienced in the receipts is much less than was expected, and it is hoped that before long the equilibrium will be reestab-lished between the income and ex-penses. The total receipts from postal mervice show an increase over the previous year of \$127,640. Postal service contracts have been made between Guayamas and Topolobampo, between Tam-pico. Vera Cruz, Progresso and Coaizaccallo for the extension of the service of the Lee-ward Coast Navigation company: to the Tewird Coast Navigation company; to the Lee-huantepec railway for the establishment of a river line in Tobasco, and for a line of steamers from Manzanillo to Acapulco, Pu-erto Angel, Salina Cruz and Tonala.

The total length of telegraph lines con-structed during the year is 702 kilometers, which brings the length of the whole federal system to 63.524 kilometers. All the trunk lines of railroads having been nearly com-pleted, new branches are being constructed under former concensuing or these there in operation. The Central railway has con-structed branches from Agnas Callentes to an important smeller, and two others in Chinuahua, one to the shops of the Metalur-gical company and the other to the San Fe-lipe smelter. The Mexican National rail-road has replaced its temporary bridges by permanent ones, rebuilt others, and almost completed its tempinal tailors is the others.

permanent ones, rebuilt others, and almost completed its terminal station in the City of Mexico. The National Tehuantepec Istimus railway is being managed and operated by the government for its own account. NEW CONCESSIONS GRANTED. Dyer, General W. Q. Greenaln, Chicago, Major J. W. Paddock, Omaha; Captain E. H. Webster, Denver; Captain T. H. Griffin, St. Louis; General Martin Brayman, Kansas City; Major Frank J. Peats, Rockford, III.; Colonel E. C. Dawes, Cincinnati; Lieutenant Oliver

From April 1 last to date twenty-one conconsions have been granted without subsidy for the construction of new railways, some of which will use electricity as their motive power. The total length of the railway sys-tem of the republic is at present 11.131 kilo-meters meters.

In regard to the finance department, I am happy to say that the economic development commenced about a year ago is maintained, there being a vigorous improvement in al-

at a remarkable rate and the same can be said of the local trade of the country as evidenced by figures attained by cu tons col-lections and recepts. During the ficel year The said of the local trade of the country as evidenced by figures attained by cu tons col-lections and recepts. During the ficel year

ture of the budget for the year, in spite of the reduction of 59 per cent made in postal rates. rates. The liquidation of the old debt in its en-tirety from the colonial regime to 1852, and of claims and credits subsequent to the lat-ter conversion of part of the floating dib-presented for collection and payment of that-makes and finally the reduction to a common basis of numerous classes of subvention bonds given to rallway and other companies, are suits that constitute a most convincing proof of the excellent credit enjoyed by our na-tional securities, owing to the unavering and of the excellent credit enjoyed by our na-tional securities, owing to the unavering and of the excellent credit enjoyed by our na-tional securities, owing to the unavering and the formation to the and the result of the part of the formation to a common basis of numerous classes of subvention bonds suits that constitute a most convincing proof of the excellent credit enjoyed by our na-tional securities, owing to the unaver and the results and campaign, while the plan in reference to the whole army resembled that

ADVANCE ALONG THE ENTIRE L'NE querque, attracted by the National Irrigation congress, which commaced its fourth annual ression in this city today. The congress was called to order at 10 a.m. by William E. Smythe, chairman of the ustional commission. Jesso R. Grant, youngest son of General Grant, was made temporary chairman and I. W. Cook of Oskaloosa, Ia. temporary secplies to Be Devastated-Governor McKinley Also Addressed the Meeting. CINCINNATI, Sept. 16.—The Twenty-eventh annual session of the Society of the At the close of Mr. Smythe's address eventh annual session of the Society of the Art the close of Mr. Singthe's address Army of the Tennessee began here at 10 a. m. with an unusually large attendance. Over 100 officers of high rank were registered. The morning session was devoted to reports and the committees were selected. All reso-resolutions without debate. This afternoon Rev. W. J. Thornton delivered the address of welcome to the delegates, Prof. J. S.

by the Grand Army of the Republic. Major General J. B. Hogan, Major C. H.

the Tennessee.

Dyer, General W. Q. Gresham, Chicago;

Anson, Council Bluffs, and General Charles Sutherland, Washington. A brilliant array of decorations in the bright Auditorium theater of Odd Fellows temple and the house filled with enthusiastic

retary. Chairman Smythe then presented the annual report of the executive committee, morning session was devoted to reports and routine business. In the afternoon the dis-tinguished visitors and their ladies attended a reception at Fort Thomas. in Kentucky, tendered by Commandant Cochran and other army officers. The battalion drill was fol-lowed by luncheon, at which many ladies from Cincinnati, Newport and Covington as-sisted. General D. D. Henderson reported twashington, and \$2,00 has been secured by the Grand Army of the Republic.

by the Grand Army of the Republic. The following deaths were reported during the past year: Lieutenant T. B. Tober, Major General J. B. Hogan, Major C. H.

THREATEN HOMESTAKE INTERESTS

Important Litigation to Come Up at Deadwood Soon. DEADWOOD, Sept. 16 -(Spenial Telegram.) -United States court convened at Deadwood this afternoon, Judge Edgerion presiding. A number of cases involving transgression of the law upon the Indian reservations of the bright Auditorium theater of Odd Fellows temple and the house filled with anthusiastic members of the army of the Tennessee and their friends, describes the beginning of the night meeting of the twenty-seventh meeting. Governor McKinley delivered an eloquent wel-come for the state of Ohlo. Ex-Congress-man John A. Caldwell, mayor of Cincinnati, spoke the welcome for the Queen City. The president, General Grenville M. Dodge, remost all branches of our national wealth at well as in the condition of the treasury. Both our exports and imports continue to increase

our exports and imports continue to increase sponded for the society, after which Colonel at a remarkable rate and the same can be sponded for the society, after which Colonel is one of the most important that has ever come before a federal if built in South Date evening. Frederick D. Grant made the oration of the society and to general fractions and recepts. During the fical year in the customs recepts amounted to over \$20,000,000 and those of the stamp office to \$15,500,000. The increase that has been obtained in the first two months of the current fixed year in the two sources of revenue mentioned induces the government to believe that the normal income on which the treasury can count will be sufficiently to government to supplies, the president placing the president placing the treasury can count will be sufficiently are for the government of the powers of the government in rendering all as the flack Hills and its outcome is being ture of the budget for the year. In spite of

IRRIGATION CONGRESS CONVENE Jesse R. Grant Selected for Tempo ary Chairman. DENVER, Sept. 16.—A special to the R	EVERIBODY OUT ON WHEELS	THE BEE BULLETIN. Weather Forecast for Nebraska- Fair: Slightly Warmer; Southerly Wi
publican from Albucuerque says: Fully 2,0 strangers from all portions of the west, in cluding visitors from several of the stat- east of the Mississippi river, are in Alb	Success.	 Diar's Address to Mexican Congress. Colonel Grant on His Father's Plan. Parade of the Wheel Clubs. State Fair Aircady a Success.
querque, attracted by the National Irrigatic congress, which commneed its fourth annu session in this city today. The congress wa called to order at 10 a. m. by William 1	THIRTY-FIVE HUNDRED BIKERS IN LINE	 Bacing at the State Fair, TerrBie Electric Storm in Iowa, New York Republicans Gather. Editorial and Comment.
Smythe, chairman of the national commissio Jesso R. Grant, youngest son of Gener Grant, was made temporary chairman ar I. W. Cook of Oskaloosa, Ia. temporary se retary. Chairman Smythe then presented th	Trouble, Yet the Parade Moved Along and Pleased the Spec- tators Immensely.	 Supreme Court Sits in New Chairs, Fatal Duel at North Bend. Conneil Bluffs Local Matters, Fire on Board an Ocean Steamer,
annual report of the executive committe giving a detailed report of the progress		7. Commercial and Financial. Growth of Oddfellowship.
irrigation throughout the country. At the close of Mr. Smythe's addre routine committees were rejected. All res	Carnival week festivities were inaugu- is rated last night by the wheelmen of Omaha,	8. Bohemian Turners in Competition. School Board Changing Salaries.

10. Crime of Count Nicholas. tertainment. 11. All Signs Fall in Dry Times. It was a case of wheels everywhere, and

to man ever had a bigger task than had Marshal Henderson, who was charged with the duty of bringing order out of the chaos that was banked from Sixteenth street west on Izard. True, there had been a plan of parade announced. The wheel clubs had places assigned them and had some intelli gent idea of what was expected of them The announcement called for them to fall in on Seventcenth street north of Izard and promised that a captain would be assigned to the unorganized riders. That's where the calculations were misplaced. Seventeenth

street wouldn't hold them, and a captain couldn't control them with a gatling gun. They came from all quarters, on all kinds of mounts, with all kinds of decorations, and each wheelman had a notion of his own that showed he had been properly labeled when placed in the "unorganized" class.

Something like a half hour later than the scheduled time the order was given to march and the parade was on. The start was made from Sixteenth and Izard, Marshal Henderson in the lead. In private life Marshal Henderson is stenographer in Judge Scott's court and those who know him in that capacity recognized last night the look he wears when one of the judge's famous contempt of court cases is being given an airing. He were the look of a man who was thankful to find himself safe as far as he had got, but was very fearful of what was to follow. And no one who watched the parade could blame the marshal for wearing a worried look. He was heading a crowd of jokers who had given no hint of their plans, and he was kept guessing as to what they would do next. He kept close up to the platoon of mounted police, trusted to luck and came out a winner.

AND THE PASTOR RODE, TOO. Following the marshal, and close to the

ost of honor, rode the messenger force of the Western Union Telegraph company, thirty in number, captained by E. H. White. The messengers were dressed for the occasion and the 22d of May, 1895.
 The final liquidation of claims and counter bas been made and the balance in favor of the floating dible termination and guarantine stage of the loating dible termination and counter bas of numerous classes of subverlion boars of the excellent credit subscitute a most countering prosented for collegates and other companies, and finally the refluction to a common basis of the excellent credit subscitute a most countering prosented to the senate of Moxico for rational to the senate of Moxico for rational contrainers of the senate of Moxico for rational for the prologed financial risis, which, happly, agains fully concluded and establish guarantine stage financial rigiding and the senate of Moxico for rational science is ack of uniformity in the were incompany, followed the measurement of the financial rigiding and the senate of Moxico for rational science is ack of uniformity in the were incompany, followed the managers, under company, followed the marked interes of the Mississipi lino the armies on the senate of Moxico for rational science and guarantine stage financial rigiding and the second class of the senate of Moxico for rational science and concentrate of the senate of Moxico for rational science and portis infected and establish guarantine stage financial rigiding and the second class of the second term may financial rigidities and the second class of the second term may financial rigidities and term has been on the rescale termination of the second class and tourist business. The Uniton Pacific and terms the discontinue to the second class of the second termis through the sheeanddah valley. On May 4</li

and resconed with the thousands of incan-descent and arc lights. The buildings along the streets were deco-rated in a manner to keep up the illusion. They were all more or less covered with streamers and banners, depicting the colors of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben and were dimly brought into view by the softened

Weather Forecast for Nebraska- Fair: Slightly Warmer; Southerly Winds.	UN URESS PARADE
 Diar's Address to Mexican Congress. Colonel Grant on His Father's Plan. Parade of the Wheel Clubs. 	
State Fair Already a Success.	Nebraska Puts Her Best Foot Forward for
3. Racing at the State Fair. Terrible Electric Storm in Iowa. New York Republicans Gather.	Public Inspection.
4. Editorial and Comment.	REFUTE'S TALES OF THE DROUTH
5. Supreme Court Sits in New Chairs. Fatal Duci at North Bend.	
6. Council Bluffs Local Matters. Fire on Board an Ocean Steamer.	State Fair Indicates Plenty for the World
7. Commercial and Financial. Growth of Oddfellowship.	as the Harvest.
8. Bohemian Turners in Competition. School Board Changing Salaries.	IMPORTANT EVENTS OF OPENING DAY
9. Another Preacher in a Hole. Police Court Clerk Makes Trouble.	
Railroads Bringing in Thousands, 10. Crime of Count Nicholas.	Success of the Enterprise Guaranteed from
11. All Signs Fail in Dry Times. Lordly Redskin a Winner.	the Very Sendoff.
12. Judge Kelly in the Islands. Mysteries of the National Game.	ATTENDANCE SURPASSES EXPECTATIONS
EVENTS OF TODAY;	
At the Fair Grounds: State Day.	Crowds Already Here Portend an Immense Jam for the Week.
Pioneers' Day. Children's Day.	
Band Concert, 10 a. m. Horse Racis, 2 p. m.	FRUITS OF THE EARTH ON EXHIBITION
In the City: • Nebraska Davada 8 n.m.	Wonderful Collections Gathered and
Nebraska Parade, 8 p. m. "Derby Winner," Creighton, 8 p. m. Roland Reed, Boyd's, 8 p. m.	Spread Before the Admiring Mul- titudes Which Congregate at /
Bicycle Race, Charles Street Park, 8 p. m.	the White City.
the procession was not marred by an accident	
of the slightest nature.	A cloudless sunrise and one of September's brightest days greeted the opening of Ne-
HAS PUT ON THE HOLIDAY GARB. Miles and Miles of Electricity Illu-	braska's twenty-ninth state fair and exposi- tion yesterday morning. Nature added her
minate the City Streets.	banison to the endeavors of those who had built this great White City and lawished har

ON DDECC DIDIDE

The path along which the bicycle parade built this great White City and lavished her bluest skies and yellowest sunshine in honor of the biggest fair Nebraska has ever seen.

of lightness and brightness, a pathway that Contrary to the general expectation of the was not lighted enough to destroy all of the managers, the interior of some of the buildenchantment and illusion of night, which ings lacked somewhat of completion when was emphasized in the intersecting streets the gates were opened at 8 o'clock. Unforand the heavens above, but so sofily lighted seen delays in the arrival of materials operthat it suggested to the mind of the obated to hinder the exhibitors, and it was server, who looked at it through half shut nearly noon before the accumulated rubbish eyes, tho streets of a fairy city. The mass was swept from the passages and the exof people, whose numbers could not be estihibits were displayed in their complete mated, thronging and crushing along its beauty. But this was little noticed, and the borders, could easily be imagined as awaitvisitors who came in during the forenoon found ample fields for their attention. The

an illusion which was not far from the mark, for the parade was a forerunner of the cohorts of Samson, the personification of the prosperity which the present carnival week is hoped to usher in. The scene presented by the streets was more than brilliant, for there was an air of illusion along the entire line. They bore the appearance of long passageways adorned with strings and festoons of yellow stars and con-stellations along the borders and hanging down from above, and the arc lights simply emphasized the effect, for they were globes of fire which were hanging down from the aview was taken down the streets bordered and resconed with the thousands of incan-descent and arc lights. The buildings along the streets were deco-rated in a manner to keep up the illusion. on the lips of nine out of ten of the exhibitors, especially those from western countles which have been scriously injured by exaggerated reports of drouth and mortgages. They de-claro that their fields are still fertile and their people prosperous and point to their unprece-dented dispusys of the products of their labor

as evidence of the truth of their assertions. he attendance at the grounds yesterday

tions at convenient points on the Guatemalan frontier. Orders have been issued here to officers to enforce a strict supervision over all vessels arriving from said points and hos-pitals have been established at Cordorba, at Tampico and Mazatian for the rigid isolation sporadic cases to prevent the spread of the

The new sanitary port dues have produced during the year considerably more than \$60. 000, the sum at which they were estimated in the budget. The death rate at the capital has declined from 20,513 in 1892-93 to 14,416 in 1894-95, which shows most indisputably that the public health is undergoing remarkable improvement. The Board of Health is now investigating the possibility of applying the principles of serothiapeutics to the cure of typhus.

National pawn shops show an increasing volume of business, the number of pledges during the year being 3,125,737, and the amount advanced \$2,152,425, and its benefaction has been extended by the opening of new branches, The homeopathic college, founded and gov-

erned by private practicioners, has been brought under state control to raise the standard of physicians practicing this school of medicine and protect the public.

Although our legislation is based on the principle of reciprocity in executing sentences of foreign tribunals, the criticism evoked by a decision of the supreme court of the United States founded on that principle has induced e minister of justice to reconsider this interesting point of international law mit it to the examination of the Mexican academy of jurisprudence.

The tenth International Americanist cor greas, on closing its sittings at Stockholm last year, decided that the eleventh annual meeting should be held in this city. The government gladly accepted the honor con-ferred on the republic by its selection of an American country to entertain the savants engaged in studying the history of the new world. An organizing committee was therefore formed and measures have been taken for the improvement and the enriching of the national museum, which should be great in the eyes of the Americanists. The congress of Americanists will assemble from the 15th to the 20th of October and its members will find a cordial hospitality and a wide field for investigation in our archaeological monu-

The government has sent representatives to the meeting to take place this month in Dres den of the International Literary and Artistic association

ACTIVITY IN MINING.

Activity for some time past has been shown a the mining industry. It has suffered no abatement, and new applications for grants are being continually received. Since my last message 55,000 mining my last message 55,000 mining claims have been taken up. Under the law of the 4th of June last concessions have been granted to three powerful gold mining companies in Oaxaca, Sinaloa and lower California. In view of the success obtained by them, there is no doubt that this industry will assume large proportions without the incentive of special con-cessions. There is already a notable increase in the output of gold in the republic. A great number of applications have been re-ceived by the government for the right to utilize the water of the rivers under its jur isdiction, bath for irrigation purposes and the production of motive power, and important undertakings are being established for the transmission of power generally to various districts by means of electricity

The government of the United States, in a communication of interest regarding the irrigation works that exist on both sides of the frontier, has invited Mexico to attend a national irrigation congress of that republic, which is to open its sessions today at Al-buquerque, N. M. This courteous invitation accepted and delegates appointed for purpose.

This government was also represented at a general conference of weights and meas-ures held at Paris on the 6th inst. Mexico was also represented by two delegates at the sixth International Geographical congress, inaugurated on the 26th of July in London, and in the Geographical exposition held simultaneously.

Repeated requests of the promoters of the Atlants exposition that Mexico should be rep-resonted there have induced the government to appoint an agent to supervise the collec that of exhibits, and having succeeded in obtaining the adhesion of exhibitors in

prescribed term, said term has been extended to O tober 31 next, in the assurance that by then the floating debt will be extinguished and all accounts that we have inherited from our successors will be closed. Mines that were formerly leased by private

parties have again come into the possession of he government, since the commencement of the current fiscal year.

NEW HARBOR WORKS.

The new Vera Cruz Harbor Works com-any has acquired quarries at Penula, and has dready received the greater part of the rolling stock for the transportation of stone quar-ried to said works. The contract has been nade for the erection of a wooden wharf in

pposition to the Tampico. The lighthouse service of the gulf is being urther improved. The Tuxham light will be

naugurated today and the tower for another ight is being creeted at Islade Lobos. The Mexico valley drainage works are on the point of completion. The tunnel is al-ready wholly completed. All that remains to provide an outlet for the waters of the valley

is masonry work to connect the tunnel with canals at each end. The total excavation to date amounts to 1,500,000 cubic metres.

I carnestly recommend to the Cham-ber of Deputies a bill for the abolition of interstate duties throughout the republic. This reform is demanded by agriculture and the industries of the nation, which need a wider field for their products, and by business men, who justly insist on greater freedom of action This proposal, which affects the vital inter-eats of the country, is certain to meet with This a cordial reception at your hands, especially in view of the unusually propitious circum-stances of the republic at the present moment

for effecting so important a reform. Constant progress has taken place in all pranches of the army and especially in the military college. The artillery is steadily im-proving its plant and machinery and adding thereto the latest models for manufacture of arms and ammunition

The floating dock at Vera Cruz is finished.

From statements you have listened to you may infer that the nation has not abandoned the onward march initiated years ago under the influence of peace and order in the de-velopment of its resources. There is special ground for congratulation in the aspect presented by our financial position after a long and weary struggle with innumerable

difficulties. So far, however, from being insuperable, these difficulties are now im-potent to hinder the consolidation of our

credit and the wave of prosperity which can-not but be felt in every corner of the country, with steady progress in all departments of the administration following a healthy and flourishing state of national finances. I trust that in the facts laid before you, you will not fail to discern the desire of the executive to hasten as far as possible so desirable a development. In order to achieve

this happy result, I rely for myself upon your indispensable support and for the re-public on the patriotic efforts of her talented legislators. Niceraugua's Independence Day, MANAGUA, Sept. 16 .- (Via Galveston.)-The seventy-second anniversary of Nicaragua's independence was celebrated yesterday by numerous parades, crations, fireworks, etc. The minister of the treasury Senor Callejas, has effected a settlement of \$400.-000 of debt incurred by the former govern-ment to a foreign company. Maximilian Lowenstein, an old cartographer, who was well known throughout this republic, was

buried today. Will Take an American Wife. PARIS, Sept. 16 .-- Comte Max de Foras, son of the grand marshal of the court of Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, has become betrothed to Marie, the daughter of Hon. Meredith Read, formerly United States minister to Greece.

Lord Beaumont Accidentally Killed LONDON, Sept. 16 .- Lord Beaumont, who had been shooting on his Yorkshire estates, was found dead today with his head shat-tered. It is supposed that his gun was ac-cidentally discharged as he was crossing a stille.

English Corn Merchants Fail.

LONDON, Sept. 17 .- Fox, Clinch & Co.'s Corn company, corn merchants of Gloucester. this | have failed with a liability of \$200,000.

through the Shenandoah valley. On May 4 and tourist business. The Union Pacific and the Army of the Potomac moved and on May Rio Grande roads will be mostly affected the action of the mostly affected in the southern by the action of the Southern Pacific, but great damage will, it is claimed, also accrue to every road running west from Chicago, not so much on account of their being re-

It was at the end of the first week of this stricted to one through train only for first campaign that General Grant wrote: "I propose to fight it out on this line if it takes all summer." The second phase of the plan

was to keep the army in the besieged cit as, Richmond, Petersburg and Atlanta, and actively engage the outside troops to drive all the smaller commands to the south, to deastate the country from which supplies was trawn and to destroy those who gath red hese supplies.

Music was interspersed through the program. oGvernor McKinley left for Chattance oon as he had done speaking. General H ckenlooper in introducing him mentioned him as the probable next president. All th the spiakers at the me ting were applauded, Gor-ernor McKinley coming in for a very large share. Colonel Fred Grant met an ovation

when introduced, the applause continuing a minute or more. He was also generously spplauded at the close of his address. Only the officers and speakers for the evening occupied the stage. General Howard occupied the box, all others forming a part of the audience. VISITORS COMING BY THOUSANDS

hattanooga Making Great Preparations to Entertain Them

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Sept. 16 .- This hriving, energetic business center of the south has been as active today as a Callornia gold mining town during a boom.

With every hour that passes the population is increasing by thousands, and omnibusses, carriages and wagons and multitudes of peo-ple throng the principal streets. The throngs f visitors are largely made up of veterans and their families or friends, who have come to see the great national park dedicated on the site of the battlefield of Chickamauga. Owing to the fact that the park extends over a distance of nearly twenty miles, there long Missionary ridge, some at Rossville

and some at Snodgrass hill, or in the vicinity. The dedication of the park will mark the second great historic event of this region. and the people appreciate it. The battle, in memory of which this park is to be dedi-cated, was the first. At this second com-memoration there will be present more gov-ernors, temporary kings, as it were, than the world ever saw, so far as known, before. They will represent millions of people, and the states over which they rule represent billions in money. Twenty-five governors will be present, the vice president of the United States will be there, President Cleve-

land's cabinet, twenty-two senators, forty-two congressmen and many generals of the army, that, as in the days of '61 to '65, will participate in the ceremonies. It is estimated by the various passenger agents centered here that 15,000 visitors had arrived before midnight tonight, and that by noon tomorrow the number would be increased to more than 35,000. Hundreds of ex-cursion trains have been advertised to come from Atlanta, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Louis-ville, Chicago and other metropolitan points Some of the passenger agents estimate that

there will have arrived from 60,060 to 75, 000 strangers by Wednesday morning, the day on which the enterprise opens. The thrift and energy of the people of Chattanooga has been displayed in the vigor s preparations they are making to handl the crowds. Every person who owns a vehi cle and a team within a radius of thirty miles has been advised to bring it in to aid in

hauling the visitors from the electric and steam railway limits to the national park. Strict watch will be kept by the city police a connection with those of the park to pre-ent exorbitant charges. All the citizens of the town have agreed to wear white ribbons on their right arm, so that the visitors may know them in case they want information.

Michigan Methodists Vote for W ANN ARBOR, Mich., Sept. 16 .- During oday's session of the Detroit conference the woman delegate question was satisfactorily

adjusted by adopting by a vote of 185 to 9 At Brem the Baitimore plan, so called, favoring the admission of women delegates to the general At Glasgo conference of the church.

this celebrated brace of leaders had the spirit of the occasion and made up in noise and novelty of dress and decoration for any shortage in uniform or discipline. There were young men and old men, short men class passenger business, but because the trains which carried the second class and and tall, the leans and the fats, women in bloomers and women with skirts, men tandems, on cushion tires, a rare one or t tourist business from Ogden west are to be discontinued. on ordinaries and the ever present small boy

SONS OF VETERANS GATHERING. Over Three Thousand Present at

Nashville Meeting. KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 16 .- The ninth

annual encampment of the Sons of Veterana assembled at Knoxville today. Commander-

in-Chief William E. Bundy of Cincinnati preided. Every state division with the exceptional importance, among whom are Past Commander-in-Chief Lawler of the Grand Army of the Republic, and Governor Upham of Wisconsin, Governor Woodbury of Connecticut and Governor Wertz of New Jer.ey. Governor McKinley of Ohio will arrive tomorrow. The city is one mass of flags and buntng and at night is brilliantly illuminatel with

lectric and gas arches. The encampment is the largest ever held by the order. The pro gram of entertainment is an excellent one and thousands are being royally welcomed.

Associated Press Meeting. ST. PAUL, Sept. 16 .- The advisory board

of the club were in line in costume especially designed for the occasion. This for the central division of the Associated consisted of jacket and pants in broad stripes of green and yellow, with toque caps of red. press held its regular meeting here today upon invitation of the chairman, Mr. George Thompson of the St. Paul Dispatch. Three were present: Messra. D. M. Houwer of the St. Louis Globe-Demograt, L. Markbreid of the Cincinnati Volksblatt and Edward Rose-Suspended from a long pole in front of each wheel was a lantern labeled "O. W. C." But that was only a small part of the make up Tin buckets as big as coal souttles were at-tached to the handle bars of the wheels and water of The Omaha Bee, together with the general manager, Melville E. Stone. The wheels and the use of this at tachment was soon made manifest. morning was spent in considering subjects of interest to the Associated press for the cen-There was powder enough in the pails to equip a "Siege of Vicksburg," and the reckhas been no crush in the city. Some of the tral division, all of a routine character. The visitors are lodged at Lookout mountain, some board were handsomely entertained by Mr. Thompson at the Minnesota club, and after the business session they were given a car-riage ride about the city. Tomorrow they will visit Minneapolis. During the business meeting today a resolution commending and endorsing the management of the association and complimentary of the fact and judgment shown in the direction of its effairs was adopted.

> Shriners Preparing for a "Time." SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Sept. 16.-(Special.)-El Riad temple, Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of this city, is making most elaborate arrangements for a "swell" time on October 3. Invitations three fest long and a foot wide, giving an illustration of the magnificent parade, are being sent out. In the illustration Zem-zem bottles appear frequently, and their appearance is explained by a note saying that the governor has promised to suspend the prohibitory law on that day. The full text of the invitation is: that day. The full text of the invitation is: "A magnificent crop of candidates is assured and the threshing will take place on the evening of October 3. A new and novel parade will precede the leading session. All railroads will lead to Slowx Falls of this date, and have granted a round trip of one fare. The greatest fair ever held in the northwest will then be in full bloom."

Captured a Smooth Robber. HAY SPRINGS, Neb., Scpl. 16.-(Special Telegram.)-Charles Snyder, spacial deputy sheriff, tonight brought from Crawford, where he had been captured by Marshal Sherman. one Charles Hanscom alias George Wilson, who is wanted for robbing the postofice at Stearns, S. D. Hanscom alto stole a saddle belonging to Charles Snyder and a horse of M. E. Rose, a liveryman of this place.

Movements of Ocean Steamers, Sept. 16 At San Francisco-Arrived-Rio de Jan-eiro from Hongkong and Yokohama.

At New York-Arrived-Mannhelm Hamburg; Ems from Bramen; Taeric from Liverpool

Bremerhavin-Arrived-Trave from

At Glasgow-Arrive1-Assyrian from Phil-adelphia,

dimly brought into view by the softened light which was thrown from the electric globes which hung in front of and below them. The stores below on the first floors were all flocded by a blaze of light and belowhere Many had speaked directors brightness. Many had special displays, Then came the "Unorganized." captainee by "John Doe," with "Richard Roe," his old side partner, as marshal. Every follower of which were both pretty and artistic and which almost rivaled the attraction which the passing wheelmen presented.

Perhaps the prettiest effect along the whole line of march was on Farnam, between Sixteenth and Eighteenth streets, where the densest crowd was congregated. A search light stationed at the corner of Eighteenth A search street swept the entire street to the east and threw the shadows of the decorations on the bordering buildings, the crowd and the procession into the brightest of light, dazzling the cyes of those who looked into it, but surrounding everything with a halo.

SOME BRILLIANT DESIGNS.

Along this portion of the route, too, th buildings adorned with electrical were situated, the New York building, The Bee building and city hall all being adorned plays Life

the with designs outlined with incandescent lamps which threw out a great glare of light. Th three front and main arches of the New York Life building were placed thus in outline, but the other decorations had not been com pleted in time to be shown. The Bee build ing, adorned with a huge star at the summit a vari-colored bee hive above the entrance, and with three great arches blazing with electricity, everything showing the colors of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben, was the prettiest sight to be seen. Beside it was a rival, the city hall, whose tower was girdled with strings of electric beads and ornamented with various designs of different colored lights. The decorations on the court house unfortu nately had not been completed and conse-quently the building remained in darkness But the remarkable and most interesting feature was neither the parade nor the illuminations, unique and prett they were. It was the crowd, simply thronged almost the and pretty which entire

two miles of the line of march, and was by far the largest that ever assembled on the streets of this city on any former occasion It could not be numbered, nor even estimated. and can only be denominated a mass. The people began to come on the street early in the evening, in order to get posi-tions, some of them as early as 6 o'clock.

lessness with which the supply was burned was simply appalling. There were Roman The most desirable places were pre-empted, and as soon as these were filled up the arriv candles, and pin wheels, and nigger chasters ing people were pushed out further from the center of the city along the entire line of march. They were all good natured enough. and red fire, and fire crackers and all the paraphernalia of a Fourth of July celebration. When a wheelman found his fireworks ex-acting enough to interfere with his r ding but there was considerable jostling in the effort to obtain more sightly positions.

he dismoun'ed and had some fun with the crowd. Big Ed Lytle, disguised as a clown, The biggest crush was on Farnam street all the way from Fifteenth to Eighteenth. Along this stretch people were packed from rode a big sixty-inch ordinary, the one he used to win races with in the days of Jack the edge of the buildings almost to the center of the street. From every window in the bordering buildings there were a half Prince, and any of the torpedoes and candles and rockets that missed the crowd struck him, and the boys made him say he liked dozen heads and on top of the buildings large crowds were gathered. Several enterit. The costumes of the clubinen were in-flammable material and half of the boys were prising merchants had erected seats on top of their places of business, and these ap-peared to be well patronized, although the same could not be said of the reviewing stands along the line of march.

IT WAS SIMPLY A CRUSH.

Sixteenth street from Webster to Douglas and Douglas from Sixteenth to Thirteenth was so densely packed that it was with extreme difficulty that passers could ress. The crush was any progress. The crush wa terrific at the corner of Omaha simply

Sixteenth and Douglas streets, where the crowd was so thick that individuals were unable to move, and it was all the policeme could do to keep the mass from surging inte

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The north slope of the grounds about the court house presented the appearance of an immense human flower bed. The lattice work placed there to prevent the grass from being trampled into the earth proved the most favorable point of observation and as the seats were free every available foot of space was occupied. The people were packed so closely together that it was impossible to see more than their heads.

As the parade moved too fast to allow bands to be in line, several were stationed along the route and discoursed sweet music as the wheelmen passed by. Of these one was stationed at Jefferson square, another at Tenth and Farnam streets and another at Eighteenth and Farnam streets.

Dunraven Declines a Banquet. MONTREAL, Quebec, Sept. 16 .- Lord Dunraven has declined the invitation of a banquet tendered him by the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht club.

forenoon was purely a matter of conjecture. The motor trains began running at 6 o'clock and a couple of hours later they were starting from Fourteenth and Howard streets every four minutes. Even the earliest trains were well loaded and soveral hundred measures and loaded and several hundred persons were mitted when the gates were opened. There was a lively travel until nearly noon, when there was a slight falling off, and in the afternoon the cars were again crowded. But few people were carried by the railroads. No big crowd was expected on the first moralng, but there were enough people present to give the grounds a populated appearance and assure the managers of a tremendous attendance when the fair is fully under way.

ATTENDANCE ON THE INCREASE. Managers Already Prodicting

Greatest Fair in the West. Yesterday afternoon at the state fair grounds there was a perceptible increase in the arrivals and the grounds began to present a business like appearance. The day was signalized by the appearance of a number of the usual side show attractions which are incidental to a big fair. The two-headed woman, the striking machine and other sim-ilar devices for luring the reluctant dimes from the packets of rural visitors sprarg up betimes and those who could not obtain entrance to the grounds crected their praphernalia outside the gates and trusted to the stragglers from the big show for their

patronage. Inside the grounds the crowd filed through the big buildings and the general expression was of surprise and admiration. President Barnes expressed bimself as more than sat-isfied with the launching of the enterprise in its new location. "We certainly have one of the biggest exhibitions that has ever been given in this part of the west," sifd he, "and all indications point to a most successful fair. With good weather there will be an unprecedented attendance and everyons s be satisfied. We have an exceptional exhibit in the agricul ural department and it will be one of the greatest attractions of the fair. The stock exhibit is something to be proud of, especially the cattle and department, which is larger than ever before

in the history of the association. One feature of the present exhibition and one which is commented upon by nearly all of the heads of departments is that the exhibits have all been sat'sfactorily located with little or no friction. This is especially true in the stock departments where the unexpected number of entries taxed the accommo-dations of the yards and the patience of the exhibitors and the managers. The energy of the heads of departments settled all difficulties and with scarcely an exception the ex-hibitors are well pleased with their treatment. The work of awarding premiums will begin in earnest today in all departments and as the red and blue ribbons are attached to the lucky entries, the visitors will have an opportunity to compare their views with the decisions of the judges.

IT WILL BE NEBRASKA'S OWN.

Great Preparations for the Street Parade of Tonight.

Tonight will be Nebraska's night in Omaha and as a result there will be a street parade that in size and magnificence promises to excel anything of the kind hereofore witnessed.

D. T. Mount will act as marshal and will be assisted by the following aides: M. H. Collins and H. J. Penfold for the first di-vision; J. C. Coit and Max Meyer for the second division; Isaac Core and C. S. Raymond for the third division. The flow bands, etc., will form under the direction The floats the respective aides at 7 p. m., taking the

following positions: First Division-Mounted police, First Regi-ment band, Aborigines, three floats; Nee braska State band, one hundred cowboys, "mounted"; miscellaheous floats. Second Division-West Point band, Lexing-ton float biological was band.

Second Division-West Point hand, Lexing-ton float, Lincoln float, West Point float Seventh Ward hand, Beatrice floats, Central City floats, Kearney cotton mill float, hand, Norfolk float, Grand Island float, Douglas county float, Miscellaneous floats. Third Division-Council Bluffs hand, Cude ahy's floats, Hammond's floats, Howard Medi-cel company float, North Pistte hand, Robert-son float J. H. Evans shirt factors

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busy trying to keep the other half from be-ing burned up. Four wheelmen were hitched by a chain to a buggy which contained the reserve supply of fireworks. The crowds had a welcome for the Omaha Wheel club at every turn along the line of march HAD SOLDIERS WITH THEM. One of the most pleasing features of the arade was the appearance of the Omaha parade Guards, under command the form, with their The boys were in full uniform. With their backs. Their execurifics strapped to their backs. Their execu-tion of military movements awheel aroused the crowds along the line to great enthusi After the Guards rode the Turner wheel

men in their natty gray suits, with tastily decorated wheels. They were followed by the Tourists, all dressed in plain white, who closed the parade and treated the crowds to the Ak-Sar-Ben yell. With the different clubs were a number

of wheelwomen, but they had made no at-tempt at uniform. M. Williams, an employe of the Kilpatrick-

Koch Dry Goods company, deserves credit for one of the unique features of the parade. He had constructed the model of a battle-He had constructed the model of a batter ship, the Omaha, which was done in can-vas. Concealed within were four bicycles, manned by Mr. Williams, his son, Arthur, Roy Draper and Kyrle Bellew. It was a big affair, but the bikers pushed it along the street at a rapid rate and kept up with the

procession without difficulty or accident. The procession passed up Sixteenth from Izard to Douglas, down Douglas to Ninth, to Farnam, to Eighteenth, to Douglas, to Six-teenth, and then to the Charles Street park. There were about 3,500 wheels in line and

on anything that could, by the most liberal construction, be called a wheel. One fellow, almost buried in corn stalks decorated with the carnival colors, was followed by a joken whose only decoration was a tin pail, drag ging on the ground, and who persistently so licited contributions from the crowd to enable him to "rush the can." In the center of this group, as though to take the curse off, rode sided. Every state division with the excep-tion of Colorado, California and Oregon are represented. Three thousand visitors are in attendance. Many of them are men of na-the his looks didn't indicate it. Dr. Butler is chaplain of the Thurston Rifles, but he was on "detached duty" last night.

THESE TOOK THE CAKE

The members of the Omaha Wheel club had been making arrangements for the parade for some weeks and had kept the plans secret, promising their friends a surprise when the parade came off, and they kept their promise. In the lead came two members of the club, with coupled wheels, bearing a monster feathered "O," the club bidg: ar-a monster feathered "O," the club the badge, artistically decorated in the Ak-Sar-Ben colors, Fully 100 members of the club were in line in costume