FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 1880.

SUICIDAL IN ANY EVENT.

is tull of significance. The struggle portends disaster which no result can avert. If Grant is nominated, which now seems improbable, the element which doggedly refuses to support him in the convention and bitterly fights him at every turn, can never be brought to his hearty support in the election. If Grant is not nominated, the influence factions will be lost. The bitterness which has been engendered cannot be healed. If there was ever a doubt as this year, it has been removed by the wrangling, the hesitation and the scrambling at Chicago. This is the lesson which the report of to-day teaches.

GEN. SCALES FOR GOVERNOR.

This paper has greatly deprecated the unfortunate quarrel now going on betweeen the friends of Gov. Jarvis and Judge Fowle, who are regarded as rival candidates for the Democratic nominathe time had come, as between the candidates then before the people, promptly expressed a preference for the man of our choice between the gentlemen then in the field.

From this morning and henceforth, we propose to advocate the claims of charge can be brought, and for whom the very highest regard, and the mention of whose name will cause a thrill of joy through every patrictic heart within the State, and that name is

ALFRED M. SCALES.

OF GUILFORD.

On last Saturday a letter was addressed to Gen. Scales asking in unequivocal terms, whether or not, he would consent to allow his name to go before the nominating convention at Raleigh, and we take pleasure in laying the reply before our readers. It is as follows:

GEN. SCALES' LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1st, 1880. Chas. R. Jones, Esq. : MY DEAR SIR-In your favor of the HANGING IN THE BALANCE 9th ult., you state that it has been asserted, apparently by authority, that I would not allow my name to go before the people as a candidate for the office of Governor, and that you and others desired to know whether this was true. It is well understood that I am a candidate for the nomination for Congress in my district; and with my present experience I believe that I can serve my constituents more efficiently than ever before. Under these circumstances I say to you frankly what I have stated time and again to others, I neither seek nor desire any other position. On the contrary I have discouraged the use of my name before county conventions in my district for the nomination for Governor, and restrained my friends, as far as I could, from any public demonstration to that end. While this is so, I must repeat to you, what I have said to others who put the question directly, that if from any cause my party, in con-vention assembled, should decide that I was the proper man to carry its banner in the coming State contest (a contingency most remote) I would do what every loyal Democrat should do, accept the situation and devote myself to the work. I have authorized no statement

inconsistent with this position.

Very respectfully, A. M. SCALES. This settles it. Gen. Scales agrees to carry the banner of the Democracy from Currituck to Cherokee, if the people desire it. The time is short that must intervene between now and the assembling of the nominating convention-June 17th-but there is yet time for the people to take the matter in hand and raise a "boom" for General Scales which will make the seashore. He stands on the platform of the statesman and feels that it would be a sacrifice for him to enter the con-

No charges like those laid at the doors of Jarvis and Fowle, can be suc- was somewhat summarily removed cessfully made against Gen. Scales, and harmony and party success, both men should be laid aside, and some man substituted who will give us such a canvass as will assure us the victory. For bitter, and our Republican friends, tions. of Alabama was taken, resulting in retained than we do. We have discountenanced such a canvass from the beginning, but the fates have decreed otherwise, and the fates have decreed otherwise. we boldly assert that the time has come when the Democratic party of North Carolina must put forward a man whose very name is the synonym case. of victory, and that man is ALFRED M.

SCALES. that to undertake the candidacy with at the Cincinnati Convention in 1876, all that the term implies will be a sacritice which few men are called by States the vote of each State and upon to make, but he is willing Territory and the District of Columbia, to make that sacrifice. He does not shall be announced by the chairm in seek the nomination, and is only willing to enter the canvass at the spontan-eous call of his party. This is party

time be in a condition to award other

and higher honors. But, over and above all these considerations, his nomination will lead us to a grand Democratic victory in the State as assuredly as will the wheels of time bring around the the ides of November. With Gen. Scales as the leader of our party, there will be no laggard's in the path of duty; there will be no skulkers to the rear, because every-The news from Chicago this morning | body will impose implicit confidence in the skill, the bravery and the ability, not less than the faultless record of the commander. THE OBSERVER as a colaborer in the ranks of the great Demoeratic party, raises the Scales banner, from now until the meeting the State convention, the good of that party. It does so without prejudice to either of the gentleman now before the people, but because the bitter partisan conof the Conkling, Cameron and Logan test through which we have passed within the past few weeks, has de-

monstrated that defeat is possible with the nomination of either. This paper to the success of the Democratic parly but in the discharge of duty it sometimes becomes necessary to stand on the shore and point out the shoals and quicksands to the party ship. That ship is the salvation of North Carolina, and on board of it are the hopes and the aspirations of more than a million people, around whose name is clustered the history of more than a century, as unsullied and as untarnished as the white sand which lines the beach on Cape Hatteras. The present is an era which calls for a skilled pilot, cool tion for Governor of the great State of nerves, a practical knowledge of the North Carolina, and when we thought channel, quicksands and sand bars, which must be passed, and Alfred M.

Let the refrain be caught up, and be borne from city to city, from town to town, aye, from hamlet to hamlet, throughout the State, until no man in North Carolina will hesitate to bow beanother gentleman, against whom no | before the bar of public opinion, which will make Alfred M. Scales the Goverthe people of the whole State entertain- nor of North Carolina for the fouryears succeeding the 1st day of January, Anno Domini, 1881.

Scales is that man.

Intelligence was received here yesterday of the nomination, on the thirtysecond ballot, by the Democratic convention of the third congressional districs, at Fayetteville, of J. W. Shackleford, of Onslow county. The Waddell and Stedmen could not unite and hence a dark horse.

delegation at Chicago elected W. P. tion. Cannady in his stead,

THE FIERCE STRUGGLE AT CHI-

A Day's Fight with no Decided Victo-

ry-Grant Apparently Weakening and Asking for Delay-Probabilities of a Long Fight To-Day--Conkling's Confession-Scenes and Incidents. CHICAGO, June 3.-At midnight

Kirk Hawes concluded the presentation to the credentials committee of his side of the case of the contesting delegations. He not only claimed that this committee should seat the twenty delegates from the ten contesting districts, but that it should declare the seats of the four delegates at large vacant on the ground that they were chosen by the State convention in which a majority had been obtained by the improper exclusion of the regular appointed delegation from Cook county.

Bob Ingersoll made the concluding argument for the contestants after E. A. Storrs had presented the case of the and probably the seats of the delegates

In the Grant caucus last night the short hand reporter were present during the speeches which Boutwell and Conkling made. The former declared they had from 325 to 380 votes on the Grant was secure. Conkling said there was no use concealing or perverting facts; it was time now to look the matter squarely in the face. Not more than 300 votes were assured for Grant that they hold together through the first, second and to the tenth ballot, if welkin ring from the mountains to the necessary, but not to yield. They would eventually worry out their opponents and win; they would neither offer or accept a compromise; breaks would come from the other candidates, and test, even at the call of the party, and then they would gain converts. A comwith assured victory before him, and mittee of one from each State repreyet he is willing to lead, if called on to visit the caucus was appointed to visit the various State delegations and

from the meeting. It is reported that Chairman Cessna, without saying anything derogatory of the Pennsylvania delegation, visited against either of the present candidates the Indiana headquarters on his own for the highest position within the gift responsibility, but claiming to represent of the people of North Carolina, we be-lieve the time has come, when for party delegation did not discuss the matter seriously, as Harrison objects to the

The Kentucky delegation held a caucus and reassirmed the resolution of the weeks the contest going on between State convention instructing them to the friends of both Jarvis and Fowle, vote as a nnt. Notwithstanding this and he must insist on his motion to in the newspapers, has grown to be very action E.C. Habbard, of the delegation, proceed to business. [Applause.] In says four will disregard the instruc-

Springfield convention, then addressed the committee at length on the Illinois contest. The committee finally adjourned at 4 o'clock until 11 to-day, without reaching a vote in the Illinois

The sub-committee on rules and order of business, after a long sea-He asserts, and very truthfully, too, sion, agreed to a list of rules nearly the same as those adopted

this rule from "but if exceptions" is an addition which does away with the unit rule. By the tenth rule it is provided that the Republican national committee shall consist of one member from each State, thus doing away with the representation of Territories and the District or Columbia on the com-

11:30 a. m.-Not more than half the delegates are in their seats. The gal-leries are only three-fourths filled. The New York delegation has just entered with Conkling at its head, who received considerable applause in the galleries.
11:40 a. m.—The gallery and floor are Hing up now rapidly, and the scene in the hall is very impressive. The convention was called to order at 11:45, the committee on credentials being still in session, and it is said can't report for some time. An interesting discussion is anticipated to-day, and the indications are that there will be an earnest contest between the rival factions upon every point. It would be hazardous to predict the results, but it is believed

the Springfield convention and subse-Hoar called the convention to order at 11:45. He requested all others than pulls strictly within the party traces, members of the convention to withdraw from that part of the hall assigned to delegates, and directed the sergeant-atarms to enforce the request. The aisles were cleared after some delay. Rev. F. A. Noble, of Union Park Congregational church, Chicago, offered a prayer. It is said the committee on contested seats will not be ready to report before

> Conkling moved the convention adjourn or take a recess till six p. m. Hale made a point of order that the motion was debatable. The chair sustained the point and it is now being destate of suspended animation until the committee is ready to report. Mr. Conkling followed Hale, claiming it would facilitate the business of the convention by taking a recess, and said it was not in order to proceed till the committee on credentials had reported. The motion to take a recess was lost.

> Joy, of Michigan, offered a resolution hat the contestants from the State of Illinois be heard in the convention by counsel. A motion to lay on the table was lost, and the roll of States on Joy's motion was ordered. Joy subsequently withdrew the resolution. It has been arranged for Col. Bob Ingersoll to present the claims of the Illinois contestants in the convention.

The committee on permanent organization reported the name of Geo. F. Hoar for president. Frye, of Maine, moved that the committee on rules and order of business be requested to re-

Sharpe, of New York, said as there would be majority and minority re-ports he asked that it be delayed till There were four stalwarts who desired Garfield said that under an agreement | and hisses they would not render a report until excited and boisterous manner the chair Keogh has lost his place on the Na- the committee on credentials had re- ruled that all dehate on anything else tional committe. The North Carolina ported, unless ordered by the conven-

> o'clock. Adopted. The committee on credentials is still

The committee on credentials has voted to admit the 16 contesting delegates from the first, third, fourth, fifth, ninth, tenth and seventeenth congres-sional districts of Illinois, and passed the contests in the second and thirteenth districts to allow Raum to pro-The committee next considered the contests in the second and third Kansas when the Louisiana case will be taken

The convention was called to order in the evening session at 5:25. Henderson, of Iowa, said the committee on credentials would not be ready to report this session. He moved, therefore, that the committee on rules be requested to make their report so that the convention could proceed to business.

Logan, of Illinois, said the committee had agreed to defer their report on sitting delegation. A member of the rules and order of business until after committee said there was no doubt action on the report on contested seats. If the convention desires a victory for If the convention desires a victory for its work its members should not raise an axe too hastily at the heads of their brethren. [Cheers.] The rules ought not to be adopted before they knew who were entitled to seats as representatives in the body, especially as one of the rules to be reported would limit speakfirst ballot, and that the nomination of ers to five minutes each. Let the compact be kept that was agreed to by members of the committee, and let the consideration of rules be deferred until the report of the committee on creden-tials is made. [At this point Mr. Conkon the first ballot, and they need not count on more unless they secured them hereafter. He advised, however, urged the withdrawal of the motion. up the aisle.] Concluding, he (Logan) urged the withdrawal of the motion. [Cries of "no.] "Some gentlemen," he said, cry "no." "Is it because you are determined not to stand by the agreement of the committee? Do you desire to ride rough-shod over members? [Shouts of "Springfield," from the gallery. I cannot be thrown off my guard by personal allusions. I am not addressing the galleries, but the convention," [Derisive laughter.]

Henderson replied that he was glad report progress this morning. At this point of the proceedings the reporter guished gentleman from Illinois. They guished gentleman from Illinois. They would gratify the whole country. From no gentleman was he more glad to hear than from him that there must be no rough-riding over this convention. [Tu-multuous appliause.] He was glad to see the contending columns here coming was now organized and ready for work, conclusion he stated on the authority if either be nominated, will need no better authority for the charges which they will assuredly bring, than Democratic newspapers and Democrat. of Alabama was taken, resulting in re- rose and denounced as a misrepresen-

[Applause and excitement.] Boutwell asked if it was true that the committee on rules would report in favor of limiting all speeches to five min-utes. He said he should vote against such a rule if it applied to arguments on the question of contested seats. Several other delegates were proceeding to give their views on the five minutes rule, when Henderson, of Iow, suggested that it would be time enough to discuss the rules after the committee should have reported them. He said his asso-clates had no desire to take an unfair advantage of any one, but he wanted the business to proceed, and the way to do these things was to receive the re-

port and act upon it.

Sharpe, of New York, said his minerity report was now ready and it was patriotism which will generally bring ts reward in the end. We do not be lieve the people of North Carolina are either unreasonable or ungenerous, and while a candidacy for the governership now may be a sacrifice to Gen. Scales, it will infuse new life and vigor into. it will infuse new life, and vigor into the votes."

the results ordered in accordance with was decided. If that agreement was it will infuse new life, and vigor into the votes."

was decided. If that agreement was to be affected upon 30 days trial. Speedy cures not unanimous it had been at all events the Damocratic party, which may some individually given, the latter part of reached without a dissenting voice. He

now moved to amend the motion by ordering the committee on credentials to make its report.

Mr. Garfield said there was no ground for any charge of bad faith by anybody in the committee on rules. He did not understand that any such charges were made. The fact was that the commit-tee agreed that they would not of their own motion present their report until after the committee on contested seats should have reported, but whenever the convention chooses to order the report from his committee the latter had no other duty but to obey. He said also that the proposed rules were so drawn as to leave to the convention the power to extend any speaker's time beyond five minutes whenever it should so choose, even though the general limita-tion of each speaker should be fixed at five minutes.

Conkling, of New York, said some hours ago the convention had adjourned until 5 o'clock for the purpose of giving the committee on credentials time to report. The meaning of the recess was that when the convention came tothe credentials committee will admit at least 18 of the 20 contestants from Illi-nois, who were admitted originally to tials would make its report. He had been told by members of that commit-tee that they were ready to report, not in one or two or three cases, but in nearly every case referred to it. Why should not that committee make such report as it was ready to make, and that the convention pass upon it? He submitted that the good faith and good understanding of all concerned would be promoted and observed by proceeding now to consider that report of the committee on contested seats.

Henderson, of Iowa, replied that a good reason why the amendment should not prevail was the fact that while the committee on rules had finished its work and was ready to report, the com-mittee on credentials had not completed their work and would probably not do bated. Mr. Hale, in his speech, stated that the convention must remain in a so before to-morrow morning, and until that the convention must remain in a plain and sustain their own action. The chair stated that the question

was first upon Mr. Sharpe's motion to amend so as to instruct the committee on contested seats to report. Mr. Sharpe asked that the question

be taken by ayes and noes, and the chair, exercising his own discretion in the absence of any adopted rule, so ordered. The vote was: Alabama, ayes 20. Af-

ter the vote for Alabama was announced a delegate from that State rose and said he wished to vote in the negative. The chairman: "If the gentleman wishes to vote "no," his vote will be re-ceived and recorded." [Applause in the galleries.] Arkansas, ayes 12; California, noes 12; Colorado, ayes 6; Connec ticut, noes 12; Delaware, noes 6; Florida, ayes 6; Georgia, ayes 6; Illinois, ayes 42; Indiana, ayes 6, noes 23; Iowa, noes 22; Kansas, noes 10; Kentucky, announced 24 ayes. A Kentucky delegate

rose and said there were delegates from

the committee on credentials reported. their votes recorded "no." [Applause Because of the delegates' than correction of votes would be out of order. The chairman of the Ken-1:10 p. m.—Frye, of Maine, moved tucky delegation here rose and said he that the convention take a recess till 5 would then give the names of the four, but just then Mr. Conkling went up to him and said a word, which in session, and it is said cannot report led him to forego his purpose and take for some time. senters stood upon their chairs in the presence of the convention amid great applause. The vote of Kentucky was then recorded as 20 ayes, 4 noes; Maine, 14 noes; Maryland, 7 ayes, 8 noes; Massachusetts, 7 ayes, 17 noes; Michigan, 1 ayes, 20 noes; Minnesota, 3 ayes, 6 duce further facts concerning them.

The committee next considered the contests in the second and third Kansas Nevada, 6 noes; New Hampshire, 10 districts, and voted, 27 to 10, to admit the Grant delegates from both districts.

A recess was taken until six o'clock, de'egations, cast 47 ayes, 23 noes; North Carolina, 5 ayes, 15 noes; Ohio, 3 ayes, 41 noes; Oregon, 6 noes; Pennsylvania, 29 ayes, 23 noes; Rhode Island, 8 South Carolina, 7 ayes, 5 noes; Tennessee, 15 ayes, 7 noes; Texas, 9 ayes, 7 noes; Vermont, 10 ayes; Virginia, 17 ayes, 8 noes; West Virginia, 10 noes; Wisconsin, 2 ayes, 18 noes; Arizona, 2 noes; Dakota, 2 ayes, 1 no; District of Columbia, 2 ayes; Idaho, 2 noes; Montana, 2 noes; New Mexico, 2 noes; Utah, 2 noes; Washington Territory, 2 noes; Wyoming, 2 noes. Total ayes, 316; noes, 407. Pennsylvania asked to cast two additional votes, aye, of the delegates who had just arrived. This gave Pennsylvania 31 ayes to 23 nays. Michigan corrected its vote to 1 aye and 21 noes. Thus corrected the chair announced the result, ayes 316; noes 406. So Mr. Sharp's amendment was rejected. The announcement was received with tumultuous applause and cheers. The question recurring on the original motion, Mr. Brandazee, of Connecticutt, said he rose in the interest of order, harmony and peace. He had voted against the amendment just rejected, but he thought there was a fair understanding in the committee on rules that their report should not be made until after that of the committee on credentials. He moved to lay on the table the pending motion instructing the latter committee to report, with a view to adjourning until to-morrow morning. The motion to table was agreed to, and the convention, on mo-tion of Mr. Metcalf, of Illinois, adjourned at 6:45 until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SOUTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATS.

Harmonious Convention-Nomina-

tion of State Officers, COLUMBIA, June 3.- The convention assembled at 10 a, m. The following the contending columns here coming together on the field of fair play. [Applause.] The gentleman asked why this haste. He, on the contrary, asked why this delay. [Applause.] The chairman of the committee on rules, indicated here this morning that there was a compact made in said committee, such as Logan has asserted. The convention Gen. Hagood, in a brilliant speech, Gen. Hagood, in a brilliant speech, thanked the convention for the honor, and in accepting the nomination pointed out the line of policy to be pursued in the campaign.

Church Matters. BERLIN, June 3.—The first article of the Church bill which has been rejected by the committee, gives to the government discretionary powers in the application of those decrees which forbid any but German subjects and all who have not undergone the course of edu-cation prescribed by the other learned professions from receiving appointments in the Catholic Church.

Church Burned.

BROOKLYN, June 3.—Elm Place Congregational Church, Dr. Jos. Wild, pastor, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss \$50,000; insurance \$30,000. A valuable organ was burned.

Death of the Empress of Russia, St. Petersburg, June 3.—The Empress of Russia, Marie Alexandrovina, died this morning, in the 56th year of

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Mecklenburg County Officers-Necessity for a Change.

To the Editor of The Observer: The communication in THE OBSER-VER of the 7th, on county elections. county officials, &c., gives a word in season. Our party seems to forget that in the management of county affairs the principle, that we as a party wish to make prominent, and upon which we have based our fight for ascendency in the affairs of the nation, is the same principle, though administered on a take enough interest in the affa the county, to notice that every evil has but a small beginning, and that if we practice or follow a line of policy, in minor matters, and the course per-

sued is not wrong, to follow it on a grander scale, is but applying a principle that obtains in very avocation of life. Are we not drifting, and that too, at an amazing rate, toward the very means for electioneering purposes for which we so strongly, and justly too, condemn the workings of the Republi-can party. Can we afford to let down in matters that pertain only to the county and allow means to be used to secure to any man the nomination that are means to any man the nomination that are means, of the country as base, mischievous and wrong, without going into the great battle for free government, tainted with the same odor which has caused the nostrils of the nation to need a continual application of musk to keep in safe breathing trim for nearly two scorces of years? Let us go into the fight with clean hands and lift the veil that has hid for many years the statue of liberty, and been the means, to some extent, of turning away the thoughts of the people from the reality to the phan-tom that would destroy it. Let us clean out at home and then, when we call for yeas and noes we may reasonably expect a rousing answer as we would have it, and forever settle the question of the third term. The country would breathe easier, the State would rejoice, and the nation would shout evermore. We would love to see those who have been hanging on to the lower trunk for so long a period, loosen their hold and gently drop to the plain, admonished as they are by the autumn breezes that it is time to fall, and not make it necessary to apply the pruning-knife that is already sharpened and will certainly be

used if need be. They could look back in after years with satisfaction and pleasure, and tell to children and grandchildren the tale of a well-spent life in the public service, endorsed and sustained by the people, and all that, and smack their lips over what was, and enjoy their otium cum dignitate without the sensation of an approaching canvass for place, and look on with sympathizing tears as they see others battling with the angry waves of the political ocean as they rise and fall, carrying a few safely to the desired haven, while others are sent to the bottom to rise no more, and they themselves, having crossed and recrossed time and again, now safely moored, to go out no more forever. Grand thought.

Earnestly, Mr. Editor, without saying one word against the official conduct of any one now in office, for they no doubt have been faithful, it is time for a change. This whole community is of that opinion, and doubtless many others, if not every township in the county, is of one mind upon this subject. It is time the townships were speaking out. Only one name has been suggested as yet for the county offices, and we endorse the suggestion heartily, and hope that good men will be selected for all the offices and carry the county by an increased majority at the next election. Unless this is done, we are certainly in danger of defeat, even if we should not deserve it. It is time to begin to think about it at least. Let Mecklenburg put on her best clothes and lead the State to victory. Then at the presidential election, even if Grant is the nominee of the Chicago convention, we need have no fears so far as our own county is concerned. Let us be in trim for the fight, and there is no better way than to take a new start at once.

The Isthmus Canal,

COUNTRYMAN.

Washington, June 3.-Admiral Ammen has received a telegram from Engineer Menocal stating that the Nicaraugan Congress has confirmed the concession recently granted by the president of that Republic to the American company for the inter-oceanic ship canal across the Isthmus.

is There Such a Thing as Luck? In view of the coming census returns to be made in June next, some curious statistician has been calculating from the past experience of the drawings of the Louisiana State Lottery, which takes place with exact fairness every month and semi-annually under the care and supervision of Gens. it. T. Beauregard, of La.; and Jubal A. Early, of Va., the prospect of getting a prize by the investment of from one dollar to ten for a whole or part licket. The large capital prizes of \$100,000, \$50,000, \$20,000, \$20,000, etc., are captured by individuals without any rule of periodicity beyond the certainty that some one will draw them on the certain day. But no one draws the capital prize twice. The other facts are strikingly confirmatory of the modern discovery that there is such a thing as lick. But for the further information desired let any one interested write to M. A. Dauphin, New Orlesing, La.; or same person at No. \$19 Broadway, New York City. In view of the coming census returns to be made

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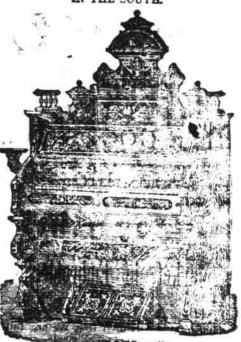


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