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OUR PLATFORM ON THE TARIFF. A tariff for revenue sufficient to meet the ex-penses of the government economically adminis-usred. A tariff which will afford such incidental protec

OUR GRADED SCHOOL REPORT. We publish on the first page of THE OBSERVER this morning the Annual Report of the Superintendent of our city schools, which was read at the last meeting of the school commissioners. It is expressed with force

and clearness and reflects great credit upon Prof. Mitchell, and the gentlemen who compose the board of school commissioners, and shows conclusively that the schools are being managed in a most admirable manner. They are now the largest in the whole State and the progress they have exhibited during the year is evidently worthy of the enterprise and culture of our city. The economy that has been used in

the expenditures merits the warmest praise that can be bestowed. It is doubtful whether there is another school of equal size in the United States that has been conducted at a smaller cost per child than ours. The expense was less than \$7 each for the whole school year.

The strong hold which the school has upon the affection and regard of the people should be cultivated and strengthened by all proper and legitimate means. All the results of the year's work indicate that they are mak ing most gratifying progress and furnish the highest testimonials of the zeal and ability of both Superintendent and teachers.

THE CHICAGO CONVENTION.

In the columns of THE OBSERVER this morning will be found a full report of the proceedings of the Republican National Convention which met yesterday in Chicago. Up to this time very little has been developed as an index of what the result may be. Of course there will be all manner of rumors and some suprises, many of them manufactured for the especial purpose of injuring one candidate's chances and helping another, and already these rumors and surprises have been started at Chicago. thus early in the action Gen. Sherman's name has been brought of Senator Sherman, who in General might have for his own canthat the General is not altogether so believe sometime ago. But as the patriots have got down to work it what the work will result in.

Post, that aside from the aggregate of mental and bodily suffering arising therefrom, the annual pecuniary loss in our country on account of preventable sickness is over \$100,000,000. One half of the diseases that afflict the human family arise from filth or causes that reasonable care could prevent. And then when disease does come and assumes contageous or epidemic form, and carries off its victims by the hundreds and thousands, it is regarded by some as a divine visitation, an affliction sent from on high. Well, perhaps it is, as a punishment for neglecting the laws of health and inviting disease.

The law partner of Senator-elect Payne, of Ohio, is reported as saying that while Mr. Payne would accept the Democratic nomination for the Presidency, it is all "nonsense to talk about his accepting the nomination for the Vice Presidency" as he "would prefer to be elected justice of excitement, and promises to upset the peace in a country township than to be elected Vice-President of the United States, a position that carries with it no authority and no honor to

Recent indications point to John Sherman as the leading dark horse at Chicago, while brother Tecumseh seems to be looming up also.

Charges of corruption are made against Judge Jackson, of the U.S. Court, of West, Va.

Summer Arrangement on the Railroads. Within the next few days regular lines of Pullman sleeping cars will be put en the road from Goldsboro to Warm Springs, and from Charlotte to the same point. The first line of sleepers will accommodate those at the seashore, who, tiring of the sad sea

waves, will leng for a breath of mountain air, and will be found a great convenience. Last summer the sleepers were run on this end of the line over the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio railroad, but this summer they will be run over the Richmond & Danville, making connection at Sal isbury, instead of at Statesville. The fare from Charlotte to Asheville and other points in Western North Carolina, has been made the same through Salisbury as by Statesville, and as a matter of course, with its superior equipment and accomodations, the latter line will be the popular route of travel. The A. T. & O. is a strictly local passenger and

Totas at the New Orleans Exposition. Texas will make a creditable display at the New Orleans Exposition. The State commissioner has already secured a number of valuable exhibits, among others 3,000 botanical specimens of Texas growth, 1,000 specimens of minerals and metals, while the State geologist is now at work collecting specimens of copper, iron and other ores and coal, and a complete entomological cabinet of

THE SKIRMISHING BEGINS. TECUMSEH LOOMS UP AS A DARK HORSE.

Speculations in Advance of the Heavy Work-Manœuvring of the Leaders--Arthur's Boys Firm and Will Stick to

CHICAGO, June 3.—There was much excitement last night over the election of Clayton as temporary chairman of the convention. This feeling is confined mostly to delegates opposed to Blaine, but there are a number of Blaine adherents who express lissatisfaction at the choice of the National convention. So intense, ndeed, is the feeling on the subject that a plan is on foot to attempt to defeat Clayton in the convention and elect Hon. B. K. Bruce, colored, register of the United States Treasury, compass Clayton's defeat seems very

The Arthur men have determined tions looking to the selection of any other man. They say this is their firm purpose and if the Edmunds men and others wish to nominate Blaine by refusing to support Arthur they must take the responsibility. There has been much quiet talk about the possibility of nominating General Sherman. It is said a dead-lock is nighly probable, and that at the proper time some prominent delegate might present the name of Gen. Wm. recumseh Sherman, the band at the same time striking up "Marching arches is a wide spreading sounding Through Georgia," when, the General's friends say, he will go through The delegates occupy the dead level. with an enthusiasm which cannot be controlled. This has been suggested so many times as to excite considerable comment. When the objection was urged that the General does not desire the nomination and will not take it, the reply in every instance was, "we know he will accept if nom-

The New York Delegation Getting in

CHICAGO, June 3.—The New York delegation had a protracted and very interesting meeting, with closed doors, for the purpose of organizing. last night. The meeting began at 8 o'clock and was not concluded till after 10. The voting for delegation officers and committeemen was viva voce, tally being kept as the names were called. Geo. Wm. Curtis acted as Chairman of the meeting, and Speaker Sherd as Secretary. There were sixty-seven of the seventy-two delegates present.

At the outset the Edmunds and Blaine men voted together, and having a majority, elected their men. Under this combination George Wm. Curtis was elected Chairman of the delegation. Thos. Cornell for Vice President of the convention. Speaker Titus Sherd, of the New York Assem-It is somewhat significant that bly, for assistant Secretary of the member of the committee on credentials. Silas B Dutcher was Hobbs to the front. This may properly opponent for the place, but was beatbe one of the cunning devices en by the Edmunds-Blaine combination, but the vote was lost and Secre the event of a warm contest could it stood. Thus far the Edmunds men easily secure whatever following the had voted persistently with the Blaine delegates, and having helped didacy, and then again it may be to choose four of the eight officials. suddenly changed around and voted with the Arthur men, that combinaaverse to serving a term in the White tion choosing the remaining four, House as he would have the public which included H. G. Burleigh in the permanent organization, George A. Cahoon-on rules and the order of business, Wm. Dowd on resolutions. will not be long before we shall know and J. D. Lawson, a pronounced Arthur man, for member of the National committee. There was a particu-It can be shown, says the Boston larly warm contest over the last, and then three ballots were required to decide it. The leading candidates were Lawson, ex Senator Thomas C. Platt, and Attorney General Leslie C. Russell. The last vote stood, Lawson, 34, Platt, 23, Russell, 10. Giving Lawson one majority. Speak er Sherd says the Edmunds men agreed to vote with the Blaine men throughout the list, but broke faith when Rurleigh was reached. As a result of this balloting it is estimated that the delegation will stand, Blaine, 27, Arthur, 30 to 31, Edmunds, 14 to

> At the meeting of the Pennslyvania delegation it was decided to present the name of G. A. Grow for permanent Chairman of the convention. One of the delegates estimates the Penasylvania vote as Blaine, 46, Arthur, 14. Others give Arthur as

> Harrison Upsets Calculations. CHICAGO, June 3.-At a meeting of the Indiana delegation this morning 29 voted to present Harrison's name as a candidate, and it is understood that 25 of these will surely vote for him. This action has created intense

The Work of the Gallows. PITTSBURG, PA., June 2.-Jesse Carter. (col.) convicted as accessory to the murder of Jno. Foster by 'Babe" Jones was hanged at 11 o'clock this morning in the presence of fifty people. The condemned man displayed wonderful fortitude on the scaffold, where he reiterated his pro-testation of innocence, prayed and

seng a hymn, "Farewell to the World." Vest and Broadhead say Tilden will Accept.

Washington Critic, 2nd. Senator Vest and Representative Broadhead returned from New York this morning. While in that city they called upon Mr. Tilden. They found that famous equestrian and dumb bell swinger in fairly good health. From their conversation with him they believe that he will accept the Democratic nomination.

In the same Condemnation.

is a strictly local passenger and freight line. think about without leaving much time for reflecting upon one another or upon one another sins.

One of Benjamin's Questions. In a lawsuit over the collision of a steamer and a sailing vessel in the Mersey Judah P. Benjamin commenced, with great unction, to cross-examine a witness who had been coached by the other side, and had answered pat all the stereotyped questions. "Suppose," said Mr. Benjamin, "that there had been no steamer and no sailing vessel in the

THE BATTLE OPENED.

THE CLANS ASSEMBLED AND IN LINE FOR THE FRAY.

The Skirmish Begins With a Contest Over Temporary Chairman --- Lynch. Colored, Defeats Clayton, White; is Conducted to the Chair. Makes a Speech and the Convention Adjourns Until To-Morrow.

CHICAGO, June 3.—The convention met at noon. The working body of the convention, the greatest in point of numbers, of national political assemblages, occupied only a small portion of the vast audience. The hall is the largest and has been termed the most complete ever thrown open for the work of a vast deliberative It is in one sense temporary, having been constructed within the walls of the exposition building, sitin his stead. The feeling in some quarters is exceedingly bitter and that a strong effort will be made to pacity approximates 13,000.

The speaker's desk rests on a platform 12 feet above the seats of the delegates, and the press occupies an to stand firmly by their candidate to intermediate space midway in height, the last and will make no combination about on a level with the heads of the delegates as they occupy their chairs. Back of the chair, ranged in a semicircle, and on a level space are seated the remaining officers of the convention, members of national committee and their immediate friends. Back of this circle on a sharply rising incline are 1,000 seats occupied by a great many persons of national repute, whose presence is by the grace of the national committee men. Swinging over the desk of the chairman, and fairly touching the

> The delegates occupy the dead level space bounded by the square lines. They are hemmed in on two sides by tiers of boxes occupied mainly by guests of the delegates. The section of the hall occupied by the working body of the convention is broken four wide aisles, from the edges of which rise Roman standards pendant with blue silk banners, imprinted in gold with the motto of the States and Territories. Beginning on the left facing the stage is the State of Alabama and back through the first tiers of seats follows Kansas, California, Connecticut and Pennsylvania thre the lines of States in alphabetical order to Maine. Beginning again on the right and rear is Maryland with Massachusetts immediately in her front and ending with the District of Columbia in the front row of the second tier. New York occupies the front rank in the third and Ohio holds the ranking position in the fourth and the remaining tier. Back of the delegates is a similar space occupied by alternates, and separated from the main body by hardly a perceptible partition.

> In the rear of the alternates is a commodious seating space, the chairs resting on an easy incline and cut off from the space occupied by alternates by a line of pickets; beginning at a int one hundred feet in the rear the alternates is another dividing wall and from that point rises tier upon tier of seat to a point almost midway between the hall and apex of the dome like a floor. Huge and narrow galleries run along the east and west sides of the hall, its entire length, and seemingly sus pended in mid-air. The front of this gallery is faced with the coats of arms of States on a background of festooned flags fluttering. From the arches are hung the National colors and the flags of all nations.

The first to arrive on the scene were the staff correspondents and assistants representing the great journals of the entire country. Their accommodation proved to be ample. and the precaution taken against any possible confusion was due mainly to the efforts of Hon. John C. New, of Indiana. They were enabled to find their working stations without any consequent vexation of spirit.

Before ten o'clock the main audi ence room began to sprinkle with early comers and when the band, located in the extreme southern end of the building, burst forth with martial strains the stream of arrivals became steady and the scene from the speaker's platform was that of an unbroken, undulating sea of faces, relieved by the rich colors of toilets of the ladies, who were present in

The first of the delegates began to arrive at 11.30 and full delegations were in the allotted places before the noon hour. The following members of the United States Senate were present among the delegates and on the main stage: Aldrich, Blair, Hoar, Platt, Miller of New York, Miller of California, Sewell, Mahone, Palmer, Conger, Harrison, Cullom, Sabine, Plumb, Manderson, Bowen, Dolph,

J Jones, of Nevada. Among the Representatives in Congress forming part of State delegations and among the observers of the scene were Boutelle, Milligan, Dingley of Maine, Stewart of Ver-Dingley of Maine, Stewart of Vermont, Rice, of Massachusetts, Skinner, Burleigh, Wardsworth of N Y, Phelps of N J, Bayne, Bingham of Pa, Holton, Libby, Va, O'Hara, Smalls, Jeffords, Kellogg, Houk, Pettibone, Ochiltree, McKinley, Robinson, Hart, Calkins, Brown, Peellonson, Peell inson, Hart, Calkins, Brown, Peelle, Steele, Thomas, Davis, Adams, Wash burn, Hoar, Anderson, Morrill and

Valentine. At 12.24 the chair announced that the hour having arrived for the meet-ing of the eighth Republican National convention, the convention would now be opened by prayer, which was offered by Rev. Frank Bristol of

Chicago. At the conclusion of the prayer the call for convention was read by J. A. Martin, secretary of the National

Convention. Chairman Sabin, on behalf of the Republican committee, called the convention to order in a brief speech closing with an expresion of hope for victory, and proposed for temporary chairman, Hon. Powell Clayton, of Arkansas. When the chairman had concluded and mentioned the name of Powell Clayton, Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, rose and proposed the name of Jno. R. Lynch, of Mississippi. He said they recognized the claim of the South, and and therefore he had proposed this second name as one acceptable to the

Republican convention. Silas B. Dutcher, of New York, created by a speech from W. W. porary chairman of a convention, and a departure could not now be any gentleman to feel that my made from that custom without cre- election by your votes is indicative of but the chairman recognized Geo.

William Curtis, of New York. The announcement was greeted prepared, to return to his home with

so desired, it also unquestionably had the right to revise the action of the national committee in this matter, and make a chairman of its own

Drummond, of Maine, moved that

when the vote was taken, it be by a call of the roll of States. Stewart, of Pennsylvania sustained the action of the committee in the selection of Clayton in an eloquent appeal, which was greeted with long continued applause. It was evident that the Blaine men were getting

warmed up, and resolved to contest every inch of ground. Horr, of Michigan, argued that the question should be settled, not by a call of the roll, but by a call of the States. This convention could do in a half hour what it could not do in the other way in one hour and a half. Prentiss, of Missouri, could not understand the object of the proposition to ignore the action of the national

committee. The refusal to endorse that nomination would go forward as a stigma on the man who was to be honored. As citizen, soldier and statesman Powell Clayton bore the mark of his love for the national

Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, favored the motion of Lodge. It was not without precedent to set aside the action of the committee. There were but two delegates to the con-vention who held seats in the national committee, and the convention should not be governed in such an important matter by the action of a body of outsiders. He hoped that the vote would be taked by a call of the delegates. It was a fitting thing for the convention to select the man of its own choice. He hoped that Lynch would be elected temporary

chairman of the convention. Cannon, of Illinois, argued that the question to be considered was whether or not the action of the national committee had been wise, prudent or in the interest of the Republican party. If the national committee had failed in this it should be set aside, otherwise it should be sustain ed. Was not Clayton a fit man to preside temporarily? He was known to many of them, and they were un-willing that a stigma should be placed on his great and grand name, (ap-plause), by voting against the action the national committee. They felt that it would not be proper to go before the country to sustain the candidate of a convention whose first act had been to put down a man who carried an empty sleeve. (Ap-

A Delegate from South Carolina, advocated the nomination of Lynch, but without meaning thereby any reflection upon Clayton. As a Southern Republican he wished the election of Lynch.

Winston, of North Carolina, supposed that the action of national committee had no more force than a mere recommendation, and with all courtesy to the committee he would say that he preferred somebody else. Applause.] He honored Clayton for having served under the national flag, but there were eight millions of col ored men in the country who desired recognition at the hands of the convention. Copiah and Danville ap-pealed to the nation in their behalf, and would not appeal in vain [Applause] Reed of Maryland, favored a full and free discussion of the question. He himself carried an empty sleeve, but, he carried besides a heart true to the Republican party, and he believed it to be to the best interests of that party to elect Lynch as its temporary chairman.

Thurston of Nebraska, expressed he idea that if it was the intention to overturn the actian of the national committee, it should not be done under a pretext which masked the real design, the pretext of recognizing the colored element.

Benjamin, of Arkansas, sustained Powell Clayton, as a man who had lone more than any other Southern Republican to elevate the Republican cause in the South. The chairman quoted approvingly

a decision of Senator Hoar, in the last convention to the effect that in the absence of any rule the method of taking a question must rest in the sound discretion of the chair, subject of course to the action of the convention. This was emphatically, he said, a convention of the people, and every delegate had an undoubted right to a free expression of his opinion, and to have his vote recorded. [Applause.] The call of the roll of delegates was then proceed with when it was announced that Lynch had 431 votes and was elected temporary chairman. A scene of the wildest confusion ensued, the delegates rose in their seats. cheered, swinging hats and shouted-The spectators joined in the demonstration.

The vote was then made unani-The chair appointed Clayton, of Arkansas, Lodge, of Massachusetts, and W. N. Toft, of South Carolina, a committee to escort Lynch to the chair. As the committee appeared the applause was hearty and the feeling of disappointment seemed to

disappear. Lynch made a good impression by his quiet and modest demeanor. The chairman said that he had the nonor and great pleasure of presenting to the convention as its temporary chairman Hon. J. R. Lynch, of Mis-

sissippi. (Cheers.) Lynch, in taking the chair, said: Gentlemen of the convention:-I feel that I ought not to say that I thank you for the distinguished honor you have conferred upon me, for I do not. Nevertheless, from the standpoint that no patriot should fail to respond to his country's call, and that no loyal member of his party should fail to comply with the demands of his party, I yield with reluctance to your decision and assume the duties of the position to which you have assigned me. Every member of this convention who approached me on this subject within the last few hours knows that this position was neither expected or desired by me. If there ever was any such thing as a man having honor thrust upon him you have an exemplification of it in this instance, Laughter and applause.) I came to this convention not for the purpose of securing the defeat of any man or the success of any man, but for the purpose of contributing to the extent of my vote and my influence to make Republican success in November next Silas B. Dutcher, of New York, an assured fact. (Cheers.) I hope seconded the nomination of Lynch. At this point a great sensation was wisdom of the Republican party of his nation throu Morrow, of California. He said that sentatives in this hall will so shape harmony was essential, and it could its platform and will present such best be secured by not raising any candidates before the American peofactional issues. It had been the ple as will make that victory certain practice for forty years for the Na- the shadow of a doubt. So far as the tional Committee to select the tem- candidates for the Presidential nomi-

ating bitterness of feeling. There were several on their feet to reply, one candidate over another. I am prepared, and I hope that

every member of this convention is complete entomological cabinet of bugs, beetles, worms, caterpillars and obtain the control of control of the river, would the collision have taken place?" The witness, quite nonplused, stared with eyes and mouth wide open, but answered not a word. "I shall not examine this witness furtee to name the temporary chairman and for the convention to ratify it, but if the party, as here represented, people will never consent to have a proposed to increase it to at least \$50,000.

political party gain the ascendency in this government, whose chief reli-ance is on a fraudulent ballot, and violence at the polls. (Applause.) I am satisfied that the people of this country are too loyal ever to allow a man to be inaugurated President whose title to the position is brought

forth in frauds. I am satisfied that the American people will ratify our action, because they will never consent to have a revenue system for government other than one that will not only raise the necessary revenue for its support, but will also be sufficient to protect every American citizen in his business. (Cheers.) Gentlemen, not for myself, but perhaps in obedience, to custom I thank you for the honor you have conferred

upon me. The chairman of the convention then announced the names of the persons selected to serve on the various committees of the convention.

Several memorials and resolutions were presented and appropriately referred, after which the convention at 4:45 p. m. adjourned until 11 a. m. to-morrow. After carefully studying the vote on the question of temporary chair-

man it does not appear to have been a test of strength, as some delegates voted for Clayton with a view of sustaining the action of the national committee, leaving the other ques-tions to be decided later, while others voted for Lynch, with a view to its effect on the colored vote.

Blaine and Logan men after the vote estimated that they had greater strength than they had before supposed, while the adherents of the independents and "dark horses" seem to feel satisfied with the position which they hold between the main contesting forces.

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