

WEATHER TO-DAY. Washington, D. C., July 8.—North Carolina, local rains Thursday and Friday; light variable winds.

WEATHER YESTERDAY. Maximum temperature, 88; minimum, 71; total precipitation for 24 hours ending 8 p. m., .01 inches.

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ALL RECORDS BROKE BY BRYAN DEMONSTRATION Day Marked by Turbulent Enthusiasm While the Democratic National Convention Passes Through the Stages of Organization

DAY AND NIGHT ON THE PLATFORM And the Document Not Yet Completed WORK BY SUB-COMMITTEES Working Sub-Committee of the Committee on Resolutions Spends Most of the Night and Day and Part of Last Night On the Platform—Work of Different Planks Divided Up Among Sub-Committees of the Sub-Committee.

EAST BOSTON HAS \$1,500,000 FIRE Sweeps Nearly Quarter Mile of Harbor Front TWO PERSONS MISSING Biggest and Most Destructive Conflagration That Has Broken Out Along the Harbor Front for Many Years—Four Piers, Three Warehouses, a Grain Elevator and 30,000 Bushels of Grain Destroyed in An Hour.

BRYAN ON THE DEMONSTRATION Deeply Affected by the Outburst at Denver HEARD OVER THE WIRE The Nebraska in Acknowledgment Said: "The Democrats Have Been Very Good to Me and I Can Find no Words to Express My Deep Appreciation of Confidence and Good Will Which the Demonstration Indicates."

MR. BRYAN'S VIEW ON THE PLATFORM Before the Committee to Draft the Document THE INJUNCTION PLANK To Declare for the Re-Enactment of the Federal Law Requiring Notice to be Given Before Preliminary Injunction Shall Issue—States' Rights—Currency and Postal Savings Banks—"The Misuse of Patronage."

MR. BRYAN'S VIEW ON THE PLATFORM Chicago Not in it With Denver BRYAN DEMONSTRATION Simmons to Have No Part in Making Platform

COMMITTEES BUSY WITH SERIOUS WORK Platform Still Incomplete and Will Not Be Presented Until Today—Credentialed Committee Unseats Eight of Col. Guffey's Anti-Bryan Pennsylvania Delegates, Revising the Complexions of That State from Anti-Bryan to Bryan—Two Sessions of Convention Held, the First at Noon Producing a Bryan Demonstration Unprecedented in Duration, the Second at Night Being the Culmination of the Pennsylvania Credentials Struggle—No Real Work Done in Convention Proper.

contest, the crowd commenced early to move toward the convention hall. All progress toward the auditorium was, however, impeded by a great parade of Tammany men from New York, headed by a band, and a number of gaudily attired Indians would their way around the business end of the city. About 1,000 men were in line, among them leader Charles F. Murphy and other big men of Tammany. It was by far the largest parade which has so far occurred during the convention.

The sub-committee spent the first half of the day in discussing suggestions of Mr. Bryan and others relative to planks in the platform, but shortly after noon decided that in order to make progress it would be necessary to divide the work, and consequently sub-committees of the sub-committee were appointed on various subjects, including: injunctions, trusts, railroads, resolution of the currency tariff.

Boston, Mass., July 8.—A fire, believed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion of a locomotive spark and fanned by a brisk north-west wind, swept nearly a quarter of a mile of the harbor front of East Boston today, causing a property loss estimated at nearly \$1,500,000. Much of the loss falls upon the Boston and Albany Railroad. Two persons were reported missing and it is thought that both perished in the flames. One of them was Daniel Sullivan, a watchman at the Cunard pier, and the other was Miss Sadie Arnold, employed by the Cunard Steamship Company.

Denver, Colo., July 8.—William J. Bryan's views as to what the Democratic National platform should contain are fully before the sub-committee charged by the convention with the work of drafting that document. Governor Haskell, of Oklahoma, chairman of the Resolutions Committee and of the sub-committee, spent more than an hour during the early hours of the morning reading to the group of men who constitute the sub-committee what Mr. Bryan had written in the form of planks and what he had telegraphed to the Governor as suggestions for planks, the particular phrasing of which is left to the committee, should it be deemed wise to incorporate the suggestions.

Denver, Colo., July 8.—No one can truthfully say hereafter that there is a lack of enthusiasm for Wm. Jennings Bryan on the part of the delegates attending the convention. The demonstration given in honor of the Nebraskan in the convention today, which continued unabated and unchecked for an hour and thirty minutes, was probably the most remarkable ever witnessed in the hall. Much has been said about the hurrah for Roosevelt at Chicago, which lasted forty-seven minutes. That was the manifestation of the delegates in which the delegates refused to join. The unprecedented demonstration on behalf of Mr. Bryan was started by the delegates and continued by them with an enthusiasm probably never surpassed. The hurrah lasted in and added to the din and tumult, but at all times the tribute to the Nebraskan was the expression of the delegates.

Georgia, of all the States in the South, refused to join in the great demonstration. The delegates from the cracker State sat immovably in the three of their number the State standard for fear some of the yelling and enthusiastic Bryan delegates who were marshaled around the hall would take possession of it. Minnesota held out. So did New Jersey, Delaware, Connecticut and New York. The New York delegates are going to vote for Bryan. They are the only delegates who prefer to make known their position following the vote for the President.

Denver, Col., July 8.—Shortly after the convention was called to order, at 8.37, Captain Richmond Pearson Holston, of Alabama, was invited to address the convention, and he did so, speaking on the Japanese question. At 9.12 p. m. Charles A. Towne, of New York, took the floor.

With Tammany out of the way, the crowd was able once more to proceed toward the convention hall and by 11:30, a half hour previous to the time set for the opening of the proceedings, all the sidewalks were choked and the police were struggling with the eager crowd which was pressing toward the entrance.

The minor sub-committees consisted of three members, and the remainder of the day was spent largely by them in consultations over the various subjects. There were, however, some questions upon which the full sub-committee found it impossible to pass, and these included the publicity of campaign contributions, relative to which a strong plank was adopted. The committee also adopted various other suggestions, among them being planks demanding the enactment of an income tax law, providing for the denunciation of the committee termed President Roosevelt's perpetuation of the industry, etc.

Paris, July 8.—Count Bonie De Castellane, whose former wife was married yesterday in London to Prince Heli De Sagan, the Count's cousin haspoken what promises to be a sensational legal battle for the possession of his three children, the offspring of his marriage with Miss Anna Gould. The suit taken by the Count yesterday, which generally has been misunderstood is merely a preliminary skirmish.

It was Secretary Rose's busy day for he was constantly occupied in carrying the telegrams to his chief. An hour passed and Mr. Bryan appeared in the sun room. In his most solemn tones he started as if to make an important announcement, but instead he took an invitation for the entire party to adjourn to the shady side of the house and indulge in the destruction of the mighty watermelon which reached him yesterday, a gift from San Antonio, Texas.

W. F. Lewis on "Mutual Hardware Insurance," W. C. Thompson on "The National Pure Paint Law"—Communication from President of Retail Merchants' Association. (Special to News and Observer.)

Wilmington, N. C., July 8.—With an excursion down the historic Cape Fear and an inspection of the magnificent fortifications at Fort Caswell, the Retail Hardware Association of the Carolinas spent the greater part of today in recreation sight-seeing. The party came up from the beach on special cars at 9 o'clock this morning and left half an hour later on the steamer Wilmington, proceeding directly down the river. An elegant luncheon was served on board by the local committee of arrangements, and upon the return of the steamer a brief executive session was held. At this meeting the question box was opened and various queries of interest to the trade were discussed by the members, this feature having been in charge of Secretary M. L. Corey, of the National Association of Retail Hardware Dealers. At this session on the annual report of the North Carolina Retail Merchants' Association asking co-operation in its efforts toward a repeal of the homestead and for penny letter postage as the best method of defeating the parcels post. The communication was referred for discussion at tomorrow's session on the convention.

Denver, Col., July 8.—The Democratic National Committee is marking time, so far as the nomination of candidates and the adoption of a platform is concerned and is passing through the stages of organization and the throes of frenzied demonstrations. Today has been marked chiefly by turbulent enthusiasm and the bitter strife of party leaders, the essential developments of the day being these: Two sessions of the convention were held, the first at noon producing a Bryan demonstration breaking all records in duration, the second at eight o'clock tonight being the culmination of the struggle over the credentials of the Pennsylvania delegation and the supremacy of the Pennsylvania leader, Colonel Guffey, who has been denounced by Mr. Bryan.

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The sub-committee on tariff consisted of Messrs. Pettigrew, of South Dakota; Brown, of Nebraska; Alshuler, of Illinois; and it reported to the full sub-committee by 5 o'clock. That committee recommended the adoption of a comprehensive tariff relative to sugar was made by the sub-committee. Following is the text of the sub-committee's tariff recommendation:

This was not formal demand for the custody of the children but an aftermath of the removal last week by the Count of his son Jay from the residence of his former wife at Versailles. Maitre Bonnet, counsel for the Count, yesterday afternoon petitioned the court to re-instate his client's right to retain Jay temporarily on account of the child's illness and because of the insufficient care he was receiving at Versailles during the absence of his mother.

Japan's Eyes on Denver. (By the Associated Press.) Tokyo, July 8.—There is great anxiety here to know the results of the Democratic National Convention in America.

JUDGE GRAY UNMOVED Quietly Attending His Official Business, Receiving No Messages and Sending None to Denver. (By the Associated Press.)

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Many eminent visitors from other States are in attendance. Manager Dolph, of the Coca-Cola Company, of Atlanta, and Henry P. Gilpin, one of the most prominent wholesale druggists in the United States, are attending the meeting. His magnificent yacht, which was delayed at Norfolk, will arrive tomorrow and will be given to the pleasure of the association.

Reports of officers to date are most gratifying. The association is in most flourishing condition. Of the one-hundred candidates who stood examination for license thirty-nine passed, as follows: J. G. Beard, Winston; J. N. Beatty, Tarboro; J. R. East, Newton; A. Bretsch, Raleigh; B. H. Browning, Littleton; J. P. Bradley, Greensboro; L. H. Gardner, Reidsville; R. C. Harville, Reidsville; J. K. Hanson, Southport; G. A. Hilton, Winston; W. J. Hicks, Goldsboro; J. L. Howerton, Greensboro; P. M. Lafferty, Concord; J. S. McDonald, Raleigh; Robert M. MacArthur, Winston; R. S. Morgan, Waynesville; C. R. Paller, Salisbury; J. B. Picklesler, Beavard; H. L. Pope, Lumberton; P. D. Quinn, Shelby; G. B. Robertson, Greensboro; C. L. Ross, Ayden; J. S. Rudisill, Newton; W. A. Sample, Statesville; W. A. Sappenfield, Concord; L. H. Stowe, Greensboro; C. A. Taylor, Leaksville; J. M. Walters, Burlington; E. S. Warren, Greenville; G. R. White, Pollocksville; W. R. Winn, Greensboro; L. A. Yancey, (col.) Fayetteville; L. R. M. MacArthur, of Winston, leads the class and received the Hancock medal. Druggists, when out of the association, are enjoying the surf.

Rockefeller's 69th Birthday. (By the Associated Press.) Cleveland, O., July 8.—John D. Rockefeller quietly celebrated his 69th birthday at Forest Hill, his suburban home, today. Mr. Rockefeller, the friends who called to congratulate him, declared that he was enjoying splendid health, and that he never felt better in his life.

Friday Time for Calling Up First National Bank of Asheville Cases—Iola Mining Company of Candor, Montgomery County, in Hands of Receiver. (Special to News and Observer.)

United States Circuit Court today Judge Pritchard on petition of the Thomas Basher Company, of Baltimore, appoints receivers for the Iola Mining Company, of Candor, Montgomery County, N. C. Charles T. Westcott, of Baltimore, and Thomas (Continued on Page Three.)

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