

THE ADLETS More than doubled last month. The figures are as follows: May, 1892.....8,064 May, 1891.....3,770 Increase.....4,294

FORTY SEVENTH YEAR.

FIRST ELECTION.

3:30 A. M.

HARRISON WINS THE FIRST TEST.

The Gauge of Battle Thrown in the Credentials of Africa, and Blaine

LOSES BY 30 MAJORITY.

A Frightful Panic in Convention Hall Is Narrowly Averted.

THE LIGHTS ALL EXTINGUISHED

And a Forced Adjournment for Awhile Almost Precipitated.

The Band Breaks the Spell by Striking Up We Won't Go Home Until Morning—Administration Men Vote Down a Motion to Adjourn, and Are Eager for the Decisive Battle—The Full Text of the Two Reports on the Alabama Contest—A Veteran Statesman Introduced—Oil City and Titusville Send a Memorial to the Convention—After the Platform Is Read the Convention Adjourns at 1:29 Until This Morning.

The Republican National Convention at last got down to business last night. The Committee on Credentials reported verbally. Then came the tug of war.

A test vote of the strength of the rival factions was made after attempts to filibuster and prevent. It resulted in a decided victory for the Harrisonites. Their strength was a majority of 30 over all rivals.

On the second vote, on the opposition report on the Alabama contest, the administration forces gained a few while the anti fell off over 50.

Thus encouraged, the President's cohorts voted down an adjournment and the Committee on Resolutions then reported, Governor Foraker reading the platform.

THE MORNING SESSION.

It was time—the Committee on Credentials were not ready—a short session and not a very interesting one. MINNEAPOLIS, June 9.—Eleven o'clock, the hour set for the opening of the convention, came and passed, and there were no symptoms of readiness on the part of the delegates to get down to business. Not more than a third of the delegates were in their seats, and a few were scattered about the aisles, while the galleries were not half filled.

The reverend gentleman who was to have offered the opening prayer was also conspicuously absent, and fears were expressed that he had been spirited away in the interest of the Committee on Credentials, who were understood to be maneuvering for delay. At 11:27 Chairman McKinley, with a few vigorous rays of gravel, called for order, but two minutes or more were occupied by the great mass of people rustling into comparative silence. Rev. William R. Hoar, Chancellor of the University of South Dakota, opened the proceedings with the following prayer:

Chancellor Hoar's Opening Prayer. We look to Thee, O Lord, for Thy gracious presence to encompass us as we now present ourselves at the very beginning of this session. We are unworthy to present ourselves to Thee, but we ask Thee to condescend to have mercy upon us and bridge the chasm occasioned by our wickedness between Thee and our souls by the atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ. We thank Thee that, though we are unworthy, Thou hast infinitely excused all our iniquities and admitted us to Thy presence. We thank Thee that, though we are unworthy, Thou hast not looked upon us with any degree of allowance, Thou hast not of compassion, Thou art replete in tenderness. Thou hast condescended to our infirmities, and imparted the influence of the Holy Spirit to enlighten the hearts and to illumine the understanding, and to supply our every need through the riches of grace in Jesus Christ. O Lord, accept the gratitude of our hearts for all the multiplied blessings of this Providence and grace in the past. As we refer to our individual history, we are profoundly impressed; as we refer to our national history, we are reminded of Thy distinguished regard and supervision. Thou wast in the planning of the institutions of this great Republic, and Thou hast been with it all through its history thus far, and crowned it with success, and when darkness gathered over our nation, how of promise over-reached it. O God, we thank Thee that Thou didst guide us through the dark period of our national history, and hast presided in the adoption of measures tending to conserve the highest interest of the nation in solving the problem of reconstruction. O Lord, abide with our nation still.

A Blessing Invoked on the Convention. And now we ask Thee to command Thy blessing upon this representative body. Oh, may they be respectful of the constitution, they represent, and may all things be subsordinated to the greatest aggregate good of the nation. O Lord, may our patriotism stand back, and do Thou come Thyself to the front and mold a platform of principles and policies that insure the greatest good to the greatest number of our fellow-citizens. As Thou wast with Thine ancient people, a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night, so do Thou go before this nation, and lead it on to grander victories than it ever achieved in all its past history. Command Thy blessing to rest upon the President of this nation and both branches of our national Legislature. May they rise above the plane of mere partisanship to a comprehension of the higher interests of duty and nationality. Now we commend ourselves to Thee, our Father, our Father, and we would render to Thee our national life. The President—The regular order this

morning is the report of the Committee on Credentials, and I recognize General Cogswell, of Massachusetts, Chairman of that Committee.

General Cogswell—Mr. President, the Committee on Credentials is still in session. It hopes to be able to report in full to-night at 8 o'clock. It asks for further time. [Cries of "No, no,"]

General Sewell Moves for a Recess. General Sewell, of New Jersey—As it is impossible to go on with any work in the convention until the report of the Committee on Credentials is received, I move that a recess be taken until 8 o'clock this evening. [Again cries of "No, no,"]

Senator Cullom, of Illinois—I ask that the gentleman withhold his motion until I introduce a resolution for reference. There being no objection offered, the following resolution was read by the Secretary:

Resolved, That the World's Columbian Exposition, to be inaugurated in the city of Chicago in 1893, is rightfully considered by all classes of our citizens, regardless of their political affiliation, as a "great national undertaking," and that, in recognition of its character and importance, Congress ought promptly to provide by appropriate legislation such reasonable appropriation in aid thereof as will enable the government fully to discharge its express and implied obligations incident thereto, and as will insure the attainment of such results therefrom as will be commensurate with the dignity,

ending speeches of a minute each, and then proceeding to the great decisive ballot. Up to the last moment, the same uncertainty was manifested as to the intentions of the Blaine managers regarding the presentation of Mr. Blaine. Some thought it would be better not to formally present him to the convention, and although the eloquent ex-Governor Foraker had been detailed to do this duty, it was stated that Mr. Platt were both inclined to the belief that it would be wiser not to formally present Mr. Blaine to the convention at all.

The Galleries Frick Up Their Ears. In the event of this decision being adopted, it was obvious that if the Harrison people decided to restrict their nominating and seconding speeches, a ballot could be reached within two hours after the opening of the session. When this condition of affairs became known, the deepest interest was manifested by both the galleries and the delegates as to the uncertainty of the proceedings, and every phase of the session was watched with breathless interest.

At 8:30, half an hour after the hour announced, the convention had not yet been called to order. Every seat in the great auditorium appeared now to be occupied, and as some enterprising advertiser had distributed fans to every individual in the vast audience, a magnificent sight was presented by the 12,000 fans waving in time to the music of the band. All this time the

brag and bluster of outsiders. About one-third of these present, by actual count, were Blaine curiosity seekers, while the whole number was much less than 300. The question which was intended to be discussed was whether the furloughs of the officeholders who had obtained leave of absence to attend the convention for two weeks could be extended for another week, great fears being expressed that if they were compelled to return at the end of the time allotted by their orders the Harrison boom would collapse immediately. The heads of the different departments, nearly all of whom are here, assured them that they would not be removed or discharged if they violated their instructions and remained in Minneapolis for another week. The result was the alleged pool, and three others for Harrison.

Congress Says It's an Old-Time Trick. Colonel Conger, when spoken to regarding the new row of officeholders, although inclined to pay little attention to the matter, said: "The meeting was a continuation of bluff, and really the last stroke of bluff on the part of the Harrison people. The Harrison men will soon reach that point where their strength will be developed, and this is the last stroke in their game. Hope has been banished and desperation has seized them, and they are from reliable authority that they had not over 250 delegates present, and that the balance were made up of alternates and Blaine and Alger men. The caucus is but a repetition of an old-time trick of a defeated delegation."

Then these leaders gathered in conference to determine how best to counteract what they termed "this bluff." Edmunds, Blaine did not seem at all depressed by the situation, though he was keeping a careful eye upon every turn. The Maine statesman's son put on a pair of russet shoes this morning and ranged over to the convention hall, only to walk back again in a few minutes because of the sudden adjournment.

Harrison Money Shown Up. The Harrison caucus caused the enthusiasm on that side of the house to produce some funds and offer to bet it on their success. Speculation of this kind has not been very heavy, and most of the wagers made up until today have been of the party nature. A favorite proposition from either side has been not to offer to bet that their own favorite would win, but that the other

The Sensation of the Morning. Immediately after the close of this session of the convention came the sensational movement of the early portion of the day. A call was issued for a caucus of all the Harrison delegates, to assemble in Market Hall. There were none but delegates admitted, and Chauncey Depew presided and made a Harrison speech. Senator Hiscock came out and announced for publication that there were 483 delegates present at the caucus, and that those who were absent at work on the Committees on Credentials and Resolutions, the total number of Harrison's supporters was 519.

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A SHORT NOON SESSION.

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[FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.]

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HIS HEALTH ONCE MORE PERFECT.

The Ex-Premier Declares He Feels Just Like a Well Man Now.

THE CONVENTION CALLED A DULL ONE

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

BOSTON, June 9.—"I feel that I am a perfectly well man," were the words spoken by Mr. Blaine to a DISPATCH reporter this noon. This is the first statement regarding his health that has been made by Mr. Blaine since he wrote the "famous February letter" to Mr. Clarkson. If he thought himself ill at that time he certainly feels that the conditions have changed radically now, for there was no reservation to the emphatic statement as to his physical condition.

This message will be an important factor in determining the result of the balloting to-morrow. Mr. Blaine remained in his room to-day until late in the afternoon, but he was not so hard to approach as he was yesterday. He granted the newspaper men an audience after he had eaten his breakfast, but he carefully avoided any allusion

to the political situation. The most interesting feature of that reception was the scoring which Mr. Blaine gave a report of the Post published this morning.

Mr. Blaine read the alleged interview while the newspaper men were standing around him, and he didn't mince matters when he spoke.

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