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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

NATIONAL.

FOR PRESIDENT,
HON. JAMES G. BLAINE, of Maine.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,
GEN. JOHN A. LOGAN, of Illinois.

STATE.

CONGRESSMAN-AT-LARGE,
GEN. E. A. OSBORNE, of Luzerne.

ELECTORS-AT-LARGE.
John Leisenring, of Carbon.
James Dobson, of Philadelphia.
Calvin Wells, of Pittsburgh.

DISTRICT ELECTORS.

1. Edwin J. Stuart.	15. Jos. T. Jennings.
2. John Mundell.	16. Jos. A. Ege.
3. Wm J. McLaughlin.	17. Jos. B. Hileman.
4. Edm'd L. Levy	18. B. F. Junkin.
5. Jos. S. Altemus.	19. Thomas B. Bryson.
6. Horace A. Beale.	20. Wm. P. Duncan.
7. Alfred Fackenthall.	21. Wm. J. Hitchman.
8. Isaac McHose.	22. Geo. T. Oliver.
9. J. P. Wickersham.	23. Josiah Cohen.
10. Sam. B. Thatcher.	24. Michael Weyand.
11. John Scabeldt Jr.	25. Chas A. Randall.
12. Daniel Edwards.	26. Cyrus Kitchen.
13. F. W. Shaefer.	27. Luman B. Wood.
14. Lane S. Hart.	

COUNTY.

FOR ASSEMBLY,
ANDREW J. COLBORN, of Somerset Bor.
WILLIAM S. MORGAN, of Jenner Twp.

FOR PROTHONOTARY,
NORMAN B. CRITCHFIELD, of Jenner Twp.

FOR SHERIFF,
JOHN WINTERS, of Somerset Twp.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER,
CHARLES C. SHAFER, of Somerset Bor.

FOR TREASURER,
CYRUS C. SCHROCK, of Somerset Twp.

FOR COMMISSIONERS,
PETER DUMBAULD, of Milford Twp.
ADAM C. LEPLEY, of Elklick Twp.,

FOR POOR HOUSE DIRECTOR,
JOSIAH ANKENY, of Somerset Twp.

FOR COUNTY AUDITORS,
JACOB K. BOWMAN, of Somerset Twp
JOSEPH W. MEYERS, of Milford Twp.

WORD comes from across the ocean that Europe will need 180,000,000 bushels of our wheat this year.

ST. JOHN says, "I will get a million of votes." If this prove to be true, it will be the worst day's work the temperance people ever did.

BLAINE is on his way to Ohio to take part in the campaign, and in view of the way things went in Maine, the Democrats are quaking in their boots.

THE Legislature of Maine comprises 161 members, of which fourteen are Democrats. These fourteen fellows will feel "kind o' lonesome" next winter.

THE Democratic disgust at Blaine for not voting for Prohibition as they told him, is beyond expression. They wanted his vote so bad, to use among the Germans in the West.

IT will go very hard for Democrats who wore the blue and followed the flag of the Union, to vote for Hendricks. It would be just as consistent for them to vote for Jeff Davis.

THE Democratic journals are fighting among themselves, as to whether Cleveland is a free trader, or favors protection. This is the result of their two-faced platform, and his dodging the question in his letter of acceptance.

SIXTY THOUSAND people attended a meeting at Youngstewn, Ohio, on Saturday night last, to hear General Logan. Marching clubs numbering eight thousand men, joined in a grand torch-light procession after the meeting adjourned.

THE State Fair now being held at Philadelphia is said to be the finest exhibit of the kind ever made in this Commonwealth. The fine weather has induced a very large attendance so far, and visitors come away with nothing but praises for the superb display.

GENERAL JAMES A. BEAVER made a speech in Steubenville, Ohio, last week which greatly pleased an immense audience. He devoted himself mainly to the tariff issue and the *Herald* of that city says "his speech abounded in solid facts and will have a good effect."

THIS campaign is not being fought on the Mulligan letters, or the brutal slanders regarding Mr. Blaine's marital relations. The Republican party means to elect Mr. Blaine, and is too much in earnest about the tariff and other matters of National moment, to be turned aside by worn out scandals which the country discounted eight years since.

THE Democrats are asserting that they "don't need Ohio." What makes them work so hard then to carry it?

The truth is, Ohio is a Republican State always, in Presidential years, and it is the old story of the grapes being sour with the Democrats.

As usual when they loose an election, the Democratic papers are charging that the Republicans carried the State by bribery. This is not very complimentary to the voters of their own party whom they accuse of being bought. Why does'nt some enterprising editor quote the market price of Democratic votes?

MR. BLAINE is now in New York. From his home in Augusta, Maine, until he arrived in New York his journey was one continuous ovation. The people crowding to every station at which his train passed, receiving and cheering him vociferously. He will visit Philadelphia on Tuesday (23rd inst.), and after participating in a monster Republican display that evening, will return to New York and from thence proceed on his trip to Ohio.

THE effect of the Democratic free trade, or "revenue reform" policy, as they call it, would be to break down the manufacturers, close the doors of the workshops, drive artisans to the farms, and buy from Europe, where things can be manufactured cheaply. But just wait until the foreign manufacturers have us in their power, and we will find free trade a very dear luxury.

THE silent vote that the Democrats and their assistants prated so much about in the early stages of the canvass, did not pan out to any great degree in Maine, as the Democratic vote instead of increasing, is about seven thousand less than it was for Hancock in 1880, while the Republican vote is about that much more than Garfield's. This is a very striking fact.

THE Democrats came very near losing their candidate for Vice President last week. He was in a private car, attached to a train that was wrecked by a broken rail near Farmer City, Ill. The car in which Mr. Hendricks was seated rolled down a high embankment and turned bottom upwards, but fortunately that gentleman escaped with a severe shaking up, and a few slight bruises.

HENRY WATTERSON, editor of the Louisville *Courier-Journal*, the leading Democratic newspaper of the South, insists that Democracy means free trade and nothing else, and the overwhelming Democratic vote for Morrison's free trade bill in the last session of Congress sustains his assertion.

Notwithstanding all this, the Democracy of Pennsylvania are still masquerading as Protectionists.

BECAUSE the Legislature of Ohio was induced to elect Payne U. S. Senator by the persuasive eloquence of the combined purses of himself, Brookwalter, McLean, and the Standard Oil Company the Democrats expect to buy the whole State and lift it, as it were, by the boot-straps into the Cleveland camp. When they come to realise results they will find they have oversized their strength.

THE New York *World* some ten days since announced that Hon. Hamilton Fish, Secretary of State under General Grant, had declared his intention to support Cleveland. Mr. Fish immediately wrote the *World* denying the report, but we observe that notwithstanding this, all the Democratic papers of the country are still announcing that this "great and good Republican will vote for Cleveland." This is a method of electioneering long since practiced by the Democrats.

THE narrow escape the country made from a ruinous reduction of the tariff during the last session of Congress has thoroughly aroused the sugar planters of Louisiana.

The Democratic Congressmen from that State who voted for the Merrison bill have all been refused re-nomination, and protectionists have been nominated in every district. This shows how thoroughly scared the Democrats are at the prospect of losing the vote of the State for their Presidential candidate. There is nothing like fear to reform a Democrat.

THE letter of Mr. Blaine to William Walter Phelps laying bare the secret of his early marriage, out of which has been manufactured the foul imputations upon his own and his wife's honor will confirm public belief in his manliness, rectitude, and purity. It is a burning shame that in this day and generation nothing is too sacred or can be held too private to escape the malicious pen of the campaign liar, and thus it comes about, that in defense of the honor of his family, Mr. Blaine is constrained to lay before the public a bit of domestic history which concerns no one in the world, save his own household.

THE Democratic candidate for Vice President has developed into the most lusty beggar of votes in the country. The plaintive appeals made by Mr. Hendricks from the stump are as ludicrous as they are humiliating. He directly and squarely begs the people to vote for him, and tells them he wants them to badly. He argues that as the Republicans have held all the offices for twenty-five years it is time that he should have a chance, as he is old and has been out in the cold all that time, while the other fellows have been toasting their shins at the fire. This is the old argument of the political mendicant all the world over, but coming from a man who claims to be a statesman, and who is a candidate for the second office under this great government, it is a very small as well as a very silly plea.

"Pity the sorrows of a poor old man
Whose trembling limbs have born him to your door,
Whose life has dwindled to the shortest span,
Oh, give relief, and Heaven will bless your store."

EVER since Mr. Blaine's nomination the newspapers have been threshing over old straw, by discussing the so-called "Mulligan letters." Last week an additional batch of them was laid before the public, and our brethren of the press have fallen to, with whetted appetite, to craunch them over again. The whole matter was made the subject of Congressional investigation years ago, and the general public had ample opportunity to examine and decide for itself. General Garfield, the Democratic Senators, and the Republican party all expressed their views of the scandal, when the one appointed, the other confirmed, and the masses applauded Mr. Blain's appoitment as Secretary of State. Further discussion now, is as much a waste of time, and of as much account, as the discussion of the verdict of a jury, after it has been rendered, and judgment entered upon it by the court.

That Rescally Republican Party's Work.

Wilkes-Barre Record.

In nineteen years the National debt has been reduced from $2,756,000,000 to $1,450,000,000 and the annual interest charge from $150,000,000 to less than $50,000,000. No nation has ever made such a record.

That Set-Back in Maine.

Philadelphia Call.

The result is an awful set-back for Blaine in Blaine's own State, with Blaine as the candidate for President.—*Albany Argus.* Yes, it allows him to "set back" and enjoy himself in the thought that now nothing can prevent his election.

What Comes of Bearing False Witness.

Philadelphia Sunday Republic.

Democratic orators and newspaper-men assured their readers that Lincoln was a baboon and buffon; that Grant was a drunkard, and that Garfield was a thief, and yet each was elected. The same fellows are now proclaiming Mr. Blaine to be all that is vile, and the result will be the same as it was with Lincoln, Grant and Garfield.

A Cowardly Dodger.

Grover Cleveland is trying to win the Presidency by dodging the leading issue that enters the canvass. Where does he stand on the tariff? He was afraid to express himself on this overshadowing question in his letter of acceptance. Consequently he contented himself with pointing to the Democratic National platform and remarking "I say ditto to that." But he was perfectly well aware that in so doing he was guilty of a miserable evasion, since the platform was framed with the intent to muddle and mislead. Nowadays a desperate effort is being made to show that he is not a free-trader, but he himself continues to hide his real convictions. He evidently thinks he can fool both the protectionists and free-traders if he keeps his mouth shut. Truly a high and manly order of statesman this! Thinks he can sneak into the White House. —*New York Tribune.*

OHIO GETTING RED HOT.

COLUMBUS, Sept. 21.—The Republicans of Columbus are up and doing, and the interest now manifested in the Republican State ticket has never been surpassed in Central Ohio. Every night meetings are being held in the various wards, some of which would in former times be considered as large even for a mass meeting. The organization of the Blaine and Logan clubs are nearly completed, and their appearance on the streets in their neat uniforms attracts great attention. Last night a grand mass meeting was held in Capitol Square, at which not less than 6,000 people were present, and listened with most marked attention to the speech of General James A. Beaver, of Pennsylvania, who is doing great service in Ohio, and is recognized as one of the best drawing cards on the stump. The speech last night was mainly in defense of a protective tariff and American industry.

His exposition was so clear and forcible as to convince many who were wavering, that disaster would follow Democratic success, which meant free trade if it meant anything.

Arraigning Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, September 17.—Rev. George H. Call pastor of Hudson street Baptist Church, Buffalo, has written Rev. Dr. Muller, pastor of the Scoville Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, of this city, a startling letter regarding Governor Cleveland's moral character. Dr. Muller is well known in church circles. He was for several years a member of the Methodist Episcopal Conferences in Western New York, was for eleven years, a pastor in Buffalo; is an honorary member of the Minister's Association of that city and is personally acquainted with Dr. Ball.

Dr. Muller said that he was desirous, not as a partisan or a politician but as a Christian minister to obtain a conscientious statement of the case that could be depended upon, and in that spirit wrote Dr. Ball, and yesterday received this answer under the date of September 17. It is an indirect appeal to the ministers and to the moral sentiments of the country. The letter, among other things, say:

Before the nomination for the presidency Cleveland's deeds of darkness began to come to light. Prominent Democrats in Buffalo confirmed the bad reports. Physicians, police officers, detectives and other citizen whose professional duties or business relations made them cognizant of the facts, related them privately to some of our pastors. The shocking disclosures were discussed and mentioned at the ministers meeting. Letters were written by several of the pastors to editors of Christian Journals to put them on their guard. Investigations disclosed still more proof of debaucheries too horrible to relate and too vile to be readily believed.

"For many years, days devoted to business have been followed by night of sin. He has lived a bachelor, and had no home; avoided the restraints even of hotel and boarding house life; lodged in rooms, a harem.

"The Halpin case was not solitary. * * * * Some disgrace and broken-hearted victims of his lust now slumber in the grave. Since he has become governor of this great state he has not abated his vices. Abundant rumors implicate him at Albany; well authenticated facts convict him in Buffalo.

"The last amour of this nature, clearly verified, occurred so late as April, 1884. These allegations do not rest upon rumors, hearsay, nor second-hand statements, but upon the testimony of men and women who were personally cognizant of the facts related. Seven of our pastors have acted as a provisional committee to listen to the testimony given. A written summary of the evidence has been reviewed by able counsel and pronounced surprisingly fully thirty of the ministers of Buffalo, after hearing this summary read, do not hesitate to pronounce him guilty of habitual unchastity and intemperance."

OVATION TO BLAINE.

HIS RECEPTION AT THE REPUBLICAN HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—Mr. Blaine received a great ovation at the headquarters of the National Committee on Fifth Avenue to-night. Fifth Avenue, from Twenty-sixth to Twenty-ninth streets, was crowded with 15,000 people long before nine o'clock, the hour appointed for Mr. Blaine's introduction. A platform had been erected in front of the parlor windows of the headquarters, and it was tastefully decorated with flags. A band of music played many lively airs, and electric lights and fireworks lit up the scene. The enthusiasm of the crowd was extraordinary. Promptly at 9 o'clock Mr. Blaine arrived from the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Police Captain Williams occupied a seat on the box of the carriage, with the driver. No little difficulty was had in making passage for the carriage. Mr. Blaine was accompanied by Senators Hale and Hawley, Colonel George W. Hooker, Chairman Jones and Secretary Fessenden, of the National Committee; Assistant District Attorney A. W. Tenney, of Brooklyn; ex-Governor Cornell, Hon. Emory A. Storrs and George Bliss.

In the absence of James D. Warren, Chairman of the Republican State Committee. Mr. A. S. Draper, Chairman of the Executive Committee, received Mr. Blaine and conducted him to the platform. When Mr. Blaine was recognized by the people a tremendous shout went up, and lasted for some time. Mr. Draper introduced Mr. Blaine as "the ninth in the honored list of Republican Presidents." This title caused more cheering, and then Mr. Blaine, stepping to the front of the platform, said:

"To be received by the city of New York is indeed an honor; to be received by such a magnificent demonstration as that which I see before me touches me deeply, moves me deeply, and calls for the most sincere and heartfelt thanks. [Cheers.] Your great emporium, this city of New York, represents in its growth and grandeur the United States of America. [Cheers.] It is not merely the chief municipality of the Empire State; it is the commercial metropolis of the Continent and I conceive it to be one of the chief honors of my life to be thus welcomed to its hearty hospitality. [Cheers.] I renew to you and impress upon you the gratitude I feel, the thankfulness I offer for all that you tender me. [Shouts of "you are welcome" and continued cheers.]

Mr. Blaine was followed into the parlors by rounds of cheers. When he had disappeared Emory A. Storrs, of Chicago, U. S. Senator Hawley and other gentlemen made short addresses.

Then the crowd again shouted for Blaine. He returned to the platform and witnessed the parade of 2,000 members of various political clubs. After the uniformed men had passed Mr. Blaine, being again called for, stepped to the front and said: "Allow me to thank you for this fine display, and to wish you all a happy good-night."

He then returned to the hotel.

Blaine and Grant.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—In spite of Mr. Blaine's desire for a day of rest in New York previous to his public reception here, the Fifth Avenue Hotel was besieged with visitors all day and until a late hour to-night.

The main incident of his visit today was the call of General Grant. This occurred at about 2 P. M. Mr. Blaine was seated in his room with a number of personal friends, including Senator Miller, Senator Eugene Hale, ex-Senator Hannibal Hamlin, Mr. S. B. Elkins, J. D. Warren, of the New York State Committee, T. V. Cooper, Chairman of the Pennsylvania State Committee, A. P. Brown, of Philadelphia, and Harry Oliver, of Pittsburgh. Suddenly there was a knock at the door, and Mr. Blaine, who had just risen from his seat, stepped forward to open it. It did not take an instant for the crowd to recognize the veteran figure of General Grant. In an instant every man was on his feet. Mr. Blaine stepped forward in delighted surprise and grasped the General's hand with much warmth. The reception on the part of both men was sincere and unaffected. The tears seemed to sparkle in the General's eyes as he noticed the deference which all so gladly paid him. Leaning on his crutches the General was led to an adjoining settee, and there Mr. Blaine and he remained in conversation for nearly an hour.

A little boy attached to the Republican National Headquarters who had come over to see the candidate was seated at a centre-table in the room, on which rested his elbows, while he gazed earnestly at the spectacle before him. Then turning to a gentleman whom he knew, he said in a quiet voice: "And that is the man whom Ward robbed." Altogether the scene was one which those who witnessed are never likely to forget. General Grant talked hopefully and earnestly of the prospects of Republican success. To Mr. Blaine he said: "They are abusing you as they have abused me; but they will elect you nevertheless.

"For my own part," continued the General, "I do not know of any time when Republican success was more essential to National prosperity than at present."

The conference between the two great Republicans lasted for about an hour and Mr. Blaine at the parting shook both of General Grant's hands, and assured him that he was more than delighed with his call.

"My first duty after arriving," said Mr. Blaine, "was to call on you, but you have anticipated my pleasure in this regard."

A Grandson of Henry Clay Shot.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., September 21.—Harry Clay, a well-known lawyer and politician, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded here this morning by Andrew Wepler, a Councilman of the Eleventh ward. Clay was drinking and wanted to borrow some money from Wepler, who would not lend him as he wanted. Clay then began abusing him, and went out for a pistol with which to shoot him. on his return the two men, armed with pistols, said they were ready to fight, and took their stands. Wepler fired a ball which struck Clay in the groin and ranged downward in the thigh. Clay is the grandson of Henry Clay. He was one of the Artic voyager in the ill-fated Proteus, and is prominently mentioned for Congress from this district. His wound is very dangerous, though he may recover. Wepler gave himself up.

LOGAN'S RECEPTION.

50,000 PEOPLE TURN OUT TO SEE AND HEAR HIM.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., September 21.—The Ohio speaking canvass was opened yesterday with a reception to general Logan. His presence was the inspiration for an attendance of 50,000 people from the Mahoning and Shenango valleys. From an early hour people poured into the city from every direction by every possible conveyance. Every incoming railroad train was crowded. From the country the people flocked in in long processions of wagons decorated with banners, flags and green boughs. From the mines came mules teams drawing the little coal carts. Every town within a radius of fifty miles sent marching clubs of Plumed Knights. Delegations were also present from Akron, Canton Cleveland. Warren, New Castle, Niles and Pittsburgh. The Americus Club of the latter place made the finest marching display of the day. The city was beautifully decorated.

THE GRAND PROCESSION.

A monster procession formed at 12 o'clock and marched to the Fair Grounds. Fully 10,000 men were in line, with 1,500 wagons. The character of the demonstration was made apparent in the presence of marching clubs from all the numerous iron mills and furnaces in the valley, bearing banners with significant inscriptions.

The manufacturers and tradesmen of the city participated in the procession with a long line of floats, one of them was an iron bridge labeled: "Strong for Protection." On three others workmen constructed during the march a handsome carriage, which was put together and drawn back from the Fairgrounds, where the speaking took place. A fourth wagon from the same factory contained an idle blacksmith's furnace with rusty tools lying about and a generally desolate appearances, avove which was the legend:

"Democratic Free-trade Prospect." From the Fosterville coal shaft came a small coal car drawn by a mine mule, labeled; "Tariff Buggy." On the route of the procession, over the door of a mechanic, was a noticeable inscription: "To the only Senator who voted for every increase and against every reduction of the tariff of 1883, welcome." The record is said to bear out this point in General Logan's history, though he himself was not aware of it. The incident is significant of the intelligent character of American workingmen. The vast procession was an hour and a half in passing a given point, and gave positive evidence of the belief of both employes and employers in the manufacturing centers of the necessity of fostering a protective tariff.

GENERAL LOGAN'S SPEECH

At the fair grounds fully 10,000 people asembled around the speake's stand. Thousands were unable to come within reach of General Logan's voice, and the clubs and bands marched off throug the city, parading the various streets and serenading prominent citizens. General Logan's address was a pertinent arraignment of the Democratic tariff record, a comparison with the Republican record of prosperity since 1861 and a challenge of Mr. Hendrick's statement about the Treasury surplus, and ridicule of the Democratic plan, which favors a "free ballot and a fair count." He closed with a masterly tribute to Mr. Blaine. which drew forth round after round of applause.

He was followed with intense interest by his great crowd of hearers, most of whom were workingmen, and who applauded his telling hits.

Another Earthquake.

CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 19.—A very slight shock of earthquake was observed here between two and three o'clock this afternoon. It lasted scarcely more than one second and was not perceived at all except by persons in high buildings. Dispatches from Ft. Wayne, Indian, Windsor, Ontario, Toledo and Grass Valley, Michigan, report a slight shock.

DETROIT, Sept. 19.—At 2:45 P. M. this afternoon a shock of earthquake was felt very perceptably in parts of this city. Several of the larger buildings were considerably shaken up, driving many people into the streets through fright. No damage is reported. The vibrations continued through ten seconds.

DUBUQE, Sept. 19.—At 2:05 P. M. to-day a shock of earthquake was felt here by the printers in the upper story of the *Herald* office. The building was felt to tremble and waver.

The Reynolds Statue.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 18.—The eighteenth anniversary of the organization known as the Grand Army of the Republic was celebrated today with more than usual ceremony. It is what is known as Grand Army Day, and at an early hour this morning the blue-coated veterans, their breasts decorated with the bronze star, were to be seen on their way to the headquarters of their respective posts. Brass bands made merry music in the streets, and the whole city wore a more or less holiday aspect. The procession formed on South Broad street and marched to the state fair.

In the afternoon the several posts participated in the unveiling exercises at the Reynolds memorial statue at the north entrance of the new public buildings. Ex-Governor Curtin presented the state in a few well chosen words, and Mayor Smith accepted it on behalf of the city in a brief address.

A Murderous Burglar.

FT. DODGE, Iowa, September, 16.—A masked man about two o'clock yesterday entered the house os William Junnison, the school treasurer of Washington township, and demanded of Mrs. Junnison the school money. She replied that it was in bank whereupon the intruder drew his revolver and shot her dead. Another woman who was in the house appeared when the robber fled. A large party at once commenced search for the murderer and four persons have been arrested who in part answer the description of him.

Valuable Victim of Pleuro-Pneumonia.

CHICAGO, September 16.—A special from Peoria to the *News* says; I. O. Bailey having discovered unmistakable symptoms of pleuro-pneumonia in his Jersey bull Polinus, has caused the animal to be killed. The left lung was found to weigh twenty-seven pounds and the right six pounds. The bull cost $3000.

Mr. Blaine Makes a Speech.

A Great Crowd Listens to His Complimentary Remarks at Worcester.

WORCESTER, MASS., September 18, 1884.—James G. Blaine arrived in this city from Boston at 12 o'clock to-day. He came to attend the fair of the Worcester Agricultural Society and was the guest of the Society and Congressman W. W. Rice during his stay in this city. Thousands of people were in waiting at the station and lined the route to the fair grounds on his arrival and there was considerable cheering upon his appearance. A national salute was fired by a section of Battery B during the arrival. His visit is entirely non-partisan, the reception committee being composed of members of the Agricultural Society and represent the different political parties. A number of institutions in the city are closed for the day. Senator Hale, of Maine, and Lieutenant Governor Ames, of Massachusetts, accompanied Mr. Blaine, who was met at the Union Station by the reception committee, and the party were driven through Fort, Main and Elm streets to the fair grounds. They were escorted to the tent of the president, the large crowd giving them a hearty welcome. A lunch was served in the tent and there was a very pleasant social interview, which lasted until the time for the speaking, when the party adjourned to the judges stand. Mr. Blaine spoke as follows:

I am sure that under this rich autumn sun and this rich and prosperous State you will expect from me to-day nothing but words of congratulation; and if there be any one spot within the limits of the United States which may challenge all others in prosperity, contentment and general happiness it must be the county of Worcester in the State of Massachusetts. [Applause.] We are in the habit in our minds, without looking closely at the figures, to think of some rich sections of Europe as far more populous than any sections we have in this country; but in the great United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland there is not as dense a population as inhabit Massachusetts from this point to the sea; there is not in the crowded kingdom of Belgium, not in that hive of industry, Holland, so dense a a population as you on this ground represent to-day, and when you come to compare the comfort, the thrift, the general prosperity of the entire people, there is not perhaps on this circling globe a community that can stand the comparison. Out West, on those rich lands that "laugh a crop when tickled with a hoe," in that "boundless contiguity" of space in which the agricultural district stretches from the crest of the Alleghenies to the great plains, it will be a surprise to them, if it is not to you, that this county of Worcester—out of the seventeen hundred and odd counties that make up all of the States—that this county of Worcester is the fifteenth in the whole United States in the value of its agricultural products, and what is more surprising, that, standing in this rank of agricultural product, it stands still higher in mechanical industry and the product of manufactures, for in that great list it stands tenth in the United States, so that when you come to estimate $5,500,000,000 as the product of the the manufactures in a single year and $3,500,000,000 as the product of agriculture in a single year in these United States you can see what must be the magnificent prosperity of this county that it should the fifteenth in the one list and the tenth in the other.

Gentlemen, this county has been long noted, has been long known. It is the county best known in the State, so widely known throughout the Union, and if it were to be presented, or if any county in this country were to be presented, as the one exemplar, the one illustration, of what free industry and free schools and free education could do, there would be one voice in favor of presenting the county of Worcester as that exemplar. [Applause.] We are sometimes a little jealous of you in Massachusetts, but perhaps it is only for your superior prosperity. [Laughter.] But outside and beyond that jealousy I am here to say in behalf of the State which was a part of the old Commonwealth that for the county of Worcester, for the State of Massachusetts, no other feeling is entertained than that of profound respect, admiration and honor. [Applause.] Thanking you, gentlemen, for the very cordial and hospitable reception which has been made so agreeable to-day and wishing you abundant increase of the great prosperity which surrounds you I bid you a cordial farewell. [Applause.]

Fire Started by a Thresher.

MIFFLINTOWN, PA., September 19.—The house, with household goods and barn, with this year's crops and farming implements, and all the outbuildings, excepting the spring house of Rev. Thomas Graybill, near Richfield, Juniata county, were destroyed by fire yesterday. There was no insurance and the loss runs into thousands. Just as Mr. Graybill's hands were finishing threshing in the barn the fire appeared in the shaker. They were using a horse-power threshing machine. The conjecture is that the fire started from a hot box in the machine or from a box of matches, that might have been left in the mow by a tramp and in the work passed through the thresher.

Many Passengers Injured.

FARMER CITY, Ill., September 17. This morning a passenger train on the Indiana, Bloomington and Western Railroad, while passing westward, struck a broken rail and was thrown from the track. Fifteen or twenty persons received such injuries as to be perfectly helpless, but fortunately no one was killed.

Attached to the train was the private car of President Henderson, containing Hon T. A. Hendricks and party en route to Peoria. This car rolled down an embankment fifteen feet deep and turned bottom up. It was with much difficulty the occupants were gotten up. The party were pretty well shaken up. Governor Hendricks was slightly bruised, but not so as to interfere with his engagements at Peoria.

A Big Cut in Wages.

JOHNSTOWN, Sept. 17.—The Cambria Iron Company, employing 5,000 workmen, yesterday posted a notice ordering a general reduction of wages from 10 to 20 per cent., to go into effect on October 1. In order to equalize matters a reduction of ten per cent will be made in coal and in the rents of the dwellings owned by the company. It is thought the reduction will be accepted.

Manipulation of Bees.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., September 18.—At the State Fair this afternoon the bee tent was the scene of a remarkable entertainment. Professor Arthur Todd, of the Wissahickon Apiary, gave an exhibition of the method in which bees are manipulated. Quite unprotected by head net or gloves, he opened an old box hive full of bees, took out each comb seperately, and transferred it to a new hive. He carefully sliced off the cells, and placing the comb in his extractor, emptied them of their sweet contents. He sought among the crowded colony for the queen bee, and having caught her, showed her to his audience, who were safely standing outside his gauze tent. He then deposited her in a little wire cage made expressly for her introducing her to her friends, and when she had issued her commands for their attendance at her new home he put her into the handsomely furnished hive which he had prepared for her reception. Mr. Todd handled the little insect as if he were ignorant of the fact that they all carried a very ugly weapon, and he appeared to be on terms of affection with them all. They crawled over the bald part of his head, they swarmed on his hands and arms, and they got caught in his beard but they seemed to think it was all play and he appeared to enjoy the fun. The astonished visitors look on with mute admiration.

Another Kerosne Victim.

MT. PLEASANT, PA., September 18. Martha Glisinger, a 14-year old daughter of a miner living near here died yesterday from injuries received from the explosion of a can of oil. While making preparations for supper a few days ago, she poured a quantity of oil on some coals which she thought were dead. The oil ignited and a burst of flames shot from the door of the stove. This flame caught the can and it exploded, hurling oil over the unfortunate girl, who in an instant was a mass of flames. As soon as the mother, who was in an adjoining room discovered the terrible situation of her daughter, she summoned aid and the girl was placed in a tub of water near by and the fire was extinguished. She was so horribly burned, however, that the flesh came from off her in great masses while her wounds were being dressed. She lingered in terribie agony until yesterday.

A Schoolboy Stabs His Teacher.

LANCASTR, PA., September 18.—Harry Groff, aged 13 years, son of wealthy parents, committed a murderous assault on his teacher, William Levergood, in one of the public schools of this city yesterday. The lad had been disorderly during the music lesson, and when his teacher attempted to lead him by the arm from the room he drew a knife and stabbed him in the arm. He then made several desperate plunges at his teacher's breast, and was only prevented from carrying out his murderous designs by some of his school-mates, who went to the rescue of the teacher. An officer was called in and the boy was locked up, but later secured bail for a hearing.

Witchcraft in Berks County.

READING, Sept. 19.—The village of Shoemakerville, this county, is excited over a supposed case of witchcraft. Mrs. Daniel Yoh, a young and pretty married woman, attracted the attention of her friends by her strang and unnatural actions. She is now quite violent and her family were compelled to tie her hands and feet, in which condition she is confined to her bed, constantly attended by two persons. A "doctor" of this city, who has considerable experience in cases of witchcraft, has been summoned and says she is under a "spell." He has "pow-wowed" for her and also prescribed medicines.

Frightful Suicide.

READING, September, 17.—Mrs. Ann Rutter, of Paradise, this county, a religious maniac has been confined in the county hospital for some years. Yesterday she deliberately set fire to her cloths burning herself to death. She beat off those who attempted to save her. Portions of her body were burned to a crisp and all her hair was burned off her head. She imagined that she was offering herself as a sacrifice on an altar to the Lord.

Gored by a Bull.

READING, Sept. 19.—Abraham Henrick, a wealthy farmer, was urging an Alderney bull into the barn yard this morning, when the beast turned upon him, caught the old man on its horns and tossed him into the air, catching him as he fell and tossing him up again. When the bull had nearly gored him to death he was driven off by the hired men. Mr. Henrick is not expected to live.

Iowa Good for 15,000.

CHICAGO, Sept. 18.—Ex-Governor John H. Gear, of Iowa, while in this city yesterday said that the Republicans would carry Iowa by from 15,000 to 20,000. The fusion of the opposition would cost some votes, but the Prohibitionists would lose the Republicans but little support He does not consider that the Prohibition element will effect the result by 5,000 votes either way. Butler's stregth is insignificant in Iowa.

A Train Wrecker's Sentence.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., September 18.—Moses P. Brown, of Philadelphia, colored man, arrested for attempting to wreck trains of the Philadelphia & Atlantic City railway was sentenced to imprisonment of twenty-one years hard labor and to pay a fine of $2,100. Brown stated his motive for the crime was to "get square" with the railroad company, being put off the train for not paying fare.

Death of Annie Nutt.

UNIONTOWN, PA., Sept. 18.—Miss Annie C. Nutt, second daughter of the late Captain Nutt, who was killed by Dukes, died suddenly last night of cholera morbus, caused by eating unripe pears. She was ill only about eighteen hours. Grandmother Wells, the mother of Mrs. Nutt, and Nellie, a little daughter, are sick from eating unripe fruit, and may not survive.

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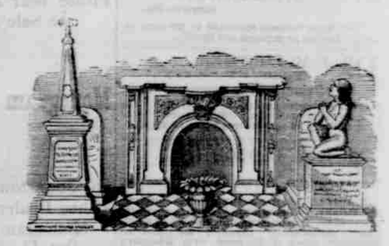

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