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The Clock Stopped Because It Had Not Been Wound. They were just two, alone in the old homestead—two dear, fussy old people, and one said to the other, as if speaking his thoughts aloud:

"There's something goin' wrong in the house. "I've felt it in my bones," answered

"You tell. Nancy. It's a bin an' it's a comin' nearer, a kind of trouble in the air—sort of lonesome like, as if some-body hed bin and gone."

"Tain't the children," said Nancy, clearing her throat, and with a quaver

"No, dear," said the old man gently; 'we're used to them bein' gone. It's more like something that is here, or ain't here an' I don' know as I be sure which 'tis."
"Where's Mehitabel?" asked his wife
suddenly. "I ain't seen her since noon."

In answer to the name Mehitabel, came forward a big striped gray and black cat.

"There's a sort of gloomerin' in the air," said the old man; "mebbe if I read a chapter now it'd help us out."

"Read the fifteenth chapter of St. John," said his wife. "'Pears like when one's in trouble that helps out master-

So the old man read aloud in the shaky voice of age that blessed cantiele of the church: "Let not your hearts be troubled," and when he had finished reading he prayed a bit, taking in the whole universe, and still there was what he called the feeling of "gloomerabout.

Suddenly his wife gave a start and a weak little cry,
"Mortal sakes alive! I know what it

is now, Elkanah. The clock hez stopped." "Land of Goshen! "Tain't true?"

"Look for yourself. The hands hev stopped plumb level at 12." "It never stopped afore, Naney. It's struck for life an' it's struck for death, but not to strike at all—no wonder we felt lonesome."

"It's a solemn warnin'," said his wife, shaking her head in a mysterious way; "that clock never stopped for nothin"."

Then the two simple-minded old souls looked at each other with an air of vague commiseration, and shook their troubled heads sadly.

The next morning the old couple had breakfast at the regular hour—horology had nothing to do with the sun-like regularity of their lives—and when that was over Elkanah went out to find a

man to doctor the clock.
"What ails it?" asked the clock mender as he opened the tall door and peered

in at the scant machinery.
"Somethin' wrong with it's innards," said Elkanah. Then hesitatingly, "My wife thinks mebbe it's a solemn warninU

"It mought be gitten old," suggested his wife, who did not like being quoted as a prophesier.
"Taint over a hundred, an' ought to

"Taint over a hundred, an' ought to took of the nature of evations. En-be good for another hull cent'ry, warn-in' or no warnin'," said the old man.
"Can you find out the difficulty?" ha
"There is to be a little contest over asked anxiously of the man who was examining it.
"Sure," said the clockmaker. "You

forgot to wind it."

Forgot to wind the clock! The two old people looked at each other as if they were dazed. It really seemed ungrateful of that old timepiece to go and stop for a little thing like that

"Such a thing never happened afore," said Nancy, as they sat joyfully listening to the "tiek-took" of their old companion. "I can't hardly seem to sense it. That clock must be gittin old." "Mebbe it's us that's gittin old 'stead of the clock," suggested the old man, with a twinkle in his eye.—Detroit

"Such a thing never happened afore."

ON BUSINESS INTENT.

A Malden Who Made the Most of the Opportunity.

She was a convalescent from the grip, drums, the blare of trumpets, the ceaseand as she leaned back in the depths of less tramp of fresh additions to the her easy chair she played with the roses in her lap, which had been brought her by the first caller she had been able to receive, and smiled over some stories he was telling her of his last summer atwell, we'll only say at a certain fashion-

able watering place on Narragansett bay. "One of the beauties whom I bay. used to see at the Casino," said he, "was a young married belle about twentythree or four, I should think, and her husband was about sixty; and it was great fun watching them. There was such a good story, bona fide truth it was, too, about their engagement. He called at her home one evening and offered his heart, hand and fortune (which was large enough to gild almost any pill) in correct style. Pretty Miss Bud said she 'must ask mamma,' and coyly tripped upstairs to mamma, who told her that every girl did not get such a chance as that, and of course she was to accept him. Down she went, picturing the ardent lover awaiting her return with anxious, throbbing heart, and found the old gentleman comfort-ably asleep in the biggest arm-chair, ably asleep in the biggest arm-chair, while an occasional snore attested to the depths of his slumbers." "I hope she didn't wake the poor old thing up." said the convalescent, when she had got her breath again after her laugh. "O, yes she did. Catch her losing that chance! She woke him up and told him it was all right and she'd have him. She'd never been at the Casino in diamonds and laces if she hadn't.—Boston Gazette.

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NO MORE DARK HORSE TALK.

The Cleveland People Believe That the Caucus of the Illinois Delegation Last Night, When by a Vote of 37 to 11 it Was Decided to Support the Ex-President, Settled the Business, and That it is All Over But the Shouting-The Hill Men Still Bard at Work-A Fight Possible Over the Temporary Chairmanship-Anti-Convention Notes and Gossip,

CHICAGO, June 21 .- The big convention wigwam presents a gay spectacle at the present moment, just as the Demogratic National Convention is about to commence its deliberations. It is gaily bedecked with flags and bunting, and flowers, plants and shrubs adorn the stage in profusion. The great auditorium is literally packed with humanity-first the delegates, then the alternates, and back of all, the spectators who have been able to obtain tickets of admission.

It is an enthusiastic crowd, too. It cheers for everybody. As the "anti-snappers" from New York marched in and took the seats allotted to them last night by the National Committee, they



GROVER CLEVELAND.

were greeted with rounds of applause. As the Tammany Tigers filed in the plaudits were vociferous. As the con-tingent from lows took their places the cheers were deafening. As the big men of the party came in the greetings par-

the temporary chairmanship after all. At a meeting of the National Committee last night, Hon. William C. Owen of Kentucky was chosen for the place over Hon. William L. Wilson by a vote of 28 to 20. When it was moved to make the nomination unanimous. Mr. Holt of Texas gave notice to the com-mittee that he would present a minority report to the convention, and contest, on the floor, the nomination of Mr.

Owen as temporary chairman.
S. P. Sheerin of Indiana will be the ten porary secretary of the convention; Richard J. Bright, sergeant-at-arms, and E. B. Dickerson of New York, offi-cial stenographer. These officers, of course, are aided by a corps of assistants.

BEFORE THE BATTLE.

Claims of the Leaders, Estimates of

Strength, Interviews, Etc. CHICAGO, June 21.-With the beat of drums, the blare of trumpets, the cease-



SENATOR DAVID B. HILL

Democrat forces already assembled in the city, the waving of banners, all the manifestations of exuberant enthusiasm common to a national political campaign, the day on which the Democratic National Convention begins opened.

Hotel corridors re-echoed the incessant hum of conversation and the cheers with which the names of favorite candidates were greeted by their respective admirers. After a night's rest, in which the energies of delegates became recuperated, the bustling activity of every section was more notable than it has been any day up to the present.

The Illinois Delegation for Cleveland.

The delegation from Illinois, admitted from the start by both sides to be a pivotal one, will cast its 48 votes as a unit on the first ballot for Cleveland. In the opinion of the leaders of the ex-President's candidacy, as expressed both before and after the caucus of the hoth before and atter the cauchs of the delegation last night, this action final-ly sattles the question of his nomina-tion. The scenes in the Sherman House last night were a vivid reminder of those which were enacted at the Lindell in St. Louis four years ago when the New York delegation was called upon to decide between Thurman and Gray as the Vice-Prosidential candidates. There were representatives of a score of dela-gations, Cleveland men, Hill men and

Gorman men, all waiting with the in a quarrel with the regular Demo most intense interest the outcome of the cratic organisation, upon which, after caucus. Around the door of the parlor bemmed in so tightly that they could scarcely move their shoulders, was a delegation from the New York Hill fac-tion headed by Lieutenant-Governor

Sheehan.
Lieutenant-Governor Sheehan sent in Lisutenant-Governor Sheehan sent in a request that his delegation might be heard, and a reply was returned that an audience would be given them in a short time. The anti-Clevelandites, with a view to testing the relative strength of the two factions, submitted a motion that no aution on the question of decreases should be taken will the of preferences should be taken until the morning. The previous question was ordered, and like a flash the resolution was defeated by a vote of 24 to 16. Determined to follow up their advantage,



the Clevelandites submitted a resolution ndorsing the ex-President and instructing the delegation from Illinois to vote for him on the first ballot as a unit. The motion was seconded from all parts of the room, and simultaneously a half score of the opposition were on their feet. Representative McInerney of Chifeet. Representative McInercey of Chicago was the first to be recognized. He
talked until he was almost exhausted,
and would up by moving that the resodi, doubtful, 4. Intion be laid upon the table.

Then amidst a breathless silence the

roll call was commenced. The last name had barely been called, when the sergeant-at-arms poked his head out of the door and announced to the waiting crowd: "37 for Cleveland, 11 against."

A cheer went up from those in the im-mediate neighborhood. Like a flash the message went through the crowded corridor and lobby and down to the street. "Cleveland gets the delegation," and the bundreds that had been anxiously awaiting the news scattered to spread it far and wide. In the meantime the Sasehan delegation, disgusted with its long wait, had left the scene.

Collapse of the Gorman Movement. All day yesterday there were rumors of combinations of the anti-Cleveland forces, and at one time it looked as though Gorman would come to the front as a compromise candidate. The Sena-tor from Maryland, however, demanded a written assurance, and not being able to get this, his friends withdrew his

name from the canvasa. The anti-Cleveland forces then turned their attention to Morrison of Illinois. Whether they have combined effectively upon him remains to be seen. The Cleveland men made a gain by forcing the unit vote on the Pennsylvania dele-gation by a vote of 58 to 4. The Mis-nouri delegation followed suit, and 34 votes were added to the Cleveland col-

The managers of Senator Hill's can-The managers of Senator Hill's canvass have done little talking to-day, but
they are working with considerable
energy. At the headquarters of the
New York delegation it is said that they
have no statement to give out. When
Mr. Croker was asked for figures on the
strength of Senator Hill, he is reported
to have said: "A good general never
discloses his real strength to the enemy
in advance of battle."

Bayard Thinks Hill Should Retire. Ex-Secretary of State Bayard arrived yesterday and last evening made the fol-lowing statement: "There is only one candidate here and his name is Cleveland. The demand of the Democracy of the country for him is so strong, so in-sistant, that the convention would bow to it, even if, as it is not, it were adverse

to the ex-President. This is a point I cannot put too strongly.

"No combination of politicians, no adroit work of any set of managers can affect the matter—the convention has but to ratify the popular choice and go through the formalities necessary to make Mr. Cleveland officially, as he is popularly, the Democratic candidate. This done, its function will have been completed."

"Then, Senator, you attach little im-

portance to the fight in New York?"
"Only this much, that it gives Sens tor Hill the opportunity of his life. The New York storm can be quelled easily, and upon Senator Hill will devolve the duty as a Democrat to end it. He is a young man, but a wise man and a loyal Democrat, and when he sees how im-perative is the demand by the country for Cleveland he must fall in here and do his duty to the party."

Southern Delegates Reported Wavering. There has been a heavy raiding of the Cleveland lines for the past 24 hours. The anti-Cleveland men have led many re-enforcements to this corps of workers, though they have not yet the ac-tive co-operation of the great bulk of the delegates, and some very skillful political work has been done.
It cannot be discovered at this hour

that they have made any actual bresk in the Cleveland line, but they seem to have checked in a measure the progress of Mr. Cleveland toward the two-thirds necessary for a nomination, which is not claimed that he has yet reached. They seem to have made some of the

They seem to have made some of the enthusiastic Cleveland delegates pause and consider, and some expressions have been got of a willingness to give up Mr. Cleveland if some man with a promise of being stronger in New York can be brought to the front.

Besides this, it is claimed that certain doubtful votes have been brought over to consistent of Cleveland's nemination.

to opposition to Cleveland's nomination on the ground of unavailability. The great raid has been on the Southern votes, and the West has not been neg-

The Southern Congressmen who came The Southern Congressmen who came on from Washington were at work bright and early, and have been holding conferences with the Southern and Wastern delegates. The arguments presented to the Southern delegates were that Mr. Cieveland could not carry New York; that, even if he had in the State certain votes which no other Democrate certain votes which no other Democrate certain votes which no its was unifer. corat could lay claim to, it was unim-

cratic organisation, upon which, after all, the party must depend for its great campaign work.

It was urged then that the South sould not afford to run any risks, and that any reasonable doubt of Mr. Cleveland's ability to carry the State ought to prompt all Southern delegates to at once take up some one—any one—of the many prominent Democrats who are not involved in the fight of New York.

They were warned that the defeat of the Democratic candidate in November will probably carry the defeat of the party in Congress with it, and that would mean the enactment of a Federal Election law.

This line of argument has had an evi-

dent effect upon the enthusiasm of Southern delegates, and the anti-Cleveland men started out again feel-ing in much better spirits than at any time before since the great struggle began.

The struggle is now well defined as

one between sentiment and cold poli-tics. It is still a question which will win. Thus far sentiment has had the advantage and the Cleveland boom is still in the lead. No one can claim with good reason that Cleveland has a safe sure thing of it, though the senti-ment is largely in his favor.

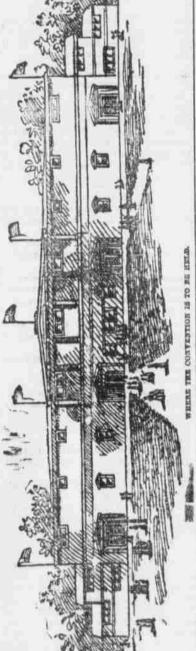
A Newspaper Canvass.

A Chicago paper which has made a canvass of the delegations on its own account publishes the following as its forecast of the first ballot:

Cleveland, 518 1 2. Hill, 175 1-2. Gorman, 53. Boies, 35. Morrison, 34. Carlisie, 24. Anti-Cleveland, 22. Palmer, 22. Gray, 17. Crain, 2.

In the vote by States in this estimate Ohio is divided, 20 for and 16 against Mr. Cleveland.

The anti-Cleveland men are not so



THE NOMINATING SPEECHES.

Gov. Abbett Will Present Cleveland and

W. C. DeWitt Hill. CHICAGO, June 21. -The mystery which has surrounded the programme for the nomination of the candidates before the convention is partly cleared up. Leon Abbett of New Jersey is expected to present the name of Grover Cleveland. Indiana will second the nomination through Senator Voorhees,

Patrick Collins of Massachusetts may make some remarks indorsing the nomi-nation. Mr. Collins declined to make the nominating speech on the ground that Massachusetts had never cast her electoral vote for the Democratic party, and that Mr. Cleveland was a resident

of New Jersey now.
William C. DeWitt of Brooklyn will present the name of David B Hill. It will be the third name presented. The first presentation will be of Horace Boies of Iows, through J. F. Duncome of Fort Dodge. From present indications only three names will be presented.

WILL HILL WITHDRAW?

It is Reported That an Attempt to Induce Him to Do So Is Being Made

CHICAGO, June 21 .- It is understood that an attempt is being made this morning to reconcile the troubles within the Democratic party in New York in the interests of harmony and success in the national election. An amicable arrangement is being

sought.

The election of Mr. Cloveland is conceded, and it is said that members on both sides of the fight in New York have urged Senator Hill to withdraw his name and to permit the vote of New York to be be given to Mr. Cleve land.

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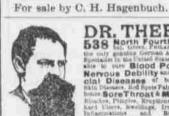
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