

REPUBLICANS MEET.

THE BIG CONVENTION NOW IN SESSION.

FASSETT IS CHAIRMAN.

STRUGGLE OF THE PEOPLE FOR ADMITTANCE.

Lively Scenes Outside and in the Convention Hall—The Crowds Are Impartial and Cheer Both Blaine and Harrison Indiscriminately.

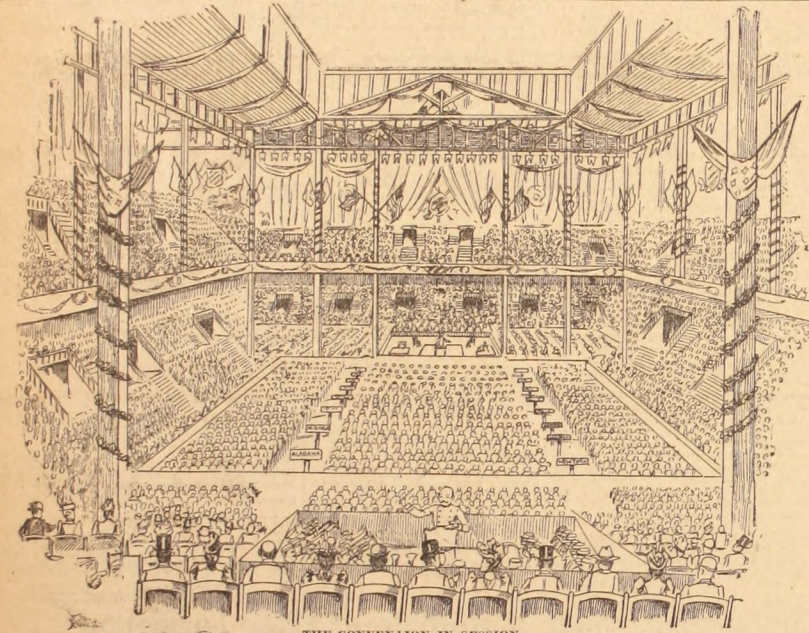
Opening Session.

The tenth National Republican Convention was called to order at 12:30 o'clock Tuesday by the Chairman of the National Republican Committee, James Sullivan Clarkson, of Des Moines, Iowa. Considerably before 11 o'clock the crowds of delegates and spectators began to move from the hotels over the



CHAIRMAN CLARKSON.

magnificent suspension bridge that spans the Mississippi toward the convention hall. It has rained during the early part of the day, but was clearing when the progress toward the hall began. Besides the waving of flags and the fluttering of gorgeous



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badges and the nodding of banners and tri-colored plumes, which were to be seen in vast profusion everywhere, there were the inspiring strains of many bands and the beating of more than 500 drums, the shrill whistling of the life, the shouts of marshals commanding the marching clubs, and the cheers and hurrahs of the organized and unorganized marchers.

There was considerable delay in seating the thousands who possessed tickets of admission, but so gallant-at-arms Meek and his army of assistants were fully up to the great responsibility of their task, and did the work intrusted to them with promptness and great courtesy.

When the vast hall had been filled it presented a most impressive scene. The galleries contained many ladies, all attractive in bright colors. The great gathering, canopied and wreathed, so to speak in a gorgeous trimming of flags, portraits, mottoes, flowers, and bunting, constitutes the most magnificent auditorium spectacle ever witnessed in an American city. It surpasses by far the impressive picture of the interior of the Chicago Auditorium when the National Republican Convention of 1888 was in session at its most brilliant gathering. It is a congregation of the great leaders of a mighty political organization, and with its thousands of brave, serious, intelligent, careworn,



THOMAS C. PLATT, Blaine's Commander-in-Chief.

read by M. H. De-Young of California, and the machinery that is to give the people a candidate for the greatest office within their gift has been put in motion, and the spirited Iowan is reminding the delegates of their solemn duties. The blessing of Almighty God has been invoked by Rev. Dr. Brush, Chancellor of the University of South Dakota at Mitchell, and now all is solemn and silent, with only the voice of the National Committee Chairman ringing out upon the ears of the anxious multitude. Clarkson speaks well and convinces all that he is a man full of courage and energy. There is a practical business tone to his address. He reminds his hearers of victories won in the past and of an impending contest, and he has already convinced every heart in the great hall that the welfare of the nation is indissolubly interwoven with the success of the Republican party. The Iowan has performed his task well. He concludes amid an out-

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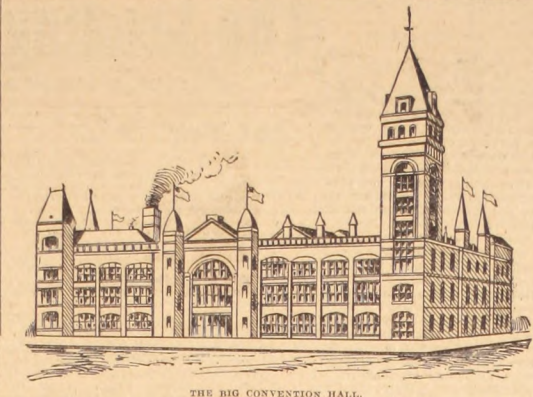
GEN. LEW WALLACE, one of Harrison's Lieutenants.

as the temporary Chairman by nearly a thousand 'ayes.' Mr. Fassett looked perfectly self-possessed as he gazed about the vast hall. In his hand was a type-written manuscript to which he referred occasionally as he spoke.

Mr. Fassett's Speech. MR. CHAIRMAN AND FELLOW REPUBLICANS: For the distinguished honor which you have conferred upon me I am very grateful. I approach the duties of presiding officer with extreme diffidence, and am sustained only by reliance upon your generous forbearance and co-operation. It is eminently fitting that a Republican convention should be held in a temple erected for the display of the products of protection to American industries, and in this beautiful city of Minneapolis, also, the joy and the pride of the great West. This city, which just about equaled the Republican party, with its prosperous mills and factories and workshops and its generous and happy homes, abounds in all the objects of national importance, and in no words the sound wisdom of Republican doctrines when epitomized in such

yet hopeful faces turned toward one the impressions received were entirely out of the ordinary course of life's experiences. But there is no time for these interesting contemplations, for listen to Clarkson, Iowa's favorite Republican political manager, who is beginning to address

embodiment of the cardinal doctrines of our party. There is not a Republican in this convention whose heart does not burn with ardor for triumph in the impending campaign. We are all eager for success; we are here to make necessary preliminary arrangements and all propose to make them in the right spirit. If there is ever a time when it is proper for Republicans to differ, precisely in such occasions as this, when they are met together for the express purpose of reaching ultimate unity through the clash and contest of present differences. In the wide-reaching and delicate business of agreeing upon the standard bearers for a great party there is abundant opportunity for honest men to hold and express honest differences of opinion, and the more earnest the contestants and the more complete the final unanimity. The air is always the sweeter and purer after a storm. It is our right now to oppose each other; it will be our duty to unite to-



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hope to win merely upon the recital of the achievements of our past, brilliant as they have been, any more than our adversaries can hope to succeed upon platforms of glittering promises. The past is chiefly useful to us in so far as it demonstrates the vitality of the party to redeem its pledges and its ability to govern in a broad and enlightened way a free and progressive people. Our pledges have been kept all save one, and I greatly mistake the temper of the Republican party if it will ever be contented with that pledge is made good. Our manhood and honor is pledged to continue the contest for a free and honest ballot until this vital question is settled in the right. That a free people should cast a free vote are have honestly recorded and returned is the dream and determination of the Republican party that it never yet has committed an assault upon the freedom of the ballot. The entire voluntary of political crimes has grown out of attempts to describe assaults of Democracy upon the freedom of the ballot and fair play in the exercise of the elective franchise. And the individual words have been made intelligible by Democratic practices. No question has been permanently settled and never will be finally determined until it is settled in the right; and until every citizen, white or black, East or West, North or South, can approach the ballot-box with absolute security and have his vote counted with absolute honesty, none of us can rest assured that our liberties are safe.

Unless the votes of all men are safe the vote of no man is safe. It is not the negro alone who is disfranchised. It is every man. The contest before us assumes all its difficulties from the fact that we enter the Presidential race handicapped by the certainty that in an electoral college of 44 members 156 votes are now already absolutely secured in advance to the Democratic nominee, and these 156 votes come from the South, which is kept permanently solid through a perpetual breach of the guarantees of the constitution of the United States.

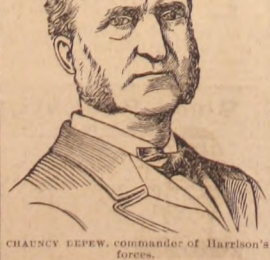
Sometimes we are told that the mission of the Republican party is ended; we have met our destiny and fulfilled it. But the destiny of a progressive party is never fulfilled in an advancing and expanding national life. So long as there remains a wrong to be redressed, so long as there remains a right to be enforced, so long as all the privileges of citizenship are so freely enjoyed under the guarantee that the constitution gives to all citizens of this Union, just so long will there be a mission for the Republican party. So long will there be a

cording to his light, as God gives him to see the light, should subordinate all merely local and personal considerations to an earnest endeavor to secure the best interests of the Republican party throughout the entire sisterhood of States. Some of our transient leaders are weak; all of them are strong. Some may be stronger than others. If, as each delegate views the field there is some one man whose figure seems to him larger, whose stature looms, whose fame and following more commanding, whose name more inspiring than that of any other man, then the pathway of each delegate should be broad and easy.

The eyes of all the Republicans at home and the eyes of all our adversaries everywhere are intently fixed upon this convention; a nation is watching us—our enemies to criticize, our friends to ratify. The responsibility is enormous, but you must meet it wisely. The Republican party has never yet made a mistake in its choice of candidates; it will not make any mistake here. All over this broad land the bonfires are set to be lighted, the flags ready to be unfurled, and the Republicans at home are waiting to show approval of your choice.

The history of our party since 1856 is the history of our country. There is not a single page but shines brighter for some act or some word of some great Republican. Count over our chosen heroes whom you are teaching our children to love, emulate, and revere, and you shall name Republicans. Lincoln, Seward, Grant, Sherman, Garfield, Logan, Harrison, and Blaine—these are a few of our jewels, and we must profess them to our Democratic friends with the defiant challenge: "Match them!"

These men became great and remained great because their belief in and advocacy of the ennobling and inspiring doctrines of the Republican faith. Name me over the great masterpieces of constructive and progressive legislation enacted since the civil war, and, I have not the time even to calculate the long list of our country. There is not a single page but shines brighter for some act or some word of some great Republican. Count over our chosen heroes whom you are teaching our children to love, emulate, and revere, and you shall name Republicans. Lincoln, Seward, Grant, Sherman, Garfield, Logan, Harrison, and Blaine—these are a few of our jewels, and we must profess them to our Democratic friends with the defiant challenge: "Match them!"



CHAUNCY LEFEW, commander of Harrison's forces.

pressible conflict undertaken and concluded, slavery abolished, public credit re-established, the constitution and the Union restored and reconnected, the old flag waving in every state and new stars added to its glory, the wide West thrown open to easy access and settlement, the policy of protection to an American labor and American industries established, the principles vindicated, the markets of the world opened by the persuasive logic of reciprocity to the products of the American work-

shop and the American farm, until to-day the nations of the world are paying tribute to our sagacity in millions and millions of increased purchases, and Lord Salisbury has been driven to the significant confession that even in England free trade has proved disappointing. Rivers and canals have been opened to commerce; the white hulls of our new navy are plunging the waters of every sea; peace has been maintained and respect secured abroad, and so the list might be extended and extended while your patience might endure to listen. Our political adversaries, though perpetually opposing every measure of our new Republican policy, are compelled to admit the wisdom of our course and to confess that we have been right and they have been wrong.

The hour is just about exhausted in the Fifty-first Congress one year ago. Congressional life in vain assaults upon three items in a tariff bill will not be permitted. At this rate of progress they would have to be treated for about 80 years in power before we could see a tariff reform upon lines agreed upon by our conflicting Democratic friends. But we cannot

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THERESIA JENKINS (ALTERNATA), WYOMING.

great work before us and each Republican may exclaim: By gifted men foretold, When men shall live by reason, When some shall be content, When man to man's united And every wrong thing's righted, This noble world shall be lighted As Eden was of old.

At the close of Mr. Fassett's address the convention adjourned until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

The Frog's Peculiarity.

A frog can not breathe with his mouth open. The conformation of his breathing apparatus is such that when his mouth is open his nostrils will be closed, and paradoxical as it may seem, all you have to do to suffocate a frog is to put a stick in his mouth so he can not shut his jaws. It is a strange phenomenon, probably unparalleled in animal history, but nevertheless any one who pleases may make the experiment, though it certainly will be disastrous to the frog.

Scrub Stock. It would pay farmers if a law was enacted prohibiting the sale of all calves under three months old, as they would then be induced to use bulls of good breeding. The keeping of scrub bulls on the farm is the cause of so many baby calves being marketed, as calves bred from scrub stock have no future value for beef.

The Standard Oil Company will have an exhibit at the World's Fair. Unhappily, the most interesting display which the Standard Oil Company could make comprises exactly the things which its officers wish to keep dark.

The Archbishop of Canterbury favors opening the picture galleries and museums on Sundays as an antidote to saloons. Great Britain's Sunday drink bill is \$75,000,000 a year. All delay is a grateful, but we are not wise without it.

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