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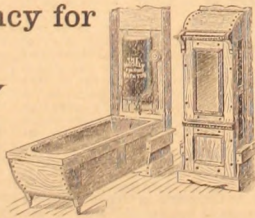
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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

I herewith announce myself as a candidate for Representative to the popular branch of the Illinois State Legislature, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention to be held in the court house at Pontiac, Thursday, June 30, 1892. BAILEY A. GOWER.

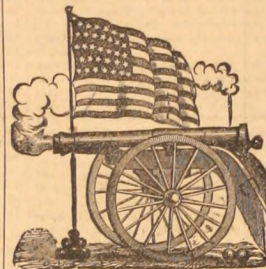
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Representative to the popular branch of the Illinois State Legislature subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention to be held at Pontiac Thursday, June 30, in the court house at Pontiac. D. B. WALKER.

I hereby announce myself as candidate for the republican nomination for the office of Circuit Clerk of Livingston county, subject to the consideration of the republican county convention, to be held Thursday, June 30, in the court house at Pontiac. FRANK L. SMITH.

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WHOO! HURRAH!!

Dwight will get Old Fashioned on the Fourth of July, and Whoop It Up For All There is in It.

Dwight will be ablaze with glory the Fourth of July. The small boy will be in his element, and young and old will show their independence and celebrate it at the same time. Arrangements are in preparation for the grandest celebration ever held in this part of the country and everyone is invited to come and assist in the patriotic demonstration. The following president of the day, marshal and committees have been appointed and are working together for success:

President of the Day—S. T. K. Prime.

Marshal—Ed. McWilliams.

General Committee—James Kelagher, S. T. K. Prime, Ed. McWilliams, John Thompson, A. R. Zimmerman.

Finance Committee—J. Kelagher, H. Hagerty, Ed. Reeb, Ames Orr.

Music and Speakers—Ed. McWilliams, D. B. Stevens, B. A. Buck, A. R. Zimmerman, Miss Artie Pollard, Miss Cora Adams.

Merchants' Display—Joe Miller, John Leach, F. W. Liggitt.

Sports—A. L. Orr, W. T. Prime, Jno. Thompson.

Ragmuffins—Will Prime, Len Hahn, H. L. Hagerty.

Fire Works—Milton R. Keeley, J. W. Baker, J. D. Ketcham.

The speakers stand will be erected in the beautiful shady school house grounds and eating stands, games, etc., also.

Following are a few of the features of the occasion.

Grand merchants street display of most every business in the city.

Speaking.

Band music.

Vocal music.

Fire works.

Balloon ascension.

Hypodrome races.

Horse races.

Base ball.

Foot races.

Wheelbarrow races.

Sack races.

Jumping matches.

And everything that can be thought of for the amusement of the thousands of visitors.

The Dwight Fire Company intend to run a platform dance in the afternoon at the school house grounds, and a grand ball in the evening, where everyone can shake their feet to their hearts content.

Every one who wishes to enjoy a grand Fourth should come to Dwight.

One Dollar.

For the above sum we will send the CHICAGO WEEKLY INTER OCEAN and STAR and HERALD from this date to Jan. 1, 1893. This gives you two good papers during the whole campaign. Come a runnin'.

MINNEAPOLIS.

A Trip to the Great Northwestern City During the Republican National Convention.

Minneapolis is a wonderful city in many ways, and its surroundings are very pleasant and a source of enjoyment to its residents and thousands of visitors in search of recreation and health every summer. Last week it was not the surroundings, however, that attracted thousands of visitors, but the great Republican National Convention. This occasion every four years, of both great parties, calls forth regular delegations from every state and territory in the Union, and they are accompanied by hundreds of politicians and would be spectators who desire to shout for their favorite and see what is to be seen and hear what is to be heard. For example, over 200 shouters came with the delegation from far off Main; over 300 came all the way from California; Indiana was most all there; Illinois did not take a back seat by any means; even Alaska, the home of the cold wave from the north, was represented; the southern states sent their quorum of mostly colored people; and so on through the whole United States, until the city of Minneapolis of about 160,000 inhabitants, was crowded, inside and out.

The people of Minneapolis, who had come from different states, had organized themselves into state associations and information bureaus, where all from the states were received in a most friendly manner, and advice and information was dealt out in any quantity desired as free as the air. This proved an excellent idea, and was highly appreciated by visitors. The delegates were all previously assigned, but many visitors were furnished comfortable quarters by these state associations.

The state headquarters were scattered all over the business part of the city. The Illinois delegation was comfortably located at the Nicollet House, having three parlors at their disposal, where they welcomed all Illinoisians.

The city was beautifully decorated, and presented a Fourth of July appearance. The convention was held in the Exposition building, which had been completely transformed for the occasion, and seated 12,500 people, and was handsomely decorated with bunting, banners, thousands of flags of all sizes from six inches long to sixty feet, and patriotic emblems of many kinds. The seats were so arranged that the occupants could see and hear from any part of the great hall.

At the first three sessions the seats were not all occupied, but Thursday night when it was thought a test vote would be taken on adopting the minority or majority report, one for Harrison and one for Blaine, on admitting the Alabama delegation, every seat was occupied and standing room taken. At this session was the time the Chicago Inter Ocean got in its work in a manner that was appreciated. A fan of medium size, one side red and the other white, was in every chair, with the following printed on the white side: "The Inter Ocean wishes you to keep cool. Remember November." As the hall was very warm it is hardly necessary to say the fans were in use. Can you imagine an audience of 12,500 people, composed of ladies and gentlemen, all vigorously using fans at the same time? If you can you can imagine a fine sight—one seldom seen in a life time. The test vote was finished after much parleying by different factions, about 1:15 in the morning, and resulted in seating the Harrison delegates and virtually ended the presidential nomination contest, as the Harrison delegates were as firm as rocks.

The great day was Friday and there was a great scrimmage for tickets of admission, as most every one was of the opinion that the great contest would be settled the first ballot. This memorable session commenced about 11:30 a. m. and adjourned about 4:30 p. m. The nominating speeches were excellent, most of them being by men of prominence in the republican party for many years, and orators of national fame. They were listened to with intense interest, and when the orators reviewed the historical achievements of their favorites, the friends of each in the vast assembly showed their appreciation by giving vent to their enthusiasm in cheers and roars that came up from different parts of the great hall like waves of sound. After Senator Walcott's speech placing James G. Blaine in nomination the friends of that great statesman cheered for over half an hour. At one time the enthusiastic Chicago Blaine club commenced the old campaign cry, "Blaine! Blaine!

James G. Blaine!" and one by one joined in until probably 19,000 people were shouting the same thing. It was certainly the sight of a person's lifetime.

After the venerable Dick Thompson, of Indiana, and Chancey M. Depew, made speeches for Harrison the same scenes were enacted, but the fact was made clear that Blaine had the majority of audience, but Harrison had the votes.

While the votes were being received, as each favorite was rewarded, the enthusiasm was great, and when the great state of Ohio was called, and Gov. Foraker announced the vote almost solid for McKinley, the whole convention arose to its feet and cheered the great Ohio statesman, and for a few minutes it was thought that there would be a stampede, but the Harrison men had made up their minds and nothing could change them. The vote went on until finally Texas settled it, and thousands arose to their feet and cheered and left the hall hungry and tired. The great work of nominating was practically done.

WHAT WE SAW.

Tuesday afternoon most of the delegation from the ninth Illinois district, including the republican nominee for congress, Mr. H. K. Wheeler, of Kankakee; Delegate Wilcox, of Mionok; Alternate Carruthers, Col. Ben Robinson, Mr. Weaver, of Fairbury; Messrs. Frank L. Smith, A. R. Zimmerman and W. G. Dustin, visited the falls of Minnehaha and heard the waters laugh. Minnie was not in at the time, but the falls were there, and history has made them very interesting and inspiring, a great deal more so than actual visits have.

Some of the party visited Lake Harriet and Lake Calhoun Wednesday and fished. They are beautiful lakes nearly round, and have beautiful boulevards encircling them, and large cool pavilions, and hundreds of boats of different kinds. These lakes are within from twenty to thirty minutes ride from the heart of the city on the electric cars, and are splendid places for rest and recreation.

Thursday afternoon we visited Lake Minnetonka, which is situated about fifteen miles from Minneapolis in Wisconsin. This lake is probably eighteen miles long and from one to three miles wide, and completely surrounded by beautiful woods. On this lake are situated quite a number of summer resort hotels, that are capable of taking care of from 300 to 1,000 guests, and are well patronized during the hot summer season. The lake winds around through the woods like a crooked river and only small parts of it can be seen at a time. Steamers glide here and there from one resort to another, carrying fishing, picnic and pleasure parties. These things are very pretty to look upon, but one would need a small fortune to remain very long. We noticed one thing that money wouldn't do and that was keep the mosquitoes off. They bite the rich and the poor alike with a great deal of alacrity. The rates at the lake hotels are not lower than \$4 per day, and so we only stayed about half an hour.

Among the many handsome buildings we saw were the Guarantee Loan, West Hotel, Public Library, Lumber Exchange and others and hundreds of private residences.

One very fine feature in Minneapolis is the beautiful driveways all around the city and the lakes.

PEOPLE WE SAW.

We saw a large majority of the great leaders of the Republican party, and found that they resembled other human beings, and it would seem that in many cases they were the willing creatures of circumstances, and confirms our belief in the old saying that many a flower is born to blush unseen. By the way, we are no flower.

Senator Walcott, of Colorado, is a young man, and a genuine, natural orator, and his speech presenting the name of James G. Blaine was one of the most eloquent ever delivered. Frank Smith was so impressed with Walcott that he thinks of having him place him in nomination for circuit clerk at the county convention.

Chauncey M. Depew seconded the nomination of President Harrison in an elegant speech. His oratory is well known.

Senator Miller, of New York, Spooner, of Wisconsin, Collum, of Illinois, and other senators gave vent to eloquent appeals in behalf of their favorites.

Bruce Ex-Senator Inghalls, of Kansas, Mahone, of Virginia, Platt, of New York, Ex-Governor Forsaker, of Ohio, Ex-Governor Uncle Dick Oglesby, Chancey I. Filley, of Missouri, Powell of Arkansas, and many others took part in the proceedings.

The venerable Fred Douglass, of Wash-

ington, had a seat near the chairman. Among the other colored people of prominence were Congressman Lynch, Pinchback and others.

Hon. H. K. Wheeler, candidate for congress in the ninth district, was an interested spectator at every session. He is a very pleasant and able gentleman.

Ben Robinson, of Fairbury, is an orator of no mean ability when it comes to talking for tickets of admission.

Harry Diffenbaugh was on deck with the Kansas delegation. He wore a large Blaine Badge and a bland smile. He got tickets just the same.

Next week like scenes will be enacted in the great wigwam on the lake front in Chicago, when a democratic candidate will be nominated for president. We shall have something to say about it if we succeed in gaining admittance.

W. G. D.

Board Meeting.

Another midnight session of our city solons was held Tuesday. The Alton road will soon commence the construction of the new walk on Morgan street if they can find it.

The sewerage matter had not been decided at Pontiac. There are only six objectors this time and we understand that the objections are based upon inequality.

Several special rates for water were made including Hagerty & Co., Seymour, Smith & Goodman and C. L. Romberger.

A list of water takers was read by the clerk, and the water committee ordered to shut off water from those that had not paid, without notification. They are a little hasty in this matter, a great deal more so than they are in paying the town bills. The people that hold orders against the village are very lenient with the board.

D. B. Stevens and John Geis were granted permission to remove their business houses from West to East street, provided they were properly covered with iron. It seems that this was part of the agreement between these parties and the citizens committee when the transfer was made with the Leslie E. Keeley Co. The agreement was made before the present fire ordinance was passed. The present fire ordinance is a nuisance anyway, the lines running through allies instead of through the middle of streets. A person can build a wooden structure across the alley, a few feet from the fire limits. The fire limits should run through the middle of the street, and be lived up to in all cases. Even aldermanic courtesy should not be allowed to interfere with city ordinances.

The matter of laying water mains on Chippewa street was referred to the water committee with power to act.

The matter of naming streets and numbering houses for mail delivery was referred to a committee consisting of President Romberger, Trustees Stevens and Buck. Col. Parsons says it will not cost more than \$50.

Assessor Kelagher informed the board that it must look after stray dogs or they would be assessed to the village.

A bill for the board of Monroe while in the county jail was presented by Sheriff Coe, amounting to \$45. Referred to judiciary committee. Several other bills were considered.

In the "we sma hours" the mayor appointed Marshall Orr street commissioner and Will Wykes night marshal.

It was also decided to build new sidewalks as follows: In front of the Kepingler block; from Flagler's corner to opera house and club room; and in front and near the Cornell house.

Ordinances were passed authorizing the president of the board to appoint a street commissioner and detailing his duties, also ordinance prohibiting the use of bicycles on sidewalks. There is one bicycle that should be granted a special permit. The board adjourned.

MAIL CARRIERS.

The Dwight Postoffice will be in the Second Class After July 1, and be Entitled to Carriers.

Last Tuesday night Postmaster Parsons made applications to the village board to have the names of streets placed on corners and to have the houses properly numbered. This action is necessary in order to make proper application for the carrier system, which Dwight is entitled to after July 1. The business of the Dwight office is now over \$10,000 a year, and more than any town of its size in the west, on account of its being the headquarters of the Leslie E. Keeley Co., and will be the only city in ninth congressional district except Kankakee, that will have mail carriers. Hurrah for Dwight.