

erecting in time for the convention a building so large, so well arranged, and capable of sustaining, as well as accommodating, such a vast concourse of people. The site on Michigan boulevard, just north of Battery D, between Madison and Washington streets, was engaged for the purpose. In the person of A. M. Allen, architect and contractor, a young man full of vim and spirit, was found a man of ideas of the right sort and the ability to execute them. His plans were adopted and his figures accepted and he was authorized to complete the work so that June 21 the convention hall should be in complete readiness for the convention. Nearly 200 men have been employed, one way and another, on the building.

The Wigwam, which promises to be historic for its connection with the success and growth of the Democratic party, has a frontage on Michigan avenue of 456 feet. Its depth is 250 feet, or a total ground size of 114,000 square feet. The building will be 60 feet high, well lighted and ventilated. The interior is one vast amphitheater. The area or pit will be seated with 840 arm-chairs, and here the delegates will sit. They will face the west or Michigan avenue side. Directly in front of the chair will sit the official stenographers, and flanking the chair on either side will be the press representatives, 175 on each side—350 in all. Directly

there will be 19,400 chairs in the wigwam and fifty boxes. The cost of the building, exclusive of decorating and lighting, will be \$23,500.

The recent flurry which "downed" the centre pole of the Wigwam has necessitated some changes, and these were of course made after our accompanying pictures were drawn. They were not, however, so extensive as to materially change the general appearance inside, or at all outside, the front elevation being as here given. The pole has been kept out of the reconstruction, and in its place are several others distributed around in such manner as to render everything perfectly safe, which the building, as a whole, is now pronounced to be by the committee in charge.

SOME OF THOSE WHO WILL BE THERE.

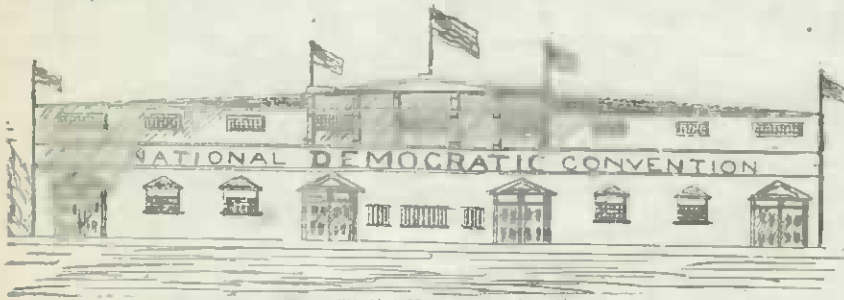
"There will be more clubs in attendance upon the convention than ever before graced a national convention," says the *Times*. "Boles clubs from Iowa and Gray clubs from Indiana, Hill clubs from New York and Cleveland clubs from all over the country will vie with each other in the work of creating enthusiasm for their respective idols. All the arrangements are not as yet completed for the reception of delegates and visitors, but this much is settled—the superb Democratic Marching Club of Chicago, with its incomparable leader

I say further, designedly, for four months in a Mexican prison awaiting trial is a punishment of itself. Considering the magnitude of the offense committed, that of murder connected with a genuine rebellion, the fewness of the culprits who are to pay the penalty occasions some surprise. But the submission of the rebellious was so entire, and the success of the authorities in catching the offenders so complete, that the government could afford to be magnanimous toward those not really guilty of murder. Four of the five were sentenced by the district judge to capital punishment, the other to thirteen years and four months at hard labor; the other forty-one were declared exonerated by their early submission to the State authority. But the sentence must be confirmed by the Supreme Tribunal of Justice of the State before they will be allowed to return to their homes.

The funny part of the whole affair was the catching of the rebels. First a few were apprehended and after preliminary examination were released on their own recognizance. The example of these, together with the proclamation, induced some more to surrender who were, in like manner, released. Then the large majority mustered courage from the leniency apparently shown, and surrendered in a body; then those who had been released were gathered up, and the victory was complete.

In a few weeks the great scarcity of provisions in this neighborhood will be at an end, for a tolerably fair harvest of wheat is assured, unless it should rain so much and so continuously as to ruin it.

The eldest son of our Bishop, Wm. D. Johnson, Jr., is the sufferer from the strange freak of a coyote. The young man is about twenty-one years of age, and being used to roughing it, like almost all country-raised "Mormon" boys, entertaining no fear of the traditional coward of all cowards, the coyote, makes his bed on the ground wherever night overtakes him. On the evening of the 3rd inst., while on a trip on horseback on the range, after stock, while sleeping in the same bed with his companions, he was rudely and painfully awakened by the vise-like grip of the fangs of a coyote fastened on his chin, the upper fang biting through his lip. A groan that escaped him in his struggle with the brute awakened his companions, who were obliged, though both of them well-built young men, to exert all their united strength, which broke the coyote's jaws before they could make it release its hold. With great presence of mind they held in such a way that no blood was drawn on either of the other two, except a very small place on the thumb of one of them, until the sufferer himself cut the animal's throat, they never losing their hold on its jaws. This done, the sufferer fainted, and is at writing, in a precarious condition. The poison in the animal's bite was so strong that the almost invisible mark on the thumb mentioned above, immediately stiffened it, and it remained so for some hours. One of the young men had the curiosity to examine and dissect the dead coyote afterwards, by daylight. He found no outward sign of rabies in eyes or mouth and absolutely nothing



THE EXTERIOR VIEW.

back of the chair will be seats for 300 special guests, and rising above these will be private boxes two tiers high. Surrounding the pit or arena seats will gradually rise in amphitheatrical form to the walls. There will be 12,000 seats, divided into four sections and divided by broad, commodious aisles. Encircling the entire interior, the upper tier of private boxes on the west forming a portion of it, will be the immense gallery. This is fourteen feet high at the front and rises to eighteen feet in the rear. The delegates will enter the hall through doors opening from Michigan avenue into passage ways on either side of the platform, leading to aisles which surround the pit. The main entrances will be at the end of the building. On both the north and south ends of the building will be broad walks leading to the rear and at the rear corners will be thirty-two-foot stairways leading to the interior. The entrances to the gallery will be independent.

A large room directly under the platform in the rear of the chairman's desk will be fitted up for the use of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies, and at both ends will be commodious rooms, one for the use of the Western Associated Press, the other for the United Press. Altogether

and drill master, Captain James H. Farrell, will meet and escort all clubs that come to the convention to their respective hotels.

"The marching club is now a brigade 700 strong, and as many of the clubs are likely to arrive simultaneously, the "brigade" will doubtless have to be divided in order to meet and greet them all. But none knows better than Captain Farrell how to accomplish the desired results and give to the visiting organizations a taste of real Chicago hospitality. Several clubs already have notified Captain Farrell of their intention to be present, and the handsome appearance of the local club, headed by a band, escorting the visitors to their temporary homes, promises to be one of the features of the convention not the least interesting."

A MEXICAN LETTER.

It was conjectured at the time of the revolt in January last, in our neighboring town of La Ascension, that swift and certain would be the vengeance of the ruling party on the rebels, but all who so expected have seen it delayed for once four months, and now only five of the forty-six arraigned are singled out to receive further punishment.