

cheering, shouting, waving handkerchiefs, umbrellas, etc., for the space of several minutes, before any attempt at restoring order could be made.

Harrison, of Indiana, suggested that an hour be given each side in the Illinois case, and the proposition was subsequently adopted without serious objections.

Mr. Conger opened the debate in support of the report.

Raum, of Illinois, replied.

Elliott Anthony, one of the contestants, followed in support of the majority report, asserting that the Illinois conventions never have selected the delegates to the National conventions, and that all such delegates to the National conventions were selected invariably by the congressional district conventions. The gentleman (Raum) who preceded him in making a different statement stood before the country as a perverter of history. (Applause.) In the course of his speech, Murphy, of New York, interposed with inquiry whether the speaker did not tell him (Murphy) the other day that on no account would he ever vote for Gen. Grant.

Anthony replied that he never said or thought such a thing. If Grant should be nominated here, he would vote for him.

Storrs, of Illinois, followed for the sitting delegates. In a pithy speech frequently eliciting demonstrations of approval, the sentence "nominate Jas. G. Blaine if you will," was the signal for another grand outburst of applause, which was encored and intensified when he finished the sentence thus, "and then when those who now shout in the galleries shall be and by be reposing under the influence of the summer sun, the followers of the grand old silent soldier will still be found wide awake and watching by their camp fires and carrying the banners of sluggards." The scene which followed and continued for several minutes was most exciting. A part of the galleries and the Grant men in the convention standing and shouting, the uproar partially dying away and then breaking out anew. Although the scene of excitement was continued for a longer time, it was clearly apparent that it was not participated in by so large a proportion of the audience as upon the occasion of Pixley's allusion to Blaine. Conkling was conspicuous in leading the cheerers, first by waving his handkerchief and later by standing on his chair and waving the illuminated little banner placed to designate the seats of the New York delegation.

Reports were submitted and acted upon respecting the Kansas, West Virginia and Utah cases, after which the report of the committee on rules and order of business was taken up. The rules of the House of Representatives were recommended. It also recommends that when the vote of a State is cast for a candidate it cannot be changed except in case of numerical error, ten minutes to be allowed for the presentation of each candidate for President.

At 2.54 p.m. Sharpe of New York moved that the convention proceed immediately to ballot for President of the United States.

The chairman ruled the motion in order but it was rejected.

Boutwell, of Massachusetts, moved that the national convention be instructed to prepare a plan for the election of delegates by States to the national convention of 1884. Adopted.

The minority report on rules and order of business was adopted, and the committee on credentials asked to report.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., 4.—John G. Thompson, Jr., of Ohio, son of the sergeant-at-arms of the House of Representatives, Washington, was shot and seriously wounded in the abdomen, to-day, at Highland Falls, by Beaumont Buck, of Texas. Both were candidates for admission to the West Point military academy and attending classes of the preparatory school. Buck had been made the victim of a mild form of hazing by the other students, became enraged at some remarks to-day, drew his revolver and shot Thompson. Buck gave himself up to Justice Avery and was committed to the County jail to await the result of Thompson's injuries. The bullet passed through Thompson's body. His condition is critical. Sergeant-at-arms Thompson was telegraphed for at once.

A storm on Saturday prostrated the wires between Cheyenne and Omaha, hence the briefest notes only of the convention are received. In the shape of bulletins,

The following were received at 11 o'clock Saturday night:

CHICAGO, 5.—The convention met at 7.16 p.m. It is reported on good authority that if there is no nomination before the fourth ballot is reached, Iowa, Connecticut and Indiana will cast their votes for Garfield.

Roll of States is being called for the selection of the national committee.

Hale, of Maine, moved that the roll of States be called for the presentation of candidates for nomination by the convention. It is being debated.

Conkling finished at 9.45 p.m., when there was loud and prolonged applause for Grant.

When Ohio was called, Garfield took the platform to nominate Sherman, and was, as well as the others, cheered for some time.

At the end of Garfield's speech, more cheering was indulged in and continued for some time.

It is now thought a ballot will be reached by 11.30 p.m.

Billings, of Vermont, is now speaking in favor of the nomination of Edmunds.

Edmunds's name is eliciting much applause.

Cassidy, of Wisconsin, is now presenting the name of Washburne. Washburne's name is received with considerable applause. Cassidy said the two best men were Washburne and Edmunds.

Brandage, of Connecticut, is seconding the nomination of Washburne. This is the last speech; now 11.38. It is doubtful if a ballot is taken to-night.

Brandage finished at 11.49 p.m.

A delegate moves to adjourn. Great confusion.

The Convention adjourned till 10 a.m. Monday.

CHICAGO, 5.—The Convention was called to order in evening session at 7.15, but it was 10 minutes later before the delegates were sufficiently settled in their seats to admit of the opening of business. A communication was read from Mr. Jas. P. Root, calling attention to the historical associations connected with the gavel used by the presiding officer of the convention. Its head is made from a piece of wood taken from the home of Abraham Lincoln, and the handle from a cane grown on the Mount Vernon estate at the home of Washington.

The presiding officer is asked to accept it as a memento of one of the most interesting conventions in the history of the republican party.

Hale, of Maine, moved that the roll of the States be called that the announcement of the names of members of the republican national committee might be received. Agreed to.

The roll was called accordingly: Alabama named Paul Strobach, Arkansas, S. W. Dorsey, California, Horace Davis, Colorado, John L. Boutt, Connecticut, Marshall Jewell, Delaware, Christian Febiger, Florida, Wm. W. Hick, Georgia, Jas. D. Deviaux, Illinois, John A. Logan, Indiana, Jno. C. New, Iowa, Jno. F. Rummel, Kansas, John A. Martin, Kentucky, W. O. Bradley, Louisiana, H. C. Warmoth, Maine, Wm. P. Frye, Maryland, James A. Gary, Massachusetts, John M. Ford, Michigan, James H. Stone, Minnesota, E. M. Sabin, Miss., George C. McKee, Missouri, C. J. Filley, Nebraska, Jas. W. Dawes, Nevada, Jno. W. Mackey, New Hampshire, W. E. Chandler, New Jersey, Geo. A. Halsey, New York, Thos. C. Platt, North Carolina, W. P. Canady, Ohio, W. C. Cooper, Oregon, D. C. Ireland, Pa., J. D. Cameron, (unanimously) Rhode Island, W. A. Pierce, South Carolina, Sam Lee, Tennessee, Wm. Rola, Texas, (unready), Vermont, Geo. W. Hooker, Virginia, Sam M. Jones, West Virginia, J. W. Mason, Wisconsin, Elihu Enos, Arizona, R. C. McCormick, Dakota, (unable to age) District of Columbia, not ready, Idaho, Geo. L. Shoup, Montana, A. H. Beatty, New Mexico, S. B. Elkin, Utah, G. W. Bennet, Washington Territory, T. Miner, Wyoming, Jos. L. Cary.

As the two delegates from Dakota were unable to agree, Conger moved that the national committee should fill the vacancy.

Conkling objected.

The Chair ruled the motion in order and it was adopted. Drake, of Maine, offered the following:

Resolved, That in case of the death or resignation of any member of the National Central Committee, the vacancy may be filled by appointment by the Central Committee of the state, territory or district. Adopted.

Hale, of Maine, moved a call of the roll of states in alphabetic order, and whenever a state is reached

which has a nomination to present, it may be presented under the rule already adopted.

Logan inquired how many were allowed to second the nominations.

The Chair said the rule made no provision for speeches in seconding a nomination, but allowed 10 minutes for the presentation of each candidate.

Conger asked unanimous consent that five minutes may be given for the seconding of each nomination immediately after the nomination, and it was so ordered.

Hale's motion was then agreed to and the roll was called.

When Michigan was called Jas. F. Joy rose and took the platform in response to numerous calls. After some reference to the public life of his proposed nominee he presented for nomination to the presidency Jas. G. Blaine.

Pixley, of California, seconded the nomination of Blaine, as follows:

Mr. President and gentlemen delegates—I have been assigned to the performance of a prominent duty by the choice of my colleagues and the courtesy of the friends of Mr. Blaine. I have been accorded the privilege of seconding his nomination as candidate of the republican party for the office of President of the United States. All the delegates of the Territories of Washington, Idaho and Arizona, the States of Oregon, Nevada and California constituting the empire of the Pacific, a grander and prouder empire than the sun elsewhere shines upon, unite with me in the pleasure of this opportunity to second the nomination of Mr. Blaine, and will supplement the compliment by casting for him the united votes of all the delegates of all the States and Territories of the Pacific Coast. Our delegation, limited in number, represents an empire broad in territorial area, extending with Alaska from the eternal ice of the north to the semi tropical belt where the apple and the pine grow side by side, extending from the wave-washed golden sands of the Western Sea to the rock ribbed mountains that separate, but do not divide, us from you, our eastern friends, embracing a present wealth of gold and grain, and wine and wool, and an incalculable future wealth that will astonish the world. It is a broad and splendid domain. Its western shore looks eastward and to eastern lands. Its Golden Gates stand wide open to admit the rich commerce of the Orient and to welcome the intercourse necessary to its enjoyment. It is the future home of your children. It is the inheritance of your sons. It is the rich dower of your daughters, and because we think and all our republican people think that the nomination of James G. Blaine by this convention will result in his becoming president of the United States, and because we think and all our republican friends think that as president he will help to guard this rich empire from an alien invasion and keep and guard it as the home and inheritance and dower of all sons and daughters of this Christian commonwealth, Washington Territory, Idaho and Arizona, Oregon, Nevada and California have sent us a united delegation to cast an unbroken vote for the distinguished statesman and senator from Maine. In him we recognize the distinguished ability, the unflinching nerve which is oft-time demanded in the performance of public duties, the possession of an unstained name which partisan malice has been unable to blacken, the possession of a brave heart that embraces in its magnet sympathy all his countrymen who love their country, honor its institutions and obey its laws. He is gifted, eloquent and brave. He is patriotic, honest and true. He has been trusted in long public service and may be trusted. He will carry with his great office no personal or party resentments. He will bring to the discharge of his official duties no local nor sectional prejudices. He is broad minded, comprehensive and generous in the exercise of an undaunted moral courage. He will dare to defy the baser political elements and delight to surround himself with the best and ablest men of the nation. He will call into the councils of his administration the tried, and honored and honest men of his party. He will assert to the fullest extent the power and the prerogatives of the Presidential office to secure to the humblest citizen the protection of the law. He will in the performance of his executive duties shirk no responsibility nor seek to avoid any duty required of him by the constitution

and the law. His nomination will violate none of the time honored traditions of the country that in their long continued existence and force have become the unwritten law of the land, tradition that ought to be more inviolable than formulated laws and as sacred as the written constitution of our forefathers. His nomination is demanded by the majority of delegates from a solid republican north, and ought to be conceded by a solid south, that has everything to receive and nothing to give, that in the coming contest has everything to gain and nothing to lose but honor. Give us this gentleman as a candidate and we of the ultimate west pledge to you the service of a gallant band of republican soldiers that has now for these thirty-two years held and guarded the frontier outposts of your republican army. We have never been surprised or been off duty, have never flinched a fight, nor lost a President battle. We have never allowed a democratic electoral vote to be deposited in the electoral urn since we have been welcomed to the sisterhood of States. Give us this gentleman for candidate and we shall go back to our distant homes with banners flying. With glad proud hearts, our people will welcome and applaud us. Our western sea shall sound its roaring anthems of gladness across the continent answering your eastern ocean. Our pine clad Sierras shall roll their graceful courtesy to the bending pines of Maine. We will give them electoral votes to make James G. Blaine the best President of the United States.

The speech was repeatedly interrupted by applause, and its close was followed by another burst of cheers.

Frye, of Maine, asked and obtained two minutes which he improved to give utterance to an electric speech which set his hearers wild again.

Minnesota being called, E. F. Drake presented the name of Wm. Windom of that State, which was also received with great but speedily subsiding applause. He referred to him as a statesman of wide experience, who had served in thirty years public life, and always with acceptability. He pledged the vote of Minnesota for whoever should be the nominee of this convention.

There was no seconding speech for Windom.

When New York was called Conkling rose, and mounted the reporters' table. He, too, was received with long continued and vociferous though not such general or apparently spontaneous cheering.

The mention of Grant's name was received with a grand demonstration of applause among the audience both in the galleries and on the floor. The nominating speech was not inspiring in its delivery, and the demonstration of applause which greeted it cannot be compared to that elicited by the mention of Blaine's name, which at the conclusion of Joy's speech, was the signal for another scene of confusion and excitement, the larger half of the audience and all the Blaine delegates rising and cheering, waving flags, fans, hats, umbrellas, etc., most frantically.

We omit from our telegraphic report all the unnecessary and bewildering bulletins received. In brief, on the 36th ballot, at 1.30 p.m. Chicago time, June 8, James A. Garfield of Ohio, was nominated for the office of President of the United States. In our next issue we will give a complete table of the various and persistent balloting. Eds.

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