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WASHINGTON, May 19.—At 6:45 o'clock this evening the long debated question was finally settled and Edward Hanlan has won the title of the Champion of America.

The great race, if it may be called a race, occupied just 36 minutes and 49.3-10 seconds, by the computation of the official time keeper, though three seconds less was claimed by parties upon the referee's boat. At 5:45 p. m., the *Gedney*, having on board the referee, judges, time-keepers, several newspaper representatives and a score or more of distinguished guests, including Secretaries Sherman, Thompson, Postmaster General Key, and ladies of their families, drew up to the starting point and immediately after the second gun was fired a signal for the men to get ready. Blaikie gave the cautionary "Are you ready?" and three seconds after the word, "Go," which sent the men away to a beautiful start. Courtney's oars seemed to catch a trifle in advance of his opponent, and with a sturdy even grip upon the water sent his boat palpably to the front. For the first half minute he pulled 18 strokes, or at the rate of 36 to the minute, while Hanlan was timed at 41. Before Courtney had pulled 10 strokes, however, Hanlan had overhauled him and each succeeding stroke sent his boat farther to the front. At the first flag, marking one-eighth of a mile from the start, clear water could be seen between the stern of his boat and the bow of Courtney's. At this point Courtney turned to look over his shoulder and evidently realized that he was beaten, as he suddenly dropped his stroke to 30 and shook his head to some one in the referee's boat who had shouted to him to pull, saying, "It isn't in me." Hanlan also eased up, and pulling steadily at 32 strokes to the minute, opened the gap as he pleased. All interest in the race was gone when Hanlan reached the three-quarter flag fully 10 lengths in advance. At the first mile he was pulling 31 strokes to the minute and leading nearly 15 boat lengths, Courtney laboring unsteadily at about 28 and frequently casting a despairing glance over his shoulder. Soon after passing the mile flag Courtney stopped rowing and removed his handkerchief, dipped it in the water and replaced it on his head, repeating the operation a half dozen times during the next mile. His steering, which at the start was faultless, became more and more erratic, and three of the six flags from the half mile to the two mile point were either brushed by his oar or run over directly by his boat.

Hanlan reached the two mile flag in 12 minutes 31.4 seconds; just one-eighth of a mile in advance of Courtney, who finally stopped three-eighths of a mile from the turn, or two and one-eighth of a mile from the start, turned his boat and pulled leisurely over the course and disembarked at his quarters at the Potomac boat-house. Hanlan pulled on to the turning stake and squared away for the finish in 17 minutes 54 seconds from the start. On his way home Hanlan gradually overhauled Courtney, and thousands on the shore and upon the boats and steamers which lined the course, not knowing that Courtney had not turned the stake boat, imagined the race was a debateable issue and rent the air with cheers for their respective favorites. Hanlan, however, soon passed Courtney and pulled leisurely to the last eighth of the course. In response to the blowing of whistles and cheers from thousands of spectators, he quickened to a 40 stroke and exhibited a splendid burst of speed to the finish, which he reached in 36 minutes and 43.3-10 seconds from the time of starting. Pulling up to the referee's boat, Hanlan was awarded the race by the referee and cordially congratulated. Hanlan then picked his way through the scores of steamers and river craft of every description and reached his quarters at Anacostan boat-house, where he was received amid the wildest demonstrations of delight, lifted bodily from his boat and carried upon the shoulders of his enthusiastic friends into the boat-house.

Among the amendments to the agricultural appropriation bill adopted by the House, is the following: Appropriating \$20,000 for sinking two artesian wells on the plains east of the Rocky Mountains; appropriating \$50,000 to enable the Commissioner of Agriculture to continue his investigations upon the subject of forestry.

The President nominated Horace

Maynard, of Tennessee, Postmaster-General; James Longstreet, Minister to Turkey; D. M. Key, U. S. District Judge for Eastern and Middle Tennessee.

SPRINGFIELD, 19.—Gen. Baum made a temperate address, setting forth that with unity of action the republicans could, without a shadow of doubt, carry the election, "but with the division which is now imminent on account of two contesting delegations from Cook County, there was peril to the greatest interests of State and nation. He referred to the bitter and personal contest respecting presidential delegates, but said this convention would decide honorably, fairly and justly, without partisanship on the rights of these two contestants, and that the decision ought to be final and ought to be readily concurred in. He said if the party was always to be menaced by defeat by a minority who failed to defeat the nomination, the sooner it went into bankruptcy the better. He referred in the most complimentary terms to Sherman, Blaine and Grant, but expressed the belief that it was the duty of the Illinois republicans to nominate Grant, who had done so much to preserve the country. The name of Sherman was loudly, Blaine still more loudly and the name of Grant called forth continued applause.

There was much confusion resulting from the multiplicity of motions. The motion was adopted declaring that all contesting delegates should abide the decision of the convention. The motion made to adjourn was voted down, 349 to 258, being very nearly the Grant and anti-Grant strength in the convention. The convention, however, after appointing a committee on credentials, adjourned till 5 o'clock p. m.

Immediately after the adjournment of the convention at 2 o'clock the committee on credentials met and organized by the election of Lewis Ellsworth as chairman. All the counties presented credentials except where contested. The Palmer House delegation presented theirs. Mr. Chewell objected because they had not complied with the resolution adopted in the convention requiring them to abide the decision of the convention. After a lengthy debate, during which much feeling was developed, by a vote of nine to eight, Anchacy not voting, the delegation was required to make a pledge. The committee representing the Farwell Hall delegates asked until eight o'clock this evening to consult, which was granted and the committee adjourned until that hour.

The convention convened at five o'clock and requested the committee on credentials to report the names of uncontested delegates. It being stated that the committee would not be able to report for an hour or more, the convention took a recess till eight o'clock.

The convention convened at eight o'clock. The committee on credentials made a report on the list of delegates from all counties except Cook and Green, which was adopted and the persons named therein as delegates were admitted members of the convention, which then adjourned till nine o'clock to-morrow morning. During the session of the convention, there has been much less confusion than usual. No bad feeling was exhibited, though it is evident there may be an eruption at any moment. The vote on the question of adjournment in the afternoon seems to be regarded as a pretty fair test of Grant's strength outside of Cook County, showing a majority of 101, a little less than his supporters previously claimed. Senator Logan's presence on the floor as a delegate, which is a new feature in Illinois politics, occasions considerable comment.

The committee on credentials re-assembled at 6 o'clock and took up the Green County contest with a good prospect of being in session all night. It is now thought the convention may last over until Friday. The Farwell Hall delegates met this evening and decided, it is reported, not to accept the pledge to abide by the decision of the convention on the ground that they proposed to appeal to the national convention in case their rights are denied them.

The committee on credentials settled the Green County contest by admitting four Grant and four Blaine delegates and giving each half a vote. The decision is satisfactory to both delegations. The committee adjourned till 8 o'clock to-morrow morning, when consideration of the Cook County contest will be resumed.

Since the previous report the Farwell Hall delegation has adopted a resolution to be presented to the committee to-morrow protesting against the right of the committee to impose any such test as the pledge required without hearing a statement of the case, but declaring their fealty to the republican party and republican principles, and expressing a determination to support the Chicago convention, and relying upon being fairly treated by the State convention.

SAN FRANCISCO, 19.—In the Workingmen's Convention to-day a communication from Denis Kearney was read favoring the sending of delegates to the National Greenback Labor Convention. After a warm discussion, lasting nearly all day, the convention, by a vote of 55 to 42, adopted the communication as the sense of the convention. The motion to adjourn prevailed at 4 p. m., although the vote was clearly to the contrary, and most of the city delegates, with a few country members retired. The remainder organized as a majority of the convention, holding that the adjournment was not carried. Vice-President Milton was in the chair. Some discussions took place, which showed that there was no general desire to split the convention, and the meeting adjourned, to meet with the whole convention in the evening, preferring to place the responsibility of the split, if any occurs, on the other side.

The meeting then immediately re-organized as a caucus and came to an understanding to hold together on reassembling. That portion of the convention which retired at the 4 o'clock adjournment represent the interest in favor of a bargain with the democracy, while those who remained endorsed the Kearney proposition to affiliate with the Greenbackers. A warm time is probable this evening, as the city delegates expect to drum enough absentees to carry their point.

CHICAGO, 19.—The *Inter-Ocean's* Washington correspondent acknowledges that six at least of the Pennsylvania delegation will vote for Blaine on the first ballot, but denies that 20, as has been asserted, will break from their instructions.

Senator Davis, chairman of the committee on appropriations, thinks Congress may easily adjourn by May 31st, but certainly by June 10th.

SAN FRANCISCO, 12.—The democratic convention at Oakland to-night adopted the report of the committee on credentials, which admitted the Saratoga Hall delegation in the tenth senatorial district, and the San Mateo delegation as appointed by the county committee. After appointing a committee on platform and resolutions the convention adjourned till 10 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

ST. PAUL, 19.—The Dakota republican convention, held at Fargo to-day, chose C. H. McCoy and Porter Warner delegates to the Chicago convention. They are for Windom if he has any chance, otherwise for Blaine.

ST. LOUIS, 19.—The republican State convention met at noon, Wm. Hyde chairman and Charles W. Johnson secretary. A committee was appointed and adjournment had until 2:30 o'clock.

ATLANTA, 19.—Senator John B. Gordon has sent in his resignation to the Governor as United States Senator, to take effect immediately. The Governor accepted the resignation and will appoint a successor to-morrow.

RICHMOND, 20.—At 3 p. m. yesterday the committee on credentials reported no contests. H. C. Allen was made president. Adjourned till 8 a. m.

The Confederate graves were decorated as usual to-day.

At the night session of the convention delegates at large were elected. The convention was still in session at 12:30 o'clock. While the delegates to Cincinnati will doubtless go uninstructed, it is claimed that a majority of the delegates have a preference for Judge Field as the nominee to the National Convention.

Chicago, 20.—The *Tribune's* special says: The Nebraska State Republican Convention met at Columbia and was called to order last evening by J. W. Daines, chairman of the State central committee. G. W. Collins was made temporary chairman. Committees were appointed as usual. There is an anti-Grant majority in the convention, and the probabilities favor Blaine.

San Francisco, 20.—The evening session of the Workingmen's Convention refused to reconsider the

adoption of Kearney's letter as the sense of the convention, and after several attempts to get through resolutions looking to the appointment of delegates to the National Greenback and Labor Convention pledged to Thurman, the democratic element of the convention carried a motion to adjourn till evening, the opponents mostly declining to vote. The convention then broke up in disorder. The greenback element assembled and organized as a new convention, and at midnight entered upon the appointment of a committee on platform, constitution and resolutions, with prospect of an all night session.

The democrats of the third congressional district have renominated B. P. Berry for Congress.

Springfield, 20.—The Republican State Convention began its second day's session at 9 o'clock, with every inch of standing room on the floor and in the galleries occupied. The Committee on Credentials reported recommending a settlement of the contest in Greene County, by admitting four Grant and four Blaine delegates and giving each half the vote. This was approved and the delegates admitted. The chair stated the committee would not be able to report the Cook County contest for at least 24 hours, whereupon a series of motions to adjourn, take recess, etc., were made. Robbins, of Adams, on behalf of the Blaine-Washburne men, said the only way of getting an early report from the committee, was by relieving it of part of its labor, he therefore offered a resolution instructing the committee not to consider the claims of any contesting delegates who bolted from any convention which met in the manner, at the place, and at the time designated by the proper authority. This hit at the Palmer House Delegation was received with tremendous cheers by the Blaine-Washburne men, and a motion to table the resolutions occasioned louder applause on the part of the Grant men. A call of the count resulted in tabling the resolution by a vote of 351 to 251, showing 100 majority for the Grant men outside of Cook County. The convention took recess for one hour.

The committee on credentials met at 8:30 and resumed consideration of the Cook County contest. Kirk Hawes presented a written statement of the position of the Farwell Hall delegation relative to the pledge required by the convention, and to abide its decision as follows:

To the delegates from the County of Cook, from the regular convention held at Farwell Hall:

Denying for themselves and their constituents any lawful power in convention or in this committee, to impose on any contestant any conditions whatever, preferring to rendering justice according to law and equity as well, do hereby submit, under protest, to the resolution as we understand it, for the unorganized convention, in which we were not permitted to take part as the only means left to prevent the threatened disfranchisement of the republicans of Cook County, and the probable loss of the State to republican candidates. It is but fair for me to add, as it might perhaps be questioned as the words, "The resolution as we understand it," that which we refer to a meeting held in Chicago prior to coming here, it was voted unanimously without a dissenting voice, that inasmuch as we were the regularly elected delegates, in our judgment we would stand together or fall together—ninety-two of us—to go into the convention or remain out. I don't state this to the committee as a threat, but simply as an explanation of our position. We simply passed it upon the ground of right, without any reference to any impression it may make upon your minds in any other direction. That resolution in another form has been passed twice since this time, on a resolution which has embodied the one passed at Chicago. By appearing there as we do and acceding to the terms imposed upon us, we wish it distinctly understood that if you shall be pleased to seat a portion of this delegation and shall disregard a portion it is left entirely to our option whether that portion will go into the convention or stay out. We may rescind the resolution or we may not. We expect, however, that we shall stand together as we understand now. Of course if you reject us all then there is no difficulty. All we can say under this resolution is this, "We do not intend to create any disturbance as has been circu-

lated here, but simply intend to act like men and members of the republican party and do what our constituents require us to do." The committee then excluded all outsiders (reporters included), to consider the sufficiency of their response. On reassembling the Chair announced that the committee would be unable to report before one o'clock and the convention took a recess until two p. m.

SPRINGFIELD, 20.—The convention met at 2 o'clock and waited until after 3 o'clock without any business whatever being attempted.

Logan offered the following:

Resolved, That debate be limited to 30 minutes on a side on the Cook County contest, and that no motion to adjourn or other dilatory motions shall be considered until that question is decided, and that each delegation may select one person from their delegation, if they so chose, to present the case to the convention. The roll of counties was then called on the adoption of the resolution, with but little debate, resulting, ayes 388, nays 212.

At 5:45 the committee on credentials appeared and submitted three reports, which were read.

By the first report 36 delegates and 56 Blaine and Washburne delegates are admitted. The first report is signed by J. H. Moore. The second report is signed by the minority. It refers to the pledge exacted from the Farwell Hall delegates, and says their managers submitted a so-called pledge, which contained a reservation (which is recited together with Mr. Hawes' explanation). The report says this is substantial to a failure to comply with the terms of the resolution under which the committee on credentials were instructed to consider the claims of contestants who frankly pledge themselves to accept and abide by the decision of the constitution, therefore, Farwell Hall delegation has no right to be heard before the committee and the Palmer House delegation having complied with the terms of the resolution and having credentials should be admitted.

Gen. Hurlburt and others sign this report and demand the admission of the Farwell Hall delegation.

After reading these reports a motion was made to adopt No. 1; an amendment was made to substitute No. 3. It was decided to give the representatives of the Farwell Hall delegation the opening and closing speech; and allowing each 30 minutes. Kirk Harris, of Chicago, presented the case of the Farwell Hall delegates, and Emory Storrs, of Chicago, that of the Palmer House delegates. Both addresses were loudly cheered by the adherents of each side.

When the hour expired, Gen. Hurlburt, of Boone, moved that the delegates from the three senatorial districts which the Grant men did not contest, be allowed to vote on this question, but the Chair ruled the motion out of order.

Roll call to adopt No. 3, recommending the seating of the entire Farwell Hall delegation, resulted, ayes 282, nays 370.

The roll call on the adoption of the report which seats 36 from the Palmer House and 56 from Farwell Hall, resulted, ayes 341, nays 261.

The temporary organization was then made permanent. Rover turned thank briefly, and the convention adjourned at eight o'clock.

SAN FRANCISCO, 20.—The platform adopted by the democratic State convention endorses the platform of St. Louis convention. It denounces the fraud by which Hayes and Wheeler were declared President and Vice-President; the leading issues of the present campaign are vindication of the right of the people to self-government; resistance to imperialism; maintenance of the reserved right of the States and opposition to the Chinese immigration that the drift of the republican party toward empire is a fraud upon the people and an insult to the men who fought for their country; affirms devotion to the Union; deprecates sectionalism; holds republicans responsible for the agitation of dis issues; regards with alarm the doctrine of centralization embodied in the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court; favors continued agitation against Chinese influx and condemns Hayes for his veto of the 15th passenger bill; the labor of the country is its capital and deserves the protection of the government. The delegates are unpledged, except to vote for two-third rule.

At the afternoon session of the State central convention a vote was taken on presidential preference: Thurman, 173; Tilden, 7