LIVE STOCK CONVENTION OPENING

Initial Proceedings in the Assembly Hall Today Indicate a Notable Gathering-Speeches of Welcome and Response-President Springer's Practical Talk.

PROGRAM.

Tonight-Grand Formal Reception at the Knutsford

TOMORROW MORNING.

Convention assembles, introduction and reference of resolutions, Reports of commuttees.

Consideration of resolutions.

Address: Hon. George Q. Cannon, Salt Lake City.

Address: "Henefits of Horse Shows to the Horse Industry," Mr. O. P. Updegraff, Topeka, Kansas,

Address, "Our National Wealth in Live Stock," Hon, L. G. Powers,

Washington, D.C. Address. "Humane Treatment of Live Stock While in Transit," Mr. J.

L. Pennington, Fort Worth, Texas, TOMORROW AFTERNOON,

1:20 p. m.

Concert by band,

Consideration of resolutions,

The Grout Bill-Question introduced by address from Col. John F. Hobbs, editor National Provisioner, New York city, N. Y., author of

"The Buttered Side of the Question," Hon. D. W. Wilson, editor, Elgin Dairy Report, Elgin, Ill.

Address: "Establishing Breeds of Cattle, or In-Breeding," Hon.

Abram Renick, Sycamore, Ky. Address: "Eenefits Derived from Annual Live Stock Census," Mr. C.

W. Pugh, Phoenix, Arizona,

Address: "American Live Stock and Dressed Meat Export Trade," Mr. Levi B. Doud, Illinois,

5 p. m. Adjournment.

TOMORROW EVENING.

Convention concert, in the famous "Mormon" Tabernacle by the greatest choir on the globe, assisted by Mrs. Lizzie Thomas Edward, soprano; Mr. T. S. Ashworch, tenor; Miss Arvilla Clark, contralto; Mr. H. S. Ensign, baritone; Mr. W. C. Clive, violinist; Mr. J. J. McClellan, organist; Mr. Evan Stephens, manager and conductor; Mr. J. J. Mc-Ciellan, accompanist, and the convention orchestra, PROGRAM.

Tabernacle Choir and Organ.

Duo, "Consolation" Stephens Mrs. Lizzle Thomas Edward and Miss Arvilla Clark.

When the applause had died away President Springer introduced Gov, H. M. Wells.

GOV, WELLS' WELCOME. Governor Wells delivered a speech of hearty welcome in the following lan-guage, which was warmly applauded: "Mr. President and Members of the National Live Stock Convention:-One car ago I had the pleasure of extend-ng to your association, then convened it Fort Worth, a written invitation to hold your next annual convention Salt Lake City, and among other things i said that wherever you might decide to go, nowhere within the broad expanse of our mighty nation would your elcome be any warmer than here in i. I now desire to confide to you when I wrote those words it was full consciousness that an elec ton for Governor of this State would take place before your next convention, and that in all probability the chickens

which I then hatched would come home to roost upon the shoulders of another However, since the pleasant duty of welcoming you is devolved upon me, and here to make good, insist upon and phasize those utterances of last year, and furthermore to assure you that no

and furthermore to assure you that no matter if the weather man reports a frost in the vicinity, the hearts of the people of Utah and the homes of the people of Salt Lake City are as warm as the sunny side of a tail hay stack. COWBOY ON THE RANGE. "When night overtakes the cowboy riding the range, he pulls up at the nearest ranch, puts his horse in the barn and goes in the house with his spurs on and proceeds to cut the family out of house and home, with none to out of house and home, with none to molest or make afraid. In like manner e invite you to come to our homes and lay off your things and put your feet in the oven and get acquainted. My friends, the town is yours to do with it

as you please so long as you leave it the map. Western people as a rule are not willing to concede that Southerners are

any more hospitable than they are, even if Southern hospitality was dis-covered first. But far be it from me to fan the flame of sectional prejudice. I agree with Mr. Dooley: 'As Hogan says, there should be no North(no South, no East, no West, and no Northwest. Let us remember we are all nephews of the same great Uncle Sam.

EVERYTHING FREE.

"We haven't as much to offer you out here as you would get at the Wal-dorf-Astoria, but there is no tail iron fence all the way around the yard, and you will not find the little we have chained to a marble pillar or locked in a steel safe. You must remember that our State is not as old as Me-thuselah, and we have lots of time yet to get over our growing pains and come ut in society. You must remember, too, that we started with nothing. "When the Pioneers came here in '47

they didn't have any more to eat than a rabbit. Aunt Hannah Pratt used to ell me that in those early days if she



reared a commonwealth, where sheep and cattle are on a thousand hills and frequently roam over into Wyoming and frolic into Colorado and Idaho. Last year the estimated value of our live stock was \$24,679,000.

Our increase along the two other lines of Western industry, farming and min-ing, has kept pace with, if it has not exceeded, the wonderful progress as to ive stock, by means of which our lic school system, dependent so largely upon the material prosperity of the peoupon the material prosperity of the peo-ple, is scarcely second to any in the Union in the proportionate number of pupils taught, the branches and effect-iveness of study and the number, pro-portions and convenience of school buildings. We invite you to look at our school buildings in this city—from the outside, and if you are vaccinated and disinfected with formaldehyde perhaps the superintendent will let you go in. the superintendent will let you go in. We are proud of them and if you had the time we might show you similar ones in almost every city, town and hamlet of our State. We also point with no little pride to a school attend-ance of \$4,419 on whose behalf we expended last year \$1,248,230, Nowhere in the world are school the world are school taxes more promptly or cheerfully paid, nor we bethere are very many more bouquets that I might throw to our State and to

our people, but I am reminded that this is supposed to be an address of welto be an induced to be an induced of the come to you and not a paregyric to us. But if there is anything I have omit-ted to say favorable to Utah, if you will ask Jim Leary, he will tell you all about it.

MUTUAL REJOICING.

"In conclusion, let me say that it is cause for mutual rejoicing that all things are so propitious and that the promise on every hand is that you will not have occasion to regard this visit as among those incidents of your lives which have been poorly pleasurable We regret that the bathing in our mar-velous sanitarium, the Great Salt Lake velous sanitarium, the Great Sait Lake, is not very good just now, but we hava other bathing which is considered ex-cellent. We have not the fountain of youth in the search of which Ponce de Leon lost all of life that he had left, but we have springs that afford ex-hilaration and vigor and will not dimin-ish, if they do not add to life. Try we meter that hubbles down from out



live stock I am sure must be on a far greater scale than ever before in this country, and prices are good and well maintained, although not so high as in some instances in our previous history at times of feverish speculation. Prob-ably our effort should not be to seek for higher prices or rapid expansion, so much as to protect and improve the conditions we now have. Some increase of numbers we shall doubtless have in cattle, and particularly in sheep, but I think it is important for us to work



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Mrs. Edward, Miss Clark, Mr. Ensign, Mr. Ashworth. "Oh, My Father," (by special request) Arranged

Tabernacle Choir.Selected --------Tenor solo

Mr. T. S. Ashworth,

Violin solo, "Concert Mazurka"Clive

(To Prof. Stephens.) Mr. W. C. Clive. Contralto solo, "The Kiss" Arditti

Miss Arvilla Clark. Baritone solo with chorus accompaniment, "Little Gypsy Sweet-

H. S. Ensign and Tabernacle Choir. Soprano solo, "Ernani" Verdi

Mrs. Lizzie T. Edward and Ladles' Chorus. "Hallelujah Chorus" Handel

Tabernacle Choir. "The Star Spangled Banner" Keys

Audience, Choir and Organ.

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that we enjoy. Thou art the Maker of

The God of Abraham, Isaac and Ja

this mighty nation upon this chosen

ed-a land choice above all other lands, unto which thy scattered sheep might

gather, to lie down in green pastures beside still waters. Thou hast opened

the fold of our glorious Union to white-fleeced Utah. Thou hast placed her on

the wise, the wealthy, the noble and the

And now, upon this auspicious morn, our beloved State and her capital city

throw open the portals of welcome to the stranger within the gates, and out

COWBOY BAND.

which now opens, and let thy

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Receptions.

the heavens and the earth and all that in them is. Thine is the air we breathe, Tonight the visiting stockmen will be en an elaborate reception at the lord, the arrangements made by different committees promising to e the affair a notable one. Mrs. ake the affair a notable one. the s has charge of the decorations nd the other arrangements are in the inds of prominent people of the city, forrow afternoon from 2:30 until 5 t receptions will be, held at the ences of President and Mrs. Loren-low, Mrs. Ezra Thompson, Mr. and hand. Thou art the inspirer and pro-moter of every good word and work, W. S. McCornick, for the visiting lies who are accompanying the stock-

HEADQUARTERS.

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MORNING SESSION.

ors. Bless them we pray thee, and ren-der pleasant and profitable, to them as well as to us, their solourn within our borders. Bless them in their conventanding Room Only is in Evidence borders. at the Assembly Hall.

mpily at 10:30 President Springer Holy Spirit pervade this assembly and permeate every heart. Inspire and di-rect these proceedings, from first to last and bring great good therefrom; not only to the important enterprise here wet the rostrum with his silver gavel lled the convention to order. De he the fact that the hall was not half , Mr. Springer stated that it was represented, but to the community in ustom to call the convention to general and the country at large. Bless on time ! Proceeding with some Il chosen and humorous remarks, he ated that on this first morning of the our country, bless the government of the United States, and the government of every State in the Union, and per-petuate the principles of justice and tion, owing to the difficulty of upplying the late comers with the necfreedom upon which they have been founded. a down and all admitted irrespec-We dedicate this convention unto

e of credentials. thee, and once more invoke thy divine blessing upon these delegates and their The doors were accordingly thrown hen and in less than two minutes dele. ates were standing up at the back of the hall, which caused the president to labors, and this we do, asking all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Shepherd of Israel. Amen." "I am satisfied we will have to overflow meeting in the Taber-When the doors were finally thrown

ack by the way things are looking, ad the Tabernacie holds 13,000." SHOP WHITNEY'S INVOCATION.

open the famous cowboy band, in full glory of shaps, blue shirts and fantastic trappings, was escorted by Col. John After indulging in a number of timely Q. Cannon to the northwest corner o the hall, and after the colonel had antries, President Springer called on Bishop Orson F. Whitney to deshaken hands with some of his old-time comrades of Torrey's Rough Riders, the invocation. Amid a hushed entire audience, standlop and Heid's band had played "America," the musicians struck up the popular medicy of national airs associated with every convention since the time ith bowed bends, listened to the folowing prayer:

"Almighty God our Eternal Father: Attigaty God our Eiternart of the great We lift our hearts to thee, the great reator, acknowledging thee as the Auher of our being and as the Giver of all

ould get a drink of water and plenty good greens, she was happy. -:01d Jim Bridger, the trapper, told Brigham Young when he was coming out with his historic band of Pioneers, that he would give him a thousand dollars for every bushel of grain he could raise in the Salt Lake valley. If Jim were alive today, he would owe more than the national debt.

PIONEER DAYS.

"It took a day and a half for a good live stream of water, diverted from its original channel, to run half a mile, so fearfully dry was the soil in '47, but the Pioneers were young and brave and strong, and had nothing to do but live, and so they kept turning the water out on the land and grubbing out the sage. brush, and by and by they began to raise crops, and then when the crickets, who invariably sat at the first table, left anything, some of the Pioneers ould get a light lunch. From this oor beginning we have grown until we ive several millionaires in our midst the always get enough to eat and metimes too much to drink.

There are some tall bull rush-es growing in some of our streets down by the river yet, but our favorite sons in their forensic the soll we till, and the waters that ings of victory. Thine are the gold and silver and the cattle upon a thouefforts have stated so frequently that sand hills, and the carde upon a thou-whomsoever thou wilt. Thou settest up Salt Lake City is a great midland metropolis that we all believe it and we one, and puttest down another, accordtope you will help us out in spreading ing to the judgment of thy righteous will. Thou art the founder and the the report. The howl of the coyote cannot be heard any more within several overthrower of nations, and thou hold-est their destinies in the hollow of thy miles of the Temple and the chirp of the cricket is hushed, especially in the The wilderness of fifty years winter, ago, where lizards crept and prairie and hast continually in view the wel-fare, the progress, the prosperity, the salvation and exaltation of thy children, dogs turned hand springs in the sun, has been transferred by the sweat and genius and energy of a patient, God

fearing people into a garden of promise cob, shepherd princes of old; the God of Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln, where children swing their baskets on their way to school, where peace and leaders of freedom's flock in latter times; thou hast founded and preserved plenty are scattered o'er a smiling land and great national conventions are land, where the principles of human liberty might be planted and perpetuatheld.

UTAH LIKE TEXAS.

"Utah, like Texas, was not a part of the domain of the United States until long after the second of the two great wars with our political parent, Great Britain, the first of which secured our high, caused her light to shine afar, and hast made of her a Mecca among comlegal, the second our actual sovereign-While these great struggles were in ogress and for years thereafter the territory out of which the States named ere carved, were such raw and unfamiliar sections of the continent that they did not figure upon the charts or among the geographical literature of the country at all. All the while the people, as a mighty host, give glad greeting to this friendly army of visitsteady western trend of civilization was being maintained, however, the marvelous resources which were destined some day to emerge from their hiding places and add their might to the wealth of the nation, were being approached near. er and nearer and almost contemporaneous with the advent of the Lone Star State the great golden empire of the Pacific blazed into the political firmament.

'Utah, humbler, less promising, less couraged, but not less determined nor less hopeful, environed by dreariness on all sides and her every step forward beset by discouragements and hardships, made fewer and spailer contributions to the swelling tide of empire than her sisters of the Gulf and Ocean. But all

this is past. Prosperity, bright and smiling, is the common heritage of all-not the special distinction of the few; and the condi-tion of every part and parcel of the great West has undergone a change so complete as to recall the words of Richelieu that "Civilization, on her luminous wings, soars phoenix-like to Jove." AUTOCRATS OF PROSPERITY.

In the very early days here the young man who was equipped with a broncho of unknown ancestry and varying tendencies, a cow and two or three sheep, if industrious and intelligent, as nearly all of the boys were, was regarded as a sort of Marquis de Mores; while the man of family who happened to be the proud possessor of a yoke of work oxen. with every convention since the time "Dixie" was first composed. The assembled legislators, delegates and the occupants of the crowded gai-lery cheered the rendition to the echo.

the water that bubbles down from our reservoirs of endless snow, not neces-sarily to make a beverage of it, but we want you to make a fair test of the good things we have, and you know t wouldn't sound well if, when you return to your homes and are asked as to the quality of our drinking water, you were compelled to say as truthful men that you hadn't really tried it.

Gentlemen of the convention, I greet you as distinguished citizens greatest republic on earth. I recog-nize in your association one of the greatest motive powers of the nation. I salute you as one of the brainiest. biggest and most representative body of men that ever assembled. It is a proud privilege to have you in our midst. You are thrice welcome to the land of the sagebrush and the sickle eagle and the honey bee, the valley and the mountain, the prospector and the professor, the merchant and the mechanic, the Saint and the Sinner. Enjoy yourselves, my friends, and come again when the bunch grass is on our mountain sides and the long legged calf is frisking in the meadow.

CAMERA FLASHLIGHT.

The humorous address was received with heavy applause. Then President Springer admonished those assembled to prepare "to be shot by the camera men at the rear." Continuing he said. Governor Wells suggests that if there are any wald-headed men present that they will please cover up their spots with silk handkerchiefs; and I would suggest--

At this moment a mastodonio flash-light went off at the rear of the hall, President Springer shled violently, and for two minutes roars of laughter and incipient chaos were in evidence. This Incident brought forth an apology from the man wielding the gavel and a story in which Pat was the hero.

BUCKLE WELCOMES DELEGATES. The incident was followed by an ad-

dress of welcome on the part of Hon. George Buckle, president of the city council. Mr. Buckle said: 'Mr. Chairman, and Gentlemen of the National Cattlemen's convention of

America: You have been welcomed to the State of Utah by his excellency, Gov. Wells, and it becomes my pleasant duty in the absence of Mayo. Thompson to bid you in behalf of the city officers, and all the citizens of this municipality, a cordial and hearty welcome to Salt Lake City.

"In expressing this greeting, I include the members of the Legislature of our sister State of Wyoming who also do us honor by their presence. I understand this convention is composed of men from every section of this great Republic

There is no more fitting place on the globe, for such a gath ring, than this, the "Queen City of the Rocky Mountain Region." It is the center of one of the most magnificent cattle raising districts in the universe, here you find a realization of the ancient saying "of the cattle upon a thousand hills"-with vast stretches of prairie thrown in gra-

"Judging from the appearance of this splendid body of men, representing one of the world's most important indus-tries, I should judge that it is largely composed of typical sons of the mountain and the pl "Broncho Bustera' who can almost "hit

the trail" with their eyes shut. There are doubtless those also who have been numbered with the "tenderfeet," but have graduated to positions in the 'Rough Riders' Brigade.

"This class has done wonders in the development of the cattle industry of America, for we have all learned by experience that "money makes the experience that indicy makes the mare go whether she be fast or slow." "Speaking for the citizens of Salt Lake as well as for myself. I desire to say that we feel highly complimented by the last convention held at Fort Worth in selecting our-your city for the present-for its next gathering place, and trust you will enjoy your-selves while you solourn amongst us. I am assured that at the close of your

for the better using of the conditions under which we are doing business to day, and the strengthening of our export business rather than to seek any further expansion,

"If the value of all live stock in the United States is two billions of dollars, we can make a more rapid increase of wealth by improvement of breeding, conditions of pasturage, etc., than by increase of numbers. Besides this, we shall earn this increase of wealth for ourselves rather than for the benefit of new comers who might possibly com-pete with us for some of the pasturage, for instance.

ORIENTAL TRADE.

"For the first time the place of meet. ing is far enough west to include in sufficient number the people who live beyond the Rockies, and it may be a presage of the time when we may have an Asiatic demand for our meats that will be very gratifying in competition with the Eastern. Let us greet the awakening of China with the hope that the development of her resources will create a very effective demand for our live stock products, and from what we know of her diet, it is certain that a vast field for our exports lies in that direction if she is able to pay for them. We therefore assure the Chinese that we are sincerely their friends and that we take a most cordial and unselfish interest in their welfare; but we do insist that they switch off from rice to

mutton. "Our agriculture has now passed through the first rude period of estab-lishment, and hereafter animals will form a more important part of farming operations, which means much, for we have long been producers even for export. Then the relative status of the corn belt and the pastoral region is becoming fixed and the productive power of the whole is being regulated and increased. It is most important that all legislation involving the national strength of our export business shall be guided by the intelligent study of the needs of all sections of the country, and there is no common field for discussion and action except through this associa tion. Therefore, for the better mutual acquaintance of all interested in live stock and our better union for effective action, it is well that we have come far enough west to secure the adhesion of another portion of our common country; and we thank you for your cordial welcome to one of the most beautiful cities. surrounded by snow-capped mountains, in the world.

The official program was somewhat deviated from to the extent that the roll call and approval of the list of lelegates was postponed until the afternoon session, on account of the fact that some of the late arrivals had been unable to secure their badges and cre-dentials. The Cowboy band favored those assembled with a selection, and then President Springer arose and dedelivered his fourth annual address.

PRESIDENT SPRINGER

Delegates to the Fourth Annual Con-vention of the National Live Stock Association:

Ladies and Gentlemen of Salt Lake-From the confines of a country teemng with activity we have come up to this modern Zion to give thanks for continued prosperity in every line of the live stock industry. This magnifi-cent audience would indicate that the people of Utah have welcomed the stockmen of the United States with Your distinguishing charopen arms. acteristics are easily discernible. On every hand we behold the tireless energy of your citizens. This matchless city, its streets, temple, churches, business houses, reclaimed from the Great American Desert, speak in praise of those who sleep in yonder silent city, for they builded wiser than they knew. And to those about us-America's western sons and daughters-we congratu you upon your valor and worth which we assert are second to none i this broad land. A redeemed wilder ness! A land now supporting 280,000 people, where a generation back could number only \$5,000. Your broad fields for grain, orchards, vineyards, sheet and cattle, fabulous mineral wealth in (Continued on page 5.)

