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No. 1, express, daily except Sunday for Chicago..... 10:43 a.m.
No. 31, local, daily except Sunday..... 10:10 a.m.
No. 13, Wells Fargo Limited Express, daily except Monday and day after legal holiday..... 6:15 p.m.

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No. 2, express, daily except Sunday for New York..... 1:58 p.m.
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The G. R. & I.

(Effect June 18, 1898.)

TRAINS NORTH.

STATIONS.	*NO. 5.	*NO. 3.	*NO. 7.
Richmond.....	9:15 p.m.	1:05 p.m.	5:40 a.m.
Berea.....	12:35 p.m.	2:40 p.m.	7:10 p.m.
Castro.....	1:23 p.m.	5:59 a.m.	6:01 a.m.
Johnson.....	1:36 p.m.	6:11 a.m.	6:11 a.m.
Lynn.....	1:58 p.m.	6:19 a.m.	6:19 a.m.
Woods.....	9:53 p.m.	1:54 p.m.	6:37 a.m.
Winchester.....	1:58 p.m.	2:12 p.m.	6:44 a.m.
Adelaide.....	10:07 p.m.	2:32 p.m.	6:56 a.m.
Collet.....	10:25 p.m.	2:32 p.m.	7:05 a.m.
Portland.....	1:46 p.m.	2:46 p.m.	7:19 a.m.
Day.....	2:55 p.m.	3:55 p.m.	7:39 a.m.
Plant.....	3:05 p.m.	4:05 p.m.	7:45 a.m.
Geneva.....	3:18 p.m.	3:18 p.m.	7:55 a.m.
Geylon.....	3:32 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	8:05 a.m.
Day.....	3:45 p.m.	3:45 p.m.	8:12 a.m.
Portland.....	4:15 p.m.	4:15 p.m.	8:35 a.m.
Day.....	4:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.	8:45 a.m.
Richmond.....	4:45 p.m.	4:45 p.m.	8:55 a.m.
Stone.....	2:23 p.m.	4:24 p.m.	9:15 a.m.
Woods.....	2:50 p.m.	4:40 p.m.	9:32 a.m.
Snow Hill.....	3:06 p.m.	4:44 p.m.	9:44 a.m.
Johnson.....	3:20 p.m.	4:50 p.m.	9:55 a.m.
Mountain City.....	3:30 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	10:04 a.m.
Chester.....	3:40 p.m.	5:10 p.m.	10:14 a.m.
Barry.....	3:40 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	10:25 a.m.

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Local..... 6:00 p.m.

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Mail..... 12:05 p.m.

Local..... 7:00 p.m.

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MEETING OF G. A. R.

ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT BEING HELD AT PHILADELPHIA.

Quaker City Handsomely Decorated In Honor of the Boys Who Fought For the Union In the Sixties—The Big Parade.

Philadelphia, Sept. 4.—The 33d annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic began today. Never again, perhaps, will Philadelphia be the scene of a national encampment of the G. A. R. Of the valiant men who defended the cause of the Union there remains but a remnant and with the depletion of the ranks the welcome with which the veterans were received was the more heartfelt and enthusiastic.

Admiral Sampson with his fleet of fighting ships arrived here yesterday and this event marked the beginning of the week's celebration.

The city is crowded with strangers, while the incoming trains from all sections are bringing thousands upon thousands to help swell the throng. In anticipation of the coming of the host of visitors, and in recognition of the patriotism of the veterans, who freely offered their lives in defense of the Union, Mayor Ashbridge issued a proclamation in which he recommended the events to the "loyal and patriotic" interest of the people, urging the decoration of stores and dwellings in every street in the city.

The big parade tomorrow will be in 12 divisions. Post No. 1, from Rockford, Ills., the oldest post in the Grand Army, will head the line. As the veterans pass around the city hall they will be reviewed by President McKinley, who is expected to arrive here tonight, accompanied by Secretaries Root and Gage and Postmaster General Smith. There will be over 42,000 men in line.

A question of absorbing interest to G. A. R. veterans, which will be decided during the encampment, is the election of a commander-in-chief and other officers. Two candidates prominent in the field are Albert D. Shaw of Joe Spratt post, Watertown, N. Y., and Judge Leo Bassie of St. Louis. "Private" James Dalzell of Company H, One Hundred and Sixteenth Ohio is also a candidate. Others urged by their friends are Colonel W. C. Johnson of Cincinnati, acting commander-in-chief, and Brigadier General Charles Miller of Venago, Pa.

Elaborate preparations have been made for the entertainment of President and Mrs. McKinley. The front rooms of an entire floor have been set apart for their accommodation at the Hotel Walton, and nothing has been left undone that will add to their comfort. The president will take part in the big reception at the Academy of Music tomorrow evening, and after reviewing the big parade will be entertained at lunch in the city hall.

Philadelphia, Sept. 5.—The campaign for commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. is waxing warm. It is one of the fiercest contests that the G. A. R. has been engaged in for a long time. There are three candidates in the field—Acting Commander-in-Chief W. C. Johnson of Cincinnati, Comrade Leo Bassie of Watertown, N. Y. The friends of each of the candidates claim that their favorite is already a winner. A careful canvass among the different departments, however, indicates that Colonel Shaw has a little the better of the contest. That gentleman, in an interview said that he was absolutely sure of victory and said that the fight was all over. Neither Colonel Johnson nor Comrade Bassie would speak directly about the contest, but their lieutenants express the greatest confidence in the outcome of the struggle.

Each of the candidates has a headquarters in full operation and are distributing badges and hanging out banners to help along their campaigns. The election to the minor offices of the Grand Army is temporarily lost sight of, and very little attention will be paid to those offices until a commander-in-chief shall have been chosen.

While the delegations from Ohio, Missouri and New York are battling for supremacy, the delegation from Illinois is putting up a great fight for the privilege of entertaining the Grand Army at Chicago next year. Every veteran of the department of Illinois now in the city is decorated with a large yellow ribbon on which is inscribed in big black letters "Chicago 1900." The leaders of the Chicago boom say they will win hands down. At present they have no opponents of any consequence. It was reported that Denver, San Francisco, St. Louis and one or two other cities are in the field, but if those cities are, they are "lying low," as there is no evidence on the surface that they are in the fight.

President Arrives at Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Sept. 5.—President McKinley arrived from Washington last night to attend the Grand Army celebration. He was accompanied by Secretary Root, President Schurman of the Philippine commission, John Addison Portor, his secretary, and Assistant Secretary Cortelyou.

MASKED MEN

Hold Up a Gamblingroom at Spokane and Get \$1,900.

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 4.—Two masked men walked into Harry Green's gamblingrooms on the second floor of a block in the very heart of the business district and held up 15 men, looted the tills and safe and escaped with \$1,900 in cash. In the chase and subsequent capture of one of the thugs, Policeman Gemmrig was shot in the groin and perhaps fatally wounded.

Due West, S. C., Sept. 5.—Rev. William Moffatt, D. D., LL. D., 28 years president of Erskine college and for many years editor of the Associated Reformed Presbyterian, is dead.

Woman, Wheel and Sprinkler.

Doubtless every person who rides a wheel has a very vivid and distinct recollection of the early struggles with the machine and how objects in the path seemed to exercise an uncontrollable attraction for the unskilled rider, with the result of a collision.

Probably the saddest case of this kind lately recorded was that of a stout lady who was practicing in Michigan avenue the other afternoon.

She was evidently a beginner and more than half afraid of the bicycle, and when, in attempting to pass a sprinkling cart, the wheel steered itself toward it she yielded to the bike and rode directly against the rear of the cart. Notwithstanding the fact that the sprinkling apparatus was in full play and that she was almost enveloped in the miniature fountain, she held on and pedaled, meanwhile screaming loudly for help.

A park policeman divined her predicament and rode to her rescue, but not before her bicycle suit and temper had been completely spoiled. —Chicago News.

President Dwight's Pun.

President Dwight and President Elect Hadley were returning home from the annual alumni dinner when they were caught in the rain. President Elect Hadley had an umbrella with him, and President Dwight did not. Professor Hadley, of course, wished the retiring president of Yale to protect himself from the rain by the use of the umbrella, but President Dwight declined to rob Professor Hadley of his umbrella in order that he himself might ward off the rain. Professor Hadley, however, insisted that President Dwight accept the courtesy, and his arguments became so energetic that finally President Dwight turned and said:

"See here, Hadley, this is my reign still. Your reign doesn't commence until tomorrow."

President Elect Hadley allowed the president of Yale to have his own way on the last day of his administration.—New Haven Register.

The Mask.

A peculiar nature is that which combines impulsive frankness with the reserve acquired by a thoughtful mind accustomed to depend upon itself. Such a person hates to reveal a trait of character. In early times men made their houses of tree branches covered with mud. There is still much of the savage in us, and we enjoy hiding in such an aboriginal habitation. We cover our true self with cynicism or conceal it under reserve. Occasionally a passerby knocks off a bit of the outer crust and catches a glimpse of the interior, and then we feel annoyed at the mental Paul Pry.

Followed Instructions.

Senator Clark of Montana recently laid an asphalt walk before his western home and, the composition being not yet dry, caused a temporary boardwalk to be erected with the sign, "Take the Boardwalk."

Some local wags noted this and the day after its appearance carried off the walk and wrote under the sign the words, "We Have."

He Couldn't Reach It.

The following anecdote concerning the famous lecture on "The Holy Land," which it is said, ex-Governor Oglesby never succeeded in delivering as he prepared it, is related in Frank W. Wilkie's pamphlet on the life of the governor:

He had been invited to deliver this lecture at a country town in Illinois and accepted. A large crowd gathered to hear him, and he was greeted with loud applause as he stepped forward to lecture. He was only to speak for one hour and said in beginning he would preface his lecture with a few remarks on his experience in Europe. At the end of 2½ hours he was still talking about Europe, and because the people seemed so delighted he announced that he would deliver the lecture the next evening.

The same people came back, reinforced by many more, and at the end of another two hours he stopped without having said anything about the Holy Land, except his subject. The third night there was a monster gathering, and Governor Oglesby, after finishing up Europe, started to say a few words about Egypt and the Nile before beginning his lecture. At last he looked at his watch and, with a look of astonishment, turned to one of his friends on the platform and said:

"Well, here it is 11 o'clock, and I'll be hanged if I've got to the Holy Land yet."—Chicago Tribune.

SENATOR ELKINS' GREAT SCHEME.

During the presidential campaign of 1892 Senator Quay and Senator Elkins, who were managing the Republican interests, and ex-Senator Brice and Henry Watterson, who were in charge of the Democratic headquarters, used to live at the same hotel and frequently dined together. One evening, as they were sitting at the same table, Mr. Brice looked over to Senator Quay and asked:

"How are you folks off for money?"

"We are very hard up," replied the Republican chairman. "How are you getting along?"

"Well," said Brice, "whenever we want money I go down into my own pocket for it. I have not been able to get much anywhere else."

"You are lucky to have a pocket to go into," said Senator Quay. "If I had money of my own, I would not grumble."

"But," said Brice, "I have to borrow it."

"Gentlemen," said Senator Elkins, "I have a suggestion to make. Suppose we four go down town tomorrow and borrow \$1,000,000 upon our joint endorsement and divide it between the two parties and then let whichever one wins pay the notes?"

He Didn't Get the Train.