And Then Legislation on the Convict Lease System.

THAT IS GOV. BUCHANAN'S DICTUM.

The Attorney General Did Not Decide That the State Was Powerless and the Mob the Master-Meeting of the Miners' Committee and the Executive-A Promise That the Disorder Will Cease if the Extra Session Is Called-Decidedly Alarming Reports from the Seat

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., July 23.-The report sent out from Nashville Tuesday night that Attorney General Pickel had decided that the governor could not use the state troops to restore order at Briceville unless requested by the sheriff of Anderson county and that therefore the miners were masters of the situation, was evidently a wild guess at something the reporter thew nothing about. Yesterday the governor announced that he would use the roops if necessary and Attorney General lickel bears the governor out in his ac-tion. His decision holds that the governor has a perfect right to order out the troops and preserve order in a county that is in a state of insurrection. The governor steadily adheres to his determination to uphold the law at any and all cost and says the troops will remain in Coal Creek when they get there till the miners have completely submitted.

The Miners Meet the Governor.

The committee of miners in the city and with two preminent citizens of both political parties, citizens of Knoxville, had a meeting at the Lancier house and then waited on Governor Buchanan. A formal meeting was arranged for the afternoon. The meeting took place at the appointed time, and the miners asked for further time. They said that they thought they could induce their insurgent army to lay down their arms and allow the convicts to return to the mines if the governor would promise to call an extra session of the legislature and ask that the lease law be repealed. A committee of citizens of this city met the governor with the miners and joined in the appeal. "he governor gave them ratil this afternoon to restore order and allow the law to take it's course in Coal Creek valley. If it is not done by that time he will have the troops go to the scene and maintain the dignity of the state at the point of the bayonet.

Buchannan's Ultimatum After hearing the arguments of both operators and miners, and consuiting many leading citizens of Knoxville, Governor Buchanan declared that he had decided to call an extra session of the legislature for the purpose of modifying, if not abolishing the convict lease system. He stated, however, that in the meantime the miners must allow the return of the convicts to Briceville and Coal Creek. Should they agree to this, the militia would be withdrawn, but refusal would necessitate an order that the troops carry the convicts back at any cost.

The Situation Stili Critical. The troops are anxious to move and settle the question as to who is the biggest, the state of Tennessee or the miners of Anderson county. They are thoroughly disgusted with the attitude of the people of this section and are not backward in expressing themselves. A mass meeting was held last night and after its adjournment its participants ran through the streets yelling, "hurrah for the miners," and jeering Governor Buchanan. The seeling is becoming intense, and if the governor is inclined to peaceful measures such will change his resolution. The miners, from reports received, are not alceping. There has been a big demand for rifles here in this city, and today may bring forth a terrible conflict.

ALARMING REPORTS ABROAD.

The Mob Said to Have Prepared to Dynamite the Militia.

On Coal Creek the miners have, it is reported, drilled holes in the rock of the bluff under which the troops will have to pass, and have loaded them with dynamite, which they intend to explode and wipe the whole militia off the face of the earth, if they ever get that far. This is given for what it is worth. A good many people profess to believe that it is so, and a captain of one of the militia companies says upon his word of honor that he saw the he'es, and that one of the min-ers, who is his friend, told him that the miners intended throwing the whole bluff down on them. The thirteen companies here, the same number that were in the Birmingham riot, are pretty badly excited. They, however, all swear that they go with the intentic of fighting, and, if necessary, will remain forever at Coal Creek.

Charges Against the Soldiers. Although denied by a majority of the soldiers who were forced to retreat from Briceville Monday, the charges that tue troops invited the attack of the miners is doubtless tr..., and serious dissensions in the ranks of the Moerlin zonaves, of Chattanooga, is one of the results. Lieuten-ants Kenner and McCormick have informally tendered their resignations and make charges against Lieutenant Lauter and three privates of unsoldierly conduct. Lieutenant Lauter in a published card denounces as false the charges against the privates and against himself as lies made from whole cloth.

In Sympathy with the Rioters.

The charges in brief are as follows: "The first [members of the Zouaves] three called on one of the miners at Briceville Sunday, and after partaking freely of liquor stated that their comrades would refuse to fire if commanded to do so, and throw down their arms. They said they were in sympathy with the miners and would not fight them. Lieutenant Lauter did worse than they, however. He constantly talked to the men of his company about the matter, arguing that the miners were right

and that he, for one, would not fight."

Four Thousand Well Armed Men. It is said that the miners who are under arms at the mines are not as pacific as their committee here. A dispatch from Briceville says 4,000 well armed miners at Briceville and Coal Creek are waiting for the militia. A bloody battle will certainly occur if the troops go there. Advices from various points in Tennessee, Virginia and Kentucky indicate that the rioters can on short notice raise a force of 10,000 efficient men. Monday night the rioters formed on Walden's ridge and prepared to roll down huge bolders on the soldiers should they approach. The tela-graph wires are still intact, but it is hard to get word from Coal Creek. RELIEF WORKS IN IRELAND.

Balfour Makes a Statement-Comments of Irish Members.

LONDON, July 23.-In the house of commons yesterday the committee of supply favorably reported a bill which calls for the appropriation of £60,000 wherewith to pay the salaries and expenses, connected with the government relief measures in Ireland. Balfour, chief secretary for Ireland, in connection with the report of the committee and in support of its recommendations, made a detailed statement of the relief works which had been inaugurated and were in course of construction, or which had already been completed. It was, Balfour said, the intention of the government hat these works should prove a permanent means for the promotion of the welfare of the inhabitants of Ireland. When it was considered how great were the difficulties which attended the vast system of relief works which extended from the excreme north to the extreme south of Ireland, it must be acknowledged that the government had not been wanting in appreciation of its duty. [Cheers.]

Tim Healy Finds Some Fault. Tim Healy acknowledged that the gov-ernment had performed a very useful work. He, however, vigorously charged that in the carrying out of the govern-ment's system of relief the county of Don-egal had been neglected. Alfred Webb, Nationalist member, said that he gave full credit to Balfour for the work which he had performed. Webb said that he had from his own observation realized how effectively the pressing necessities of the people had been relieved, and he congratulated the chief secretary for Ireland upon the success of his efforts. Nevertheless he (Webb) still felt bitter humiliation as an Irishman that these constant grants of relief to his suffering countrymen were necessary. He regarded the fact that they were so necessary as showing how utterly wrong was the present system of govern-ment in Ireland.

MEXICAN METHOD OF PAYING DEBTS.

It Will Result in an Execution-A Mur-

derer Betrayed by His Little Girl. CITY OF MEXICO, July 23 .- Leonardo Gomex and Epafano and Carmen Levya borrowed money of Jose D. Jesus Rivas in the village of San Rafael and they would not pay on time, and, resenting his importunity, planned to kill him. Gomez persuaded Rivas to assist him in cleaning out his well. The well was sixty feet deep. When Rivas reached the bottom Gomez rolled rocks and adobe upon him until the unfortunate creditor was buried alive. The secret was kept eight days. It was betrayed by Gomez's little girl. She went to a neighbor's for water and was asked why she did not take it from her father's well, and replied: "Because my papa has a man buried in the well." Gomez was arrrested and the well drained. He now awaits trial with his accomplices.

Trotting and Running Races.

DETROIT, July 28 .- At the Driving Club course yesterday Charley C won the 2:21 trot, best time of winner and race 2:19%. The 2:17 trot was won by Mambrino Maid, best time of winner and race 2:15%. Guy was driven to beat his record, but couldn't do better than 2:1314. Nelson could not break his record either, his time being

CHICAGO, July 23.—Winners at Garfield park yesterday: John Adams, % mile, 1:02%; Camilla, 1 mile 1:49%; Ed Bell, 9 furlongs, 1:55; Lorenzo, 1 mile, 1:42½; Roy furlongs, 1:55; Lorenzo, 1 mile, 1:42½; Roy S, ½ mile, 0:55½; Borealis, ¾ mile, 1:00½. At Hawthorne: G. W. Cook, 6½ furlongs, 1:29½; Allan Bane, ¾ mile, 1:03½; Strathmaid, ¾ mile, 1:03½; Maggie Lebus, ¾ mile, 1:03¼; Elphin, steeple chase, short-

Alliance Men to Speak for Campbell.

PITTSBURG, July 23.-Governor Campbell, of Ohio, arrived in Pittsburg yesterday. The governor was met at the station by a large number of prominent Democrats and escorted to the Seventh Avenue hotel for breakfast. The governor was then given two receptions—one at the Standard club and the other at Silver Lake grove. He was confident of winning his gubernatorial fight and said that Cleveland would be asked to make six speeches. Governor Hill, Jerry Simpson and Senator Peffer would also speak for the Democracy.

Meeting of Nashville Workmen.

NASHVILLE, July 23.-At a largely attended mass-meeting of laboring men of the city of Nashville last night resolutions were adopted denouncing the convict lease system as unjust, pernicious, and unwise, declaring that the east Tennessee coal miners are being oppressed and intimidated by said system; extending the sympathy of the meeting to "our struggling brothe s;" demanding the repeal of the convict lease laws, and declaring that the Nashville workingmen will aid the strikers financially.

Will Test the "Jim Crow" Car Law.

St. Paul, July 23.—The Tennessee law requiring separate railroad coaches for colored people and white people is to be tested by Samuel Hardy, of this city. Hardy has just returned from attending the Afro-American league convention in Tennessee. He was traveling on a Monon train and on passing the Tennessee line was compelled by the conductor to enter the colored pach. His case is conducted by F. L. McGhee, a colored attorney, who is acknowledged a capable lawyer.

Swell Wedding in London. LONDON, July 23.-The marriage of Miss Ethel Forbes-Leith, of New York, to Captain Charles Rosden Burn, of the First Royal dragoons and aide-de-camp to the Duke of Connaught, was solemnized at the Churcn of the Holy Trinity, Chelsea, yesterday. The church was filled with American and English fashionables, among the most distinguished personages present being the Princess Louise of Lorne, Duke and Duchess of Connaught, and United States Minister Lincoln.

Revolted Against the Government. BUENOS AYRES, July 23.-News has reached here that a number of troops stationed at Corrientes, capital of the province of the same name, revolted against the government. After severe fighting. in which four men were killed, the outbreak was suppressed and the leaders of

revolt arrested. New Bridge Across the Mississippi. KEOKUK, la., July 23. -At a mass meet ing held here Tuesday it was decided that the city will build a high bridge across the Mississippi river, connecting Keokuk with the Illinois shore, exclusive of the railway bridge. Congress has already granted a charter.

SAT ON THE FIGHT.

Minnesota Law Gains a Victory at St. Paul.

THE SLUGGING MATCH PROHIBITED.

Gov. Merriam Calls Out the Troops, the Sheriff Commands the Peace and the Sports Are in the Dumps; Also the Athletic Club Men-President Cow'-Complains Bitterly That the Authorities Were So Long Acting-A Costly Business for the Club-New Arrangements Made.

St. Paul, July 23 .- So far as Minnesota sconcerned the law and order people won a big victory yesterday, for at the last moment almost the officials decided to act, and the Hall-Fitzsimmons fight was declared off. It is not off, however, unless the Wisconsin authorities put their veto upon it also, is at midnight yesterday word went out to holders of all ticket to remain in town until oday arrangements having been perfect ed for the fight to take place across the line in Wisconsin. Where it is to occur had not transpire I at a late hour, and may not until it is time for those interested to take he cars or other conveyances for the bat-

A Hurrying to and Fro.

Beardless young fellows in fatigue uniforms hurried in twos and three through he streets of the capital as the sun was going down last evening. Gangs of men at the street corners, and blocking up the entrances to the hotels, glanced with forbidding brows at the youngsters as they passed by, and filled the air with imprecations loud and deep, and out in the northern suburbs the setting sun cast its shadows over a big circular structure, which stood solitary and desolate, save for the old watchman who sat smoking at the entrance. The young men were members of the local companies of the national guard, who had been ordered to prevent a fight that had already been abandoned. The men at the corners were disappointed sports, and the deserted structure was the amphitheatre in which the fight was to have taken place.

Sports Disappointed and Disgusted. A more disappointed, disgusted lot of sports than St. Paul contained last night has probably never been gathered together anywhere or under any circumstances. They had come from far and near, from Houston and from San Francisco, from New Orleans and Winnipeg, from British Columbia and from the sister city across the river. The action of the authorities yesterday morning came upon the aggre-gation of sports like a thunderclap. The proclamation issued Tuesday by Governor Merriam, and the arraignment of Fitz-simmons and his trainers in the police ourt, had been regarded by the friends of Fitzsimmons and Hall as very much in the nature of a bluff, and there seemed to be a very general understanding that, having thus offered a sop to the protest ing law reform element, the powers that be would allow the influential citizens, who make up the governing body of the Minnesota Athletic club, to go shead with their programme in their own way.

THE SHERIFF WAS ON THE LIST

But He Preferred to Save His Official Head from the Block.

When therefore Sheriff Bean, whose name was actually on the list of invited guests, put his foot down yesterday and declared that he preferred to offend his friends and disappoint the assembled sports to losing his own official head, there was consternation and dismay. Even then the club directorate might have determined to take the chances had not the governor hastened to the support of the subordinate official by issuing instructions to the adjutant general to hold four companies of National guards in readiness to suppress the fight, and when the "call to arms" had been circulated the fact was realized at last that Merriam and Bean meant what they had said, and that it would be worse than ridiculous for the organization to fly in the face of organized law and authority. Visions of riots and bloody conflict were conjured up in the meeting of the board and reluctantly the word went out that so far as St. Paul was concerned the fight was off for good

What the Managers Expected.

President T. Z. Cowles, of the Athletic club, said yesterday: "Up to noon today it was hoped that under a fair and reasonable execution of the law, which makes a prize fight a misdemeanor, and not a felony, as is the case in many other states, the contest could proceed and the club have the opportunity of to some extent covering its loss. The club asked that the sheriff be content with arresting the principals and putting them under bondfor future appearance and that the law be allowed to take its course after the event The sheriff was disposed to adopt this policy, but under a threat from the governor of inst at removal from office if he did not prevent the fight by any means in the power of the state, the sheriff was obliged to notify the club that he should be on hand prepared to stop the fight.

Expectations Not Realized. "It was als. stated that the governor had ordered the First regiment under arms for the purpose of assisting the sheriff. In such a state o things the club could not think of proceeding with the contest, and as the result c. a conference, in which the mayor, chief of police, sheriff, county at-torney, and club officials took part at noon to-day, the club threw up the sponge and declared the fight off. The club loses its deposit : \$3,000 as a forfeit to protect the contestants, and in addition about \$9,000 expen. d in constructing the pavilion and for ther necessary expenses. der the circumstances, the action of the state author des was cruel and unjust, as the fight co. . and should have been pretented thirt, to sixty days ago.

An Amphitheatre for Sale. The amphaheatre of the Athletic club with its acc. mmodations for 20,000, could have been had for the asking yesterday. Representatives of pretty well every rail road centering in the town offered special trains for carrying the crowd to any outside point that might be chosen; and exceptional facilities at Hudson, Wis., outside of Governor Merriam's jurisdiction and only a balf hour's ride from the city, were proffered. The New Orleans contingent, which is headed by G. M. Franks, of the Southern Athletic club, was so chagrined at the results of the day that one time they talked about baving a special train, taking all who wanted to go to the Crescent city and getting the men together on their arrival for a \$10,000 purse

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