

this occasion, an exact counterpart of the one used by him in Washington, made by the same manufacturers, and was drawn by six magnificent black horses. In the parade from the depot to the St. James Hotel were military, city and civil organizations of every character. The cheering en route was deafening at times.

At 3:30 that afternoon, the parade was resumed from the St. James to the exposition grounds, and was a repetition of that from the depot. The address of welcome in the Sub-Tropical building was made by Col. J. J. Daniel, to which the President replied in a pleasing and happy strain amidst tumultuous applause.

At night there was a grand reception in the parlors of the St. James Hotel. The crowds were so great that the streets were blocked with a mass of people. Mrs. Cleveland's grace and beauty were remarked upon by everyone, and the spontaneous enthusiasm was for her almost as much as for the President himself.

The presidential party again visited the exposition on the following morning, then crossed the river to take the train for St. Augustine to become the guest of the Ponce de Leon.

Every important county of the State had an exhibit at the Sub-Tropical exposition. The County Commissioners of Duval County at first refused to make an appropriation for an exhibit by Duval County; but a mass-meeting of indignant citizens caused them to change their views, and the necessary appropriation was immediately forthcoming. Besides the county exhibits there was a creditable art showing and numbers of individual exhibits and attractions. The grounds were beautifully laid out with trees and shrubs, among which the most admired was a blooming century plant. The principal public events during the exposition were: President Cleveland's visit, February 22-23; the Levy concerts, March 3-5; Gilmore's Band concerts, April 16-17.

The Sub-Tropical officially closed for the season April 20, but it was visited by a great number of people for several months afterward.

The financial report of the Association for the first season was: Total receipts, January 12 to April 20, \$21,013; total operating expenses, \$12,134. Total assets, including buildings and grounds, \$50,581; liabilities, \$15,325.