

IX.

PUBLIC RECEPTION OF THE EXCURSIONISTS AT CHICAGO—SPEECHES OF MAYOR RICE, C. A. LAMBARD, AND UNITED STATES SENATOR B. F. WADE—GENERAL J. H. SIMPSON'S LETTER FROM NORTH PLATTE STATION—DEATH OF GENERAL CURTIS—CONCLUSION.

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The following extract from the *Chicago Tribune*, giving an account of the public reception given to the excursionists on their return through that city, together with the speech of Senator Wade and others, on the occasion, affords most satisfactory evidence that the anticipations of the railroad company, with reference to the favorable effects of the excursion upon the public mind, will be more than realized:—

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD.

RETURN OF THE EXCURSIONISTS TO CHICAGO.

Formal Reception—Meeting at the Opera House—Address of Welcome by Mayor Rice—Replies by Director Lambard and Senator Wade.

The returned excursionists from the Far West, over the route of the Union Pacific Railroad, were formally welcomed yesterday back to our city. The Committee of Reception, whose names were published in our issue of yesterday, met the excursionists at the Tremont House at nine o'clock in the morning, and escorted them around the city. A tug was chartered in which the party visited the crib at the other end of the lake tunnel, then sailed up the river, inspecting those portions of the city which lie along its variegated banks. Flint & Thompson's elevator, and one or two