## NOTES OF THE EMPIRE STATE.

## ELMIRA'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL

GRAND ARMY BANQUET AND CAMP FIRE-LECTU RE ON GETTYSBURG-PIRE PROTECTION.

ELMIRA, April 2 .- One of the events most anxiously awaited by the people of Elmira and the neighboring places, is the annual May festival. Six years ago the first May festival was held in this city and the interest has grown in each succeeding year. The feetival will begin this year on Monday evening, May 30, and close with a grand concert on Friday evening June 3. Three sessions will be held each day at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, and the grand concert will be held at the opera house. The fest val will be conducted by Dr. H. R. Palmer, the conductor and composer, of New-York. A quartet composed of Miss Ida Hubble, soprano soloist, of Grace Church, New-York; Miss Anna T. Casey, contralto, of S, racuse; J. Gordon Thomas, baritone soloist, of Philadelphia; and Mark C. Baker, topor soloist, of Elmira, will take part, as will also a full orchestra of competent musicians. Baldwin Post G. A R. of this city will give a ban-

quet and hold a camp fire in the hall in the Masonic

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