J. VAN SLYKE, Editor

Butter on the Elgin Board of Trade on Monday was active. Offerings, 18,-780 pounds. Sales, 16,380 pounds at 27 cents, against 26 cents last week and 23 cents last year. The old directors and committees were re-elected.

Mr. Cleveland is now very fond of handling a gun. In 1861-5, however, he was afraid of one-so much so that he hired a substitute to go to the war for him. He likes to shoot at something that cannot return the fire.

Cleveland's message, is the longest spinning of the shortest story in current politics. He could have told it all by has proved to be incapable of running the Government.

The Monroe doctrine will not be abandoned or modified by the United States to please England or any other country. It represents interests of vital importance, and is supported by an. uncompromising sentiment. Eugland may not as yet fully realize this fact, but she will find it out sooner or later.

The first bill to pass in the present House was presented by Congressman A. J. Hopkins' of Aurora. His bill provided that the custom district of Chicago hereafter embrace the entire state of Illinois. The bill was passed by the unanimous consent of the House.

Congressman Hopkins introduced a bill in the House appropriating \$100,-000 for the public building at Elgin This is the same bill introduced by Mr. Hopkins in the last Congress, but like a number of bills of a similar nature it did not pass at the time. It is thought the bill will pass this session.

A Milwaukee paper relieves itself as follows: "Backward, turn backward O time, in your flight; give back McKinley's law just for to-night; surplus, come back from the Past's fading shore-Uncle Sam's run behind 15,000,000 or more. Give us the good times of fair '92-wages 'way up, and plenty to do; gold reserve safe, no bond issues to sell, cash in the treasury, and free trade in -England.

THEY WANT McKINLEY,

Representative Guffin, of Lee county -"Guffin of Paw Paw"-was in Chicago the other day and, after expressing a preference for Hopkins and the prophecy that Tanner would be nominated, related an incident of the recent judicial convention, as indicative of the strong sentiment for McKinley for president. In the course of an interview, Guffin said:

"The republicans of Illinois strongly favor the nomination of McKinley for president. I suppose it is a fact that the political managers are against McKinley, but the masses are for the Ohio man. I don't see how it is possible to prevent McKinley from securing a majority of the delegates from this state. If Senator Cullom desires to be a candidate for president it may be possible to unite the delegation in his support, but this is a matter of some doubt. The sentiment for McKinley seems to be almost unanimous in some parts of the state. A Republican judicial convention was held at Rockford a few days ago and fifteen counties were represented. If there was a man present at the convention who was opposed to McKinley's nomination he did not let the fact become known. Congressman Hopkins made a speech in which he mentioned the names of all the Republican candidates for president. There was no applause until McKinley's name was reached and then the convention went wild. The Republicans of Illinois look upon McKinley as the chief apostle of protection, and if he is not nominated for president thousands of them will be grievously disappointed."

Bikes as Baggage.

According to the action of the consolidated railroads of the country a short time ago, bikes and baby carriages are now charged for as baggage.

The railroad men had their eyes openbikes, to say nothing of baby carriages. The New York Central cleared up \$18,000 last year by taxing them 25 | taken: cents when carried in the baggage car, LANDS, LOTS AND PERSONAL PROPERTY and of course this neat little sum set Riley the other railroad magnates to thinking When railroad men get to thinking something has to go up. Consequently bikes went up. A local railroad man speaking of the matter, said that the number of wheels made the charge

necessity. "It was all right," he said, "as long as there was only a wheel or two to carry in the car, but pretty soon they got so thick that often 40 or 50 would have to be piled away. This was a little to much of a good thing, and next season i threatens to be worse. They are awkward things to handle too. There have been lots of complaints about the way baggagemen handle wheels, th owners being afraid of broken spokes or punctured tires, but next season things will doubtless be different, as the wheels will then be recognized as baggage and handled as such. Another feature is that wheels will be charged as baggage when left in the baggage rooms. A charge of 25 cents per day will be made, and 10 cents for every 24 hours thereafter. This is done on account of the great number of wheels left in the baggage rooms by

Holiday Excursion Rates.

On December 24, 25 and 31, 1895, and January 1, 1896, the North-Western Line will sell excursion tickets at reduced rates to stations within a distance of 200 miles, good for return passage until January 2, 1896, inclusive. For tickets and full information apply to Agents and full information apply to Agents Chicago & North-Western Railway.

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state have had plenty to think about. What the result of such thought is, has not yet been generally expressed, L t it is time for declarations and acti s The National Convention is called Ju-16, and between now and then the people will have expressed their preferences for candidates-or allowed others to do it for them. Which is it to be?

The people were surprised some weeks ago when it was announced that ex-Gov. Fifer had withdrawn from the candidacy for Governor and that John R. Tanner was slated for the position. Up to that seemed to be the favorite with the people a whole year." for governor. Mr. Tanner's candidacy was not the result of a call from the people, but was the action of a few machine politicians in the state. Laterit is given simply saving that the democratic party out that every office in the state is slated -then that the machine has arranged also for the next United States Senator, to be from Chicago-and that it also proposes to dictate who shall be delegates to the National Convention, so that it might be a "solid" delegation for trading purposes,

The plan gives the people much food for thought. If successful it gives Illinois an oligarchy. It places all these leading offices and their patronage in the hands of a few self constituted bosses. The people have nothing to say-they would be like "dumb driven cattle. Will they submit to it?

As regards the nomination for governor, if Tanner desires to submit his claims, if he has any, to the people, that is all right and no one will object. He. has been considered a man of shrewdness but when he depends upon a ring to make him governor, instead of appealing to the people. he has lost his political cunning. We believe that, while the peofriendly to him, in the present issue as the candidate of a ring, he would have but little support, even if there was no other candidate. But beyond that, we believe that the people of Lake county are for Hopkins. They know him to be able clean, aggressive, and one of the Republican leaders of the nation. He is not and has not been identified with any ring or combination in the state, and will, in every particular make an ideal and trusty chief executive. He will be governor for the people of the state, and you money. will not be owned by a few bosses.

On October 15 the Herald having the present issue in view, said that the withdrawal of Fifer would strengthen Hopkins' candidacy—and it has. On Dec. 3 the Herald in an editorial on "A government by the people" called attention to the danger of boss rule and to the fact that it was always followed by a defeat of the party so controlled. We are surprised that the people and the press, with only few exceptions, are not protesting against the evil proposed to be done to the Republican party of the state. If the Republican party of this great state is to be be betrayed into the hands of ringsters, and delivered into the control of a machine, then indeed have the evil days come. If such is the effort, then it is time for the people to wake and make such a change as will infuse new blood into the party and place trusty men at the front. The fight next year will be a bitter one-it will not be tariff alonebut it will be something even dearer to the people than these issues—it will be honesty and integrity.

In justice to the memory of Lincoln, the Republicans of Illinois are indignant at the effort, by a selfish and pitiless machine, to make this an oligarchy instead of a government of the people. Those who would be leaders must stand close to the people. All the offices to be named should be named by the people, and in the matter of the delegates to the national convention, the right of district representation, adopted by the party nearly twenty years ago, will prevail in 1896. Each district then has representatives that reflect the wishes of the rank and file of the party.

The people or the machine-which?

TAXES APPORTIONED. The Amount of Taxes Each Town will Have to Pay.

The County Clerk, Geo. F. Rushton, has given out that he has the various ed to the fact that they were losing a tax collector's books now ready, from good deal of money by not charging for which the following figures, showing the amount of tax each of the seventeen townships will be called on to pay are

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Henry Watterson, the eminent PEOPLE OR THE MACHINE-WHICH! Democratic editor, has been saying some For some time the Republicans of this severe things about his party, and when taken to task about it he replied: "I did refer in my lecture to the Democratic party in 1860 being then, as now, hopelessly divided. That is the truth. It is impossible for the Democratic party to

win in the coming election. It is true the rty got together again after 1860 and it may get together once more. But ever since the war it has been nothing but whose bundle of warring factions It has been utterly incapable of any affirmative policy. I have almost concluded that I am through with politics. chairman of the state central committee My interest in politics is now solely personal. I am going to be abroad during time Tanner'had been a candidate for the campaign of next year. I shall sail state treasurer and Hon. A. J. Hopkins for Europe on April 3, and remain away

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Among the rest is a lot of ladies' fleece lined suits, gray, of extra quality. We make a special closing price Saturday, 38 cents per suit, 2 suits for 75 cents. We limit the quantity to two suits to a

Come and participate in the feast Saturday.

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In submitting to the Holiday Trade, which is now at hand, we desire to call particular attention to our special quadruple plated silver set which is composed of 10 pieces. This set has never before been offered at such an extraordinarily low price as we are offering it for now. This set we have just received from the factory and is of the latest design, We will from now until Christmas, sell it at the extraordinary low price of \$18; any single piece \$2. In addition to this we will, during this time, offer for cash:

1 silver fruit dish, regular price \$6.50, now \$4.00. 2 " " " 5.00 " 3.28. 1 " " " 4.00 " 2.50.

Gents' Solid Gold & Silver Watches.

1 Boss Hunting case, warranted 20 years, 16 J, Rockford movement, \$30, now \$21 15 years, 7 J. movement, \$15, now \$13. second hand watch, warranted 20 years, 15 J. Trenton move-1 nickle open face, 7 J., Elgin movement, \$12.00, now \$8.00.

14 00, " 10.50. 12 00, " 10.00. 12 00, 10.00. 18 00, 14.50. 8 50, 6.90. 1 ladies' 7 Waltham ... 8.50, 5.90.
7 warranted 15 years, Waltham movement, \$9.50, now \$7.50.
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The celebrated Rodger Bros.' Knives and Forks. \$4, now \$3.25. Tea pourer, \$1.25, now 70c. Two fine St. Paul Imitation Marble Clocks, \$8, now \$5.90.

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