SPRINGFIELD LETTER.

What of Cultom? Springfield, Jan. 23.—The belief that Mason. Senator Cullom is to go into the Mc-

Kinley cabinet has gained strength here within the past few days. An intimate friend of the senator said to the writer to-day: "The announcement of Mr. Cullom's selection will be made through the press within the next few days." The new conditions that would be brought about in Illinois by the selection of Cullom for the cabinet has caused a stir among the lawmakers. Already there is talk of his successor in the senate. In this connection I will dare to make a prediction: If Culiom goes into the cabinet either Tanner or Hitt will go to the genate in his place. Tanner does not want the seat himself. Left to his own wishes, he would sconer be governor for the full term of four years. But his friends will urge him to go to the senate. Mrs. Tanner is also said to be using her influence in the same direction. At the same time, if the prospective vacancy occurs. Mr. Hitt will not be without strong support. His conduct during the scramble for Senator Palmer's seat won him many friends. With Tanner and Hitt the only candidates the contest would be very close.

Going to Inauguration.

Gov. John R. Tanner is going to Washington to witness the inauguragoing in style befitting the chief executive of Illinois. James R. B. Van Cleave is arranging one part of the trip, and the governor is lying awake nights trying to map out the rest of the display. Mr. Van Cleave is just picking out the places where the governor and his party are going to eat and sleep, but the governor is trying to figure out the party itself. For Gov. Tanner is going to Washington attended by his full staff of newly appointed colonels. He is working hard to make up his mind as to who shall form his personal staff, so that the men selected will have time to procure their uniforms and wear them a couple of times. The party will go in special cars, which are now being prepared for the trip

More Pomp Than Power.

It is customary for the governor to appoint one member of his staff from each congressional district. Some time ago the governor sent word to the leaders of the various districts and asked them to submit to him the names of men whom they would like to see covered with gold braid. The position is little sought after by the practical politicians. There is no salary at tached. So they generally give it to some influential man in the party, who cares more for pomp than power. The aggregation of "colonels" will be of compublic by next week. They were to have been appointed this week, but there have been some political complications that will have to be explained before the governor can make up his mind to appoint the list he has about prepared. The governor wants to make the best show of any of the western governors at the inauguration, and he feels that to be "entirely in line" he must have his personal staff and have its members dressed in made-to-order uniforms.

Reere for Adjt.-General.

While Mr. Tanner himself is silen: apon the subject, it is generally understood that he intends to make his perstaff out of politicians. Almost Mr. Altgeld's colonels were men who could carry their primaries and who would not hesitate any longer to den thei runiforms and gold braid for a political scrimmage than they would when there was a chance to appear in the parade. Mr. Tanner feels that his colonels should come up to the mark of those of the Altgeld regime, so he is studying the lists of politicians in each of the congressional districts to pick out men who will make a good background for him at Washington and who, when that occasion is over, can take a hand in bringing in delegations. It is the general opinion that Gen. Reece will be the adjutant-general of the Tanner administration, and that the governor is going to consult him concerning his staff. The appointment of the Cook county colonels will probably be delayed. Mr. Tanner wants the politicians to know whether they are going to fight or make up before he begins parceling out the honors to Chi-

for Mind in the Scramble.

It has deceleped that there will have to be some tall explaining done be tween Henry L. Hertz, William Lorimer and Dr. Jamieson before these three become political bedfellows again. Mr. Hertz wants to know something, Mr. Jamieson wants to know something and Mr. Lorimer wants to know somethe It has been agreed that before here is a final rupture the "big three" will meet in Chicago and try to make the needed explanations. arned today that Henry L. Hertz did et know that the members of the existature controlled by Tanner were working for the success of Congressnan Hitt, while the Cook county men re working for Lorimer.

ter Charles Crawford of Chicago ran in the Hitt deal, as was Represenve Fred Busse. They were also on Herts intend to make Dr. Jamieson ohy they were on the Lorimer and in favor of

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only man who could successfully oppose

Hertz in a Dilemma.

One thing is considered certain by the politicians who are here waiting for a chance to whisper in the governor's ear, and that is that Henry L. Hertz is not going to fight with the governor for the next two years. Mr. Hertz will be state treasurer that time and his sole chance of making his office worth while is to continue to hold the friendship of the governor. Mr. Hertz' salary is but \$3,500 a year, but he can keep one-fourth of the interest under the existing law. Should Mr. Tanner, however, see fit to follow the example of Gov. Altgeld and divide the money as soon as it comes into the state treasury among the treasurers of the various state institutions, Mr. Hertz' position will be a financial delusion. The governor has not gone on record just how he feels personally to Hertz, but it is said he has indicated that he will do all in his power to fill the now depleted treasury so that Mr. Hertz will find life worth living for the next two years.

Rumored Turndown Denied. The stories heretofore published that the governor intended to turn down the Cook county organization in the matter of appointments was flatly denied today by a man who is very close to Governor Tanner and has his tion of William McKinley, and he is confidence. This man said that every recommendation made by the Cook county organization as to the allotments of state patronage would be considered by the governor. The only condition he makes is that the men that they recommend shall be competent for the positions they seek, and of good character, so that the governor may have nothing to regret in appointing them.

The work of selecting the committee was continued today by Speaker Curtis. It is probable that no announcement of committees will be made until the latter part of next week. An exception may be made in the case of the judiciary committee, the chairman of which will probably be Representative Charles Alley. Nothing will be done with regard to the senate committees until the members return next Monday.

Some Prospective Appointments.

There is every indication that Edwin J. Noble will be appointed chief grain inspector at Chicago. This may slip through on account of the complications growing out of the senatorial fight, but Mr. Noble's chances are good, Joseph E. Bidwill will be the Chicago representative on the railroad and warehouse commission. There seems to be no doubt about this. The governor likes him and he is in favor with all sections of the party in Chicago. Mr. Bidwill, who was sick here during the last few days of the senatorial struggle, went home to-day, and before he started Governor Tanner went from the executive mansion and called on him. Charles S. Rannella, chairman of the republican executive state committee, will be another of the railroad and warehouse commissioners, and E. W. Hyman of Edingham will be the third

ably remain as superintendent of the reform school at Pontiac. It was practically settled that Colonel Thomas W. Scott of Fairfield will be adjutant general. Colonel Koch, formerly commander of the First regiment, was an applicant for the place and was here to-day, and it understood he was told that the position had been tendered to Colonel Scott, Colonel Leroy Stewart of Chicago will probably be inspector

Chance for a Statesman.

One custom that seems to grow in favor with every successive legislature is the weekly adjournment feature. This week the majority of the legislators left for home Wednesday night to return Monday. This is all wrong. The legislature should remain in session six days of the week and attend to business. The people do not elect legislators for the purpose of wasting so much time. There is a future before the senator or member of the house who leads an assault against the cus-

Fourth Estate In Control.

I clip the following from a local pa-"There is a remarkable increase here in the number of newspaper correspondents over previous years. Nearly every weekly paper of any consequence in the state is represented. The Western Newspaper Union, the leading ready print house, with several hundred papers in Illinois, is also represented." A well filled press gallery is a wholesome sign of the times. It shows that the people are looking on and that tab will be kept on promoters of had legislation. In years past the people took little interest in legislative doings. They elected men to make good laws and then turned to their private affairs. But good laws were not always made. Legislators took advantage of the lack of public interest in their doings and the "Third House" was allowed full sway. But the signs of the times are to the effect that the days of the "Third House" are gone forever. The "Fourth House," or "Fourth Estate," as Edmund Burke called the press gallery, is now in full control. If there is any inclination on the part of any member of the present legislature to assist in the passage of questionable bills they will hear from the press gallery.

C. D. Taylor, poultry dealer at Homer, Ill., dropped a gold ring in a barcel of dressed chickens, which was shipped to Bostons in the latter city the ring was found in the barrel and returned to him.

ILLINOIS

RECORD OF MINOR DOINGS OF THE WEEK.

Seven Days' Happenings Condensed Social, Religious, Political, Criminal, Obituary and Miscellaneous Events from Every Section of the State,

The first robin of 1897 has been seen

in Dixon.

The business houses of Washington, Ill., will close at 8 o'clock p. m. Coles county, Ill., people want Horace S. Clark appointed to the Mexican

mission. State Treasurer Hertz has given a bond of \$500,000, with Springfield financlers as sureties.

The return of the Rock Island to Atchison has been postponed again, this time until May 1.

A church for deaf mutes has been established at Jacksonville, 111., with Rev. Frank Read as pastor.

It is more than likely that there will

be a congressional reapportionment attempted in Illinois this winter. A school teacher at Sciota has an eye to business. He watered his orders on

to \$50. Five families from Illinois have settled on land six miles south of Washington, Ga., and about 40 more families are expected.

Judges T. Borkwalter and J. G. Thompson are candidates for the circuit bench from Danville. The former is now on the bench.

Tazewell county, has adopted an ordi- cast their full party strength for John erect gates at crossings.

has received a deed for 640 acres of land, worth \$50,000, in Logan county. It came from her parents. The state will be asked to contrib-

ute toward paying for the paving of

two blocks around the campus of the University of Illinois at Urbana. In Ottawa recently two young men brought in nearly 25,000 sparrow heads and received checks on the county

treasurer for a little less than \$50. Ipava people are having the same experience Rushville had in reference to electric lights. The town board thinks

they are paying too high for them. Three times within a few weeks Galesburg young ladies have been knocked down by toughs. The last was Miss Anna Peterson Wednesday morn-

Dr. James H. Wallace died in th net of administering to a patient at Monmouth, Ill., Tuesday night. He was connected with the Monmouth Gazette.

Representative Schubert will prepare a convict labor bill providing for the manufacture by convicts of free text books for the public schools of this

Charles Dickens, a nephew of the famous novelist, is an engineer on the Illinois Central railroad. He is a son of Augustus Dickens, a younger brother of the novelist, and was born in Chicago.

A farm paper of Chicago offered a | tion. prize for the best acre of corn raised in | United States senator. Speaker Curtis Illinois in 1896, whereupon a Menard | announced the appointment of the fol-Major R. W. McClaughrey will prob | man comes up smiling with affidavits | lowing committee on elections: Sherof a yield of 131 bushels and 34 pounds | man, Miller of Cook, Fred A. Busse, upon one acre.

of Illinois and Wisconsin enjoyed a social session at the Hotel Bishop, Au- McGee, Shepherd, Webb and Sullivan, rora, Tuesday, and did not neglect a single thing except to raise the price of their commodity.

Charles E. George, a Chicago attorney, was sentenced to the penitentiary for swindling a client, a woman for whom he procured \$150 in the settlement of a case and generously gave her \$2, retaining the remainder as his

Rev. Mr. Bankson of Blue Mound, Macon county, was an applicant for the position of chaplain of the Soldiers' Home at Quincy, but, upon learning that the position was only worth \$360 a year, he withdrew his application in

Several weeks ago old Mr. and Mrs. William Byron of Aurora, Ill., discouraged over and tired of the dissolute habits of their 17-year-old grandson. Richard Walsh, turned the young man from their door and bade him shift for himself. Richard departed vowing vengeance. Saturday night he turned, set his grandfather's chicken coop afire and when the flames had good start, walked down town and asked a policeman to arrest him, as he

wanted to go to the reform school. C. L. Sparks, a colored debater of the University of Chicago, has been forced off the University of lowa-Chicago debate. The men who were interested in seeing C. L. Sparks off the team as sert that the action was taken because Sparks had numerous conditions in his work and consequently by a ruling of the faculty he could not rightfully participate in the debate. Sparks as vet will not discuss the matter, but his confidential friends say he was displaced purely on account of his color: also that he will protest the ruling of the oratorical association. southern birth are said to have had hand in retiring Sparks.

In one section of Woodland Township, Fulton county, an epidemic of poisoning domestic animals is raging. There is a terrible feud among the people, and this wholesale poisoning is its expression. It is a condition of terror and is most disgraceful to our boasted civilization.

The Iroquois County News tells of the smallest pair of horses on earth. which were on exhibition at Watseka last week. They were Arabians, owned by J. S. Ware of Springfield, stand about 23 inches high and weigh remeetivaly 36 and 42 pounds,

INOIS LEGISLATURE REPORTED BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

January 18.

bills making appropriations to pay the employes and to defray the incidental expenses of the present general assembly were advanced to third reading.

was adopted, authorizing the speaker the per diem allowed by law.

Mr. Merriman offered the following. which was also adopted:

Resolved. That a committee of five be appointed by the speaker of this house, whose duty it shall be to inquire into the condition of the executive mansion and grounds, and also of the executive office and rooms, and report to this house what repairs and furnishings, if any, are required in the same, and also what appropriations, if any, are needed.

In the senate the following bills were introduced:

By Mr. Mahcaey-Providing for the protection of the homesteads of alien widows and orphans. Under the presthe treasury by raising them from \$40 ent law the homesteads of aliens revert back to the state.

By Mr. Landrigan-Asking for an ap propriation of \$100 for the expenses of county institutes, instead of \$50.

January 19.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 19.—Both jouses of the legislature went through the motions of electing a United States The town council of Washington, senator. The democrats and populists nance requiring railroad companies to P. Altgeld, the nominee of the democratic caucus, but the republicans sim-Mrs. George Hunter, of Eureka, Ill., ply cast a single vote for each of the candidates angling for the republican nomination in the joint caucus. The result of this condition was that the democrats had the pleasure of seeing their nominee receive more votes than any republican in an overwhelmingly republican legislature. Altgeld received 62 votes and each republican candidate one. This was the result of the first ballot taken in the house for United States Lenator. Speaker Curtis announced that no quorum was present and that there had been no election. Then the house adjourned after the democrats had made the republicans show by the coll call that there was a quorum present, even if they failed to show it in the vote for senator.

In the senate the vote was taken with even less seriousness than in the house, There was but one nominating speech made, and that was a short one by Senator Mahoney, who placed Gov. Altgeld before the senate. Senator Baxter in one sentence nominated Robert R. Hitt, Schator Bogardus nominated Joseph G. Cannon, Senator Case named William E. Mason, Senator Evans nominated A. J. Hopkins, Senator Fitzpatrick named S. W. Allerton, Senator Harding named Clark E. Carr and Senator Sullivan numinated William Lorimer. Each of the republican candi- \$4.50, he reports that the cereals named dates received one vote, and ex-Gov. Altgeld received thirteen. As there was no quorum voting, the lieutenantgovernor dectared there was no elec-Before the house voted for Booth, Guffia, Anderson, Selby, Thom-The Retail Coal Dealers' Association | as, Kinchelpe, Eldredge, Hammers, Walleck, Salmoni, Alschuler, Compton,

January 20. It took but a few minutes to call the roll of the house and senate, and then the business of making the senator began without delay. A hundred and fifty members of the house responded to their names, and the senate was reasonably full, too. The only absentees were Senator Sullivan (Rep.) and Representative English (Dem.). came the formal reading of the journals of the house and senate showing that no election had been made yesterday After this order of business was coneluded Speaker Curtis ordered the balloting to begin. He was following the formula with which the older legislators were familiar. Then he called for nominations, and Sharrock of Christian took the floor. As Sharrock warmed up he proceeded to pitch into the Democrats, and he gave the other side of the house a tastefully administered roasting for the speeches made in behalf of Gov. Altgeld. Presently Sharrock, like all the speakers, lapsed into biblical lore and he made a break saving: "You remember, after Christ had feasted forty years the tempter came to talk to him." This broke up the house, because Sharrock was only about thirty-nine years and 325 days shy on time. But what's the difference! What's the difference between forty days and forty years to a man who is nominating a United States senator? For twenty minutes or half an hour Sharrock talked history, religion and what the Republican party had done for the country. He made a good campaign speech, it is true, and by easy stages led up to the proper task before him. Several additional speeches were made and William Ernest Mason was declared the next United States senator from Illinois on a strictly party

January 21. There was no quorum present, and adjournment taken until Tuesday.

vote. No other business of great im-

portance was transacted. Both houses

voted to adjourn from Thursday to

Monday.

The Champaign Rowdles. From the Chicago Record: There is out one way to deal with the young rowdies who took part in the disgraceful affair at Urbana. They should be expelled from the University of Illinois. The time has gone by when ish history as that of an Amalekite young sophomores who pretend to be king, was used in common by all sovgentlemen can excuse nuffiantly pranks | ereigns of that country.

on the score of youthful exuberance In the house to-day the two senate and irresponsibility. The Champaign sophomores, when they broke in upon a social gathering of freshmen, throwing dangerous chemicals about, inflicting severe injuries and perhaps caus-Mr. Miller offered a resolution, which | ing the loss of one young woman's eyesight, have no more claim to considerato appoint twenty committee clerks at | tion than any young loafer who may be brought into a police justice court on a charge of assault and battery or disorderly conduct. In fact, their treatment should be even harsher, for, as college men, they are supposed to know better. It is time that this egregious tomfoolery and rowdyism in college life be terminated once for all Hazing, assaults on freshmen, and rowdy "larks" on the street are relics of an older and less civilized time This sort of "joke" is worn out. It is threadbare. It stamps the would-be joker as a "jay" of the most uncouth pattern and as a lawbreaker. Young college men who haven't sense enough to know that this sort of brutality is looked upon with disgust-that it puts them exactly on a par with the poorest drunken vagabonds who drift into town from village Podunks-must be made to learn the fact in the same way that the vagabonds do. A little rude handling by a policeman, a night or so in jail, and a serious interview with the police magistrate next morning, would do a great deal to abolish this contemptible practice.

State Items.

Senator Bogardus will introduce bill at Springfield providing for board of pardons.

Chicago has 7,000 saloons. Their recelpts are \$21,000,000 and 95 per cent of it comes from wage workers.

Rock Island's tax rate is considerably higher than that of Canton, being \$9.10 on each \$100 assessed valuation. In Canton it is \$7.40.

On a farm near Carlock, after shell ing 4,000 bushels of corn from some cribs, the crop of rats was garnered. amounting to 684.

The golden anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Rittenhouse was suitably observed at Lebanon, Ill., Thursday.

It is reported that there will be a dyke built along Rock River this summer to protect the large, fertile area known as Dutch Bottom.

W. W. Murphy, brother of L. R. Murphy, cashier of the Clinton State Bank, was elected president of John Weedman Bank of Farmer City Tuesday.

The representative of a milling firm, in writing from northern Illinois, says ten-pound packages of cornmeal are being retailed there at 466 cents; buckwheat flour at 16 cents and rye flour at 15 cents. With wheat flour held at are being freely used as a substitute. and are materially cutting down its consumption. This is a point that those who are sauguine of dollar wheat should take into their calculations,

HAPS AND MISHAPS OF A NAME

What would a man do without name? A very poor name, even, is better than none. But here and there one hears of a person whose name is so peculiarly difficult or otherwise troublesome as almost to make it seem as if he would be better off if he were lar case of this kind is reported by the Scranton Truth

The man's name is John Ditto, and is apparent at a glance that it must often get its owner into embarrassing predicaments. At one time he went to St. Louis, and at the hotel happened to register after a man named Hinkleschneider. The clerk thought he had written John Ditto to save labor and ink, and called him Mr. Hinkleschneider. Worse than that, the daily papers announced his arrival as that of "John Hinkleschneider, a prominent citizen of Somerville, Texas," and as news of the affair preceded him back to Texas, his neighbors persisted for some time in calling him Mr. Hinkle-

However, his name sometimes serves him a good turn. For instance, it was the means of getting him a wife. At a country fair he was invited to join a friend and some young ladies in a refreshment tent. When beverages were proposed he said he would take lemonade, and the strange young lady at his side said, in all innocence, that she would take ditto.

This mild joke was cultivated, as such jokes are, and in the end, acquaintance having ripened into affection, the young lady really did take Ditto for better or worse.

In war time he escaped the draft because his name, as copied from the original list, was written not John Ditto, but John Smith, or whatever the name happened to be that preceded

FACTS ABOUT KINGS.

Some English genealogists pretend that there is a family line of union connecting Queen Victoria with Alfred the Great.

Kenneth became sole king of Scotland in 834. From his time to the accession of James VI. Scotland had forty-four kings.

The name Agag, mentioned in Jew-

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"I say, grandpop, Nellie is smarter than ever."

"Yes," responded the old man, proud-"When she was in the city a visitin' of her aunt she went to one of those McKinley garten schools and learned a heap."--Washington Star.

The promise of attractive things which The Illustrated American makes for the current year is very ailuring. Questions of the day are discussed by

Senators, military men of high rank and well-known leaders of thought. Special series of articles by experts are announced on "American waste" and American architecture.

Just about to begin is a series of realistic tales of the Cuban war by a Cuban officer, Captain Mario Carrillo. Later will come a thrilling interational serial story, "A Dare to Bismark," by

Clinton Ross, the popular author. The short stories, week by week, are by the brightest story-writers in America. The editorials of The Illustrated Ameri-

can are striking and notable. Its literary and its athletic departments are conducted by specialists, and its woman's department is peculiarly unique. The pictures are most profuse and highly finished. Photographers from every part of the United States contributed instantaneous views of stirring American events. The cartoons and other drawings are on a high standard.

The title of this paper accurately expresses its character.

Sometimes.

Bacon-I was reading to-day of a violin maker who made over 7,000 fiddles in his life. Egbert-It's a fact, then, that the evil a man does lives after him. -Yonkers Statesman.

Salzer Seed Co. Ahead

So enormous has been the demand for Saizer's seeds in Texas that the John A. Salzer Beed Co., La Crosse, Wis., sent out a special train on January 11th, loaded with seed potatoes, grasses and clover, seed corn, cats, etc., to be distributed among its southern customers.

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