ILLINOIS. NEWS

ALL SORTS OF THINGS; CAUGHT FROM THE WIRES.

General Happenings Throughout the State Prepared for Perusal by Busy Readers.

Disfigures Wrong Man.

Charles Straussberger, 22 Newberry avenue. Chigago, a student for the priesthood, was the mistaken victim of an acid-thrower at the Chicago, Burlington & Chincy depot at Aurora last Wednesday evening. As Straussberger entered the door of the depot a man stepped in front and dashed a vial of acid in his face. The fluid missed his eyes, but the right cheek and the side of his nose was covered and burned. The thrower took a second loon at his victim and cried out: "My God, I've got the wrong man," and fled.

Race Riot Averted.

A race riot was narrowly averted last week at Carbondale by the prompt arrical of officers at the railroad camp. three miles north of that place. A former convict named, Williams, became involved in an altercation with the foreman of the gang, and a few hours later his father led a band of negroes from Carbondale, several of them heavily armed, to the camp for revenge. In the band were six women. Sevreal were arrested and are now in the city jail: others will be captured before morning. Williams was badly wounded.

Actor and Ex-Bandit Sued.

Frank James, former bandit and brother of Jesse James, the outlaw, who was killed by Robert Ford in St. Joseph in the early '80s, has been made a defendant in a suit filed in the Cook county superior court by George Klimt. Frank James is now an actor, and Klimt, who is a theatrical manager and has a play on the road entitled "The James Boys in Missouri," asks an injunction against James and his managers, Stewart S. Walters and H. Walters, to restrain them from interfering with his production of the drama. He declares that the three defendants have inserted advertisements in New York dramatic papers announcing that any one attempting to impersonate Frank James on the stage would be prose-

Illinois in Brief.

Democratic editors of Illinois will meet at Springfield, January 24. Emden citizens will erect a building for lodge and public purposes.

A religious revival conducted by the Salvation Army at Paxton has resulted in 50 conversions.

The Wier Pottery company of Monmouth, has increased its capital stock from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

William Stack, a student at Grear college. Hoopeston, accidentally shot by a companion, has died of his injuries.

George W. Shawhan of Urbana is in the field as an aspirant for the Republican nomination for congress in this, the new Ninteenth district, to succeed Vespasian Warner.

George W. Ford, a farmer, is out \$2,-000 he loaned to a man who said he was William G. Shaffer, and who had a bogus deed to 80 acres of land belonging to Peter S. Timmons of Fulton

county. The postoffice department changed the name of the office at Metropolis from Metropolis City to Metropolis. The Danville, Paxton and Northern

Interurban electric railway will commence building a line from Danville to Catlin.

Alfred Fortin, a former employe of the Metropolitan "L," secured a verdict for \$18,000 against the company in Judge Stein's court at Chicago. Fortin's left leg and arm were cut off on Jan. 20, 1900, at the Logan square station of the company,

The number of car loads of live stock received at Chicago in 1901 was 291,-741, or more than the combined receipts at the principal outside Western markets. Kansas City received 134,-958 cares last year, and Omaha 73,-

The average weight of the hogs received at Chicago last week was 200 pounds, against 196 pounds for the week previous, 297 pounds for the corresponding week in 1901, and 231 pounds

Albert Weber was fatally burned at Strausburg in attempting to fill a gasoline lamp. The lamp exploded, set fire to Weber's clothing and store, in which a lot of powder was stored. The powder exploded, blowing out the front of the building, and extinguishing the fire. The loss is total, estimated at \$12,000. with no insurance.

At the Dairymen's association at Freeport Frank R. Wolf of Dakotah, was awarded the sweepstakes for the highest scoring package of creamery butter. F. S. Dubois of Rockford the sweepstakes for the best package of dairy butter, and Charles M. Dyer of Hinekley, Ill., the Elgin Board of Trade's gold medal to the member of the board or his employe who scored highest in the creamery butter class.

Murder is suspected in connection with the death of Kinley Williams, a motorman, who was asphyxiated at his home, 123 Lincoln avenue, Chicago. The widow of the man is locked up at East Chicago avenue police station, pand a street car conductor with whom she was on friendly terms is being held at the North Halsted street station. The police will not tell his name.

Night Watchman David Palin of the Southern Illinois National bank, at East St. Louis, Ill., reported that an attempt was made one night last week to enter the bank and that he fired through the door and drove the robbers away.



The man who is opposing Jeff Davis for governor of Arkansas will discover that there is something in a name after all.

It looks as if Andrew Carnegie will the government. A company has been form of to accept it and use it in the way the donor desires. After all it not only hard to get rid of money.

Year's day \$125,000 in cash was distributed among its employes. Such acts of appreciation tend to make faithful table oils, and particularly these of Marmen of wage earners.

One of the higher educators at the University of Michigan has found that the word "woman" is the most hated word in the English language. If he started out to find the most loved word, for olive oil, which it very nuch rethe would probably get the same one.

A New York bride aged 68, whose husband was 21 a few days ago, died suddenly and unexpectedly last Sunday ment a while ago that a goldat many morning. Heart disease was the cause, at least so says the certificate of the attending physician. As the deceased left a large estate, the certificate is mighty convienient.

The faculty of Harvard has decided that students can drink all the beer, for the nuts he wished to be in the ale and claret they want without violat- making of "burnt almonds" peanut ing the rules of the college. The only candy and the cheaper grades of chocostring to the rule is that nothing can be saved over for the next day, no matter what the quantity on hand when hard up for peanuts, wrote to him. He the carousal begins. In other words, the boys must have a fresh supply every time they want to go on a "toot."

It will cost a pot of money-\$20,000 stands and others who retail this nut or \$30,000—to send a high ranking offi- about \$10,000,000 a year for the 4,000,000 cer of the army or navy to the coronation ceremonies at London in June next, them to their hogs and make ay of the and nobody in official circles at Wash- the vines. During the civil war, when ington is willing at this time to accept the southern states were very hard up responsibility for such expenditure. When General Miles attended the Diamond Jubilee he was allowed \$10,000, but the sum was so absolutely inade- machinery and by housewive is a subquate that the old soldier was entirely lost sight of in the cosmopolitan whirl of dignataries. Whitelaw Reid, who was special ambassador on this occasion, was also ellowed \$10,000, and spent \$20,000 of his own money in addition in an effort to vindicate his offi- other oil seeds that now control this cial standing. The coronation of Ed- market. Most planters seen to think ward VII promises to be the most resplendent public function ever held in the United Kingdom-that is to say, in raise is not sufficient to support an oil the world itself. If American army and - navy officers are to be installed as a part of the international show, congress will have to dive deep into the public treasury for the wherewithal to sustain the national dignity on that festive oc-

A writer calls attention to the fact that the controversy which has ariser. between Germany and Venezuela over the payment of claims alleged to be due | Early in his life he saw how excellent to German citizens has led to some discussion of the question whether the Monroe doctrine might not be infringed by action taken by Germany to enforce the trade of Eastern cities of hat trafthe collection of the claims of its citizens. Advices from Washington seem to indicate that an understanding exists between the govcernment of Germany and that of the United States and presently resigned his directorship as to the steps which will be taken by the former in enforcing the collection of that mankind could not thever go the claims in question. Any intention around the hills or up and lown the of permanently occupying Venezulean streams. territory is disclaimed by the representative of Germany at Washington, and under the circumstances, no objectime says that he seemed to hed with tion on the part of the United States to the spirit of prophecy as his spoke of Germany's action is apprehended. At the same time, it is preferred by the Washington authorities that all occa- that mysterious land, the West-the sion for the intervention of Germany West which was west of the Alleghenshould be removed.

The course of the Pensylvania railroad company in supplanting some of outcry against the Baltimous prophet, the steel bridges along its track by stone structures has been the subject of rather favorable comment of late. The action of the company seems to be terprise went on, and the Baltimore & in the nature of going back to first Ohio Railroad company was duly orprinciples, to the methods adopted in the early days of railroad building. stamp of success was upon the idea Steel may have the call where speed in before the ink had dried upon the recconstruction and primary cost are to be ords. By April 24 of the me year considered, but the material is subject to be renewed in the course of a few years. It is not so with stone, providing was a West and because that Vest was due care be taken in its selection and wanted as a part of the last-was manner in which the blocks are laid in building the bridge. Given due attention to the latter, even some of the soft- and the struggle was for firs place in or sandstones are subject to little | the line of purchasers.

OUR PEANUTS ABROAD.

Deing Shipped to Marseilles for Oilmaking Purposes

New York Sun: One of the most interesting incidents in the oil trade of Marseilles, during the past six months, has been the receipt of several hundred tons of shelled peanuts from this country for the great oil trade of that city. They are the first peanuts ever exported from the United States to the oil mills of that city It has been a surprise to the oil trade of Europe, for it las always been understood that the cost of labor get rid of that \$10,000,000 he offered in the United States would prevent our competition with the African and Indian exporters. It has also been asserted that our peanut is not so sich in oil as that brought from Africa or India; but our consul at Marseilles writes that the quality of the American nuts has The year 1901 was a good one for the proved to be very satisfactory and that Crane company of Chicago. On New there will be a market for as many as can be shipped from the southern states.

The European manufacturers of vegeseilles, consume enormous quentities of peanuts, which are brought by the shipload, mostly from the wes | coast of Africa and India. This nut very rich in oil, is ground every year ly millions of bushels in the old world! It has come to be used largely as a substitute sembles in taste and smell In fact, great quantities of it are now used as olive oil by consumers, whi do not know the difference. Conside Thomas, of Marseilles, wrote to the stage departpeople in the United States re using peanut oil for table purposes ander the impression that it is olive oil.

to this country in quantities. Two years ago a very large manufacturer of confectionery in the west was dissatisfied with the quotations which he had obtained from peanut dealers at home lates. Several months passed, and finally one of the dealers, who thought the manufacturer must be getting very was informed by return mail that the manufacturer had all the peanuts he wanted, as he had bought a schooner load from Africa.

The African peanut sometimes gets

We pay to the owners peanut bushels we eat; and we do the shelling besides. Southern farmers also feed for oil, there were at least wur mills in that part of the country me hufacturing peanut oil which was us as a lubricant for locomotives and spinning stitute for lard in bread and stry.

It is certain, however, the oil extraction from peanuts will ever become an established industi in this country unless the growers | ise sufficient quantities to keep the mills at work and can sell them at a price low enough to compete with calton and that the supply is now greate than the demand. They would probably he surprised to hear that the an funt they making industry. The fact is however that nearly the whole American crop would be consumed by two will.

FIRST WESTERN RAIWAY.

Showing How Baltimore & Ohio Road Was Promotical

From the Century: In 1826 prose one Philip Evans Thomas, sometime known as the father of American railroads. it would be if only water could be made to run up-stream. He had som the use of railroads in England, and had, moreover, noted the beneficial effets upon fic which was carried by canals. He had the far-reaching mind of he world merchant, whose problem is ever that of transportation. He saw hat railroads could go where canals fould not, in the Maryland canal, because he saw that a canal could not climb hill, and

It was on Feb. 12, 1827, the Thomas called together 25 of the lessing citizens of Baltimore. Comment of the that enterprise which was to ast aside the mountains, to unite the streams, and to discover what there is ight be in ies and in or near the Miss pippi valley. Beyond the Mississippil of course,

the mind of man might not and The cities of the North , ande loud and said that this railroad if built, would divert from them forever the traffic which was then coming to them from the West. None the less the enganized, an act for its incorporation being passed on Feb. 27, 227. The stock was subscribed to the figure of \$4,178,000. The first railwas planned for the West-planned because there promptly elevated into one of the most important commercial enter rises of the time. The stock was covered by all

WORLD OF FASHION.

INFORMAL DINNER GOWNS ARE THE RAGE.

Garments That Serve Handsome Equally Well at Dinner, Box Party or Reception.

the fashion recorder who goes in quest ion's mark of approval. There is some-

It is small wonder, too, that dinner sage and a full plaited skirt that has gowns have no distinctive features of much of the "bonne femme" skirt eftheir own. They infringe on the terri- fect and again in the pattern of the tory of reception toilettes. They par-|silk and in the style of its makeup one take of the treasures of theater gowns is reminded of the Dresden shepherdand often they adopt very frankly the ess. characteristics of dance gowns and all One of the new informal dinner because they are so often pressed into gowns made of heavy buff pompadour

COAT TRIMMED WITH SEAL.

Evening coat of white camel's trimming of seal. Border of gold velvet ribbon and the little embroidernet and cream guipure applique.

service at all these functions which immediately precede or follow a dinner. The low, round neck is finished with a popular mondaine must do the honors a filling of cream chiffon and held with at a reception, a dinner and a box par- a narrow gold gauze ribbon that tips committal gown must be chosen from lower part and are trimmed with high her wardrobe. One that combines in cuffs of the green panne velvet. an harmonious way the features of a reception gown, a dinner gown and a theater gown. It is just this sort of gown that the courturier is called on so often cess for treating China grass, which

"informal dinner gown." guishes right away among a bevy of therefrom is said to resemble silk, and ceremonious toiletts, but they are rath- to cost little more than cotton.

dinners of three score covers are no er in the minority, for great formal more in favor and the "diner intime" is considered all sufficient, Several times repeated it answers the same purpose. It as easily obliterates as many obligations as does the tedious inclusive great formal dinner.

The informal dinner gowns made of the heavier qualities of silk are to the front now. Now that they have entirely supplanted the cloth gowns or the diaphanous gowns of tulle and Paris letter: "Dinner gowns"-the mousseline de soie. It is the latest term is so bewilderingly inclusive to thing, however, and bears Dame Fashof a specific genre of gown. One thing about these crisp silk gowns, an searches long and hard for characteris- undisputed charm that verges on to the tics peculiar only to the dinner gown. quaint. Often they have a pointed cor-

> silk had a large design of deep yellow roses covering it with their shaded green leaves. The corsage was a long coat of the silk with full plaited basques that reached quite below the knees. It had broad strips of cream guipure over deep orange satin at the front of the coat that formed a plastron name of the territory. and below the waist band where the coat flared apart it formed a border. down the middle of the plastron with three round gold buckles. The coat sleevs of the silk were finished with high flaring cuffs of silk faced with guipure and trimmed around with bands of narrow orange velvet ribbon.

This coat was worn over a flowing lands. skirt of accordeon plaited buff mousseline de soie. Narrow ruches of deeper yellow mousseline de soie trimmed the skirt. They alternated with rows of orange velvet ribbon.

An informal dinner gown that does duty too as a theater gown is made of cream white cloth. The long flowing skirt is plaited in broad side plaits. At the lower part of each plait there is embroidered an empire wreath in hunter's green silk. These nearly touch and give a sort of border effect. The skirt opens down the front to show a panel of white chiffon over white satin. This is striped with narrow green panne velvet ribbons that alternate with a little running vine pattern worked in green silk. A broad flounce of the chiffon gives a finish to the lower part of the front. The corsage is a blouse of white chif-

hair cloth. Yoke, cuffs and sleeve fon striped around with hunter's green ed vine pattern. It is caught down loosely into a high girdle of hunter's green panne velvet finished along the edges with a dull greenish gold braid. So, often, at the height of the season, points of green velvet caught up over ty in such quick succession that she each point with a butterfly bow. The hardly finds time to change her tollette sleeves of the embroidered and velvet or give news to reporters. Any ofbetween functions and a sort of non-trimmed chiffon are a bit flaring in the

An Englishman has invented a prto fashion, and it is generally labelled grows in India and the Straits settlements, so that it can be used to manu-Formal dinner gowns one distin- facture textile fabrics. The cloth made

The amount of water in the stock of the collapsed Asphalt trust is figured at \$32,000,000.

A Chicago club is debating whether four hours of sleep is enough It is a great deal to get in Chicago.

Butte has added a natural cave to Its show places, but it can scarcely catch up to the sights on the surface.

Congressman Eddy of Minnesota says that a congressman does not earn \$5,000 a year. He ought to know, as he is serving his fourth term.

Dewet's exploit at Zefontain on Christmas eve is a replica of Majuba hill. Between both events considerable history was made and much trouble turned loose.

Chicago courts have reached a height of spinal stamina when it is deemed safe to decree the abolition of a smell, even if it is necessary to raze the factory that generates it.

The suggestion of Jefferson for the name of the new state to be made out of Oklahoma is not bad. It wouldn't get mispelled so often as the present

J. Pierpont Morgan broke the record of New Year's gifts. He presented his Around the neck, which was cut slight- employes with \$250,000, being the largly decollete, there was draped a scarf est gift on record. He gave each of of pale yellow chiffon that was caught his men, from the office boy up, a year's salary.

Five years ago there were 1,300 lepers in Molokai. Now there are only 900, and Superintendent Reynolds believes that leprosy is being slowly but surely eradicated in the Hawaiian is-

"Leslie M. Shaw," says a friend of the new cabinet official, "will be the David Harum of Roosevelt's administration. What I mean is that Mr. Shaw is a natural-born man of affairs and the personification of shrewdness."

J. H. Sharp, the noted painter of Indian heads, has sold his entire collection to Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst, who will send them to the University of California, in furtherance of the chair of Indian research, which she has found-

In spite of the diverting attractions of the holiday season and unusually large social functions in Chicago, Sir Henry Irving and Miss Ellen Terry played to a business in excess of \$60,-000 in 21 performances there this past

In Chili, where all the telegraph lines are owned by the government, nearly all the operators are women, and a large proportion of the clerks in the postoffice and treasuries are also women. Women, too, act as conductors of the tramways.

German army and navy officers have received from the war minister a worded circular, emanating from the kaiser's "secret" military cabinet, forbidding them to write for newspapers ficer offending will be cashiered. Mr. Allison's 30 consecutive years in

the senate will expire on the 4th of March, 1903. He is 73 years of age, and is as young as he was 20 years ago. Senator Morgan, who is 78 years old, and Senator Hoar, who is 76, did not enter the senate until 1877.

In four counties of western Massachusetts no less than 120 libraries, containg 825,060 books, are in operation, The towns in which they are located have a population of 307,000. Some of the librarians give their time without salary. In several cases the pay is from \$5 to \$30 a year.

Under a regulation adopted by the civil commisssion, every foreigner entering the Philippines is now required to pay a per capita tax of \$1. There are 13,000 policemen in Lon-

don, drawing salaries of \$6,469,760, while there are 6,000 in New York, drawing salaries of \$10,550,000. In the Lyons tobacco factory 188

women and girls, from 16 to 28 years of age, work ten hours a day in the cigar department, and only one of them earns as high as \$1 per day. Their situations are very desirable, and there is now a list of applications for places containing over 500 names. Colonel Henry Watterson, the vet-

eran jouranlist, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, is one of the hardest working men in the newspaper profession. Though well advanced in years, he gets to his office every morning at 7 o'clock, which necessitates very early rising, as he lives 20 miles from Louisville, and drives to his office behind a spirited pair of Kentucky mares.

An unusual incident occurred the other day at the University of Budapest. A confirmed lunatic from the local asylum appeared in charge of his keeper and asked to be allowed to pass his examination. He found examination work quite congenial, passed very successfully, and returned to his asylum with his diploma as a professor.

The Burlingame, Kan., papers are boasting that within the present year more than \$23,000 worth of monuments have been erected in the Burlingame cemetery, owing to the good times, which have enabled people to pay more than the usual attention to the resting place of their dead. There is something novel in the thought that the material condition of a town may be discovered in a glance across its graveyard fence.

Of the immigrants from southern Italy, 55 per cent can neither read nor write. Those who come from northern Italy are more intelligent, there being only 12 per cent of illiterates. The rate of illiteracy among the Portugese is \$2 per cent, and only 1 per cent among Scandinavians. The Scandinarainly add to the army of unskilled



Informal dinner gown of white cloth embroidered in green. Blouse vians nearly all become landholders. and apron of white chiffon trimmed in hunter's green velvet ribbon and The Poles, l'ortugese and Italians green embroidery. Green velvet corslet and points finishing the neck.