# ONLY TALK SO FAR

Combination of Populists and Democrats Has Not Yet Crystallized.

CANNOT AGREE UPON TERMS

Each Side Wants Just a Little More Than

the Other Will Yield. MUCH HUSTLING FOR PLACES GOING ON

Candidates for Office Doing a Great Deal of

Energetic Log Rolling.

Horde of Cappers and Pluggers Already

Actively Engaged in Their Peculiar Pursuit Notes and Gossip Gathered at the Hotels.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 2. - [Special Telegram to The Bre |-It is a long way from being a sure thing that both houses of the legislature will be organized tomorrow, although there is a great deal of talk tonight to the effect that the republicans will have control of the house and the democrats of the senate. That the democrats will control the upper house is not at all improbable, but it will be by indirection. Four of the demoeratic senators are out and our railroad men, and it is the railroad democrats who are so busily working for fusion. Their success means a tic-up on all railroad legislation and stock yards bills and a general plugging up of all bills offensive to menopoly interests.

The proposed fusion will not give the independents the logislation that they want, but will, on the contrary put them where it will be absolutely impossible for them to get it. Four of the renablican secretors stand ready to vote with the independents on legislative questions, and would give them what they want in this direction if they call this bargain with the democrats off, but the populists seem determined to stultify themselves by going into it.

Watson's Chances Brighten.

Meanwhile the railroad managers feel utterly indifferent as to which way it goes, as they are blockading the same anyway, and they know that the democratic senators will protect their interests.

But it is nobody's fight yet. An effort was made this afternoon to unite the republicans on Watson for speaker, as he claimed to have the piedges of at least two democrats and possibly more. Mr. Keekley announced that he would not go into a caucus or support Watson under any consideration. Several of Keckley's supporter's will doubtless follow his example in this particular, and Watson's chances under these circumstances are doubtful.

Watsons' friends insist that he can make it, but the indications tonight are that it will be impossible for him to muster the necessary votes even with the aid of demo-

It was claimed for Watson in the conference that he had severed his connection with the railroads, but Mr. Keekley was not disposed to take any chances on this alleged

The democrats have not yet held any caucus, as their fight has thus far been managed by the steering committee appointed by the state central committee.

Senator Mattendid not arrive until the afternoon, and he is not as rampant a fusion man as the committee could wish. He is spoken of as the probable president of the senate and the majority of the independents profess to believe that it will go to a demoerat. Several members of the state central committee are noting in the capacity of a steering committee for the republican. Chairman Cady of that committee is here. but declines to take any active part in the preliminary akirmish unless invited by the members of the legislature to do so. When asked by what authority the central committeemen were acting as a steering committee, he said that it was entirely voluntary on their part, as no autherity had been given them, and that their task was self-imposed. He thought that the right way to get a steering committee was to leave the selection and initiative move to the members themselves, as it was their privilege to designate whom they were will ing to trust to lead them through the pend-

## They Lack Experience.

None of the leaders of this steering committee have ever taken any part in leading a senatorial fight, and, therefore, they lack all a contest that requires sagacious planning acontest that requires sagacious planning and skillful maneuvering. Even in the event of the organization of both houses tomerrow the remainder of the work will be devoted to the canvass of the volument the inaugural of the new governor.

The work following will be taken up by

The work following will be taken up by the appointment of committees and the senatorial fight will come up on the 17th, so that there are no prospects for immediate legisla-

Paul Vandervoort, commander in chief of the legion of industrious idlers, returned this evening from Omaha, where he went this morning to report progress to railroad headquarters and the telegraph offices and to re-

### ceive instructions for further operations. Notables Coming In.

Con Gallagher is here taking a hand and tonight T. J. Mahoney put in his appear-

his senatorial boom. He has the promise of the support of a number of the republicans in case they cannot elect their own man. Congressman Mercer arelyed this evening and is considerably interested in the out-

come of the senatorial right. Squatter Governor Pearman came in this

afternoon. His message will not be ready Fred Dorrington, succeiver of the Alliance

landoffice, came in with N. K. Griggs of Beatrice. It is stated that Griges proposes to contest Pearman's claim to the position he has held so long.

been suggesting a dead-lock advising that the members of each party vote as a unit until a joint committee can settle the question of organization of that party.

The independent senutors are far from being united in favor of the proposed comwith the democrats. Eight of them were formerly democrats and siz were former republicans which gives the democrat-independents a caucus

majority but does not leave their entire number thoroughly satisfied as to the outlook. The republican senators will hold a caucus at the capitol at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

### DURING THE DAY.

How the Populists and Democrats Sparred for Winds Laxcotx, Neb., Jan. 2. - [Special Telegram to THE BEE |- In spite of the interest that has been manifested in the situation at the other hotels, the corridors of the Lindell have been the one great center toward which the men of all parties have gravitated all day. It is there that the populists and democrats have been engaged since last Friday might in a hoppiess endeavor to agree upon terms by which the two houses of the egistature can be organised. The entire day has been given up to conference and caucus, and to the superficial observers it would seem that the two parties are nonearer together tonight than they, were when they arrived in Lincoln. But under BOODLE DISPENSERS EVER PRESENT the surface it is easy to see that a pretty thorough understanding exists between the men who are directing the combination. All have agreed from the start that the combination should be affected. The only contention has been upon the matter of

### Having Plenty of Talk.

The members of independent contingent went into conference in room 153 this morning at 10 o'clock. They stayed there until oon, and adjourned without definite results. This afternoon the fourteen members of the senate held a caucus at the state house. Still no definite results. At 8 o'clock this evening the doors were closed and the endless talk continued.

Late this evening a telegram was received by Chester Norton which had a slight tendency to dishearten the independents. It

Have found Van Camp; everything O. K. Leave here 8 o'clock this evening. Will be at Lincoln at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

MATE DAUGRERTY.

To discredit this news the independents whilapered mysteriously of another telegram received this evening which brought the intelligence that the recreant clerk was still in hiding, and that no apprehension of his discovery need be fult. When challenged to the proof however, the independents were compelled to admit that the dispatch antedated the one received at republican head-

To offset the news of the success of the search of the Knox county clerk, the independents this afternoon, by the arrival of N. P. Nelson, the democratic member from Dodge county, whose serious illness has been the matter of some concorn for several days. Mr. Nelson is able to be about the house, but his physical appearance shows that he is far from being a well man.

Claim a Combination. At 10 o'clock this evening it was stated by a prominent member that everything had been arranged satisfactory in regard to the organization of the two houses and the distribution of official plums, but that difficulty still existed over the control of the committee. The independents have insisted all along upon absolute control in shaping legislation. Upon this point the democrat contingent sticks, and the same member that brought the information gave it as his belief that the whole scheme would fail because of the difficulty of opinion upon a matter in which some democrats are expected the combination by their votes, are vitally interested.

## Nothing for Them to Gain.

One of the independent members in speak-One of the independent members in speak-ing of the proposed fusion with the demo-evals said: "This talk about the independents uniting against the common enemy is all right, but the claim, that the republicans is a common enemy is all rot. How are the independents going to and themselves by strengthening the party that is in power? It was all right to unite with them two years ago, when the republicans were on top, but it is different now. The thing for us to do is to go with the republicans. on top, but it is different now. The thing for us to do is to go with the republicans, if it is necessary to make any tie-up, and in that way harrass instead of carrying comfort to the dominant national party. What gets me is to see how the followers who were so bifterly opposed to democrate two years ago are now so anxious to fuso with them. I don't know so lought to say it, but it holds to me as if the democratic mational committee was are noting some money. tional committee was apraiding some money in Lincoln just about this time."

in Lincoln lost about this time."

Some of the democrat heads of state institutions have taken a hand in the general nuclee and their strongly manifested interest partakes largely of the brand commonly designated as offensive partisanship. It is quite probable, however, that these visitors will receive a hint very shortly that he serves his party best yet attends most closely to the interbest who attends most closely to the ests of the state. If the policy of the new administration will be as is generally under second it will be a strict enforcement of busi-ness methods in the various departments.

## Bryan Does the Bossing.

Congressman Bryan is making his head-quarters at the Lindell, and he has consti-tuted himself a self-appointed distator to direct the movements of the Independents. He declares that matters must be thusly and so, and there is a aprinkling of populists who feel duty bound to the property and the constitution of the conwho feel duty bound to do it as he says; but the rank and flie of the party is not suffe from Bryan fever and ague to any grea-

John H. Powers dealres not to have much

vocates or opposes.

The federal brigade is on the ground in force, and nearly every member is hard at work along the line mapped out by the cor-porations. The claim areats of the various roads, or "cow coroners" as they are com-monly known, are here, and there is plenty of work allotted to them in carrying out the

## program of corruption. .

It will be of interest to know who some of the aspirants are who desire to enter the employ of the state. For president of the senate the independents have three men in senate the independents have three men in the field. They are Senators Darner, Dysart and Young. Senator Mattes was elected to the place from a democratic standpoint, while Senator Correll seems to be the only republican who is mentioned in connection with that position. The secretary slip of that angost body has attracted the attention and excited the covetousness of R. C. Druesdow of Nebruska City. Pirtle of Lancaster and Edwards of City, Pirtle of Lancaster and Edwards of Hall on the independent side, and F. H. Wilson of Plattsmouth, Ton Cook of Lancaster and J. G. Tate of Adams. Not a democrat seems to think that the place is worth contesting for by a disciple of Bour

Wilderman of Hitchcock, Davis of Logan Wilderman of Hitchcock, Deriv of Legan and Morgan Crane or unsavory memory are vicing with each other for the position of sergeant-at-arms of the senate, while W. A. Neetham of Bloomfield, who was one of the alternates to the Minneapolis convention, now wants to be counted out in the roce.

Howard, the independent campaign singer, wants to be postmaster, and so does W. H. Harger, the Thayer county republican, but Mrs. Craig of this city seems to have the call just now, with the combined strength of members of all three parties.

## After the Speakership.

For speaker of the house the independents have three aspirants—Gaffin of Saunders, Robson of Filmore, and Elder of Clay. Debson seems to be almost entirely out of it. Elder was never in it, while Gaffin seems

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# HE HAS A DELICATE DUTY

Secretary of State Allen Must Settle an Important Open Question.

WHO IS BOYD COUNTY'S REPRESENTATIVE

Decree of the Supreme Court in the Case Decided Friday Last-Norton Declared to He Elected-Clerk Van Camp Captured.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 2 .- | Special to Tue Bnn. | Secretary of State J. C. Allen will be the eynoscre of all eyes when he calls the louse of representatives to order at high noon tomorrow. Upon him will rest the responsibility of deciding whether or not the name of James G. Keuse shall be read as the legal representative of the Twentieth legis lative district. As the matter stands at present Kruse holds a certificate of election as a member of the house from Knox county. According to the decree of the supreme court that certificate is declared to be null and void. A bailiff of the supreme court has for three days been searching the trackless. wilds of Knox county for County Clerk Van Camp, who is in hiding. The democrats and independents, so many of whom are damning the supreme court, maintain that until Van Camp is found and a new certificate issued, this time to Chester Noron, the certificate now in possession of Kruse must and shall be recognized. The fear that the secretary of state will not coincide in their views is the occasion of a great deal of mental perturbation upon the part of the men who do not hesitate to boast that the decision of the supreme court will be disregarded and the court itself defied.

### Correct View of the Case.

A prominent lawyer who has occupied the bench in Nebraska for many years, discussed the matter in an entirely new light this

afternoon. He said: "Even if we accept the view of the demo cratic oracles, we must conclude that they are in the wrong. They assert that the county clerk of Knox county issues a certificate to Norton the certificate now held by Kruse is in full force and effect. They make no claim ow that Kruse was elected as a representative from the Twentieth district. They do not even claim that the certificate he now holds is a local one. They simply assert with the confidence born of partisan bravade, that until a legal certificate can be issued, the illegal one must be accepted by the secretary of state, and that a man be seated as the representative of Boyd county who, from the time he was nominated down to the day his certificate was declared illegal, has never asserted or claimed that he was elected to represent that county. Kruse holds certifi ate as the representative of Knox county The supreme court has declared that Boyd county shall be included in the Twentieth representative district. The whole argument upon which the friends of Kruse have based their claim that he is entitled to hold a seat to which he was illegally elected until the man who was legally elected can obtain official evidence of the fact, is a tissue of fallucies as unworthy of consideration as unreasonable in fact,"

## Text of the Decree.

The following is the full text of the decree as filed with the clerk of the supreme court : On this 30th day of December, A. D. 1892, this cause came on for hearing on the plead-ings and prisofs, and the court having heard all the evidence and arguments of the counsel. this cause came on for hearing on the pleadings and proofs, and the court having heard all the evidence and arguments of the counsel, and being fully advised in the premises, finds all the issues in favor of the relator and that the allegations of his potition and application for a peremptory with of mandamus are true; that the Twentieth representative district in the state of Nebraska is and was on the 8th dayor November, A. D. 1822, composed of the countles of Knov and Boyd, and is entitled to one representative in the legislature of this state; and that said knov county is the first county named in the law designating said district; that the said Chester Norton is and was on the 8th day of November, A. D. 1892, cliphe to the office of representative from said district, and that in the election held in said district on the 8th day of November, A. D. 1892, there were cast for the said Chester Norton for representative from said district on the 8th day of November, A. D. 1892, there were cast for the said Chester Norton for representative from said district on the 8th day of November, A. D. 1892, there were cast for the said Chester Norton for representative from said district of the intervenor James G. Kruse, at said election, for representative 723 votes in the county of Boyd, all of which appears from the abstract of votes for representative made by the canvassing boards in said counties respectively.

And that it appears from said abstracts of votes for representative that said Norton received in said district 882 votes, and that said Krisse received 727 votes. The court further finds that the several election boards in each of said counties duly made returns of all the votes cast in said counties respectively at the election held therein on the 8th day of November, 1892, to the county clerks of said counties respectively and that upon reception of the suid returns and within six days after said election, the county clerk of Knox county called to his assistance two disinterested electors of said county and together with said electors made an abstract of all the votes cast for representative from said district, showing that said Norton and said Kruse each received the number of votes hereinhelores stated; that upon the reception of said returns in Boyd county, the county clerk of said county and observed the number of votes hereinhelore stated; that upon the reception of said returns in Boyd county duly called to his assistance two disinterested electors of said county, and together with them made an abstract of the votes cast for representative in said county, and within the time required by inw forwarded a copy of said abstract to the relator. Charles Van Camp, county clerk of knox county, and that said abstract to the relator. Charles Van Camp, county clerk of knox county, and that said abstract to the relator. Said county, and that said abstract shows that said Norton received 201 votes for representative in said county said what said Norton received the highest number of votes cast at said election. In said district for any person for representative therein; that said abstract so made in said county show that said Norton received the highest number of votes cast at said election.

Van Camp's Hiegal Action.

The court further finds that the respondent, Charles Van Camp, upon receipt of the abstracts of votes cast for representative in said counties, neglected and refused to call to his assistance two disinterested electors of said district to compare said abstract, and refused and still refuses to recognize or count the votes cast for representative in said county of Boyd, although demand has been made upon him so, to do; but he has wrongfully and without any gatherity of law issued to said James G. Kruse a certificate of election as representative from said district.

It is therefore adjudged and decreed by the court that the certificate of election heretofore issued to James G. Kruse as representative from said district by the respondent was issued wrongfully and without authority of law and is null and void. That a peremptory writ of mandamus issue to said Charles Van Camp, commanding him as county elerk of said county of Knex to forthwith call to his assistance two disinterested electors of the Twentieth representative district, in the state of Nebraska, and with them to compare the abstracts of votes returned to him by the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of Knox and also the county elerk of the county of said counties respectively at the election helden in said counties and distriction the Stid day of November 1282, and that he Forthwill issues to the person appearing from the counties of knox and Boyd, as appear from said abstracts, a certificate of he election as representative flowers and distriction has election a Van Camp's Illegal Action.

It is charged with Conspiracy.

It is charged by independents and democrats alike that the above decree is not in accordance with the order of the supreme court. They ask at that when the court announced its decision hat Friday it simply said that the abstract of the votes of the two counties should be compared and a certificate of election issued to the candidate appearing to have the highest number of votes in the two counties. They allege that that part of two counties. They allege that that part of the decree in which the certificate now held by Kruse is declared null and void is an interpolation upon the part of men who are en-

gaged in a conspiracy to defeat the will of the people. The same lawyer quoted before disposes of the allegation by saying: "If the decree has been tampered with the supreme court will be pretty apt to take cognizance of the fact when it commences tomorrow morning. Then, again, any decree is subject to modification. If the partisans of Kruse care to test the truth of their allegation that the decree contains interpolations, a motion to have the foreign matter stricken out will be perfectly in order and you may depend upon it will be entertained at once.

### . VAN CAMP CAPTURED.

Bailiff Norden Serves the Writ and the New Count Proceeds.

Niornana, Neb., Jan 2 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- Bailiff Norden on his way to Creighton last evening met his special courier within five miles of the place in hot per suit of Van Camp on his way to his father's farm between Creighton and Verdige. The balliff met Van Camp at the door and he was asked what he was going to do about the matter, to which he replied that he was go ing to Niobeara. The balliff asked if he had any objections to his riding with him and he replied that he would be pleased to have him go. After a warm supper they departed, reaching Niobrara at I colock this morning, when the bailiff served the papers upon Van Camp in the presence of Sheriff Crockett, who objected the service on the ground that this was a

The count began this morning in conjunc-tion with County Clerk Bastedo of Boyd county, who reached here Saturday after-

### CLOSE IN CALIFORNIA.

Republican and Populist Legislators Said to

Have Combined. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 2.—The California legislature will assemble tomorrow for the biennial session. The legislature is composed of fifty-nine democrats, fifty-three republicans and eight populists. The chief interest of the session consists in the selection of a United States senator to succeed Charles H. Felton. The leading names be-fore the assembly will be John H. White of Los Angeles, W. W. Foote of Alameda and James Coman of San Francisco on the demo-cratic side, and Hon. Charles Felton of San Matco, M. H. De Young and R. M. Estee on the republican side.

the republican side.

The democrats lack only two votes of a majority on joint ballot, while the republicans lack eight. Statements have been issual to the effect that the populists will vote with the republicans for the election of a United States senator, but this is denied by populists, who state that they will vote as a unit for their preference, that being Thomas V. Cater of San Francisco. The republicans and democrats are looking with doubt to the votes of Bürke of San Francisco, who was elected to the assembly as a nonthe republican side. who was elected to the assembly as a non-partisan, and Carison, independent, of San Diego, both of whom have been classed with the republicans. Assuming that the populists combine with the republicans, the legislature will be tjed on joint ballot and it

will devolve upon Governor Markham, who is a republican, to appoint a senator. One feature of the contest is the withawal since Saturday of Foote, who. to White, is considered the most promising democratic candidate. He states that his withdrawal was inspired by a wish to avoid injuring the democratic side by dividing its

### MONTANA'S LEGISLATURE.

Democrats Organize the Senate, and Popu-Hear and Republicans the House. Hearsa, Mont., Jan. 2.—The senate was organized by electing permanent officers. Ed Matts, democrat, was elected president pro-

The house proceeded to organization. Absent-Davidson, democrat, by sickness. The state auditor was in the chair. The roll call was made, leaving out the names of both contesting members from Chouteau county. for calling the caucus to order, scarcely the democrats objecting but without succes All other members were sworn in.
A motion was carried by the republicans

crats again objecting and leaving their sout the votes for Matthews, that populist, amid the election of sergeant-at-arms the house adjourned until Tuesday.

## BOTH WANT THE OFFICE.

Long Island City Witnessing an Interesting Fight for the Mayoralty. LONG ISLAND CITY, L. I., Jan. 2.-Mayor Gleason rode to the city hall this morning. and was loudly cheered all along the route. When he arrived there he found a large body of police on guard. At noon his rival claim ant to the office, H. S. Sauford, appeared The rivals shook hands and Sanford entered a formal claim to the office. Gleason replied that he had been legally elected to the office had received the certificate and had been sworn in and would continue to discharge the duties of the office for another term is expected that quo warranto proceedings will be instituted. And those are likely to drag along until the term for which the mayor has been elected has expired. The two mayors have decided to leave the

Convening of Idaho's Legislature. Borse Crry, Idaho, Jan. 2.—The Idaho legislature met today at noon. The house or ganized by the election of the republican caucus nominee. After the appointment of a journed until noon tomorrow. In the senate a temporary chairman, J. H. Wickersham, a temporary sergeant at arms G. R. Williams, populists, were elected. Adjournment was taken without perfecting or The state officers were sworn in without

## All One Way in tudiana.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 2 — The legisla are which will assemble here Thursday will have nothing but what may be denominated day work before it. Senator Turple will be re-elected without opposition. sinking functo wipe out the state debt will be established and possibly a con-stitutional convention may be called. It is highly—probable that justices of the peace will be placed on salary The caucuses for officers of the legislature will be held Wednesday night. Curtis of Marion will undoubtedly be chosen speaker,

### Tennessee's Assembly. NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 2.—The legislature

assembled today, but beyond organization of the house no business was transacted. In the house Ralph Davis of Shelby county was chosen speaker. The inauguration of gov-ornor will take place next Monday. A lively contest for the position of United States senator to succeed ex-Governor Bates is expected. Senator Bates is making strong effort to retain his seat, and at pre-

### St. Paul. Minn., Jan. 2.—The republican members of the house met tonight and

selected W. A. Lee for speaker and P. A. Johnson for chief clerk for the season of the legislature, which will begin tomorrow. As there are seventy-one republicans in the 114 members of the body, the nomination is equivalent to election.

The matter of chief interest at this was sion is the election of a United States sen-

Michigan's Senatorship. Lansino, Mich., Jan. 2. Several candidates for United States senator have arrived here. Among them are Senator Stockbridge, who hopes to succeed bimself, and ex-Gov ernor Luce. Both claim to be confident of winning. The republican caucus will be held tomorrow. If some of the republicans bolt the chances are that a dark borse will win.

# MURPHY'S CHANCES WANING

His Friends Not Now so Sanguine That He Will Represent New York in the Senate.

THEY ARE AFRAID OF PUBLIC OPINION

It is Thought an Attempt Will Be Made to Compel the Democratic Members of the Legislature to Antagonize

Mr. Cleveland.

New York, Jan. 2 - There will be hard work by the friends and enemies of the Murphy senatorial dictation this week," says the Herald this morning. "The general approval of the suggestion

that W. Bourke Cockran should be United

States senator increased the uncusiness of the local supporters of the 'machine.' "It is expected that a senatorial causes, at which the endeavor will be made to compei the members of the legislature to assume a position of hostility to President-elect Clave-

land will be held at least a week earlier

than was expected. "The first ballot for scuntor will be taken on Tuesday, January 17, two week hence. Some of the friends of Mr. Murphy are in favor of holding the caucus this week. This would indicate a bad case of fright. Others do not want it held later than Monday, Jan-

There is a dread that public opinion may induce enough of the members to revolt and refuse into the caucus to create a deadlock know that if the deadlock ever comes Mr. Murphy's chances are come and Rourice

Mr. Murphy's chances are gone and isourke Cockran is the next semator.

"State Comptroller Frank Campbell, who is an ardent Murphy man and one of the trusted members of the organization, came to the city on Saturday night to consult with the friends of the machine in Brook-lyn. Mr. Campbell returned to Albany today.

## GETTING READY FOR THE FRAY.

Members of the New York Legislature As-

sembling at Albany. Albany, N. Y., Jan. 2.—The work prelimit nary to the organization of the legislature was enlivened this afternoon by the arrival of the New York and Kings county members. The hotels were crowded and the spirit of the times crept over all. Judge Griffiths and other friends of Edward Murphy, ir., arrived from Troy and opened headquarters at the Delayan house, in which the senatorship canvass in behalf of Mr. Murphy will be car-

Snortly after Mr. Edward J. Perkins, sec

Shortly after Mr. Edward J. Perkus, serveture of the democratic general committee of Montgomery county, arrived here with a resolution endorsing Murphy's candidacy. Similar resolutions were also adopted by the democratic county committee at Middle Granville and also at the democratic committee of Madison county. Richard Croker came on from Richfield Springs and called upon Senator Hill this afternoon Edward Murphy, jr., and Lieutenant Governor Sheehan were there, too. After remaining with the senator for a short time the three callers, with Senator Cantor, proceeded to the executive mansion and called upon Governor and Mrs. Flower. Senator Hill and Mr. Croker met in the Central station at 4 o'clock and the two went on to New York by the Chicago limited, Mr. Hill being on his way to Washington. Mr. Murphy shortly afterwards went back to Troy. None of these leaders will talk of the

situation.

The democratic members of the assembly more than half the members were present, but there were a large number of spectators, and behind the rails crowded many members of the former assemblies, but who were not he caucusing.

At five minutes past 8 o'clock the Kings county members came in a body, having just held a causus in the Delevan house. Nothing was done at the meeting, according to the members, save discussing the question of minor appointments.

minor appointments.

It was So'clock when George H. Webster of New York called the caucus to order.

Mr. Sullivan moved that Mr. Henry Guenther of Erie be appointed permanent chairman. The motion was carried. Messis. Rice of Ulster and Farquahar of New York were elected permanent searctaries.

The republican assembly caucus to nominate a republican candidate for speaker, and thus to designate a lender for the minority during the session of 1895, selected. George R. Maithy by a vote of 2s. to 23 for Hamilton.

Fish, ir. Democrats Caucus. While republican carcuses were being seld the democratic senators met in caucus held the democratic senators met in caucus and discussed the constitutional bill possed last year. It was decided to postpone convention until the 2d day of May and elect delegates to the next November election as follows: One hundred and forty eight delegates by districts, four for each district and three as large. The remaining six delegates at large are to be chosen as follows. Two shall be chosen by either of the leading parties receiving the second highest number of votes; two from any other organization nominating by certificate and casting the third bighest number of votes, and the remaining two in the same way, from the organization casting the fourth highest number of votes. This will give the prohibitionists and labor parties representatives, and avoids the con-stitutional objection to the law passed last winter regarding the appointment of delo-gates by the governor.

Senator Cauter will introduce the bill to-

morrow, and expects to have it passed at once. The bill will also be introduced in the

Hon, William Sulser of New York City was nominated for speaker. The other offi-cers of the house were also moninated by ac-clamation and the cancus adjourned, after chamation and the cancus appointed, after appointing a caucus committee for the year. Mr. Sulser is next to the youngest assem-blyman ever elected speaker, ex-Senator Est-mund Pitts being the youngest man who

ever held that position.

The Kings county members of the legis-lature refused to commit themselves tought on the United States senatorship.

### SOUTH DAKOTA'S FIGHT. Members of Both Houses Being Troubled by

Resubmission.

Pleane, S. D., Jan. 2.—The city is crowded with incoming members of the senate and house. Owing to the lateness of the train carrying many members no caucus was held this evening but a fight over the speakership and other offices is waging warm in the cor ridors of the Locke hotel. The most prominent candidates are Everett of Huron and Lawson of Aberdeen. Both are probibition-ists but the former is generally believed to scoretly favor resubmission. Prohibitionists a pronounced prohibitionist and leader of the Enforcement league. He has the back-ing of the prohibition sentiment. Charles N. Cooper is supported by the resubulission-ists and is likely to via. The inauguration will take place tomorrow at noon.

Wyoming a Second Time. CHEVENER, Wyo., Jan. 2.—[Special Telagram to Tun Bgn.]—Precisely at moon today in the governor's office for the second time John E. Osberne took the oath as governor

of the state of Wyoming, and swore to well

and fully fill the duties of the office. On the

former occasion, exactly a month ago, he tin.

made a foreible entrance into the office after taking the prescribed oath in the library, which was administered by D. W. Cill. a notary public. This time Chief Justice Groesbeck administered the oath, which Mr. Osborne took, though he has claimed to be governor for the past mouth.

He inserted a rotation in the oath signed to the effect that he did so because one Amos W. Barber, formerly acting programs.

claimed still to be such, and he desired to remove the slightest ground for such a pretense on his part. After the inauguration of Governor Osborne, Chief Justice Greesbeck and Associate Justice Conway proceeded to the supreme court chamber to 
swear in Closen Clark as justice of the 
supreme court. Mr. Clark was present, but 
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to take through of office except in the presspace of his wife who had not accepted. Then time since a democr office in Wyoming,

### DOUBTFUL IN KANSAS.

Interesting Situation of Affairs in the Sunflower State. Torona, Kun , Jan. 2 -The intensity of the

interest in the fight for United States eschator in Kansas has practically overshadowed questions of legislation. All that has been said and written about the coming session since election has had reference to the selection of Senator Peckins' successor, rather than to the passage, amendment or repeal of

The legislature will not open until a week hence, and all matters recording its organization and its probable action are in a chaotic state. Both the senatorial and the legis lative questions binge upon the organization of the house. The republicans have a bare majority of one in the house, and if they can compel the attendance of every republican member and keep them in line there seems to be every reason to believe that they will sucreed in organizing the house. That done, they will have the power, if they desire to use it, to unseat enough populisis to secure a majority on joint ballot and to elect a republican successor to Senator Perkins to fil out the unexpired term of the late Senator Plumb, Perkins having been appointed to serve only until the present session of the

legislature.
In the State Senate. On the other hand, the populists have a majority in the senate and will be able to unseat the entire minerity of eleven members, if secure the unseating of populisis in the house. The fight then would degenerate into a question of which party could unseat the most members. Both parties disclaim any intention of unseating anybody. In that event the republicans will be able to organevent the republicans will be able to organ-ize the house. The populists will have a majority of three in the senate, and the four straight-out democrats, three in the house and one in the senate, will hold the balance of power on joint ballot, the parties in joint seasion being divided as follows: Repub-licans, 73; populists, 73; democrats, 4. Up to the time the populists' leaders at their Indianapolis meeting issued the maint-festo using all populist, legislators to sup-

festo, urging all populist legislators to sup-port only straightout populist candidates for the senate, the chances seemed good for a fusion of populists and democrats upon a senatorial candidate, either some libera democrat, who accepted the basis of the populist principles, like John Martin, or some populist who had democratic tendencies, like Congressman elect Harvis. The manifesto, however, seems now to have precluded such a possibility. The populists are inclined to obey their leader's order, and the democrats are perfectly willing to let them attempt to elect with a minority, while they (the demo-crats) hold the balance of power.

Candidate of the Republicans. Senator Perkins is a candidate for re-clor

tion by the republicans. He has no opposi-tion and will, without doubt, secure the republican caucus nomination.
There are a dozen candidates who will go be There are a dozen candidates who will go be-fore the populist caucus. The leaders among them now seem to be Judge John Martin of Topeka, who effected fusion on the electoral ticket between the populists and democratis; that Chairman Breidenthal of the populist state central committee. Mrs. Lease is not seriously a candidate. She has signified her seriously a candidate. See has signified for neceptance of a place on the state board of charities, and that is recarded as disposing of her senatorial ambition. She makely an nonneces, however, that she will resign from the board if she is elected to represent her

state in the senate.

Measures of legislation have barely been thought of in the scrappile for senatorial thought of in the scripping for solutional honors, only the most important measures having attracted any artention. Among these is the declaration of Governor-elect Lewelling that he would advocate a state

Another measure which has been hinted Another measure which has been finited at is one to give the railway coundssion power to enforce its orders pending appeals by the roads to the courts. This latter mat-ter, however, has not even found a sponsor

and has assumed no definite shape.

The situation as regards the senatorial fight will be further complicated tomorrow. when it becomes known that a certain coteric of republicans favor fusion with the populists if such a step should become necesary to defeat any plan having for its abject he election of a democrat. A dispatch from Wichita states that such a proposition has been canvassed in the southwest and that it has met with favor among the republican members of the legislature from that see

The Wichita Eagle, the leading republican newspaper of the southwest, favors the plan and endorses Governor elect Lewelling as the fusion candidate. The fact that Gov-ernor Lewelling is a Wichita man may have something to do with the Eagle's endorse-

# PENNSYLVANIA'S LEGISLATURE.

Troubles at Homestead Will Be Investi-

gated with Other Labor Matters. Hannishing, Pa., Jan. 2.—The state legislature which begins its session tomorrow at noon, in addition to electing a United States senator, will be called upon to consider a number of important measures. It is expected that troubles at Homestead will receive a large share of attention and that bills will be intro-duced providing for the compulsory arbitra-tion of disputes between employes and em-players and probabiliting the introduction of Pinkerton detectives or other armed basics of men to any locality pending the settlement of such disputes. Other measures respecting the use of military at these troubles, and the governor calling the troops into active

Legislation notagonizing combines is also no of the probabilities of the next few

One caucus of the republicans selected C C. Thompson of Warren for speaker and Churles E. Woods of Philadelphia for chief

HARRISHURG, Pa., Jan. 2 .- At the republican The democratic causes of the lower house nominated Walter E. Hitter of Licensian for speacer and E. H. Kearnes of Pittsburg for

democratic success in the November election. Republicans caucused today and will be the construction of a raiway that was never built.

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Movements of Ocean Steamers. At Boston Arrived Boston City, from London.
At New York--Arrived-Italia, from Stet-

# TRIAL OF THE CATTLEMEN

Another Chapter in the Johnson County. Wyoming, Trouble.

DEFENDANTS DESIRE A CONTINUANCE

They Explain in Their Motion That Ime portant Witnesses on Their Side Cannot He Scenred at Present Fate

of Some of the Men.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Jan 2 .- This morning the district court room was filled with a curious crowd of speciators to hear the opening of the cattlemen's case which had been set for today. It had been said the case would be dismissed, as Johnson county which was prosecuting had been unable to meet the expenses of the trial thus far and would refuse to incar any additional obligations. The assection was also frequent that a continuance

would be asked for and granted. The latter theory proved correct in part. When the indicted cattlemen appeared in September for trial eight were absent and their bail bonds were forfeited. Teday twelve more were delinquent and their bonds were also forfeited. Of these, three have met violent deaths and one. Teschemacher, is in Switzerland, where he was called by the death of his brother. Another, DeBillier, became insane during the Septem-

ber trial and is now in the east. The men on trial are charged with murder and arson. There are only twenty-three of the original forty-four present. This numher included all the cattlemen. The Texan contingent is all absent. Their leader was murdered some time ago by a negro on a

## railroad train in Indian Territory, Defendants Were Not Ready. The first move was made by the defense

and was in the shape of two motions for a!

continuance, each being supported by a brace of affidavits. The affidavits in one instance set forth that due diffigence had been used in the procurement of witnesses from Johnson county, but they could not be got before the next term of court. Another set of affidavits upon a new line of defense are to the effect county, now temporarily absent from the state on business, were near Nolan's ranch in Johnson county, where the killing of Nate Champion and Nick Ray occurred on the morring of April 9, 1892. They will swear, continues the affidavit, that certain men; the defendants, were looking at some horses in a pasture when shots were fired at them

from Champion and Ray's cabin. from Champion and Ray's cabin.

The horacs they were looking at had been stolen from them as appeared by their brands. This evidence can only be had from these two Weston county men, whose testimony cannot be had before the next term of court. A. H. Stoll made the argument for the continuance, while Judge Ballard of Denver opposed it. Judge Scott finally took the matter under advisorment and the court the matter under advisement and the court was adjourned to tomorrow morning. Meanwhile the stockmen, though nomi-

nally under the charge of Sheriff Kelley, are really free to go where they please, and are visiting friends at the clubs and other places

### of amusement about the city. Wifnesses Coming In.

Late fonisht a number of the witnesses. mentioned in the affidavits for continuance filed today in the cattlemen's case came to town. They say the rest are on the way. This will be an important factor in making a decision in the morning relative to a con-

Accused of Being a Defaulter. Cheyenne, Wyo., Jan. 2.—[Special Telegram to The Brit. | -County Commissioner Hoyt today charged, clerk of the court Samnel Atkinson with being a defaulter. There has always been more or less entity between the two men. Atkinson left for the west last week with the intention of location if he found a suitable position. His term, of office expired today and his office is now filled by his succession Paniel Swam. Before leaving he left directions to have his last six months' salary applied to the payment of his indebtedness. This will reduce his shortage to an inconsiderable sum which will consist of certain fees which had always been supported by the payment of distribute before a supported by the payment of distribute before the payment of distribute before the payment of distribute before the payment of the payme

# always been a subject of dispute between the clerk and commissioners.

NEW YORK'S DANGER. Typhus Fever Threatens to Become Epi2

demie in the City. New York, Jan. 2.—Five additional cases of typhus fever were discovered today, making in all, 404 cases that have devolated since December 1. The new cases are all from the lodging bouse, 53 Bayard street, except one

at Ward's island Nearly all the attention of the Health department is centered on the Bayard street house. There are fifty-one persons in the quarantine there. These physicians exanine them every hour and as soon as the fever developes, the sufferer is removed to

Dr. Cyrus Edson of the Board of Health said he did not think that the outbreak had anything to do with the cases brought here in the Messina last spring. It is possibly by said, that the disease may have been brought here from Messico, where it is raging. Although the health authorities declare that there is no reason for alarm, they are prepared to light an epidemic. The sanitary spectors have been warned and the who resources of the department have been made

Quarantined the Penitentiary. LETTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 2.—Dr. J. J. Robertson the penintentiary physician, returned this morning from St. Louis, where he has been for the plast week awaiting the result of a chemfeal analysis of the vital organs of the ten convicts whose death occurred on Mon-

found no trace of paison in any of the organs. In his report to Dr. Robertson he suggested that a bacteriologist be consulted for a further explanation of the cause of death.

As soon as Dr. Robertson arrived this morning, he visited the mayor's office and suggested that the penitentiary be quarantined and that he would go within the enclosure and stay there until the disease was

day. Dr. Curtman made eight tests and

completely stainped out.

There are 300 convicts in the prison and all are in a healthy condition exact forty-eight, only two of whom are dangerously ill.

Two new cases developed this morning, The men were taken with diarrhog and were at once placed in the hospital. Every pre-caution is being taken to confine the disease

### to the penitentiary enclosure. RELEASED FROM JAIL.

Three Missouri Judges Who Have Suffered for the People.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 2.- Judge Phillips of the United States circuit court today released on \$500 bonds the three. Clay county Bismanuck, N. D., Jan. 2.—[Special tele-gram to Tan Ban.]—North Dakota's tempt of court in refusing to issue a special

> serve, but Judge Phillips gave him his tem-perary freedom, so that he might attend the legislature, of which he was elected member while still serving his term for contempt, showing how fully the people of his county enderse him in his refusal to issue the special tax levy.