IN OUR GREAT STATE.

THE HAPPENINGS IN MICHIGAN BRIEFLY RELATED.

The Decreased Vote for Governor Causes a Re-Apportionment of Delegates for Each County—The Best Sugar Bounty Question—Other Items.

Delegates Apportioned to Each County.

Secretary Sherman, of the Republican state central committee, has made a table showing the number of delegates to which each county will be entitled in the state convention next spring. On account of the decreased vote for governor the number of delegates will be diminished from 1,101 to 833. The representation of the several counties will be as follows:

Alcona, 2; Alger, 2; Allegan, 13; Alpena, 6; Antrim, 3; Arenac, 3; Baraga, 1; Barry, 11; Bay, 19; Benzie, 3; Berrien, 21; Branch, 13; Calhoun, 20; Cass, 11; Charlevoix, 3; Cheboygan, 5; Chippewa, 5; Clare, 3; Clinton, 12; Crawford, 1; Delta, 4; Eaton, 16; Emmet, 5; Genesee, 26; Gladwin, 2; Gogebic, 5; Grand Traverse, 5; Gratiot, 12; Hillsdale, 15; Houghton, 12; Huron, 16; Ingham, 19; Ionia, 17; Iosco, 3; Iron, 2; Isabella, 4; Jackson, 21; Kalamazoo, 18; Kalkaska, 1; Kent, 42; Keweenaw, 1; Lake, 2; Lapeer, 10; Leelanau, 3; Lenawee, 23; Livingston 11; Lonse, 11; Mackinac, 2; Macomb, 14; Manistee, 9; Marquette, 10; Mason, 6; Mecosta, 6; Menominee, 6; Midland, 3; Missaukee, 2; Monroe, 13; Montcalm, 11; Montmorency, 1; Muskegon, 12; Newaygo, 7; Oakland, 26; Oceana, 3; Ogemaw, 2; Ontonagon, 2; Osceola, 3; Oscoda, 1; Otsego, 3; Ottawa, 11; Presque Isle, 2; Roscommon, 1; Saginaw, 18; Sanilac, 10; Schoolcraft, 2; Shiawassee, 15; St. Clair, 20; St. Joseph, 10; Tuscola, 13; Van Buren, 14; Washtenaw, 16; Wayne, 102; Wexford, 3; Dickinson, 3.

131 Suicides in Nine Months.

Labor Commissioner Cox has compiled statistics of suicide in Michigan from April 18 to Dec. 31, 1898. The total number was 131, the methods employed being as follows: Hanging, 37; shooting, 29; poisoning, 29; drowning, 13; cutting throat, 16; stabbing, 3; cutting artery, 1; jumping from moving train, 1; starvation, 1; burning, 1. Of those who took poison, 1 used chloroform, 2 strychnine, 6 paris green, 6 morphine, 3 laudanum, 5 carbolic acid and 1 rough on rats. The causes assigned for the suicide were as follows: Despondency, 39; dissipation, 18; insanity, 16; ill-health, 15; domestic trouble, 13; business troubles, 11; disappointment in love, 7; unknown, 21. Ninety-nine of the victims were males and 32 females. Thirty-three of them occurred in Detroit. Fourteen futile attempts at self-destruction were also made. The total number of suicides is 12 less than for 1897.

Deaths for the Month of December.

The total number of deaths registered in Michigan for the month of December was 2,341 or 187 more than the number for the previous month. There were 359 deaths of infants under one year of age and 121 deaths of children aged from 1 to 4 years inclusive. Important causes of death were as follows: Consumption, 215; typhoid fever, 31; measles, 2; whooping-cough, 18; pneumonia, 228; diarrheal diseases under 5 years, 32; cerebro-spinal meningitis, 29; influenza, 40; scarlet fever, 15; diphtheria and croup, 50.

Beet Sugar Bounty.

What will the legislature do with the beet sugar bounty laws is a question which is interesting the legal fraternity. It means much to the state, as in view of the expected enormous production of beet sugar, the question arises whether the factories established under the law could not claim the bounty for the entire seven years, or, in other words, if the law is not a contract of the state with the manufacturers. Prominent lawyers are of the opinion that all factories built in view of the law could hold the state for the bounty.

The State Banks O. K.

According to Comptroller of the Currency Dawes, the 75 national banks in the state outside of Detroit had total resources on Dec. 1 of $50,073,650, as compared with $48,891,020 in September; loans and discounts decreased from $28,656,369 to $28,322,730; reserve increased from $9,794,026 to $10,109,879, of which gold holdings increased from $1,586,006 to $1,604,391. Deposits increased from $32,088,524 to $33,131,658.

Met a Tragic Death.

Adelbert E. Worden, senior member of the Worden Grocery Co., of Grand Rapids, met a tragic death. His lifeless body was found wedged between the elevator car and the third floor in his store. Mr. Worden had been ailing for some time with the grip and it is thought he fainted while the elevator was in motion, falling with his head and shoulders outside the car.

Lost His Hand While Cutting Feed.

While Ed Rodgers, of Emerson township, Gratiot, was cutting feed for his stock, one of his mittens was caught in the rollers of the machine and before he could stop it his hand had been clipped six times, the last cut being straight across from the junction of the thumb with the hand, necessitating amputation at the wrist joint.

Mines to be Re-Opened.

The Victoria Mining Co. organized in Boston, has raised $200,000 in cash for the purpose of re-opening the Victoria or Forest mine in Ontonagon county. The Onondaga Land & Copper Co. is organized with $600,000 cash to re-open the Shelden and Columbian mines located at Houghton.

The common council of Fowlerville has ordered the closing of all gambling rooms.

The burned buildings at West Branch will be replaced by a new brick block at once.

Levi R. Pierson, a prominent lawyer and politician of Hudson, is dead; aged 72 years.

Nine fishermen drifted around for 10 days on a cake of ice at St. Ignace before being rescued.

Thos. Kelly, of St. Ignace, after finishing his mid-day meal turned to leave the table and fell to the floor, dying instantly.

The stub line of the Flint & Pere Marquette from Palms to Sand Beach will be widened to standard gauge early in the spring.

Article of association for a beet sugar factory with headquarters at Benton Harbor, have been filed. Capital stock $200,000.

Mayor Brant, of Benton Harbor, is taking steps to test the city treasurer's right to collect a 1 per cent fee on state and county taxes.

LEGISLATIVE APPOINTMENTS.

Adams and Robinson Makes Their Appointments of Committees.

HOUSE COMMITTEES.

Speaker Adams has announced his committees. Following is a complete list:

Agricultural College—Buskirk, chairman; Van Camp, Oberdorffer, Wells, Neidermeier.

Agriculture—Miller, chairman; Nash, Goodell, Gillette, J. H. Read.

Apportionment—Weber, chairman; Stewart, Colvin, Dickinson, Soper, Chandler, Handy, Baumgartner, Waterbury, Goodell, Hatzenbuhler, Sutherland, Elkhoff.

Asylum for Dangerous and Criminal Insane—Elkhoff, chairman; Babcock, Locher, Murphy, Nevins.

City Corporations—Herrig, chairman; Anderson, Gordon, Aldrich, Gray.

College of Mines—Hofmeister, chairman; Wood, Davis, Hammond, Whitney, Drathage—Mason, chairman; Taximan, Murphy, Kingott, Blumpenhusen.

Eastern Asylum for Insane—Wing, chairman; Duff, Goodrich, Dickinson, Waterbury.

Education—Shisler, chairman; Whitney, Scully, Hall, Waterbury.

Elections—Handy, chairman; Keep, Colby, Bryan, Watters.

Federal Relations—McKay, chairman; Nevins, Muntwyler, Schmidt, Colvin.

Fisheries and Game—Anderson, chairman; Lucas, Hetzler, Muscott, McKay, J. W. Reed, Weler, Buskirk, Kelly, Gustin.

General Taxation—Dudley, chairman; Collins, Kelly, Van Camp, Babcock, J. H. Reed, Hammond, McLean, Gustin.

Geological Survey—Wells, chairman; Herrig, McLeod, Doyle, Murdock.

Home for Feeble Minded—Spillette, Woodruff, chairman; Burfoot, Heck, Dingley, Stumpenhusen, Reinman.

Horticulture—Brown-ll, chairman; Pearson, Randall, Nash, Robinson.

Industrial Home for Girls—Chelver, chairman, Laflamboy, Heineman, Howell, Sayers.

Industrial School for Boys—Howell, chairman; Hetzler, Kerr, Wheeler, Clifton.

Insurance—Kelly, chairman; Fleischhauer, Anderson, Oberdorffer, McCall.

Judiciary—Shepherd, chairman, Chamberlain, Kerr, Scully, Foster, Davis, McCallum, Kerr, Hart, Hatzenbuhler.

Labor—Burfoot, chairman; Elkhoff, Crosby, Watters, Heck.

Liquor Traffic—Burdick, chairman; Burch, Caldwell, Miller, Weter, Gordon, Baumgartner, Nevins, Colvin.

Local Taxation—Alward, chairman; Pearson, Babcock, Gray, Randall.

Lumber and Salt—Moore, chairman; Waters, Sutherland, Babcock, Colby.

Michigan Asylum for Insane—J. H. Read, chairman; Miller, Baumgartner, Aldrich, Wayne.

Military Affairs—Phillips, chairman; Collins, Duff, Pack, Aldrich.

Mines and Minerals—Kerr, chairman; Goodrich, Weber, Stumpenhusen, Reinman.

Normal Schools—McCallum, chairman; Dudley, Shisler, Scully, Mason.

Northern Asylum for Insane—Hart, chairman; Goodyear, Brownell, McLean, Pack.

Printing—Oberdorffer, chairman; Burch, Dingley, Duff, Wheeler.

Private Corporations—McCall, chairman; Kelly, Chamberlain, Carton, Gustin, Caldwell, Moore, Collins, Neidermeier.

Public Health—Sandrich, chairman; Phillips, Anderson, Foster, Rulison.

Public Lands—Keep, chairman; Buskirk, W. A. Reed, Woodruff, Wayne.

Railroads—Fleischhauer, chairman; Chamberlain, Gordon, Randall, Whitney, G. W. Reed, Gordon, Pearson, Hart.

Revision and Engrossment—Ford, Phillips, Burfoot, Gillam, Heck, Weler, Heineman, Burch.

Roads and Bridges—Goodyear, chairman, Wing, Gillette, Robinson, Locher.

Rules and Joint Rules—Gilam, chairman; Davis, Hart, Woodruff, Lusk, Wing.

School for the Blind—Foster, chairman; Wing, Schmidt, Neidermeier, Stewart.

School for the Deaf—Rulison, chairman; Nash, Hatzenbuhler, Sutherland, Weter.

Soldiers' Home—Hammond, chairman; Herrig, Stewart, Schmidt, Wheeler.

State Affairs—Wood, chairman; Goodyear, Alward, Beakirk, Taximan, Hofmeister, Wells, Lugers, Howell.

State Capitol and Public Buildings—McLean, chairman; Hofmeister, Wheeler, Dingley, McLeod.

State Home and Correction and Reformatory—Goodell, chairman; McLeod, Kingott, W. A. Reed, Wayne.

State Library—Crosby, chairman; McCallum, Scully, Soper, Chandler.

State Prisons—Lockwood, chairman; Wells, Chandler, Burch, Collins.

State Public School—Bryan, chairman; Keep, Foster, Colby, Murdock.

Towns and Counties—Whitney, chairman; Hofmeister, Wayne, Kingott, Burdick.

University—Chamberlain, chairman; Moore, Carton, Cheever, Gray.

Village Corporations—W. Reed, chairman; Bryan, Laflamboy, W. A. Reed, Doyle.

Ways and Means—Lusk, chairman; Dudley, Moore, Weber, Laflamboy, Mason, Brownell, Weler, Hall.

SENATE COMMITTEES.

Lieut.-Gov. Robinson's committees are as follows:

Agricultural College—Brown, Sheldon, Moore.

Agricultural Interests—Graham, McKellen, Leidlein.

Asylum for Criminal Insane—Wagar, Flood, Baker.

Michigan and Northern Asylums—Potter, McGraw, Hulsier, Moore, Perren.

Banks and corporations—Graham and Moore.

Cities and villages—Collingwood and Davis.

Claims and Public Accounts—Heald, Wagner, Lyon.

Constitutional Amendments—Collingwood, Lyon, Monaghan.

Counties and Townships—Milliken, Graham, Perren.

Education and Public Schools—Humphrey, Sayre, McMullen.

Elections—Moore, Maitland, Heime.

Executive Business—Loomis, Stoll, A. G. Smith, Sayre, Ward.

Federal Relations—A. G. Smith, Humphrey, Ward.

Finance and Appropriations—Wagner, Blakeslee, Charles Smith, McMullen, Graham.

Fisheries—McMullen.

Geological Survey—Maitland, Davis, Leidlein.

Home for Feeble Minded—Brown, Potter, Flood.

Horticulture—Flood, A. G. Smith, Brown.

Marquette Prison—Davis, Wagar, Heald.

Immigration—Wagar, Charles Smith, Milliken.

Industrial Home for Girls—Stoll, Sheldon, Atwood.

Industrial School for Boys—Humphrey, Giddings, Ward.

Insurance—Flood and Heald.

Judiciary—Lyon, Giddings, Potter, Collingwood, Monaghan.

Labor Interests—Stoll, Maitland, Sheldon, Collingwood, Graham.

Liquor—Lattimer and Perren.

Lumber Interests—McMullen, Davis, Leidlein.

Mechanical Interests—Atwood, Brown, Heime.

Military Affairs—Baker, Blakeslee, Monaghan.

Mining School and Mining Interests—Lattimer, Giddings, Potter, McGraw, Heime.

Normal Schools—Loomis, A. G. Smith, Baker, Davis, Latimer.

Printing—McMullen, Wagner, Monaghan.

Public Buildings—Graham, Humphrey, Perren.

Public Health—Heald, Wagar, McGraw, Hulsier, Improvements—Charles Smith, Moore, Perren.

Public Lands—Sheldon, Wagner, Charles Smith.

Railroads—McGraw, Maitland, Sayre, Milliken, Leidlein.

Ionia Prison—McGraw, Collingwood, Latimer.

Religious and Benevolent Societies—Lyon, Davis, A. G. Smith.

Roads and Bridges—Blakeslee, Brown, Heime.

Rules and Joint Rules—Wagner, Heald, Potter.

Salmon Interests—Moore, Flood, Heald.

School for Blind—Maitland, Latimer, Lyon.

School for Deaf—Collingwood, Baker, Stoll.

Soldiers' Home—Giddings, Wagar, Humphrey.

State affairs—Wagner and Graham.

State Library—A. G. Smith, Loomis, Ward.

State Prison—Sheldon, Atwood, Heime.

State Public Schools—Davis, Milliken, Sheldon.

Supplies and Expenses—Latimer, Atwood, Monaghan.

Taxation — Wagner, Maitland, Davis, Moore.

University—Potter, Giddings, Brown.

Once when Remenyi was invited to dinner the host, with assumed carelessness, added: "By the way, will you bring your violin with you?" The musician replied: "My violin never dines."

A little girl sat gazing fixedly at the new bonnet of one of her mother's visitors until the caller smilingly asked: "Do you like it, my dear?" The child innocently replied: "Yes—I do. Mamma and Aunt Milly said it was a perfect fright—but it doesn't frighten me a bit."

STATE LEGISLATURE.

Rep. Chamberlain, who is one of the special committee on the Atkinson bill, introduced a resolution providing that this committee should investigate the subject of taxation, report on the value of railroad property, the amount of taxes they pay under the present systems in vogue in other states. After Chamberlain had concluded his remarks supporting the resolution, Mr. Cheever promptly moved that the resolution be tabled, which was carried by a vote of 50 to 36.

The Democratic members of both houses held a joint caucus for the purpose of defining a policy and to determine what action will be taken on different measures. Senators Ward and Perren were the only absentees, and Representative Scully was chosen chairman. The most important action taken was the decision to stand as a unit on all measures where it is consistent to do so.

One of the biggest fights coming will be over that tabled motion of Rep. Colby's regarding consideration of the adoption of the rules of the last house. Rule 55 requires a two-thirds vote of the members present to amend bills or joint resolutions which have been considered in committee of the whole.

The first bill passed by this house was introduced by Rep. Alward. It was to legalize the assessment roll of Dickton, Ottawa county. The roll was buried with other records. The law does not permit a second roll, and it took a special act to legalize. The bill was given immediate effect.

The attempt to refer the Atkinson bill to the railroad committee was lost by the overwhelming vote of 14 to 43.

The bill on reference to special committee to be named by he speaker was won by a vote of 73 to 9.

Julius Caesar Burrows has been elected U. S. senator to succeed himself.

STATE GOSSIP.

The University of Michigan now has an enrollment of 772.

The copper speculation fever shows no sign of abatement at Marquette.

Bay City is to have a hospital which will be run by the Sister of Charity.

A new electric road from Grand Rapids to Kalamazoo is being considered.

An epidemic of grip is raging at Grand Rapids, 2,000 persons being ill.

There are 200 cases of la grippe at the Michigan School for the Deaf at Flint.

Hiram Delano, aged 79, of Harrisville, died from injuries received from a fall on the ice.

The Shiawassee Poultry association will hold its first annual show at Owosso early next month.

Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Moore, of Bay City, recently celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage.

The German Lutheran school at Tawas City is closed on account of diphtheria among the pupils.

After three hours the jury in the Chas. R. Mains perjury case at Marshall returned a verdict of not guilty.

A new bridge now spans the Shiawassee river at Owosso. It is 90 feet wide, weighs 400 tons and cost $14,000.

Farmers of Van Buren county have pledged 1,000 acres for sugar beet culture for the proposed Kalamazoo factory.

Huron county sent 11 people to the insane asylum at Pontiac during 1898, an increase of three over the preceeding year.

Deputy Treasurer Buhrer, of Wayne county, has paid the auditor-general $304,000, being that county's share of the state tax of 1898.

Ex-State Senator Augustus Jewell, of Dowagiac, who represented the seventh district in '93-'95, is dead, aged 54. He was sick only two days.

La grippe is epidemic in southwestern Michigan. In Three Rivers, 400 cases are reported. In Constantine there are at least 275 cases.

John Wilson convicted at Flint of robbing the F. & P. M. depot at Grand Blanc, has been sentenced to a year and a half in Jackson prison.

It is thought that by the arrest of Andrew K. Conover at Port Huron, one of the worst gangs of bank swindlers in the country has been rounded up.

Wm. Fisher, aged 60 years, of Hastings township, was found dead in a near by stream, whether it was a case of murder or suicide is yet unknown.

Martin Siebert, of Muskegon obtained a divorce and five minutes afterwards, while he was still in the court building, he was reunited to another woman.

Allan D. Black, father of Judge C. B. Black, of Lansing, is dead. He leaves a widow with whom he had lived with for 65 years. Deceased was 93 years old.

The Wabash railroad has filed a suit to restrain the D., L. & N. Ry. from using its tracks from Delray to Detroit, and asks for $20,000 for track rentals, in the Ohio courts.

A carload of sugar beets was shipped from Bay Port, Huron Co., to the Bay City factory, which yielded 17 per cent sugar, the largest per cent ever sent to that factory.

A letter mailed at Mendon, Jan. 3, 1898 to a party at Leonidas, six miles distant, was delivered Jan. 8, 1899, having lain in the postoffice just one year and four days.

An Allen oil dealer collects the individual cans and fills them from his tank just outside the corporation limits, thus avoiding the $10 license imposed on peddlers.

The receipts of the Hillsdale County Agricultural society were $9,000 last year, with a net profit from the fair of $1,530.42. The fair of 1899 will be held the first week in October.

City Attorney Butterfield, Ann Arbor, has asked for an injunction to retrain the D., Y. & A. A. Ry. from running cars faster than eight miles an hour within the city limits.

Geo. Tompkins and Miss Holzy, who were testing the strength of the ice on Clark's lake, Jackson, unfortunately broke through and were drowned. The bodies have been recovered.

Max Goldberg, of Detroit, tried to blow out a gasoline stove in his grocery store, and the result was a fire that damaged his stock to the extent of $3,000 and burning his neighbor's effects.

Henry S. Seage was waylaid and robbed of a small sum of money within a block of the state house, Lansing. He was struck in the face with some blunt instrument and knocked down.

It is stated that nearly all acreage for the beet sugar industry in Oakland county had been secured and the building of the factory assured. Headquarters have been established at Pontiac.

The Detroit & River St. Clair railway is surveying a line from Chesterfield to Mt. Clemens. The company uses the C. & G. T. part of the day and it is thought it wants an independent line.

Herb High and M. Shot disturbed the peace and quiet of Pontiac by a fist fight on the main street. Each received a pair of "shiners" before friends stepped in and separated the combatants.

A whole family is dangerously sick at Decatur as a result of using a basin in preparing dinner, which had previously been used for mixing rough on rats in. It is thought they will recover.

A freight train broke loose at Plymouth and when the two sections came together the force was so great that two cars loaded with potatoes were badly smashed, and potatoes took a sudden drop.

The Detroit, Plymouth & Northville electric railway expects to have cars running from Wayne to Plymouth in a short time. It will be necessary to thaw the ground with big fires in order to lay the tracks.

Rochester has secured the big sugar beet plant to be erected by the Detroit Sugar Co. The factory which is to cost $470,000 is to be completed by Sept. 1st. Work will be opened up business on Oct. 1.

The arrest of W. F. Stine, of Charlotte, for contempt of court by Judge Mowery, of Vermontville, and the subsequent action commenced against the judge by Mr. Stine, still continues to attract much attention.

Banking Commissioner Maltz has appointed Wm. H. Heath, of Ionia, state bank examiner to succeed James A. Latta, who resigned to accept the assistant cashiership of the Peninsular Savings Bank of Detroit.

The December report of State Salt Inspector Caswell is as follows: Manistee inspected 1,000,531 barrels, Saginaw 54,463; Bay, 51,908; St. Clair, 46,187; Mason, 39,873; Saginaw, 39,247; Midland, 2,700; total, 353,999.

Maggie, the 14-year-old daughter of Fred Baker, of near Birch Run, went out for a drive with her lover of 28 years, but she never came back. Search parties, much grieved over the affair, have taken legal steps in the matter.

Edward Townsend, of Grand Rapids, has been found guilty of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder. Townsend shot a young man who was trying to cut him out of his sweetheart. However the shot was not fatal.

Petitions are being circulated in Eaton county asking that another election be held on the local option proposition. The "open saloon" advocates are back of the movement, and they hope to place the county back in the "wet" column.

While excavating near the banks of Bell river, two miles north of Berville, a large Indian skeleton was uncarthed. The leg bone between knee and ankle measures nearly 18 inches. A number of fine specimens of flint arrowheads were found in the grave.

Chauncey Baxter, aged about 56, a well-known Branch county farmer, was found dead in his barn. He left the house in apparently good health but not returning in time for breakfast his wife went to the barn and found him dead on the floor.

Evidence of a recent robbery of the U. S. mails has just come to light at Niles. A mile east of the village, along the Michigan Central railroad tracks, a large quantity of mutilated money orders, checks, drafts and postage stamps has been discovered.

Cruelty to animals is not popular, nor is it profitable, at Big Rapids. A farmer, who tied a cow to the rear end of his wagon and then raced his horses at full speed for some distance, to the great distress of the cow, was brought before a justice and fined $5 and costs.

Gov. Pingree is in favor of the state legislature appropriating a few thousand dollars to provide a silver or bronze badge for the volunteer soldiers and sailors in Michigan, who went to the war. He also says that the state militiamen should be paid $1 per day.

Gov. Pingree received a stirring home reception to the dozen of Michigan soldiers buried in Cuba, and has asked Secretary Alger what share of the expense will be borne by the general government. The governor will ask the legislature to authorize the state to stand the rest of the expense.

Portland is soon to lose one of her industries, the commode and cabinet company's factory, which has never been a paying investment will be abandoned. The company's plant is a very fine one, and the people of Portland are hoping that some other concern will rent it for manufacturing purposes.

Bert Rager, a farm hand, employed by Peter Kalambach, of near Sylvan, invited a neighboring friend to spend the evening with him. During the hours which were spent at the Kalambach residence the friend showed so much attention to the daughter that Rager became jealous, whereupon he secured a revolved and put a bullet through his own brain.

Dr. L. L. Houghton, state geologist, has tendered his resignation to the board of geological survey, but he was induced to remain in office until the completion of volume 6 of the reports, which is now in course of preparation.

A battle royal between the coal operators and the United Mine workers over the interstate agreement is expected. It is understood that the operators will generally oppose an advance in the price of mining and will fight to the end any agreement looking toward an increase in the present wages. Some of the miners delegates say they will insist both upon an advance in wages and the 8-hour day.

Twenty-seven thousand Spaniards still remain in the vicinity of Cienfuegos, Cuba, but it is believed all will have left by the middle of February.

NEWSY GENERALITIES

ITEMS GATHERED FROM ALL DIRECTIONS.

Commissary-General Eagan Modifies the Language in His Report and Resubmits it—Cuban Soldiers Must Have Their Pay—Miners in Trouble.

Regarding the Pay of Volunteers.

Comptroller of the Treasury Traceweil has modified his former decision regarding the pay of volunteer soldiers in which he holds that: "No deductions should be made by the pay department from the pay that would be due a soldier under the act of July 7, 1898, on account of any payment that may have been made under the state militia law to him by the governor or state authorities from the date of his enrollment or joining for duty the date of his acceptance to the volunteer army of the U. S. The governor or state authorities make this payment to him as a state soldier, and because congress has seen fit by the joint resolution to imburse the governor or state for their payments is no sufficient reason for the government by indirection to take away from the soldier what had been paid him by a state, and in fact, contrary to the act of July 7, 1898, should be evaded."

Commissary-General Eagan Apologizes.

Commissary-General Eagan has greatly modified his statement from the original one made in response to Gen. Miles' charges, wherein the objectional language was contained. The statement, however, is withheld from the public by the commission and only the report of Gen. Eagan is given to the press, which in substance contradicts the charges relative to his furnishing the soldiers with "embalmed beef."

Later—The President has decided that the material is the only course to adopt in Gen. Eagan's case, and has so informed his cabinet.

Cubans Ask Uncle Sam for $40,000,000.

According to Brig.-Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez, a member of the Cuban commission now in Washington, the Cuban army is sure to receive the three years' pay to which it is entitled, $40,000,000 being advanced by the United States, with the custom houses of Cuba as security for its repayment. Brig.-Gen. Gomez is grateful for the way the commission has been received. The negotiations, it is expected, will be completed by the end of this month, when the commission will return to Cuba.

Will Spain Have Revenge?

A dispatch from Paris says: News has been received that the Spanish government has begun negotiations with Aguinaldo, through the agency of certain Filipinos in Madrid, for the release of Spanish prisoners. Having begun to treat directly with the insurgents, Spain is likely to go a step further and accord them that recognition hitherto refused by any government, and thus have revenge on Uncle Sam.

French Warships to Foo Chow.

A special from Pekin says: Palace reports a strike increasing ill-feeling between the dowager empress and the emperor. On several occasions recently the emperor, it is claimed, disobeyed the dowager empress. Reports from Shang Tung province say the populace there is almost in a state of rebellion. The missionaries anticipate trouble. It is added that French warships have been ordered to Foo Chow.

Buried Alive.

The report that Mrs. Willound was buried alive, at West Superior, Wis., caused Coroner Downs to secure a permit to exhume the body and have a post-mortem made. When he reached the cemetery and commenced to open the grave a mob of 150 Jews, opposed to the disinterment, compelled him to stop. He will make a new attempt when he secures reinforcements.

Cubans on a Strike.

The laborers on some of the sugar estates in the Guantanomo district have gone on a strike and the trouble is likely to spread. The cause assigned by the strikers is that the storekeepers charge a discount on Spanish gold. The men say they receive the same amount now as under the old regime, but are compelled to pay 9 per cent on their purchases.

Hon. Nelson Dingley Dead.

The Hon. Nelson Dingley, of Maine, leader of the Republican side of the floor of the house of representatives and representing the second congressional district of Maine in that body, is dead. The immediate cause of death was heart failure, resulting from extreme weakness due to pneumonia. Deceased was in his 67th year.

A Dervish Victory.

A dispatch from Cairo says: Rumors are in circulation that the dervishes under Emir Fedil, on the Blue Nile, defeated the Egyptian forces, the 10th Soudanese battalion and 2 Maxim gunboats. It is reported that reinforcements are being hurried up to the scene and that another battle is imminent.

Bloodshed is Feared.

Bloodshed is feared at Portland, Ind., if the Red Key Glass Co., whose employers are on a strike against a reduction in wages, attempt to start the factory with men imported from Pennsylvania, as the owners claim they will do. The company has applied to the sheriff for protection for the new men, but has been refused.

Small-pox at Hillsboro, Kas. is increasing in virulence and scope. There are at present 21 well defined cases. One of the worst features is the lack of quarantine regulations.

The Hocking Valley & Toledo railroad is to be sold at Columbus, O., Feb. 24, under United States court orders.

Wm. Potter, of Philadelphia, formerly U. S. minister to Italy will probably succeed Minister Hitchcock as ambassador to Russia.

There seems to be every reason to believe that the aquatic racer, Paul Jones, which left Louisville, Ky., Dec. 7 with a pleasure party of four prominent society people, bound for Pensacola, Fla., and other ports in southern waters, has gone down in a gale in the gulf of Mexico with all on board.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

In executive session of the senate the motion of Senator Berry (Ark.) to have the discussion of the peace treaty take place in open session was considered. Senators Berry and Vest contended that the proceedings of the senate on the treaty should be conducted in open session. The question at issue was one of such general importance that the public was entitled to know all that was said and done by its public servants. Senators Frye, Hale and others spoke in opposition to the motion.

The house passed the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill without amendment. During the general debate two set speeches were made against imperialism by Messrs. Garmack and Gaines, of Tennessee. The diplomatic and consular is the fifth of the regular appropriation bills to pass the house. The bill as passed carries $1,705,533.

Mr. Allen (Neb.) introduced a resolution that a committee of five senators, no more than two of whom should be members of the same political party, be appointed to inquire into and report to the conduct of the late war between the United States and Spain. Objection was made to immediate consideration of the resolution and it went over.

The naval personnel bill passed the house without debate and was its final passage, and the officers of the navy are now happy. By the passage of the bill the marine corps will be increased by 1,300 men and the cost of maintenance $1,500,000.

Mr. Sullivan (Dem., Miss.) and Mr. Pasco (Dem., Fla.) discussed the pending Nicaragua canal bill, the former supporting it and the latter opposing it. The Indian appropriation bill was taken up, but its consideration was not concluded.

Mr. Bacon (Ga.) offered a joint resolution providing that the United States recognize the independence of the Filipinos, and Mr. Allen introduced a resolution declaring that aggressive action against the Filipinos would be unwarranted.

A new bill will soon be introduced by the river and harbor committee which will grant the secretary of war the power to remove any wreckage from the harbors without first advertising them for 30 days.

A resolution has been passed by the senate authorizing the admission of Louis, a son of President Ygleias, of Costa Rica, to the military academy at West Point.

The inter-state commerce commission's annual report has been given to congress. It urges a revision of the law, claiming the present law is defective.

The house spent the first day after the recess considering the bill to define and punish crimes in Alaska and provide a code of criminal procedure for the territory. The bill was made a continuing order until disposed of. The house adjourned out of respect to the memory of the late Senator Morrill.

Becoming More Friendly.

Official dispatches from Iloilo indicate that the insurgents are disposed to be friendly although absolutely opposed to the landing of the U. S. forces without orders from Malosos, the seat of the so-called Filipino national government. Some of the officials at Iloilo are not in accord with the insurgent military government but are willing to accept an American protectorate and will go and state the case to Aguinaldo if furnished transportation by the Americans.

New Cabinet has Been Announced.

Gov.-Gen. Brooke, of Cuba, has announced the following appointments to the newly constituted cabinet of advisers to the administration: Department of government, Domingo Mendez Capote; department of finance, Pablo Desvernine; department of justice and public instruction, Jose Antonio Gonzalez Lanuza; department of agriculture, industry, commerce and public works, Adolfo Saenz Yanez.

Belgian Loss Quite Heavy.

The Petit Bleu of Brussels announces that the Batelelas tribesmen of the Congo Free State, who defeated a column of 200 of the state troops and captured Kalambara in addition to killing 2 officers, 1 sergeant and 200 native troops, captured 14 whites, 2 guns and ammunition and a quantity of baggage. In addition, 5 whites were killed at Kalambari. It was garrisoned by 800 men who deserted.

Covered With Flowers.

A cable from Havana says: Mrs. Brooke, wife of the military governor of Cuba, visited the cemetery where the victims of the Maine are buried, and gave orders to the priest in charge of the cemetery to have the plot where the graves are, planted with flowers. No expense is to be spared in caring for it until the American government makes a final disposition of the bodies.

Committed Suicide by Strangling.

Michael Kamiski, of Pittsburg, known as the "Polish dude", who strangled his wife to death and then set fire to the body and house to cover the crime, committed suicide by the same method with a bed cord taken from his bed in the county jail. He was under sentence of death for the murder of his wife, but the date of the execution had not been fixed.

Attaining Great Proportions.

A special from Naples says: The eruptions of Mount Vesuvius is attaining great proportions. The flow of lava is unprecedented and streams of fire are pouring in all directions, but as yet no damage has occurred.

6,000 Killed or Wounded.

A great battle has been fought in the Yemen division of Arabia. The Turkish troops stormed and captured the insurgent position at Shanel. During the attack about 4,000 insurgents and 2,000 Turks were killed or wounded.

Suffocated in a Pot of Water.

William Breton, aged 50, an inmate of the insane asylum at Hamilton, Ont., put his head in a pot of water and held it there until death from suffocation resulted. He had been in the institution about six weeks.

The Dreyfuss Case Delayed.

M. Lowe, president of the criminal chamber of the court of cassation in Paris, estimates that three weeks will elapse before the court of cassation would hold a public hearing in the Dreyfus case.

BAD WIND STORM

Causes the Loss of Considerable Property and a Few Lives in Pennsylvania.

Reports from towns near Pittsburg show that the recent wind storm was prevalent throughout that entire section of the state. At Taylorstown, over 50 oil rigs were blown down, the loss reaching about $10,000. At Wellsville, O., many buildings were unroofed, fences and trees blown down, telegraph and telephone wires prostrated. The large stacks, 120 feet high, of the Wellsville Blast Furnace Iron Co., were blown directly across the Cleveland & Pittsburg railroad tracks. Greensburg, Pa., reports the storm worst ever experienced there. Telegraph and telephone wires connecting the towns and villages with this place were rendered useless and as a result the exact extent of the damage cannot be told. In the country districts and especially in the woodland parts, trees have been cast across the public highways, rendering travel out of the question.

Does It Belong to America?

The Cubans are anxious that under article 2 of the treaty, the Isle of Pines and all the other islets about Cuba will pass straight under American sovereignty. For our government no decision on this has yet been made. It is regarded as a question whether the fringe of islands does not belong with Cuba, and most authorities are inclined to hold that under this cause of treaty we get only such islands as are separated from Cuba by ship channels.

Filipinos Have Blocked the Harbor.

The situation at Iloilo is unchanged. The Filipinos are unusually active day and night. Recently they loaded some lighters with rock and sank them at the entrance of the river, blocking the channel for all vessels with the exception of launches. All the lights have been extinguished. Oyster, however, is maintained with severity and offenders are promptly shot.

Hiram Walker Dead.

Hiram Walker, the multimillionare distiller of Walkerville, Ont., succombed to death after the third stroke of apoplexy. Mr. Walker was 82 years of age and a widower. In 1895 he retired from active business dividing his estate, which was at that time estimated to be worth from $8,000,000 to $15,000,000, among his four children.

Bad Floods in Arkansas.

Reports received from Benton, Ark., indicate that great damage has been done in Saline county by rain. The Saline river has risen 29 feet and it is expected that it will rise higher than in 1892. Thousands of cords and logs were drowned in the bottoms and fences are being washed away.

Small-Pox Among the Soldiers.

Private Davis, who has been on duty at Gen. Lee's headquarters, has been taken to the small-pox hospital at Havana. There are now seven small-pox patients in the hospital from the 10th Indiana, which regiment a double patrol has been established to keep the men in and intruders out.

17 Persons Drowned.

A dispatch from Tacoma, Wash., says: The British bark Andelina, 2,395 tons, of Nova Scotia, Capt. G. W. Stalling, sank in 22 fathoms of water in front of the St. Paul mill wharf and the captain, mate and 15 of the crew were drowned. The accident occurred during the night.

Will Spain Sell Her Islands?

The government on the re-assembling of the cortes will immediately ask, says La Reforma, authority to sell the Marianne (Ladrones), Caroline and the Pelew islands, since Spain is powerless to maintain a sufficient force to defend them.

Will Not Resign.

Gen. Guy D. Henry, governor of Porto Rico, has promised certain concessions to the councilmen of San Juan and the latter, therefore, having withdrawn their resignations.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
New York	$4 75@5 00	$5 00@5 75	$6 75@7 50	$4 00
Buffalo	4 25@4 50	4 50@4 75	6 25@6 50	4 25
Chicago	4 00@4 50	4 25@4 50	6 00@6 50	4 00
Pittsburg	4 60@4 85	4 25@4 50	6 50@6 75	4 25

	Wheat, No. red	Corn, No. 2 mix	Oats, No. 2 white
New York	84@84¼	43@43¼	32@32¼
Chicago	72@72¼	36@36¼	30@30¼
Detroit	70@72	36@37¼	31 31¼
Toledo	71 71	38 38¼	28 28¼
Cincinnati	71 72	38¼ 38	29 29¼
Cleveland	71@72¼	36@36¼	30@30¼
Pittsburg	72 72¼	38 38¼	29@29¼
Buffalo	71 72¼	37 37¼	31 31¼

Butter, fine dairy, 14c per lb; creamery, 21c.

**Election Riot at Hungary