HARRISBURG LETTER.

New Measures Introduced in the Legislature.

SENATORS BY POPULAR VOTE.

AResolution Urging a Change in Existing Methods-Bill to Abolish Big Fees in Philadelphia-Our National Guard in the Spanish War.

Harrisburg, Jan. 15. - Lieutenant Governor Gobin called the senate to order at 8:30 o'clock last night. On motion of Senator Grady, of Philadelphia, the senate proceeded to the election of a teller to represent the senate in the counting of the vote for state officers at the last general elections, and Senator Sproul, of Delaware, was nominated by Senator Grady and unanimously elected.

After Senator Flinn, of Allegheny, had introduced a bill in relation to the election laws, and a batch of executive appointments had been confirmed, Senator Grady offered a resolution for immediate consideration providing that a special committee of nine be appointed to which all bills be referred until the standing committees shall have been appointed.

A resolution was presented by Senator Quail, of Schuylkill, which was adopted, to the effect that "It is the sense of the senate of Pennsylvania that the constitution of the United States should be amended so that United States senators should be elected by the people at the general elections."

It was decided that the sessions of the senate on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays shall begin at 11 a. m., and on Mondays at 9 p. m.

Senator Scott, of Philadelphia, introduced the following bill:

"That whenever the total compensation or commissions which are allowed or paid by this commonwealth to any county officer, or retained by him, out of the funds collected for the commonwealth, shall exceed the sum of \$5,000 during any one year, his salary for all services in relation to such matters shall be and is hereby fixed at that sum, and that moneys which he would otherwise be entitled to receive, or retain shall belong and be paid into the treasury of the county of which he

is an officer. Among the bills introduced in the senate today were: By Senator Miller, of Cumberland, making an appropriation of \$3,000 for the Todd hospital, of Carlisle; by Senator Vaughn, Lackawanna, repealing an act to establish and regulate the affairs of school districts in cities of the second class and to repeal all local and special laws inconsistent therewith; making valid certain elections of municipal corporations held under an act to regulate the manner of increasing the indebtedness of municipalities; by Senator Grady, Philadelphia, to prohibit foreign corporations from doing any business in Pennsylvania without having at least one known place of business and one authorized agent; by Senator Emery, Mercer, to regulate, establish and make uniform of notaries public; by Senator Vare, Philadelphia, to increase the number of courts of common pleas in Philadelphia, establishing a district and separate court of common pleas, and providing for the election and appointment of three judges for said court.

The house and senate standing committees will be announced next Monday evening, and after that the legislature is expected to settle down to business. The officers and employes of the two houses have not yet been chosen. The attaches of the last legislature hold over until their successors are chosen. Harry Huhn, of Philadelphia, who for years past has been fixed for a place in the house, says he will again receive the appointment as speaker's clerk when the house is or-

The history and record of the state National Guard in the Spanish-American war has been embodied by Gen. Stewart in the report of the operations of the adjutant general's department for the years 1898 and 1899, the advance sheets of which have just been issued. The total claims filed thus far by the state against the general government on account of expenses in aiding the United States amount to \$364,-210.09, upon which payment has been made of \$164,983.10. The report states that the balance of the claims are being speedily adjusted and that other claims are being prepared for filing.

The guard at the breaking out of the war consisted of 131 companies of infantry, three troops of cavalry, three batteries of artillery and three divisions of state naval militia. All of these organizations entered the United States service except the Gray Invincibles, a company of colored troops, and Division C, of the naval militia, With the exception of Companies I, Eighth regiment; E and F, Thirteenth regiment; I, Fourteenth regiment, and G, Fifteenth regiment, all of these organizations resumed their former place in the guard at the close of the war. Twenty-seven companies of what were known as the new regiments were retained in the state service and attached to old or reinstated regiments.

Gen. Stewart also publishes in the report Gen. Miles' letter to Governor Stone congratulating him upon the very satisfactory condition in which he found the guard on the occasion of his visit to the division encampment last August at Mt. Gretna.

The presidential electors met yesterday and cast the vote of the state, after which Mr. Stuart sent the following telegram to Mr. McKinley:

"Pursuant to the constitution and laws of the United States and of this commonwealth the electoral college of Pennsylvania met here at noon today, and in obedience to the will of a majority of 300,000 of our voters, cast her 32 electoral votes for president for you, and by unanimous resolution its members decided that I present to you their compliments and inform you of their

The message was repeated to Col. Roosevelt at Oyster Bay, N. Y., although the vice president-elect is now shooting mountain lions in Colorado.

United States senator yesterday. The full vote was: Dubois, 41; Shoup, 27; Joseph G. Rich, 2. This elects former Senator Fred T. Dubois.

STOLE A QUARTER OF A MILLION. Fugitive Clerk Will Be Arrested on

Landing in Liverpool. New York, Jan. 16 .- Acting under instructions from Chief of Detectives George F. Titus, Scotland Yard officials were yesterday cabled to arrest today in Liverpool, as he steps off an incom ing steamer, the defaulting confidential clerk of a large wholesale house on Walker street, who is said to have gotten away with \$50,000 of the firm's funds at the time of his flight, and to have embezzled nearly \$200,000 before he was even suspected. Beyond admitting that there is such a case officials refuse to give the name of the defaulter, the name of the boat he sailed on, or the name of his employ-

Capt. Titus states that the case is one of the largest he has had since assuming charge of the detective bureau. The clerk for a long time enjoyed a position of trust, and the utmost confidence was reposed in him by his employers. His social connections are excellent, and no shadow of suspicion attached to him up to a short time before his flight. His stealing of the large amount extended over several years and was effected by means of forgery and false entries.

HISSING A CONGRESSMAN.

West Pointers Object to Impugning a Cadet's Veracity.

West Point, Jan. 16.-An unlooked for incident occurred yesterday at the close of the afternoon session of the congressional committee's investigation at the United States Military academy. There was a very large attendance of army officers, with their wives and daughters, present.

When Congressman Driggs asked Cadet Deen if it was through having a "convenient memory" that he could only remember Cadet Sheridan's name out of all the men he had exercised, there was a storm of hisses, which ran around the room. The women, as well as the men, took part in it, and it was evident that they considered the question as one impugning the credibility of the witness.

The code of honor at West Point, according to the testimony adduced, does not admit of untruthfulness, and the people living at the post resent anything suggestive of a doubt on this

A COUNCILMAN'S "PRICE."

Scranton City Father Demanded \$500 For His Vote.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 16 .- At the hearing yesterday in the councilmanic bribery cases two witnesses were ex-Ex-City Treasurer Boland and his brother, William Boland. The Bolands were among the incorporators of the Lackawanna Telephone company. The ex-city treasurer admitted having seen a check given to ex-Mayor Bailey by an agent of the Barber Asphalt company for signing the asphalt ordinance. He also testified that he had been solicited by several councilmen for the Lackawanna ordinance. William Boland testified that ex-Councilman Edward James, who has just taken his seat in the legislature, said to him: "I'm not in council for my health. You will have to play ball and put up with the other fellows if you want that ordinance to go through. Five hundred dollars is what my vote

A Shaft of Light to Mars.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 16.-Prof. Pickering, of the Harvard observatory, said today: "Early in December we received from the Lowell observator, in Arizona, a telegram that a shaft of light had been seen to project from Mars, lasting 70 minutes. I wired these facts to Europe and sent out neostyle copies through this country. Now the story has gone the world over. In Europe it is stated that I have been in communication with Mars, and all sorts of exaggerations have sprung up. Whatever the light was, we have no means of knowing. Whether it had intelligence or not, no one can say. It is absolutely inexplicable.'

Kruger May Live in New York. London, Jan. 16 .- The Daily Express says: Mr. John E. Mulholland, who arrived in London last week, bearing an invitation from a number of well known New York citizens to Mr. Kruger to proceed to the United States, has been to see him and has offered him a palatial residence in New York Mr. Mulholland told a representative of The Express that he was quite sure Mr. Kruger would accept the invitation, and would go to New York about the middle of next month.

Denies Report of De Wet's Cruelty. Grand Rapids, Mich., Jan. 15 .- P. I. Wessels, one of the Boer envoys to this country, yesterday said regarding Gen. Kitchener's dispatch as to the flogging of three commissioners by Gen. De Wet near Lindley last week and the shooting of one of them: "I am certain the report is false. Such an act is contrary to Gen. De Wet's character and contrary to the nature and policy of the Boers."

Cuba Is Foreign Territory.

Washington, Jan. 15 .- The United States supreme court yesterday announced its decision in the case of C. F. W. Neely, charged with embezzle-ment of the public funds of Cuba while acting as financial agent of the department of posts of that island, holding that Neely is subject to extradition. Justice Harlan, who handed down the unanimous decision, declared that Cuba is foreign territory.

Clark Only One Vote Short.

Helena, Mont., Jan. 16.-William A. Clark, of Butte, lacked one vote of the number required to elect him to the United States senate yesterday. The first ballot for senator was taken at noon by both houses. Two members were absent. Had the vote been in joint session Clark would have been elected, as he received a majority of the vote cast. A joint ballot will be taken today.

Dubols Again Elected Senator. Boise, Idaho, Jan. 16 .- The legislature balloted in separate session for

Pennsylvania's Legislature Again Elects the Beaver Statesman.

VICTORY ON THE FIRST BALLOT.

The Senator-Elect, Who Takes His Seat Thursday, Received 130 Votes in Both Houses-Democrats, With

One Exception, Voted For Guffey. Harrisburg, Jan. 16 .- After a memorable struggle, which had continued for several years, Col. M. S. Quay, regular Republican nominee for United States senator, was elected yesterday by the Pennsylvania legislature to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of his term on March 4, 1899. His combined vote in the senate and house was 130, or three more than the number necessary to a choice. The house and senate met jointly at noon today to canvass the vote and declare an election. Mr. Quay's commission has already been prepared and signed, and he will take it to Washington this afternoon. A party of his friends will go with him to be present when he

takes his seat in the senate tomorrow. The Democratic vote was cast almost solidly for Col. James M. Guffey, of Pittsburg, and that of the anti-Quay Republicans was divided among nine "favorite sons." Representative William J. Galvin, of Schuylkill, who voted with the Republicans on the organization of the house, was the only Democrat who voted for Mr. Quay. When he cast his vote the followers of Col. Quay broke into cheers, which continued for more than a minute. Representative L. D. Brown, of Crawford, who was nominated by the Prohibitionists and endorsed by the Democrats and Populists, voted for the Rev. Dr. Silas C. Swallow, the Prohibition leader.

Col. Guffey lost three votes by the absence of Representatives George J. Maloney, of Venango, and Madison A.



SENATOR M. S. QUAY. Garvin, of Adams, who were unable to be present on account of illness, and the pairing of Representative Arthur H. Squier, of Wyoming, with Isaiah R. Haldeman, of Montgomery, Republican. Mr. Squier was present, while his pair was ill at his home with typhoid fever. The vote in detail: House, Senate, Total.

M. S. Quay....... James M. Guffey... John Dalzell. Charles Emory Smith., 11 George E. Huff. Others voted for in the house were:
John Stewart, 3; Henry C. McCormick,
1; William McConway, 1; John H. Harris,
1; Charles Tubbs, 1; Congressman M. E.
Olmstead, 1; Dr. Silas C. Swallow, 1.
Paired, 2; absent, 3.

The wildest excitement prevailed during the balloting in the house. Long before that body convened at 3 o'clock the chamber was packed with legislators and spectators. The crush for admittance was so great that many members had to be dragged into the hall by the police. The entrances were guarded by a cordon of policemen, who were powerless to cope with the crowd. In a rush to admit Representative Galvin the door in one of the lobbies was broken down and the hall was soon crowded to suffocation.

Before the ballot was taken Charles W. Neeb, of Allegheny, and John H. Thompson, of Centre, Republicans, who were absent on acount of illness when the house organized two weeks ago, presented themselves at the bar and were qualified by Judge Wilson, of These members were claimed by both sides, and when they voted for Col. Quay they were heartily applauded by his followers. Thomas K. Beaver, of Juniata, voted for Olmsted, but before the result was announced he changed to Mr. Quay. William P. Winner, of Bucks, who voted with the anti-Quay Republicans on the organization of the house, was absent and unac-

counted for. Before casting his vote for Mr. Quay Representative Thomas J. Reynolds, of Lackawanna, withdrew the name of Congressman William Connell, of Scranton, who was nominated at the organization. Mr. Reynolds said he had been nominated and elected as an anti-Quay Republican, but that he believed in majority rule, and would vote for the caucus nominee. He voted with the anti-Quayites on the organization of the house. Representatives Samuel A. Kendall, of Somerset, and Donald P. McPherson, of Adams, who also voted with the anti-Quayites at the organization, voted for Mr. Quay. The announcement of the result was followed with much shouting and applause in both houses, during which

adjournments were taken until today. There was much revelry in Harris burg last night over the success of Col. Quay, and his followers burned red light with an extravagant hand. From the moment the result was known in the house until a late hour the streets were crowded with a hoarse, shouting mass of Quay followers, led by bands

of music. The anti-Quay Republicans issued a long statement last night charging seven legislators with direct violation of signed pledges not to vote for Quay under any circumstances and declaring that "if these Republicans had been true to their pledges the election of Mr. Quay would have been impossible. notwithstanding the perfidy of those Democrats who deserted their party. The accused legislators are: John K. Thompson, of Centre county; John P McTighe, Allegheny; George C. Hill and George B. Tiffany, Susquehanna; Thomas J. Reynolds, Lackawanna; Benjamin F. Welty, Franklin, and Samuel A. Kendall, Somerset.

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