

gained during the morning was actively denied by the Stockbridge people and not admitted by the Luce contingent.

Early in the afternoon the Luce campaigner recalled openly a call for a caucus. It is said that the call had eight or ten signers, although that end of it was carefully concealed from the view of correspondents.

The undersigned republican members of the thirty-seventh legislature of Michigan, hereby unite in calling a caucus to be held in the hall of the house of representatives on Thursday, January 5, 1903, at 8 o'clock p. m.

The Stockbridge faction have also circulated a call, of the quiet and fire rumor has spread about that it is a call for a closed caucus. The senator's managers vigorously disclaim any such motives, but admit that they want the manner of ballot left to the caucus itself.

A Stockbridge campaign committee was organized this afternoon with the following members: Gad Smith, Marquette; C. G. Griffin, Newaygo; N. N. Brown, Mt. Pleasant; George Buckingham, Flint; M. C. Burch, Grand Rapids; Fred S. Clark, Grand Rapids; Henry Howard, Port Huron; James W. Stone, Detroit; Green Peck, Oscoda; Arthur Hill, Saginaw; W. W. Gray, East Lake; and Thero F. Giddings, Kalamazoo.

The general sentiment, gathered from the tone of the remarks about the lobby, is Senator Stockbridge will triumph.

A sensational story was published in one of the Detroit papers to the effect that four members of the Wayne delegation had been offered lucrative positions in the Detroit city hall if they would pledge themselves to vote for Luce; but while this and other whisprings of boodie fill the air the Wayne delegates themselves deny them and they, of course, cannot be authenticated.

An individual with whiskers and a flaming red badge, who calls himself R. Gould of Lapeer, "a distant relative to Jay, is making lots of sport for the boys around the hotel. He is after the position of sergeant-at-arms of the senate and proposes glittering emoluments to any one who will assist him. He has been introduced to every one about the hotel from the governor to the bell boys, and his seventeenth century stove pipe is getting a good deal of the peak of his availed cranium.

Governor Rich's headquarters in the Downey are continually besieged by crowds of applicants for the governor's private ear. Last night a line had formed that reached from the door of his private room half way down the corridor. William Aldrich Smith held a position of advantage near the entrance of the mecca, and was about to make his way into the room, when he was approached by ex-Senator Philip Colgrove, who was in an evident hurry to gain a private audience with the governor. The ex-senator held a moment's whispered conversation with Mr. Smith, when the latter remarked aloud, "Yes, you may have my time if you will tell me what you want it for."

"Well," said Mr. Smith, "I will tell you my story, but I want to tell you a story first."

"About two years ago I went to call on Governor Luce to secure the appointment of Charles H. Schafer of the lagged road as railroad commissioner. I reached the governor's headquarters and found just such a line as this. In the procession was Colonel Wilson of the Minneapolis South St. Marie road, who, seeing my anxiety, kindly offered me a place. I accepted promptly, and a few days or two later was shaking hands with the governor. I briefly stated my errand, secured his promise and hurried off to catch my train. I had been at the depot about fifteen minutes, when Colonel Wilson arrived, and, seeing me, he breathed and greatly extended, "Why, confound you," he said, "I was after that appointment myself, and I gave you my time to go and get it myself."

The story created a general laugh, and when Mr. Colgrove emerged from the governor's room a few minutes later he remarked to the crowd: "If Smith is after an appointment for that

TRUTH STRANGER THAN FICTION.

A True Story from North Carolina.

Some one has said that "the true and the false speak the same language." But there is no truer saying than that which says the true ring to it. Letter from Mrs. J. M. Holloman, proprietor of "Hotel Holloman," Apex, N. C.

Read McKelvey's Message.

judging he might as well drop out of the line. My man is engaged."

Mr. Taggart Raises a Fine Point in the Supreme Court.

Lawson, Jan. 3.—In the case of Charles E. Belknap vs. the Board of Canvassers of Ionia county, application for a mandamus to make the returns of the vote in that county stand as they originally appeared on their face. Arguments were submitted yesterday afternoon in the supreme court and an opinion will probably be handed down tomorrow. It is contended that the law of '87, under which the recount was ordered, does not apply, and that the recount was consequently illegal.

Result of Jealousy.

South Haven, Jan. 3.—The Plank murder and suicide are now said to be the result of Plank's jealousy. The family consisted of six children, three of whom were by a former husband of Mrs. Plank. They, according to Plank's notions, were treated just the same by his wife as his own children. This brought about frequent quarrels, and that one daughter was afraid to stay at home and lived with relatives.

Leech Dead, His Wife Dying.

Flint, Jan. 3.—The tragedy committed Sunday evening, last about one mile east of Durand and near thicity, in which Layton Leech and his wife were savagely attacked by a tramp farm hand in their employ with an axe and shot gun, has resulted in the death of Mr. Leech. He died at 1 o'clock this afternoon and Mrs. Leech cannot survive many hours longer. The murderer has not been captured.

Another Christian Science Victim.

Shepherd, Jan. 3.—Miss Mary Loomis is dead. Christian science could not save her. She was ill for many weeks, but would take little, if any, material medicine. She believed most profoundly that the fault would cure her, so she prayed and trusted. Finally she became insane.

Bob Stuck by a Train.

Detroit, Jan. 3.—A "bob" containing a steaming party of twenty-five was run into by a freight train on the Grand Trunk railroad tonight and wrecked. Five of the party were injured, one of them—Henry Stomel—seriously.

Three Rivers' Small Blaze.

Hunting Accidents Multiply.

Carson City, Jan. 3.—While out hunting last Sunday, Orson Baldwin accidentally shot and killed Bert Savage, aged 20.

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business transacted of any importance after recessions of courtesy had been extended by both houses was the reading of Governor McKelvey's first annual message. Tomorrow's hon. hon. will canvass the vote of last November.

Will Let in a Democrat.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 3.—The supreme court today heard the argument in the case brought in the state board of canvassers by the populist state central committee, involving four seats in the legislature. It is not generally anticipated that the findings of the court will change the situation in the legislature, except to give Rosenthal, democrat, from Haskell county, the eighth seat of election assigned to Stubbs, republican, by an undisputed clerical error.

Very Slow Work.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 3.—Both houses of the legislature have not yet organized. The house organized, but the senate has yet elected only a speaker. A hot balloting all day the democratic senators in caucus upon the eighty-second ballot selected Senator W. C. Dismukes, from Sumner, as the speaker. He will be elected by the senate tomorrow.

Curtis Will Be Speaker.

Indianapolis, Jan. 3.—The republican and senators in the legislature are all in the city and today's arrivals have produced some marked changes in reference to candidates. Ader O. Putnam has withdrawn from the speakership contest, and this leaves the field entirely to Curtis of Marion, and insures his nomination by the caucus tomorrow evening.

Wants the Australian Ballot.

Kenna Not Improving.

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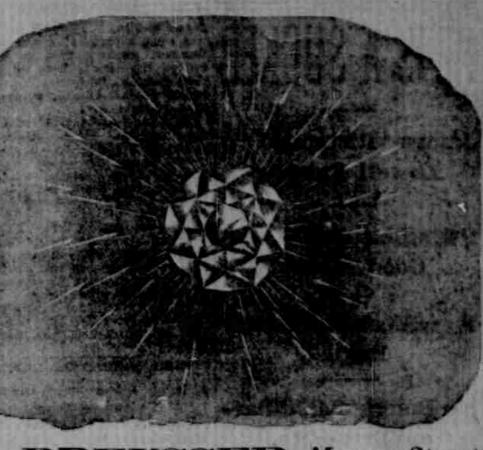
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