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The Illinois legislature convened yesterday at Springfield, John Meyer of Chicago chosen speaker.

Says the Peoria Journal: Dr. George A. Zeller, the chairman of the republican county central committee, expects to be the candidate for the short term until March 4 next.

With the new year twelve states change to republican administrations. These are Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Kansas, New York, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

We are indebted to Jonas Divilbes for a copy of "The Land of Sunshine," being an illustrated monthly description of Southern California.

Congressman Phillip Post died suddenly at Washington on Sunday, after only one day's illness, from heart failure.

In spite of the expressed wishes of the farmers of the whole country, the postmaster-general both this year and last has absolutely refused to carry out the provision of the act of congress providing for experiments with rural mail delivery.

Two editors, of the same surname in same town, but of different journals, occasion some confusion. This often occurs in addresses of communications and papers.

Is Selz Royal Blue #4 shoe. That doesn't mean it cramps and pinches—that's not style but deformity.

FATAL SHOOTING AFFRAY

AN OLD-TIME FISHERMAN OF HENRY LOSES HIS LIFE.

The Result of a Dispute with the Constable at Putnam, Ill., over a Levy made on some Fish.

CORONER'S JURY RETURN VERDICT OF UNJUSTIFIABLE SHOOTING, AND CONSTABLE AWAITS ACTION OF THE GRAND JURY.

Very Sad Affair in Every Way.

One of the most unfortunately sad affairs our pen has been called upon to chronicle, occurred at the village of Putnam, six miles north of Henry, on Monday evening last.

The sad affair is a most distressing one in any phase under which it may be contemplated. The killing of Mr. Thompson cast a veil of sorrow over a family of the wife and 10 living children.

Witnesses sworn: Joseph Glenn Thompson being sworn deposes, that he lives at Henry, 18 years of age; is a fisherman, carrying on the business partly himself; my father gave me the fish in the ferry; the fish we brought up yesterday were my fish; we first brought up 4000 pounds in two loads; Mr G. Williams layied on these; I sent word down to Henry to pa to come up and help me replevin them; we came over here to depot and met Williams, and pa asked him whose fish he was laying on, and he said Robert Thompson's; pa told him he had no fish; that they were mine; and Williams said we could not fool him; pa told Dennis to ship them out, and Williams said he could not do it; Williams asked him what in hell business he had up here if he had no fish; then he made a step towards Williams and Williams shot him; he then stepped back and shot at him again; then he ran, and pa staggered up and fell on the inside of the freight house; I did not hear but two shots, about three or four seconds apart. Pa had no revolver that I know of. Williams was standing in front of pa with his right hand in his outside coat pocket. I did not see pa strike at Williams; Williams did not give any warning before he shot; Williams was excited; I don't think pa intended to do Williams any bodily harm; pa was never in the habit of carrying a revolver; I did not see Williams's revolver, but could see the flash; I think it was about two minutes from the time he was shot until he was dead. This happened on the 7th of January, 1895, about half past six p. m., at the depot, in Seneschwine township, Putnam county, Ill.

deroliff and came over to Putnam to get the fish off on this train, meaning the accommodation in the evening; Mr Thompson said he did not see how they could stop his son's fish from going off on this train. Mr Thompson made no threats, and asked me what I would do. I told him I would have them replevined and sent on the accommodation. We came over, tied our horse, and Glen and Mr Thompson got out and went into the depot; I followed after them and came into the depot and asked some stranger where they had gone; he replied he did not know who I referred to; I went out the front door and walked down the platform and met Mr Thompson and his son and Mr McEvoy standing talking. In a few minutes Mr Williams came up, and Mr Thompson asked him if he had levied on these fish; he replied he had. Bob says, in whose name; and he said Robert Thompson. Then he said, Don't you know these aint my fish? Mr Williams said you can't fool me, I know what I am doing. I said, if these are not Bob's fish we better go up and replevin them to save all disputes. Mr Williams then got angry, and spoke up and asked Bob what the hell business he had here if he did not own the fish. Bob told him that he had just as much business on this platform as he did. Just at that time I was going to take hold of Bob and we would go and fix this business up. Bob made about a half step towards him Mr Williams; I was elbow and elbow against him; when the fellow fired the first shot I was standing on his left side; and Glen was standing probably 10 feet behind when he shot the first shot. Bob staggered or jumped in the door, I could not tell which at the time, and got out of the way. Williams went about 8 or 10 feet and fired the second shot, and I hollowed and said, You son of a b—, what are you trying to do? And at that I started toward him and he ran around the corner. Then I came back and asked Mr McEvoy for a light. Mr McEvoy was at front window with a light in his hand, and I says, let's go and find Bob. He went round on the inside and I went on the outside; we found him lying inside the freight house door; it was about five minutes from the time he was shot until he died. I did not see Mr Thompson hit Williams before the shot was fired; he was not intoxicated, wearing Mr Thompson. Williams seemed to be excited and nervous. This trouble occurred between six and six-thirty p. m., Jan 7, 1895.

Marion Ball sworn: Live at Putnam; came across railroad track got upon platform and found Williams and Thompson quarreling about some fish; Williams told Thompson he had no business there; Thompson then struck Williams on the left cheek. Williams then fired two shots at Thompson and hit him, two shots were fired quick, and the third shot, I can't say where I came from; I should judge I was within six feet of them at the time; I think the first shot hit him; he commenced to stagger when the first shot was fired; they did not seem to be in anger. I think Thompson was intoxicated. Williams then ran round the south end of depot. Thompson staggered into the depot; he was close to the door at this time. The trouble occurred about six p. m., at depot at Putnam. There was also Mr Thompson's son and a stranger from Milo, and a man who worked for Thompson present. I did not see a revolver in Thompson's hands. I did not see Williams's revolver, but heard the report and saw the blaze. I could not say exactly how close Thompson and Williams were at this time, but I should think about three feet; it was dark at this time. Williams did not follow Thompson after shooting. We were all on depot platform. I was not there when Thompson died, but think it was five minutes from the time he was shot.

Dennis McEvoy, depot agent at Putnam, sworn: Mr Thompson came to depot and asked where the fish were; I told him part were in freight house; that I did not know where the rest were; I opened the freight room door and saw the balance of fish on the platform. Mr Thompson asked why them fellows were not around here, presuming he meant the constable, and in a few minutes Mr Williams came on the platform. Then I believe Mr Thompson told me to ship the fish tonight. Then Mr Williams said the fish must not be shipped, as he had levied on them. Then Mr Thompson asked Williams whose fish he levied on. Williams said he had levied on Robert Thompson's fish. They repeated several times. Mr Thompson said that was not his name, and that those were not his fish. Mr Williams asked what concern it was to him if they were not his. Mr Thompson remarked they had better go and replevin the fish, and I believe the son said they had better do so. Mr Thompson said the fish were not his, but did not say who they belonged to. Williams remarked it did not concern you if the fish are not yours. Then these remarks were repeated several times. Then Mr Thompson and Mr Williams were close together; they were on the depot platform close to the east freight house door. Then Mr Thompson threw his left arm over Mr Williams's right shoulder; Thompson then struck him with his right hand a light blow on the left side of Williams's face. During all the time they were talking Mr Williams kept hands in outside overcoat pockets, and when Thompson struck him, Williams took a revolver from his overcoat pocket and pointed it at Thompson and fired, remarking he allowed no man to hit him. Mr Thompson threw his hand back to his hip pocket, at the same time trying to get in the door. Mr Williams fired the second shot at that time; after this second shot I was getting out of there; I was in the freight room; I turned my head and saw the flash again; when the second shot was fired he was trying to get in the freight room away from him. The third shot I thought was fired by Mr Thompson, but cannot say positively, as I only saw the flash go across the freight room door. I did not see a revolver in Thompson's hand. Thompson made no remarks at this time. I was about six feet from them at this time. When Thompson put his hand over Williams's shoulder, Williams made no attempt to get away. He gave Thompson no warning of his going to shoot. This was about six-fifteen in the afternoon, Jan 7, 1895. After I got to my office door I got a light to see if Thompson was hurt, and when I started to go back I heard Thompson groaning, and I was afraid to enter the freight room by that door for fear of being shot. I went to go round on the platform and met Cromp-

ton at east door of freight room: I told him I thought Thompson was shot. He took the light and went to him. Then I came back and saw Mr Williams running up the street; can't tell exact time of death after being shot, think 8 or 10 minutes.

THE VERDICT. We, the jury sworn and impaneled to hold an inquest over the body of Matthew A. Thompson, found dead in the freight house of the depot of the C. & P. R. R. at Putnam station, in Seneschwine township, Putnam county, state of Illinois, Jan 8, 1895, after hearing the evidence, we the jury find that the said Matthew A. Thompson came to his death from the effects of two pistol shot wounds from the hands of George Williams, and we the jury further find that said shooting was unjustifiable, and recommend that the said George Williams be held to the grand jury of Putnam county Ill.

The funeral of Mr Thompson occurred at the Congregational church in this city at 3 p. m. yesterday, Rev Arthur Miles conducting an impressive service, his well chosen words carrying balm to the wounded hearts and healing to the broken chords of love.

Mid-Winter Shooting Tournament. The Mid winter Shooting Tournament of the Henry Shooting Club will be held at the Big Four race track in this city on Wednesday and Thursday, Jan 16 and 17. The following is the program:

- WEDNESDAY. No 1. 10 targets, entrance \$1.00. No 2. 15 targets, entrance \$1.50. No 3. 12 targets, entrance \$1.25. No 4. 20 targets, entrance \$2.00. No 5. 7 live birds, entrance \$4.00. AFTERNOON. No 6. 15 targets, entrance \$1.50. No 7. 12 targets, entrance \$1.25. No 8. 25 targets, entrance \$2.50. No 9. 10 live birds, entrance \$7.00. No 10. 10 targets, entrance \$1.00. THURSDAY. No 1. 10 targets, entrance \$1.00. No 2. 15 targets, entrance \$1.50. No 3. 20 targets, entrance \$2.00. No 4. 15 targets, entrance \$1.50. No 5. 12 targets, entrance \$1.25. AFTERNOON. No 6. 15 targets, entrance \$1.50. No 7. 10 targets, entrance \$1.00. No 8. 12 live birds, entrance \$8.00. No 9. 25 targets, entrance \$2.50. No 10. 12 targets, entrance \$1.25.

RULES AND REMARKS. The Camp House will make rates to all shooters. Shooting commences at 9 o'clock each day. American rules to govern. Live bird purses divided in three moneys. Target purses divided in four moneys. Loaded shells on the grounds. We shall provide buildings with stoves, so that all shooters can be kept warm. Professionals will be handicapped. Warm buildings for accommodation of all shooters. Plenty of warm lunch, live birds and Peoria targets. HENRY SHOOTING CLUB To Our Customers. Owing to a change in the firm of A. Fiedler (known as the Parlor Boot and Shoe store) all those indebted to us will please call and settle in cash or notes before Feb 1. All accounts not settled by that time will be given over for collection to close our books. A. FIEDLER.

BORN. In Steuben township, Jan 6, a daughter to THOMAS HOSKINS. In Peoria, Jan 8, a son to EZRA R BULLY-MENT, and grandson to Wm Longman of this city.

MARRIED. At Lacon, Jan 9, at the home of W. B. Thomas, by Rev Geo Mirah, THOMAS GIBSON of Chicago, and Mrs JESSIE MOORE. At Woburn, Jewell Co., Kan., Dec 30, at residence of Nathan C. Vale, Dr I. S. LOWELL and ESTHER, daughter of Henry Mills, formerly of Clear Creek, Putnam Co., Ill.

DIED. In this city, Jan 9, at the home of her mother, Mrs H. W. Ruzicka, whose she has been nursing for some time, BELENE, wife of J. G. Mayhew, of Detroit, Mich., after a long sickness, aged 30 years. Funeral Friday, 2.30 p m from St John's Episcopal church. At her home near Magnolia, on the morning of Jan 9th, ANNA WILSON, in the 80th year of her age.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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STATE'S ATTORNEY. OF MARSHALL COUNTY.

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Ladies New Pointed Opera, Patent Tip, Hand Turned, former price \$3.50, now 2 75
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60 Pairs of Misses Fine Dongola Button, former price \$2 00, now 1 50

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