

DOVER, Del., Jan, E .- The vote on int ballot today for two United States mators showed but little change in the tendlock that has resulted over the strained relations of the Republicans. It

(Dem.) 22, John Edwird Andreas (Chon Rep.) 16, Henry A. Dupont (Rep.) 5, soat-tering Republican 4; absent, Democrats 1, Republican 1: necessary to choice, 26. For the unexpired term: Saulsbury (Dem.) 22, Addicks (Union Rep.) 16, Charles F. Richards 11, Benjamin Nienda

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 17.-The State Legislature today adopted a joint resoluion requesting Congress to pass the Cal-fornia mineral lands bill. The Assembly massed a resolution instructing the Caliornia Representatives and Senators to work for the passage of the Grout old margarine bill. A resolution instructing the Congressional representation to secure the investigation of the Cape Nome mining litigation, and an inquiry into the charges against United States Judge

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 17.-The legislative committee which has been investigating the charges against Congressman J. W. Balley, regarding his connection with the leasing of a permit to the Waters-Pierce Oil Company to do hushness in the state in violation of the state anti-trust law, closed its sensions today after hearing the testimony of several witnesses. The committee is preparing a report which will fully exonerate Mr. Balley.

## Utah Republicans Caucus.

SALT LAKE, Jan. 17 .- The Republicat abers held a caucus tonight and ted a majority rela members held a caucus tonight and adopted a majority rule which takes is votes to nominate. The caucus adjourned till tomorrow night, when is will meet to ballot for the nomination of a Senator. Thirty-seven members were present, and all agreed to be bound by the caucus.

### Strike Investigation in Colorado.

DENVER, Jan. 17 .- Both branches of the Legislature today adopted a resolution oviding for a joint committee to in

# STEEL AND WIRE TRUST.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 .- The Journal and

steel and wire companies were taken yes-terdny afternoon at a secret meeting in the offices of the Federal Steel Company, which was attended by the chief repre-sentatives of the American Tinplate Company, the American Steel & Wire Company, the American Steel & Wire Company, the American Steel Hoop Com-pany and the National Steel Company. Another meeting will be held today (Fri-day). The meant confiduration of the day). The present expitalization of the four companies named is about