GENERAL NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Nominations Sent to the Senate—Admission of New States.


New Design for Silver Certificates.

Secretary Carlisle has approved the design of W. H. Lowe for the one-dollar silver certificates. The engraving of the plates will be done by Charles Schect. The design represents history instructing youth. History is represented by a female figure in a reclining position with her right arm around a youth and her left arm extended forward pointing toward the City of Washington in the background, showing the dome of the Capitol and the Washington monument. The open pages of a book on the other end of the note contain the Constitution of the United States. The border consists of wreaths extending all around the note, in each of which is the name of some prominent man who has figured in the history of the country as a statesman, author, inventor, soldier, or sailor. This design is one of a series for the silver certificates which will be produced by Mr. Lowe, Walter Shirlaw of New York, and other artists.

Expect to Make New States.

While the Senate Committee on Territories has virtually decided to report the bills for the admission of the Territories of Arizona and New Mexico, the prevailing opinion is that the bill will not be considered unless the session should be prolonged. There is also a possibility that the Subcommittee on Arizona may not act upon the direction of the full committee to prepare the bill for the admission of that Territory for presentation to the Senate after the meeting of the committee Wednesday. The advocates of admission admit no doubt as to the favorable report upon both bills. The New Mexico bill has already been put in shape.

Deadlock Over the Dakota Thistle.

There bids fair to be a deadlock between the conferrees on the agricultural appropriation bill over the Senate amendment carrying $1,000,000 for the extermination of the Russian thistle in the Dakotas. Senator Hahnbrough won a long legislative fight and one which looked at times like a hopeless one, when he succeeded in getting his plan tacked on as an amendment at the twelfth hour and carried by a narrow majority. Both committees and Secretary Morton opposed the bill, but Senator George changed his position, making its passage possible. The thistle appropriation is the largest addition made to any of the regular House bills and the Committee on Agriculture is taking defiance to the Senatorial raise.