





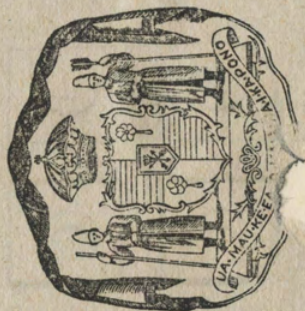
CALUMET PLACE,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Feb. 27th 1888.

Col. A. C. Swetson.

Dear Sir.

I thank you
for the "Badgen" and
wish you to thank who
^{did}
~~you~~, it was for the
design. Illinois civil
ian & soldiers can
wear that badgen with
pride. It is not likely
such a trio can be



Claimed by any
other state in the Union
Take them all in all.

Would it be asking too
much if I should say
I would like to have two
runs of them, if you
can & will get them
for me.

I was much grati-
fied over the action
of the "Encampment"
in regard to the General
Monuments. I am
so anxious to see them

built. As soon as the men in Charge
is done I shall of course take the
best horse & sleep in the tent that
I can find. It is now so devoted
to Missouri and her people and
interests that I think they will spare
him especially when I am so near.

Sincerely Yours,
Amos A. Shepard