

THE FRONTIER.

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY BY THE FRONTIER PRINTING CO.

O'NEILL, NEBRASKA.

NEBRASKA NEWS.

D. R. Lee has started the Journal at East.

Bulk oysters sell in Superior at 30 cents a quart.

The ice crop is almost a failure so far this winter.

An Odd Fellows' lodge will be instituted at Butte.

York is having all kinds of revival meetings these days.

Almost every night somebody catches it at Fremont for stealing coal.

A bunch of calves recently sold in Tekamah brought \$16 per head.

The people of Madison think they have room for a chisney factory.

The school professor at Wakefield lectures on "Brains and Backbone."

Taxes in Johnson county will be assessed this year on the basis of a \$54,000 levy.

The melting of the snow has made the roads almost impassable the past week.

It is estimated that there are 50,000 head of sheep eating Saunders county corn.

The stores at Stromsburg quit business every night except Saturday, at 7 o'clock.

The printing for Dawson county was let for one-seventh and one-eighth legal rates.

Seventeen train loads of grain have been shipped from Campbell since harvest time.

A Norfolk man claims to have discovered a swift and easy cure for the tobacco habit.

Evangelist Wolfe is making it very uncomfortable for millions of the evil one at York.

On January 7 Thomas county had a cash balance in its road and bridge fund of \$1.34.

Hunters along the Missouri bottoms are breaking the law by shooting quail out of season.

It took forty-seven ballots to elect a chairman of the Platte county board of supervisors.

Since January 24, 1896, E. S. Hulse of Wilber has received \$76 for the milk from one cow.

The board of Nuckells gave the printing to three newspapers at one legal rate. That was fair.

Valentine people will hold a special election on February 5, to vote bonds for more school room.

The young nimrods of Little Salt are putting in full time hunting jack rabbits and cotton tails.

The little town of Merna has a lodge of Royal Highlanders with a charter membership of thirty-four.

Raymond is without a minister at present, as Rev. Parker is engaged in holding revivals at Crouse.

The treasurer of Dakota county in his annual settlement showed a cash balance on hand of \$16,476.80.

The teachers of Platte and Madison counties will hold a joint association meeting at Humphrey next month.

Hardy is having a wonderfully religious awakening, and the sinners of Warwick are also considerably stirred up.

Bert Winnecar of Grand Island was given a jail sentence of fifteen days for petty larceny. He stole a pair of pants.

The Blair Republican is worried lest rabbits become as great a pest in this state as in California. Where's your shotgun.

Is this village incorporated? If so, where, oh, where, is the street cleaner? Sidewalks, sidewalks, oh, don't mention it.—Yutan Breeze.

Fern Stamp, an eleven-year-old miss of North Platte, celebrated her last birthday by falling on the ice and dislocating her wrist.

Henderson Pyle, a Nebraska City boy, aged seventy-seven, secured a license to wed a coy and blushing maid just thirty years his junior.

M. Huffman, probate judge of Franklin county, joined with his estimable wife last week in celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

A Dakota City sneak thief took a robe from the sheriff's buggy and the judge not only fined him but gave him a jail sentence of eight days.

Elmer O. Blake, who embezzled \$700 while postmaster at Butte, has been sentenced to a year in the pen for the offense against official etiquette.

A party of seventeen in Banner county organized an antelope hunt, and came home after a hard day's tramp with twenty-eight jack rabbits.

J. L. Bloomer, who lives a few miles southeast of Dawson, was held up one night last week while en route to his home and relieved of about \$80 in cash.

Twenty-five hundred acres of Nebraska land near Jackson may go to South Dakota by changes in the Missouri. This land is what is known as the Hedges track, now in the hands of eastern trustees.

A new postoffice called Chesterfield has been established in Cherry county.

Geo. Cutler, merchant of Greenwood, Cass county, offered four prizes for the largest loads of ear corn. Following are the awards: O. Hall, 75 bu., 51; C. Hunter, 60 bu., 68 lbs., 75; Delbert Hoham, 58 bu., 14 lbs., 50; Jim Bell, 57 bu., 25c.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS

WORK ACCOMPLISHED BY THE LOWER BRANCH.

A Succinct Summary of the Past Week's Doings in the Nebraska House of Representatives—A Strictly Non-Partisan Review of the Proceedings.

Monday, January 25.

Speaker Gaffin's gavel fell this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Seventy-seven members responded to roll call.

The committee on insurance reported favorably on house rolls Nos. 82 and 96.

The bills were recommended for passage while No. 47, a bill amending the mutual insurance act was indefinitely postponed, according to the committee's recommendation.

House roll No. 89, reducing the salaries at the Geneva industrial school, was reported on favorably by the committee on agriculture and the report was adopted.

John Currie's bill, house roll No. 80, introduced by Mr. Soderman, praying for the appropriation of \$5,000 toward an heroic statue of Abraham Lincoln on the capitol grounds, was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Roddy of Otse introduced the following joint resolution:

WHEREAS, The legislature of 1887 by an act entitled, "An act to recount the ballots cast for and against the legislative amendment of the 24 day of November, 1886, and to declare the result," did provide for the recounting of the ballots cast for and against the constitutional amendment providing for an increase in the per diem of members of the legislature from \$3 to \$5 and extending the session of the legislature from forty to sixty days, and

WHEREAS, Some doubt has always existed as to the validity of said act and the effect of said amendment to the constitution, and

WHEREAS, It is expedient that the matter be finally settled and determined; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the honorable attorney-general be and he is hereby requested to cause to be had a proper and correct opinion or otherwise to determine whether or not said amendment to the constitution was adopted and in accordance with the provisions of the organic law of the state; and be it

RESOLVED, That the secretary of state be requested to forward to the honorable attorney-general a copy of this joint resolution.

Twenty new bills were introduced, among them being:

H. R. 248, by Mr. Stebbins—To promote farming in arid portions by irrigation at public expense.

H. R. 253, by Mr. Rich—To reimburse George L. Farnham for expenditure of money for use of Peru Normal when the dormitory burned.

H. R. 256, by Mr. Felker—To appropriate \$40,000 for incidental expenses of 25th session.

H. R. 262-3-4, by Mr. Hill—To regulate stock yards, etc.

House rolls 234 to 245 were read the second time and referred.

H. R. 82 was recommended for indefinite postponement. The bill provides for exempting all money due beneficiaries on life or accident insurance policies from garnishment, execution or attachment.

H. R. 86, which provides for the investment of funds arising out of business done in the state by foreign life or accident insurance companies, was discussed at great length and finally recommitted for amendments. The committee then arose, reported progress, and the house adjourned.

Forty-eight new bills were introduced after the noon recess, chief among which were:

H. R. 286, by Mr. Sheldon—An act for the establishment, maintenance and management of public libraries in election districts.

H. R. 288, by Mr. Dobson—To amend section 8 of chapter 79, subdivision 6 of the compiled statutes. The bill provides that the tax of 1 mill levied on the high school shall fall on the whole county.

H. R. 306, by Mr. Rich—To amend section 13 of "An act regulating voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors, proceedings thereunder, and to prevent the fraudulent violation of the same," being section 13, chapter 6, entitled "Assignments," compiled statutes of 1893.

H. R. 322, by Mr. Rich—To provide for a land-rod's lien.

H. R. 330, by Mr. Snyder—To prohibit officers and employees of any municipality, township, county or state to accept free transportation over any railroad in the state during their term of office.

H. R. 336, by Mr. Wooster of Merick is similar in its import to H. R. 330 by Mr. Snyder.

House rolls 265 to 282 were read a second time and referred.

Mr. Clark of Richardson moved that the house resolve itself into committee of the whole. Mr. Clark of Lancaster objected on the ground that it takes a two-thirds vote to suspend the rules and proceed outside the regular order of business set down in the rules when any member objects. The matter precipitated quite a discussion but was finally disposed of by the speaker ruling in committee of the whole at any time a majority wished to do so.

The ruling prevented the house calling up H. R. 5, which had been reported from the engrossing committee and would have been first on file for third reading and passage. The majority had not sixty-eight members present and they could not have carried it with the emergency clause.

In committee of the whole house rolls 29, to repeal the Russian thistle law, and 89, to reduce the salary of the superintendent of the Geneva industrial school, were recommended for passage.

H. R. 46, to reduce the salaries of the secretaries of the state board of transportation to \$1,500 was recommitted for correction.

H. R. 27, which provides that it shall be a misdemeanor to kill certain kinds of game for a period of five years was recommended for correction.

The bill for the relief of Boyd county for costs in the Scott murder trial was recommended for passage without the emergency clause.

On motion of Mr. Sheldon of Dawes, the committee rose and reported progress. The report of the committee of the whole was adopted and the house adjourned.

Friday, January 29.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

H. R. 27, by Mr. Cronk—To provide for the appointment and election of clerks of the district court in counties of 8,000 or more at other times than at the general election for clerks of the district court.

H. R. 280, by Mr. Givens—To prevent the spread of hog cholera or other infectious diseases of domestic animals.

H. R. 281, by Mr. Van Horn—To establish a state board of civil engineers.

Adjourned.

Wednesday, January 27.

The house met today and immediately after roll call adjournment was taken till tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

It is supposed that the principal reason for the action was the desire of the majority to gain time to muster the votes necessary for the passage of the recanvass bill with the emergency clause, and to caucus on the Douglas county contest cases.

Expectation was rife today in the house over the prospect of a battle on house roll 5, the recanvass bill, but the day was uneventful.

Mr. Pollard of Cass introduced a resolution that a committee of five be appointed to draft a sugar bill to encourage erection of new factories in the state. Tabled on motion of Mr. Soderman of Phelps.

The secretary of the senate announced the passage of the resolution instructing Senator Thurston to vote for the free coinage of gold and silver.

The committee on enrolled and engrossed bills reported that house roll 5 was correctly engrossed.

A petition from Omaha clergymen was read, asking the legislature not to make any change in the fire and police commission as provided for in the present Omaha charter.

Several standing committees made reports on bills. The bills relating to passes were indefinitely postponed.

H. R. 46, reducing salaries of secretaries of board of transportation was placed on general file, as was also H. R. 27, reported by the committee on fish culture and game.

The claim of Boyd county for \$4,823 for costs in trying the alleged murderers of Barrett Scott, was passed on favorably by the claims committee and placed on general file.

The committee on miscellaneous subjects reported favorably on Mr. Grosvenor's bill, fixing a penalty for stealing bicycles and unfavorably on a bill by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, No. 56, with the same end in view. The reports were adopted. The same committee favored placing house roll No. 80, a bill to punish chicken stealing, on general file. The house concurred.

House roll No. 62, to regulate the publishing of applications for liquor licenses, was placed on general file. House roll No. 23, relating to the regulation of warehouses, was also placed on general file.

Mr. Felker of Douglas introduced a resolution ordering the committee on asylums to make report on the adequacy of the state hospital to care for all the curable insane of the state. Adopted.

Mr. Burket of Lancaster offered a resolution that the office of proof reader be discontinued and that no printed bills be received from the printer until correct. After some debate the matter was referred to the committee on employes.

Forty-eight new bills were introduced after the noon recess, chief among which were:

H. R. 286, by Mr. Sheldon—An act for the establishment, maintenance and management of public libraries in election districts.

H. R. 288, by Mr. Dobson—To amend section 8 of chapter 79, subdivision 6 of the compiled statutes. The bill provides that the tax of 1 mill levied on the high school shall fall on the whole county.

H. R. 306, by Mr. Rich—To amend section 13 of "An act regulating voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors, proceedings thereunder, and to prevent the fraudulent violation of the same," being section 13, chapter 6, entitled "Assignments," compiled statutes of 1893.

H. R. 322, by Mr. Rich—To provide for a land-rod's lien.

H. R. 330, by Mr. Snyder—To prohibit officers and employees of any municipality, township, county or state to accept free transportation over any railroad in the state during their term of office.

H. R. 336, by Mr. Wooster of Merick is similar in its import to H. R. 330 by Mr. Snyder.

House rolls 265 to 282 were read a second time and referred.

Mr. Clark of Richardson moved that the house resolve itself into committee of the whole. Mr. Clark of Lancaster objected on the ground that it takes a two-thirds vote to suspend the rules and proceed outside the regular order of business set down in the rules when any member objects. The matter precipitated quite a discussion but was finally disposed of by the speaker ruling in committee of the whole at any time a majority wished to do so.

The ruling prevented the house calling up H. R. 5, which had been reported from the engrossing committee and would have been first on file for third reading and passage. The majority had not sixty-eight members present and they could not have carried it with the emergency clause.

In committee of the whole house rolls 29, to repeal the Russian thistle law, and 89, to reduce the salary of the superintendent of the Geneva industrial school, were recommended for passage.

H. R. 46, to reduce the salaries of the secretaries of the state board of transportation to \$1,500 was recommitted for correction.

H. R. 27, which provides that it shall be a misdemeanor to kill certain kinds of game for a period of five years was recommended for correction.

The bill for the relief of Boyd county for costs in the Scott murder trial was recommended for passage without the emergency clause.

On motion of Mr. Sheldon of Dawes, the committee rose and reported progress. The report of the committee of the whole was adopted and the house adjourned.

Friday, January 29.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

Immediately after the reading of the journal the house, on motion of Mr. Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Soderman in the chair.

H. R. 99, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster, to make chicken stealing, the knowing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thief a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

After some debate the bill was killed by a vote to not adopt the report of the committee.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by the death of one of his flock, and in his absence Speaker Gaffin called upon Mr. Eighmy of Brown, one of the three preachers in the house, to invoke the divine blessing.

H. R. 62, by Mr. Rich, to authorize publication of notices of application for liquor licenses of any paper of general circulation was the next bill to be considered. It also authorizes the same power that grants a license to authorize a transfer of the same to another place or person. Mr. Clark of Lancaster opposed this, and pending the controversy the committee arose and the house took a recess until 2 p. m.

After the recess session the house took up bills on third reading.

The clerk read house roll No. 5, the recanvass bill.

Mr. Hull of Harlan stated that after close scrutiny of the bill he had found an error in the engrossed copy. The word "three" in the original copy had been copied "five." He moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee of the whole for correction. A very bitter and extended debate was had on the motion, but after several motions to take action thereon immediately had been voted down, the bill was recommitted to the committee of the whole for correction.

Mr. Jenkins moved to go into committee of the whole to consider house roll No. 5 immediately. The motion did not prevail, and on motion of Mr. Sheldon of Dawes the regular order of business was taken up.

<