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# A BLAST OF BOREAS MERCURY GOES DOWN TO

Many Nebraska Towns Report Very Severe Weather, with the Mercury Ranging from 0 to 10 Below-Will Prove to Be the Salvation of the Corn Surplus.

AND PASSES ZERO.

Lincoln had a zip from the north on Saturday last that caused the ice and coal dealers to shed tears of joy. The maximum temparature from Friday night to Saturday night was at 7 a. m. Saturday. Before noon the thermometer was headed toward zero with a likelihood of diving beyond. The zero point was not reached until 7 p. m. A very little snow had come on the wings of the wind at intervals all the afternoon. Saturday night it got steadily colder, and at midnight the thermometer at Harley's registered 10 below.

At Nebraska City a fall of 30 degrees in the temperature is reported. This is the coldest snap of the season.

Bradshaw was touched up in a lively manner, the thermometer reaching 15 degrees below by Sunday morning. It has caused some suffering among the stock, but will be the salvation of thousands of bushels of corn that was spoiling from the warm, thawing weather.

Winside people, and especially the farmers around that village, are rejoicing at the arrival of the cold snap. It came just in time to save the the corn that was being spoiled by the warm weather. Winside has over 100,000 bushels cribbed up at present.

Advices from Stromsburg and other localities thereabouts are to the effect that the thermometer fell 20 degrees Saturday night, a circumstance that greatly pleased the farmers and speculators, as cold weather is the only thing that will keep the corn from rotting. All corn delivered at that point so far is in good condition.

Oma ia reports as follows: This (Sunday) has been the coldest day Nebraska has experienced in two years. At many points the mercury registered 12 degrees below zero and the warmest reported was four below. A strong wind from the north made the cold seem more intense. The Missouri river is frozen over, and the ice men, who had given up hope of a crop, will commence cutting Monday. Little snow has fallen; and railway traffic is not interfered with.

#### AS TO STATE SUPPLIES.

The Board Will Make no Change in the Penitentiary System.

The state board of purchase and supplies met Saturday to consider the granting of requisitions for some special supplies which are wanted at several state institutions. Incidently the board considered the question of to be reported back four days after be- Friday, supplies for the penitentiary. Contracts | ing referred, raised a rumpus in the for supplies for this institution were let for a period of three months by the old board. The new board is disposed to care for the penitentiary in the same manner other state institutions are supplied until a bill can be enacted making some change in the Warden Leidigh desires to do his own buying, as he thinks he can buy cheaper on the open market. This principle applies alike to other institu-

Treasurer Meserve was paving out cash Saturday on warrants issued to employes of the legislature. Warrants covering the first fifteen days of the session are being cashed by a private

## ARGABRIGHT TRIAL:

Comes Up Again in the Term of District Court at Auburn.

The January term of the district court for Nemaha county began on Monday, the 25th inst., Judge Letton presiding. There are twenty-three law and equity and eighteen criminal cases on the docket for trial. The criminal cases are all minor cases, which have been on the docket from one to three years, except the Arga-bright murder case, which comes up for re-trial. An attempt is to be made to obtain a change of venue in this case, | on the grounds of prejudice and of difficulty to obtain a jury in this county. In the first trial a special venire of 125 was exhausted in securing a jury.

A Case of Practical Charity. A worthy farmer living four miles northwest of Harvard, D. V. Curry, has met with more or less misfortune in the past few years. The latest to fall upon him is the serious illness of his wife, whom he was obliged to take to Ashland fo treatment. He had out in the field about twenty acres of corn not gathered. Appreciating his readiness to always respond to calls of relief, his neighbors to the number of twenty-eight men and ten women, with twenty-six teams, gathered at his place the other day and proceeded to husk that corn and put it in cribs. There were over a thousand bushels, and the task was completed shortly after noon, when the ladies served a big dinner.

One hundred and sixty car loads of apples, 88,126 bushels, worth more than 823,000, have been shipped from Nemaha county during the year 1800. Many car loads are yet to be found in store. being held in the hope of getting a bet-

Blund Poisson Proved Fatal. Frank Cyda, the father of one of West Point's leading merchants, died near Howells last Sunday of blood About a year ago he scratched his arm with a piece of barbed wire which was altimately the cause of his death

# THE NORTHWESTERN SENATE PROCEEDINGS

WORK ACCOMPLISHED BY THE UPPER BRANCH.

Condensed and Concise Report of the Work Accomplished During the Past Week-Brief Notes of the Session's

#### Monday, January 25,

When the senate convened at 2 p. m everal senators were absent. Senator Murphy of Gage offered the following concurrent resolution, which was read the first time:

WHEREAS. The revenue laws of this state are defective in many particulars to provide for a rigid collection by township and county officers whose duty it is to collect and enforce collection of taxes for township, county and state purposes; and WHEREAS. The deficit and failure to real-

ize sufficient funds to maintain the current expenses of the various departments of gov-ernment is due to the inadequacy and im-perfections of the revenue laws of the state; therefore, be it

therefore, be it

Resolved, By the senate, the house concurring therein, that a committee of three be appointed by the president of the senate to act in conjunction with a like committee of three to be appointed by the speaker of the house, to prepare a bill revising and amending the present revenue laws of this state, or such sections thereof as they think proper, and report the same to the senate and house jor their action.

Senator Howell of Douglas presented

Senator Howell of Douglas presented resolution instructing the secretary of state to turn over to the committee on privileges and election all papers and abstracts of evidence in the con-test case instituted by John Jeffcoat against Senator Evans of Douglas. The resolution was adopted without debate. The following new bills were intro-

duced:

S. F. 151, by Senator Schaal—To amend section 3, article 2 of chapter 83 of the compiled statutes of Nebraska of 1855, relating to fees payable to the secretary of state.

S. F. 152, by Senator Talbot—To amend section 263 of the compiled laws of 1895 of the state of Nebraska, relating to verdicts of juries.

S. F. 153, by Senator Talbot—To amend section 283, being general section 5855 of the compiled laws of 1895 of the state of Nebraska, relating to trials before juries.

S. F. 154, by Senator Howell—Providing for the foreclosure of a trust deed or mortgage of real property by advertisement.

S. F. 155, by Senator Murphy—Providing for the defense of divorce suits by county attorneys on behalf of the state, when the defendant fails or refuses to make any defense.

S. Fs. 156-7, by Senator Ransom—Prohibiting the giving of passes or free service by various corporations.

corporations.

S. F. 158, by Senator Ransom—To prevent the blacklisting or publishing of discharged employes, and making such an act a felony.

#### Adjourned.

Tuesday, January 26. A letter from Senator Wm. V. Allen was read in the senate this morning. acknowledging the receipt of resolutions passed by the senate expressing sympathy for Cuba. Senator Allen stated that he had presented the reso-

lutions to the United States senate

had them read and properly referred. Senator Canaday of Kearney county introduced a concurrent resolution relating to the prevailing destitution in Chicago. He calls attention to the fact the west people in Chicago are starv-

ing. The resolution asks the people of Nebraska to send aid Senator Howell of Douglas introduced a resolution instructing the governor to issue a proclamation calling attention to the Trans-Mississippi exposition and to extend an invitation to the several states to participate there-

in with exhibits, etc. The fact that many bills have been held back when the rules require them senate when Senator Mutz arose and moved that the secretary notify the senate what bills had been in the hands of the various committees more than four days. After a short debate the

motion was lost. The committe on miscellaneous subjects reported a substitute for Senator Johnson's bill, S. F. 38, imposing a tax on bank deposits for the creating of a safety fund to be used for the payment of losses to depositors caused by bank failures. The substitute was read and it will take the place of the original bill. The same committee reported favorably on Senator Dearing's joint resolution, calling for the enforcement of

Thirteen new bills and one substitute were introduced, among the num-

the anti-trust law against elevator

S. F. 164, by Senator Mutz-A bill for an act to apportion the state into judicial districts, and for the appointment and election of officers

thereof.

S.F. 165, by Senator Dearing—To regulate the charges for use of telephones.

S.F. 169, by Senator Beal—To provide for the appointment and election of clerks of the district court in countles of 8000 or more, at other times than at the general election for clerks of the district court.

clerks of the district court.

S. F. 170, by Senator Benl To establish a state board of civil engineers.

S. F. 173, is distitute for S. F. 39, by committee on miscribaceous subjects A bill to provide for the greater security of deposits in the banks of the state and to repeal sections 34 and 35, chapter 8 of the compiled statutes of Nebraska of 1865.

Adjourned at noon till Wednesday

## Wednesday, January 27.

Senator Mutz of Keya Paha, backed recommended for passage S. F 6, allo aided by republican votes, took steps jurors to appear. today to compel standing committees to get to work. WEST SHEET.

committee on highways and struction of irrigation ditches across

Among the new bills introduced were ed for passage without discussion. the following, the most important being senate file 176, introduced by Sena- ing number of county commissioners tor Metiann, which is the Lincoln char- in Douglas county from five to three,

S. P. 124 to Senator Murphy Providing for tricts in Dong'as and Lineaster counties by present of taken in installiments of not less than 25 persons of the amount due at time of from the previsions of the hill and

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Additional to 19 a. m. Saturday.

S. F. 180, by Senator Howell To provide for ne descent and alienation of cemetery lots. Concurrent resolution 8, by Senator Spencer Relative to press dispatches reflecting on the redit of Nebraska.

Under the head of bills on second reading, senate file No. 173, a committee substitute for a bill providing for a tax on bank deposits in state banks, to be used as a fund for the safety of de-

positors, was placed on general file. An extended debate was had over Senator Ransom's concurrent resolu-tion instructing United States Senator Thurston to vote and work for a free coinage law. The resolution was opposed by the republican side but was passed by a strict party vote. Adjourned.

#### Thursday, January 28.

The senate listened to the reading of a petition from sugar beet raisers this morning. The petition was a typewritten document with a blank space for the name of the town or county and came from Adams county.

The judiciary committee recommended that senate file No. 25, by Senator Sykes, authorizing sheriffs to give purchasers of tax sale certificates actual possession of premises upon con-firmation of sale, be indefinitely postponed. The report was laid over un-

der the rules. The following bills were placed on general file on recommendation of the udiciary committee: Senate file No. 17, by Senator Talbot, relating to modification of judgments; senate file No. 11, by Senator Johnson, for the appointment of assistant county attorneys in certain cases: senate file No 14, by Senator Ransom, reducing the number of county commissioners; senate file No. 18, by Senator Talbot, relating to appeals in equity cases.

Senator Sykes of Adams asked for leave of absence for the committee on soldiers' home to visit the homes at Grand Island and Milford on Friday and Saturday, with a view of consider-ing the advisability of discontinuing the home at Milford. The request was

Several new bills were introduced, among which were:

Concurrent resolution 9, by Schator Graham.

Relating to a request to Nebraska's senators and representatives in congress to use their efforts to secure a uniform national divorce law.

S. F. 196, by Senator Beal—Creating a state board of agriculture, defining the duties, powers and government, and providing for its support.

S. F. 197, by Senator Ransom—To provide a state board of immigration, to define their du-ties, provide for their salaries and expenditures and to appropriate \$25,990 therefor. S. F. 302, by Senator Graham - For the estabishment, maintenance and management of public libraries in school districts.

The concurrent resolution of Senator Spencer of Lancaster, indorsing Senator W. V. Allen for his defense of Nebraska's good name. and pledging the payment of the sugar bounty, came up on a ruling from Lieutenant Governor Harris, who held that the motion by Senator Ransom of Douglas to indefinitely postpone was in order.

The motion to postpone precipitated a general discussion.

Speeches were made against the resolution by Senators Mutz, Gondring, that while 10-cent corn is rotting in Beal, Farrell, Lee, and Ransom. Reagiven were that its adoption would virtually pledge the senate to pay the bounty now due.

At 12:30 Senator Ransom was still speaking, answering Senator Conoway's question, which was in form something like this: "If it is not right to tax the people for a sugar bounty, how can it be right to tax them for the benefit of an exposition to be held in Omaha?"

In the midst of Senator Ransom's speech the senate adjourned to 10 a. m.

## Friday, January 29.

Senator Ransom resumed his remarks on Senator Spencer's resolutions favoring the payment of the sugar bounty in the senate this morning. While he was still willing to indorse Senator Allen, he was not ready to extend his indorsement to include the sugar bounty. He declared that the minority was not honest in the matter and had no sincere intention of indorsing Senator Allen except for the purpose of countenancing and indorsing the sugar bounty.

At the close of the debate the motion

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A resolution indorsing Senator W.V. Allen's speech in the United States ser ate upholding Nebraska's good name was passed under a suspension of th

In committee of the whole the senat by the majority element in the senate. ing district judges to name day for the

S. F. 46, to compel street railway After some debate the companies to protect motormen and senate massed a resolution calling upon conductors by vestibuled cars, was dischairmen of committees to report in cussed at considerable length and recommended for passage.

After the noon recess H. R. 3, repealbridges reported favorably on senate ing the sugar bounty act, was read file Nos. 71 and 52, relating to the con-

S. F. 13. by Senator Ransom, reducroads. Senate file No. 53, relating to ing the pay of county commissioners the same subject, was indefinitely post- in Douglas and Lancaster counties from \$1,500 to \$1,500 a year, was recommend-

S. F. 14, by Senator Ransom, reducand providing for their election by disties was amended to except the latter from the previsions of the bill, and 10th by Senator Mediann Lincoln recommended for passage as amended. The senate adopted the report of the

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HOUSE PROCEEDINGS

WORK ACCOMPLISHED BY THE LOWER BRANCH.

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

Monday January 25.

Speaker Gaffin's gavel fell this aftersoon at 2:30 o'clock. Seventy-seven nembers responded to roll call. The committee on insurance reported favorably on house rolls Nos. 82 and

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

House roll No. 89, reducing the saltries at the Geneva industrial school, was reported on favorably by the comnittee 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 to erect n heroic statue of Abraham Lincoln in the capitol grounds, was indefinite-

y postponed. Mr. Roddy of Otoe introduced the

Mr. Roddy of Otoe introduced the 'ollowing joint resolution:

Whereas, The legislature of 1887 b an act entitled. "An act to recount the ballots cast for and against the legislative amendment of the 2d 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

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

WHEREAS. It is expedient that the matter be definitely settled and determined; there-

fore, be it

RESOLVED, That the honorable attorneygeneral be and he is hereby requested to
at once institute proper action by mandamus or otherwise to determine whether or not
said amendment to the constitution was
adopted 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 ex-

pense.
H. R. 253, by Mr. Rich—To reimburse George
L. Farnham for expenditure of moneys for use
of Peru Normal when the dormitory burned.
H. R. 256, by Mr. Felker—To appropriate \$40,000 for incidental 2: penses of 25th session.
H. Rs. 162-3-4, by Ar. Hill—To regulate stock

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 benefi-ciaries 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.

#### Tuesday, January 26.

In the house this morning, after preliminary work, seventeen new bills were introduced, and a number of bills were read the second time and referred to committees.

Bills on third reading were announced and the first measure placed on the general file for this session was put fall on the whole upon its final passage. It was H. R.
No. 4. by Mr. Eastman, to refund to
Rebecca Perkins of Custer county \$121
paid by her as rental on school land by an illegal appraisement of 1889. On roll call the bill passed by a vote of 87 affirmative, with none against.

H. R. 3. by Mr. Dobson, to repeal the law of 1895 granting a bounty on sugar and chicory, was read a third time, and of office Mr. Dobson demanded a call of the members absent. The call was then dispensed with, and on roll call the bill was passed by a vote of 63 to 30.

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luction not having been printed. Phillips handed in his resignation on was recommitted for correction. secount of sickness, and the house deeided to abolish the office for the bal- for costs in the Scott murder trial was ance of the term.

H. R. 20, reducing the salary of the emergency clause superintendent of the deaf and dumb

H. R. M. a bill to regulate organization adjourned. of mutual plate glass insurance companies. Passed by a vote of 91 for to none against.

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H. R. 279 by Mr. Cronk—To provide for the appointment and election of clerks of the district court in counties of \$ 000 or more at other times than at the general election for clerks of

the district court.

H. R. 235, by Mr. Givens—To prevent the sprend of heg cholera or other infectious discusses of domestic animals.

H. R. 282, by Mr. Van Horn—To establish a state board of civil engineers. Adjourned.

Wednesday, January 27. The house met today and immediate-

ly 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 close scrutiny of the bill he had found votes necessary for the passage of the an error in the engrossed copy. The recanvass bill with the emergency clause, and to caucus on the Douglas county contest cases.

Thursday, January 28. Expectation was rife today in the house over the prospect of a battle on house roll 5, the re-canvass 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 Tabled on motion of Mr. Soderstate. man 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 en-grossed bills reported that house roll 5

was correctly engrossed. A petion from Omaha elergymen was read, asking the legislature not to the bill went on general file. make any change in the fire and police commission as provided for in the pres-

ent Omaha charter. reports on bills. The bills relating to passes were indefinitely postponed.

II. R. 46, reducing salaries of secre-taries 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 mur-derers 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 licenses, was placed on general file. House roll No. 23, relating to the

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 as at first proposed, and they will pre-

Adopted. Mr. Burkett 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 school districts.

H. R. 305, by Mr. Rich-To amend section 13 H. R. 322, by Mr. Rich-To provide for a land

H. R. 330, by Mr. Snyder-To prohibit officer and employes of any municipality, township, county or state to accept free transportation over any railroad in the state during his term

H. R. 336, by Mr. Wooster of Mer- privileges and elections submitted a house upon it. The call showed ten rick is similar in its import to H. R. report which they had drawn up, fa-330 by Mr. Snyder.

House rolls 265 to 282 were read a second time and referred. Mr. Clark of Richardson moved that report. the house resolve itself into committee made, which, toward evening, became of the whole. Mr. Clark of Lancaster decidedly spirited. The caucus adobjected on the ground that it takes a journed without action, divided in two-thirds vote to suspend the rules opinion. It is almost certain that a and proceed outside the regular order majority and a minority report will be of business set down in the rules when sent to the house. Those of the comany member objects. The matter precipitated quite a discussion but was finally disposed of by the speaker rul-ing that the house could go into committee of the whole at any time a majority wished to do so.

The ruling prevented the house calling up II. 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 80, to reduce the salary of the superintendent of the Geneva industrial school, were recommended for passage.

H. H. te, to resistee the salaries of educe salaries of officials at Kearney the secretaries of the state board of transportation to \$1,500 was recommit-17. which provides that it

H. R. Fourth assistant chief cleck E. W. kinds of game for a period of five years The bill for the relief of Boyd county

recommended for passage without the institute was passed by a vote of 19 to the committee rose and reported prog-rose. The report of the committee of The next bill for third reading was the whole was adopted and the house

## Priday, January 39.

absence Speaker traffin cathed upon ordinary gold teaf. Joseph Wilson Mr. Figurary of Brown, one of the three Swan, the well-known chemist of

Sheldon went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Saderman in the H. R. 10, by Mr. Clark of Lancaster. to make chicken stealing, the know-

ing purchase of stolen chickens or the harboring of the chicken thick a penal offense, punishable by from one to ten years, was first on the file.

H. R. 62, by Mr. Rich, to authorize oublication 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 con-troversy the committee arose and the house took a recess until 2 p. m. At the after recess session the house

took up bills on third reading.

The clerk read house roll No. 5, the

e-canvass bill. Mr. Hull of Harlan stated that after 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.

After disposing of reports on the Douglas county contests the house received reports from standing commit-

The library committee favored house roll No. 174, to provide for travelling libraries. The report was adopted and

House roll No. 117, to provide for the issuance of state warrants receivable for taxes, was reported by the major-Several standing committees made ity of the committee on banks and currency with the recommendation that it pass as amended. There was a minority report signed by Waite and Wimberly of Lancaster. The majority

report was adopted. The house adjourned till Saturday morning.

#### The Recanvass Bill.

The fusionists in the house are short of the required two-thirds vote which is necessary for the passage of the bill to recount the vote on the constitution: al amendment relating to supreme judges. There are two fusion mem-bers sick, and unable to attend the by Mr. Clark of Lancaster. No. 56. with the same end in view. The reports if the house should pass the bill that were adopted. The same committee it is reasonably certain not to get favored placing house roll No. 89, a through the senate, as it is reported bill to punish chicken stealing, on general file. The house concurred. House roll No. 62, to regulate the The senate committee on constitution. publishing of applications for liquor licenses, was placed on general file. its object the submission of the returns regulation of warehouses, was also to the supreme court for a decision on the question of the majority necessary all the curable insane of the state. sent a bill with that end in view in case the present bill is not passed. Judge Reese in his talk before the committee, gave it as his opinion that a majority of all votes cast at the election is necessary for adop-tion. He said this rule was laid down in the Maxwell opinion and also in the opinion of Judge Gant in the Lancaster county case, reported in the Sixth Nebraska court report. Judge Reese said he might be somewhat biased as he was a member of the constitutional convention and re-H. R. 298, 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 under the free high school law shall fall on the whole county.

H. B. 298, by Mr. Dobson—To amend section to the constitutional convention and remembered distinctly that discussion of this subject showed a prevailing sentiment in opposition to permitting a minority to change the constitution. The same argument is found in Judge Maxwell's opinion on which those favoring a recount base all their hopes.

## The Donglas County Contest.

In the matter of unseating the republican members of the house who represent Douglas county, the fusionists are very much divided. The maority members of the committee on vorable to unseating the republicans from this county, and the whole afternoon was spent in discussion of the Very warm speeches were mittee who constitute the minority are: Sheldon of Dawes and Eager of Seward, of the majority members, and Rouse of Hall and Byram of Burt, of the republicans. The presentation of these reports will probably precipitate a fight and may result in the house go-

## ing into the evidence.

The Rose of Jericho. Among the numerous pretty traditions relating to flowers, may be mentioned the popular legend of the farfamed rose of Jericho, which is regarded with superstitious reverence in the East from the story of its having blossomed at the moment when the Lord was born, and continued to do so on each anniversary of this event. Hence, the flower has been credited with special properties, and in some parts of the continent it is popularly esignated the "Rose of the Madonna," and its presence generally considered shall be a misdemeaner to kill certain of propitions influence when children were born. According to another variation of the same legen L the rose of Jericho has been called St. Mary's rose, because, when Joseph and Mary were taking their flight into Egypt, On motion of Mr. Sheldon of Daves, one of these flowers sprang up to mark

Electricity Beats Gold-in a Way. Electricity has now, it seems, beaten the record of the gold beater one against.

Chaplain Mailley was called home by and can produce a foil of the metal Among the new bills introduced the death of one of his flock, and in his from five to ten times thinner than electric lighting fame, has presented; to the Royal so bety specimens of thirt wonderfully thin fail mute by depositing gold on copper with the electric current and then dissaving away the copper from it with perchlorida of

# Instructions to Thurston.

Luxcorn, Neb. Jun. 79. - The senate has adopted by a party vote a joint resolution directing United States Sen-After some debate the bill was killed after John M. Thurston to vote for any by a vote to not adopt the pepors of measure favoring free and unlimited colfia to of allver at the ratio of its to 1.