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ABOUT NEBRASKA.

The following bill, known as senate file 71, has passed the senate: Section 1. That in all actions before justices of the peace, and county judges, founded on an account, when a sworn bill of particulars alleging that the account is true and correct and due and unpaid, shall be filed in the court where the defendant has been actually served with summons therein, if the defendant makes default or fails to controvert or deny the same by duly verified pleading, the account, or as much thereof as is not controverted or denied, shall be taken as true and admitted.

The Hampton committee, consisting of Messrs. Hampton, Hanna, Johnson, Birney and Cushing, who were appointed to investigate the question of super-serviceable help in the legislature made their final report last week. They filed a lengthy and detailed statement of abuses that have crept into the legislative service.

Peter Anderson, an Elkhorn brakeman, had a hand badly crushed between two drawbars, while making a coupling in the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley freight yard at David City. Anderson's wife was in the caboose of the train at the time and the plucky fellow went to the doctor's office with the conductor, leaving her in ignorance of the accident, hoping to spare her feelings, but remained under the influence of chloroform so long as to cause alarm, and she had to be notified.

Charles Boydston, of Richland precinct, says the Wahoo Democrat, recently sustained a great loss because of the deprivations of a mad dog. About a month ago a strange dog entered his stock pens and bit some of his hogs and cattle. The dog showed symptoms of hydrocephalus and was shot. A few days ago the stock that had been bitten went mad and had to be shot. Mr. Boydston lost about forty head of hogs and a couple of cattle.

M. R. Sharp, who lives eight miles west of Milford, has preserved in alcohol the body of a double pig that was born a couple of weeks ago. It has two bodies, two ears, eight legs, and two tails, but has only one snout and two eyes, the fore part being part of one complete pig and the back half being part of two.

It is stated that the organization recently effected in Omaha that assumed the high-sounding title of "General Freight Agents" has sunk into "innocuous desuetude." Last week a meeting was held at the old hall for the purpose to discuss the question of live stock trains but for some unaccountable reason only two of the agents were present.

Cass county has thirty lawyers located within her borders. Plattsburgh claims nineteen, Weeping Water five, Greenwood four and Louisville one.

Three new school districts have been organized in New York county, making a total of ninety-eight with 116 students.

The Fairbury militia company expects to attend the Washington convention at New York city, the citizens of the town bearing the expenses of the trip.

Basil Morris had a hearing at Nebraska City and was bound over to the district court for forgery in the sum of \$400.

In David City an excited runaway horse went crashing through a plate glass window of the postoffice.

Grand Island will have a new city hall, three stories high, 60x60 feet in size, costing \$25,000.

Judge Crawford, of West Point, distributed \$30,000 in annuities point the Omaha Indians last week.

The South Omaha tailors are on strike for the union scale of wages.

The citizens of South Sioux City have filed a complaint against the St. Paul & Omaha because the name of the station near there is called Covington instead of South Sioux City. The charge was made, so it is said, for public convenience and to prevent a confusion of names and misunderstandings that may lead to serious consequences.

In the district court of Lancaster county the case of Trester against the Missouri Pacific was decided by a jury in Trester's favor. This case was one where Mr. Trester, who was the owner of some land that was taken by the company, was not satisfied with the award of the appraisers and sued for what he thought the land was worth. The original trial date of the case was set for April 25, and this the company offered to pay. The verdict of the jury was for \$3,100, which is really not more than the appraisement, if the expenses of the trial be taken into consideration.

A cigar box manufacturing establishment has been started in Madison.

There are five candidates for the Table Rock postoffice.

The annual agricultural fair and race meeting of the Omaha Fair and Exposition association will be held in Omaha September 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, 1893.

Two men drove to the farm of J. V. Balmat, in Vieregg precinct, Merrick county, and stole a load of oats and rye. Mr. Balmat traced the team to the farm of Albert Meiers, in the bluffs, about twelve miles northwest of Grand Island, where he found in sacks in the house, a part of the grain and some implements taken at the same time. The thieves were caught, but allowed to compromise by paying for the oats.

Mrs. Stevens, of Fort Calhoun, while attending church at Omaha last Sunday, fell from her pew and was dead in a short time. She was about 70 years of age, and her death is attributed to heart trouble.

Forty-eight \$100 shares of the Bloomington creamery stock have been sold. But a short time now until all the stock will be taken.

The citizens of Gresham will vote on the question of building a \$2,000 school house.

Last week the Burlington put in a grain tariff to apply between Omaha and points in Nebraska and Duluth. The tariff is the same as that on Chicago shipments. Heretofore, the Burlington had no tariff applying on Duluth shipments, and the rate which now covers Duluth was made only to St. Paul and Minneapolis. The rate on grain from the new system to Duluth will be from Omaha 20 cents, Lincoln 22 cents, and Kearney and points in the western grain belt 23 cents, the same being the rate to Chicago from the given points.

The enrollment in the Wood River public school is about two hundred, the whole under the care of Professor Sprague.

One hundred new volumes have been ordered for the public library at Crete.

Under workings of South Omaha's new charter saloon men will have to put up a \$1,000 license.

Burglars entered the residence of W. C. Resteever at Falls City, but their only booty was a silver watch of no great value.

The school directors of South Omaha have objected to the use of school houses for holding political meetings.

On the 6th of March the Beatrice Express reports: Already some of the live and wide awake farmers have commenced operations. Yesterday a man southwest of the city on the Harbin road was seen planting potatoes, that is, his wife dropped them while he plowed under. "Such is Nebraska."

In the district court of Gage county John Powers was found guilty of burglarizing the cloak room of the Grand Central hotel last fall and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. John Collins, his confederate, plead guilty to the same offense and received an eighteen-months' sentence.

The city council of Fremont has passed an ordinance submitting a proposition to vote \$15,000 bonds for the purpose of erecting a new city hall. The election will be held April 2, the day of the general city election. On the same day the \$10,000 court house proposition and the \$35,000 high school and ward school proposition will also be submitted. The house then adjourned until Monday.

It was reported in this city yesterday, says a Lincoln dispatch, that Mr. Patrick Egan, who has for some days been absent in Washington, is about to receive the appointment of minister to Mexico. It has for some time been suspected that Mr. Egan would receive some recognition for his services during the campaign, and the suspicion is now verified.

The Lincoln Call says it will be sent to Nebraska advertised and asks the legislature to do something to this end. It believes that with the right sort of work fifty thousand farmers men with means and the best possible citizens could be led to Nebraska the coming year.

Extensive improvements are shortly to be inaugurated in the Union Pacific yards at Beatrice. Measurements and surveys have recently been taken with that end in view.

The Farmers' and Merchants' bank of Carlton has been placed in the hands of a receiver. An effort is being made to reorganize the bank, with good prospects for success. The liabilities are about \$24,000, and the assets about the same amount.

The bill introduced by Senator Taggart providing that when warrants are presented and there is no money in the county treasury, the same shall be paid out of the sinking fund, was adopted in the senate without opposition.

Death is announced of Hon. C. W. Hayes, a member of the lower house of the legislature from York county.

THE CABINET ASSUME THEIR DUTIES.

The Oath of Office Administered and Their Commissions Signed.

Washington dispatch: The president signed the commissions of all the members of his cabinet this morning and they were formally inducted into office. Secretary Tracy was the first to qualify. He took the oath of office at the navy department at 11:45 in the presence of ex-Secretary Whitney and the principal officers of the department. The succeeding hour was devoted to the reception of officers and employees and friends who called to extend their congratulations.

Secretary Proctor arrived at the war department at 1 o'clock. Ex-Secretary Endicott and all the chiefs of bureaus were in waiting in the secretary's office. General Sherman also called upon the retiring secretary during the morning and remained during the ceremonies incident to the change in the administration in the war office. After Secretary Proctor had been duly installed, he received all the officers and employees of the department. General Schafford and the other principal officers of the department were separately introduced by ex-Secretary Endicott.

Attorney General Miller was sworn in about 1:30 o'clock to-day in the presence of Solicitor-General Jenks and other officials of the department. Ex-Attorney-General Garland was not able to be present because of business he had in the supreme court at that time.

Secretary Windom was the last member of the new cabinet to receive his commission. He called at the white house about 2:30 this afternoon and received his commission from the hands of the president himself. The secretary then proceeded to the treasury department, where the oath of office was administered to him.

At 10 minutes past 2 o'clock, Wanamaker, escorted by the first assistant postmaster general Stevenson and a few friends, arrived at the postoffice department. The party was conducted to the rooms still occupied to-day by General Dickinson, where the prescribed oath was administered by Judge Lawrence, one of the oldest employees of the government, who has sworn into office twenty-five postmaster generals. The officials of the department were then introduced to Wanamaker. At about the same time Judge Noyes read the interior department, where he was soon joined by Justices Miller of the United States circuit court. The assistant secretaries, chiefs of the several bureaus of the department, and other officials were introduced by General Vilas. Justice Miller then administered the oath, after which those present offered their congratulations.

The newly qualified cabinet officers had little opportunity to attend to official business this afternoon, as they were engaged in receiving a continuous line of callers.

Assistant Secretaries Thomson and Maynard had a special interview with Secretary Windom this afternoon, and placed their resignations at his disposal. They informed him of their willingness to assist him in the performance of his official duties until he completes the organization of the department in accordance with his own wishes, and therefore they would continue at their desks until the successors were selected. Windom replied that he appreciated their kindness and would not act upon their resignations until he had conferred with the president on the subject.

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THE NEBRASKA SENATE AND HOUSE.

Proceedings of the Upper and Lower Branch of the Nebraska Legislature.

In the senate on the 2nd the following bills were passed: Senate Files, Nos. 71, 140, 155, 178, 179, and 188. Senate File No. 71, by Mr. Dern, provides that all actions for libel, slander, malicious prosecution, assault, and battery, false imprisonment, assault and battery, seduction, action for nuisance, or against a justice of the peace for misconduct in office, if the damages assessed be under \$500, the plaintiff will not recover costs. Senate File No. 140 makes it lawful to bring action for loss upon any policy of insurance at any time within five years. Mr. Noyall's bill, No. 179, makes it the duty of the auditor to detach coupons from school bonds printed for registration which shall become due before the first taxes are levied to meet the same. The object is to provide for the payment of the bonds on the class of bonds and will enhance their value on the market. In the house the motion of Mr. Sweet the McBride committee on employees was discharged. Mr. Collins moved to discharge the Hampton committee also. The last motion was passed. The house then went into committee of the whole on the Oldmstead election law. After discussion the bill was recommitted. Mr. Brink's bill for the relief of union soldiers, sailors, and marines, and the indigent wives, widows and minor children of indigent or deceased union soldiers, sailors, and marines was recommended for passage. The house then adjourned until Monday.

In the senate on the 5th the slate was cleaned by passing all the bills recommended by the committee of the whole except the bill to suppress bucket shops, which was lost by a vote of 14 eyes to 18 eyes. The most important measures passed were Raymond's banking bill and the Nelson normal school bill. The resolution concerning the amount of increasing the supreme court to five members was recommended for passage. Lindsay's amendment to the revenue law was approved. It directs the state board of equalization to examine and then make a just and equitable apportionment of the aggregate amount of state tax to be raised by each county. The bill is intended to correct the irregularities of the present per centage system, under which the counties with a low assessed valuation escape paying a fair share of the state tax. In the house the report of the committee of the bill recommending the passage of the bill providing for the assessment of railroad lands in Valley, Greeley, Howard, Webster and other counties, was agreed to, and the bill recommended for passage. The following items for the expenses of the executive were allowed: For postage, \$400; books, blanks and printing, \$800; stationary, \$500; telegraph, telephone and express, \$400; furniture and repairs, \$500; house rent, \$2,000; contingent fund, \$5,500. Delaney moved to strike off the item for the house rent, but it was lost. The appropriation for the support of the adjutant general's office was taken up. Captain Ingalls moved to strike out the item for \$40,000 for support of the state militia. Boris moved to make the amount \$20,000 and Caldwell \$25,000. Both amendments were lost, and the motion to strike out was carried by a vote of 44 to 40. A small claim of Pawnee county for costs in collecting state taxes was allowed. Stotz's claim for \$47,000 for extras in putting up the capitol building was discussed at length and reported back with a favorable recommendation.

HOW THEY ARE RECEIVED.

The nomination of members of the senate was received with evident satisfaction by the great bulk of Americans at the capital. Senator Allison was asked what he thought of it, and responded: "It is first rate. The closer it is examined and the more the men are studied the clearer it will appear that President Harrison has done the best thing possible."

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THE CALLERS COME IN GREAT CROWDS.

Business at a Standstill in Order to Give Them Welcome.

Washington dispatch: The white house was the center of attraction today, and nearly all the visitors made it a visit. Business was practically at a standstill in all the departments pending the change of official heads. Sightseers streamed through the corridors and kept the clerks busy answering questions.

The day at the white house began about 9 o'clock. The president and family did not finish their breakfast and morning duties until that hour. A large crowd was gathered about the gates and it was with difficulty that they were restrained from forcing their way in through the fence. The countenance down about 40 and took his stand in the east room to receive the stream of visitors. The reception continued for several hours with but few interruptions.

Colonel Young, executive clerk of the senate, went to the white house about 2 p.m., and delivered to President Harrison in person the official notice of his appointment as a presiding officer of the senate.

I hope our official and personal relations will prove mutually agreeable, and that our duties will be discharged in a manner to maintain the dignity of the senate and to add to the prosperity and happiness of this great nation."

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The late republican committee of notification called upon the president by the secretary of state, and afterword on Vice President Morton.

General Harrison's old regiment, the Seventieth Indiana, was accorded a private reception at 2 o'clock this afternoon. General Beaver and staff were received shortly after.

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The Flambeau club of Minneapolis, accompanied by a number of prominent Minnesota men, were received by Secretary Windom this afternoon. Complimentary speeches were made by Senator Washburn, Representative Lind, and others. Secretary Windom, in a few appropriate words, acknowledged the honor conferred upon him, and the reception ended amid much enthusiasm.

INAUGURATION CELEBRATOR KILLED.

Cairo Ill. dispatch: Charles Wiel was instantly killed and George Schock was dangerously wounded yesterday at Galion, a small river town near here.

These men, with several others, were firing a canon in honor of President Harrison's inauguration, when the cannon was discharged prematurely with fatal result.

THE CABINET QUESTION FULLY SETTLED.

President Harrison Sends His First Message to the Senate.

President Harrison on the 5th sent to the senate the following nominations and they were confirmed:

Secretary of State—James G. Blaine, of Maine.

Secretary of the Treasury—William Windom, of Minnesota.

Secretary of War—Redfield Proctor, of Vermont.

Secretary of the Navy—Benjamin F. Tracy, of New York.