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An Explanation.

We regret that at a late hour in the morning the Council Bluffs report had not reached this office. It has doubtless been misarranged. An attempt to communicate with The Bee office in Council Bluffs by telephone was also unsuccessful. Hence THE BEE is obliged to tender this apology to its readers for the absence of the usual Council Bluffs department.

MINOR MENTIONS.

Iowa Wyoming Coal handled only by W. Rodefer, No. 26 Pearl St. F1117
Some fine Norman and Clydesdale tallions for sale, at brick barn, opposite Ogden house. It

The Iowa Capital.

Special dispatch to THE BEE.
Des Moines, March 7.—Republicans are celebrating the victory of the election of Capt. P. V. Cary mayor yesterday by the largest majority ever given in the city—1,114—by firing cannon and a torchlight procession.

The senate-to-day passed the bill permanently locating the supreme court at the capital and to hold five terms a year; also adopted the amendment to the constitution for woman suffrage by a vote of 27 to 18. The resolution had already passed the house.

In the house the bill from the senate changing the name of the asylum for feeble-minded children and increasing the support fund, passed.

The bill providing for an additional circuit court in counties containing cities having a population of 20,000 passed; also the bill regulating coal mining.

National Associated Press.

Des Moines, March 7.—Returns from a large number of municipalities indicate that at the elections held yesterday the temperance element showed unexpected gains, which indicates the probable success of the prohibitory amendment at the special election to come.

IOWA ITEMS.

Vinton Baptists dedicated a neat \$9,000 church.

The Baptists of Davenport cleared \$375 by last week's fair.

Henry Ward Beecher lectures in Iowa City on March 9th.

The Iowa land league meets in state convention in Dubuque on the 17th inst.

Sioux City was roused by a thunder and lightning storm Saturday morning.

The farmers of the first district will try to organize an alliance at Burlington on the 17th inst.

The Keokuk college of physicians and surgeons has just completed its forty-seventh session.

The C. & N. W. railway company is building its Calliope branch at the rate of a mile a day toward that city.

The Southwestern Iowa creamerymen and dairymen will hold a convention at Everson's opera house, Washington, on March 22d.

Sioux City saloon keepers have gone back on mutilated coin. Half dollars with holes in them pass current at 35 cents, and smaller change in proportion.

Shenandoah felt pretty big last week and employed a man to take the census of the town. Total population, 1,984.

Oscar Wilde met with a cold reception at Dubuque on the occasion of his lecture in that city. The audience did not number over two hundred.

Atlantic is agitating the question of putting in water works. The system that they think of adopting is that known as the Holly system, which, it is claimed, will furnish the city until it has a population of 20,000.

The expenditures for the city of Clinton for the last municipal year amounted to \$32,708.82, against \$23,821.54 for the years 1/80-1. The city last year expended \$463.80 for sewers and drainage, against \$1,263.46 the year before.

At the next fair meeting of the Dubuque fair association, a purse of \$2,500 will be awarded the finest trained and best appearing military company, from any part of the country, and \$1,000 to the best corn band in the United States. The meeting begins Monday, August 28th, and continues one week. The purses referred to will doubtless be sufficient to crowd the city with militiamen and bands.

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PROHIBITION IN IOWA.

The Wrangle in the Senate Over the Amendment.

A Brief Review of Last Week's Business.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

Des Moines, March 4.—The senate has spent most of the week wrestling with the prohibition amendment to the constitution, which came up on Monday, on a joint resolution introduced by Senator Nichols, of Benton, which reads as follows:

"Whereas, Doubts have arisen as to whether such proposed amendment if adopted will prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors absolutely, or whether it will only prohibit the manufacture for sale as a beverage, or the selling or keeping for sale as a beverage, permitting the manufacture and sale for all other purposes; and

Whereas, It is desirable that when such proposed amendment is submitted to the people its construction should be as definite and certain as possible; therefore,

Be it resolved, That the proposed amendment to the constitution to be known as section 26, of article 1, is hereby construed to mean that no person shall "manufacture for sale" as a beverage; or sell or keep for sale "as a beverage" any intoxicating liquors whatever in this state including ale, wine and beer, and that it does not nor is it intended to prohibit the manufacture and sale for all other purposes."

After some discussion pro and con, it was laid over to come up Tuesday with the amendment proper, as special. On Tuesday the motion was made to consider Nichols' resolution first, and it was quite noticeable that the opposition to the amendment were decidedly in favor of Nichols' resolution, and they argued very suspiciously that it was right and proper that the senate and the people should know just what was intended by the language of the amendment before voting upon it, and it might make some difference with them, if the explanation were not given, when as a matter of fact, nothing that could have been said or done would have changed the vote which was decided more than a month ago. The friends of the amendment were suspicious of their deep interest in Nichols' amendment, and did not take much stock in it. Furthermore they did not feel that this general assembly had any power to control the acts of a previous legislature. The amendment must be taken precisely as it came from the hands of the last legislature. After four hours discussion it was decided to take up the amendment first, and then the music began. It was simply a repetition of the arguments adduced two years ago, with the politics left out. Several amendments were offered by the opponents for dilatory purposes, but were as steadily voted down, until Thursday evening, when it was adopted by a vote of 35 to 11, or eight more than it received two years ago, when the vote was 30 to 19.

The resolution of Senator Nichols was next in order, when the opposition moved to indefinitely postpone it, when Senator Nichols very adroitly asked leave to withdraw it, thus taking it out of the power of the opposition to kill it and thereby make capital out of it. The request was discussed two hours, when it was referred to the committee on constitutional amendments, where it will sleep like the Capulets. Thus has a week of valuable time been wasted on what was a foregone conclusion from the first day of the session. The house will not give half an hour to it, but will adopt it so soon as it comes up. That will end it. It will then go to the people for acceptance or rejection, at a special election to be called by the governor—when he gets ready. The opponents of the measure will attack at because of its apparent ambiguity, and many who would vote for it if assured that it absolutely applied to the sale as a beverage, will vote against it because of doubt, and it is possible this doubt will defeat it at the polls.

The senate then took up the bill providing for an increase of the state tax levy one-half mill, that there be raised money enough to pay the remainder of the war debt and complete the capitol and passed it.

For some time the firm conviction of charity disposed people of the state, that the asylum for feeble minded children has been most shabbily and ignorantly treated, and it is perhaps true also that the management has not been such as to insure the good will and confidence of the legislature, but however that may have been it was no defense for neglect of one of the most important institutions of the state. The present legislature is disposed to exercise a just appreciation of its worth. On Friday the senate passed a bill appropriating to it \$11,000 and increasing its support fund to \$10 per month. This is really generous treatment. There has been for some time an antipathy against the name of the institution. Many did not like the title "asylum," and in deference to this the senate changed the name to "institution," which more nearly indicates the nature of the institution, which is really a boarding school.

The house on Thursday fought the Mexican war all over again, on a joint resolution instructing Iowa congressmen to vote for a law placing all survivors of that war on the pension list. Bosworth, of Kingold, tacked on an amendment excluding all who served in the confederate army, and then the music began at a lively rate. Nearly two sessions were given to the matter, when Bosworth's amendment was adopted by a large majority, and the resolution was then accepted.

Charley Aldrich's anti-railroad pass bill came up in the house on Friday, when Charley delivered himself of a terribly long speech from the pages of a pamphlet which he had had printed for general circulation, and at adjournment, the bill was not reached. There is a growing sentiment among legislators that Charley is not so much interested in reforming a basis of the pass system, and purifying the state official from all semblance of corruption, as he is in enhancing his chances for political preferment up in his congressional district, and this will doubtless result disastrously to his anti-pass bill.

The bill providing for a gold medal valued at not less than \$150 to be presented to Miss Kate Shelley, the girl who saved such heroic efforts that she saved an express passenger train on the Chicago & Northwestern road from wreck during the big storm on the night of the 6th of last July, has passed both houses, with but one dissenting vote, and that in the house. It is to be presented by Holmes, of Boone, on the part of the house, and Gillette on the part of the senate, as a tribute from the legislature of appreciation of her heroism.

There are indications that the legislature will adjourn about the 20th inst. Farmers will get uneasy when the time to start the plow comes, and the crops are vastly more important in their views than making laws. Like old Gideon Bailey, who came up here from Van Buren county in early days, they will rise up in a hurry some day and want to go home, and they will go. Bailey served four sessions in the senate. He never made a speech in all that time until one day about the 23d of August, 1858, he arose and said:

MR. PRESIDENT—The sap has begun to drop; I move we adjourn to our farms.

The motion carried, and the senate adjourned to the farms.

The sap has begun to "drop," so you may expect an exit soon, and with it will go into oblivion nearly five hundred bills. But little of importance remains to be done except pass the appropriation bills and the senatorial, congressional and representative apportionment bills. There are at least a score of congressional district bills, and there will be some time required to perfect one. It is pretty certain the successful one will be so arranged that a democratic majority in any district will be nearly impossible. The greenbacker next in Kason's district will doubtless be broken up.

There is considerable angling going on just now for Mark Woodruff's place on the board of railroad commissioners. His term expires April 2, and he is not in favor with the appointing power. I learn that Austin, of Marshall; Kellogg, of Decatur; Jim Wilson, of Tama; Gilbert of Floyd; Jenkins, of Clinton; and Williams of Dubuque, are named. The farmers would like to see Tama Jim get it, as they feel that they should be represented on the board. It is probable the northeast will get it, but who the man will be is past finding out. The governor keeps a close mouth.

FLORIDA ALLIGATORS.

Their Food, Their Habits, and Their Commercial Value.

Buffalo Courier.
The alligators are mostly of the thread-eyed species, which are noted for their size and ferocity, and, when met on land, are not much disposed to turn out of their course for anything, so that not many people care to meet them in their rambles. An immense fellow, who lay about two hundred feet from the shore, showed us to paddle within one hundred feet of him, so that I had a view of his vicious eyes and general ugliness. It was fully two feet from his nostrils to his eyes, and he must have been nearly or quite twelve feet long. As we approached nearer he settled slowly out of sight, sinking so easily as not to cause a ripple upon the almost glassy surface of the waters, as he disappeared. It seems that these strange creatures are almost as much at home on land as in the water, and, contrary to my previous understanding of their habits, they are frequently found a mile from any body of water, especially at night, when they wander about from one pond or lake to another. They are very destructive of stock, and are especially fond of hogs, and, as all stock runs at large in this country, they catch great numbers of them. Calves and yearlings are also a favorite diet of these monsters, and are frequently pulled into the lake by them and devoured.

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Notice.
Owing to the immense success of the new Gelatine Bromide Instantaneous Process at the Excelsior Gallery, Fifth street, Council Bluffs, the proprietor desires those wishing Children's pictures to call between the hours of 10 and 12 o'clock a. m., so owing to the Press of business such arrangement is necessary to avoid delay. J. BARKE, Proprietor

shoulder, causing the animal to retreat into the bushes, and he was found next morning on the shore of the lake stiff and dead. He measured fifteen feet in length.

Alligators are being hunted very extensively of late for their teeth and hides. Their teeth are mounted with gold and made into ear-rings, necklaces, watch-chains, etc., and are worth from \$1 to \$5 per pound. The hides are worth from \$1 to \$1.50 each, green. Over four-hundred have been killed in Lechloosa lake alone. Fire hunting at night is the most successful mode of capturing them, if not the safest. Two men and a boat are required. One paddles, while the other has an immense bull's-eye lantern fastened on top of his head, the light of which attracts the 'gators to the surface and blinds them so that the boat can be run right against them. Then the man with the light thrusts the muzzle of a heavy caliber rifle within six inches of the creature's head and fires, immediately proceeding to haul him aboard, to which effort the 'gator lends what strength he has left; his great desire on being mortally hurt is to get out of the water. And if he once feels the boat after being shot, he will attempt to climb in himself if not entirely dead. A fire hunter told me that he met on the surface of the lake yesterday, told me that he had seen as many as eight 'gators at one time during one of these night hunts, and that he could hear and feel their noses "plump" against his boat as they swam rapidly toward the light, their eyes being too much dazzled to distinguish the boat until they ran against it. On coming so abruptly in contact with the boat's sides they would back off a little distance to investigate.

Bows and Arrows.
We are glad to observe that an interesting letter from Gen. M. C. Meigs on the question of fire escapes, which we printed last week, is attracting well deserved attention. The fact that so distinguished a soldier and student as Gen. Meigs should give the people the benefit of his experience is gratifying. The General the other day discussed the various substances used for building purposes, and expressed the opinion that nothing in the long run, would be as satisfactory for fireproof as brick. He now takes up another suggestion in favor of fire engines and hose carriages carrying rope ladders and bows and arrows. "Busy business men," says the General, "look upon this as childish. They remember only the bow and arrow of their childish sports and do not give the subject a second thought." The General goes on to say that the bow was once a powerful weapon and its power is as great now as when, "in the hands of a King David, or King Nebuchadnezzar, or Sesostris, or Cambyses and their soldiers it decided the fate of kingdoms." The General tells us that he has thrown an arrow from a fifty pound bow over the Washington Monument, and he believes a fifty pound bow, which is in common use by our archery clubs, would shoot an arrow into the highest window in New York and carry with it a light, strong fishing line, which would suffice to haul up a knotted rope of sufficient strength to bear the weight of two or three persons. He therefore suggests that it would be economy and wisdom to provide every carriage of the Fire Department with a coil of fishing line, a hickory or lance wood bow of fifty pounds, half a dozen blunt arrows and a knotted rope, a hundred feet in length, with a stout iron hook at one end. The cost of this is a trifle and the suggestion is worthy of consideration. "It is," says the General, "the life saving apparatus of our coast guard on a smaller scale. That throws a shell across a ship, this an arrow over a house, and many more lives are imperiled yearly in burning houses than in wrecked ships."

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