

LINCOLN.

Lincoln Legislative Wisdom Drawing to a Close.

More of the Important Bills Introduced in the House.

Caucus-Holding is Now the Favorite Pastime.

The Railroad Lobby is in Stronger Force Than Ever.

And the Buttonholing Business is Extensively Carried On.

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MORE BILLS.

DRAWING TO A CLOSE. Special Correspondence of the DEB.

LINCOLN, Neb., February 16.—Following is an outline of some of the more important bills recently introduced in the house:

House, 204—Emerson, Providing that the medical faculty of the university should appoint three competent persons to examine all persons who desire to commence or continue the retail drug business.

House, 352—Winters, Amending the Slouching law without changing the amount of license.

House, 357—Keble, Regulating granting of license in counties and towns under township organization, none to issue for less than \$300 per annum.

MECHANICS' LIENS AND EXEMPTIONS. House, 359—Sterling, Regulating liens for labor performed and in detail furnished.

House, 358—Whitmore, Exempting wages of heads of families from execution or garnishment to the amount of twenty days' wages.

STATE INSTITUTIONS. House, 366—Callahan, To establish a state board of charities, composed of seven members appointed by the governor.

House, 360—Poynter, Establishing a normal school north of the Platte and west of the sixth principal meridian; competition for location open to all towns in the district, bids to be not less than \$7000 in cash and ground for a site to be held with consideration of public lands on or before July 1 next.

House, 375—Poynter, Establishing a normal school at Albion, providing the town do not donate ten acres of land and \$8,000, limiting the cost to \$10,000 and appropriating \$5,000 therefor.

House, 376—Osgood, Establishing a state normal school at North Platte, providing the town donate ten acres of land and \$10,000, and appropriating \$3,000 therefor.

House, 381—Russell, Providing for an assistant school superintendent in counties with a school population of 3,000, exclusive of cities and towns with a population of 500 or more; salary, \$1,000 a year.

House, 378—Laird, Providing section five of the act governing township organization.

House, 346—Barney, Authorizing counties to charge toll on bridges, 40 cents per horse and wagon, 10 cents per horse and wagon, 25 cents each horse, mule, donkey, cow, ox or bull, 3 cents; other domestic animal on foot, 3 cents; no charge for humans.

House, 369—Dempster, Regulating duplicate receipts issued by county treasurers.

House, 375—Leisler, That the road supervisors shall notify occupants of land adjoining public highways to cut weeds thereon between 1st and 15th of August.

House, 374—Munn, Providing that two-thirds of the qualified voters of a school district shall have power to select sites for a school house.

House, 365—Walt, Providing tax receipts shall be numbered consecutively each year and prohibiting receipting of more than one year's taxes in one receipt.

House, 363—Newcomer, Providing for examination of parties to a suit, to compel attendance and punish for failure to attend.

House, 368—Kasley, Regulating grant of changes of venue and venue cases.

House, 348—Varny, Revising granting of changes of venue in felony cases.

House, 354—Holt, Joint resolution relative to drawing state's quota of army and navy men for militia from United States government.

House, 359—Taylor, Appropriating \$5,000 for payment of interest on construction of wild animals up to date.

House, 355—Hockell, Appropriating \$808.78 to reimburse Had Wood county for expense incurred in raising Clinton Hill.

House, 349—Bullington, Legalizing the election of certain officers in the city of Wyoming.

House, 375—Leisler, Providing for the burial of diseased animals within twenty-four hours after their death, and defining the word hog.

Special telegram to THE DEB. LINCOLN, February 16.—Caucus holding is the favorite pastime to night. The railroad lobby is here in force stronger than ever. Neither side of the senate claims to have plans laid for any further railroad warfare, but the senators who refused to vote on Saturday ex-

pect to record their vote to-morrow. Railroad men are button-holing members on every side, and consultations are numerous. Boss Stout is having mad over the exposure in today's issue.

The Kearnay reform school lobby is now working a peculiar game, promising their support of appropriations for the various proposed asylums named, a normal school, etc., in exchange for a game of "you tickle me and I'll tickle you."

The Flight Into Market. OMAHA, February 16.—The Inter-Ocean's Flight, Ill., says: "The sales of butter and cheese on the board of trade were very light today on account of the storm. Butter is dull and lower at 30 cents. No cheese was sold on the regular board. There were a few private sales at 3 cents for hard skins. Private sales of butter aggregated 1,900 pounds."

Capt. Hargrave Gets a Pension Contrary to Law. WASHINGTON, February 16.—Capt. William Hargrave, of Gen. Sherman's staff, who on July 4th, 1865, was precipitated down an embankment in an ambulance drawn by an unmanageable team, thereby receiving injuries resulting in disability, and who applied for a pension has been granted one by the secretary of the interior, contrary to the decision of the pension bureau. Hargrave's injury was received while on his way to a 4th of July celebration and the pension bureau decided that the officer was not on duty.

Representative Downs, of Illinois is Not Wavering. CHICAGO, February 16.—In connection with the charges made in the Chicago papers this morning that representative Downs is wavering and was going to the ranks of Logan, Col. Dowdall, who was in the city today submitted the following: No delegation of Peoria democrats went to Springfield to stiffen the spinal column of Representative Downs. None was reached. Representative Downs is as true to the democracy as the needle is to the pole. He is for Morrison and will stand by him to the end. If the members meet again in caucus and officially decide to vote for another for senator, then John Downs will go with his party. Until then he is for Morrison.

The Q. Road Has a Smash-up at Downer's Grove. CHICAGO, February 16.—The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy passenger train, due here at 7 o'clock this morning, reached the suburb of Downer's grove eight hours late, and was going at full speed. A misplaced switch sent it upon the sidetrack, where it struck a switch engine. The two engines of the passenger train and the switch engine were nearly demolished. The fireman, Jacob Gardner, had his leg broken. No one else hurt.

Must Keep a Record. CHICAGO, February 16.—The Daily News Springfield, Ill., special says: In the senate today a resolution of inquiry was introduced, stating that the children of the Soldiers' Orphan Home, a Normal, are being sent away and no trace kept of them; one child, it is stated, was found after a long search, and was working on a plantation in Florida.

Steamers Ice Locked. CHICAGO, February 16.—Daily News, Grand Haven, Michigan, says: No word has been received from the missing propeller, Michigan, which has been out an entire week with a crew of 24 on board. She has provisions enough for three months, and the crew will starve if the vessel is not released from ice locked, but the fear is that she has gone down in the recent gales.

The Supposititious Cabinet. ALBANY, February 16.—Some people here this evening who profess to know declare up to this time that President elect Cleveland had not made a definite selection of any single member of his cabinet, while others insist that Cleveland has already given the appointment of secretary of state to Senator Bayard.

A prominent democrat here tonight predicts the following as the names of Cleveland's cabinet: Secretary of State, Bayard; Secretary of the Treasury, Manning; Secretary of the Interior, McDonald; Secretary of the Navy, Sherman; Secretary of War, Thurman; Chief Justice, Brandeis; Vice President, Thurman. Senator Thurman is expected in Albany to-night, but it is supposed he was detained by the storm.

Vice-President-elect Hendricks Eats a Real Chinese Meal. INDIANAPOLIS, February 16.—The Chinese residents of Indianapolis wound up their New Year's festivities on a more elaborate scale than usual this year, with an extended banquet to-night, for which they provided the feast largely from products of their native land.

Picked Up at Sea. NEW YORK, February 16.—The bark Lillian M. Vignes, from London, arrived here today. She reports that on January 25, she fell in with an open boat containing Capt. Larson, the second mate and two seamen of the bark Alfred, from Pensacola, January 1, for Liverpool, with a cargo of lumber. The men were in an exhausted condition. She took them on board and brought them to this port. Capt. Larson reports, "I was in the open boat preparing to take the remainder of the crew from their sinking ship when the gale and the sea rolled them off and we were compelled to abandon the remaining eight men of my crew."

Boiler Explosion. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., February 16.—A boiler exploded this morning at the east co-operative coal shaft with great force, killing Alderman Daughton and severely injuring John Landigan.

A \$107,000 Fire. COLUMBUS, Ga., February 16.—A special to the Enterprise-Sun from Atlanta, Ala., says that a fire yesterday morning destroyed \$107,000 worth of property; total insurance \$80,000.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The Indians in Montana Suffering from Exposure and Starvation.

The Retirement of Gen. Grant Discussed in the Senate.

Dr. Miller's Prospects Good for the Postmaster Generalship.

\$200,000 Appropriation for the Army Medical Library.

The Senate Takes Up the Oklahoma Land Question.

Capt. Wm. Hargrave Gets a Pension Contrary to the Decision of the Pension Bureau.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, February 16.—The post-office appropriation bill was laid before the senate and referred.

Merrill reported favorably the bill authorizing erecting the public buildings at Keokuk, Calendar, the bill, to quiet the titles of settlers on the Des Moines river lands, was laid before the senate as unfinished business. Lapham having the floor.

Sherman said it was interfering with other more important matters, and he moved to lay it on the table.

Allison said this bill was as important as any other measure before the senate.

Plumb thought it would take no more time to pass the passage of the bill than to lay it on the table. Sherman's motion was defeated, 17 to 23. It was then agreed to lay the bill temporarily aside in order that the senate might proceed with the consideration of the Indian appropriation bill.

Sherman said the chair whether the Des Moines bill would still continue as unfinished business during the morning hour. The chair replied affirmatively.

Sherman—"Then no business can be done in this senate except that from the appropriation committee and the Des Moines bill."

Allison—"Until it is disposed of."

Sherman—"Then we may as well take it up and take it easy for the rest of the session. I don't think that it will do to play legislation."

The consideration of the appropriation bill was then proceeded with.

Vest read a letter from the governor of Montana, saying that notwithstanding the relief offered by the government, the Indians in many parts of Montana were suffering extremely from exposure and starvation.

Vest made a long speech, pleading for more official aid for them.

Dawes, in the speech, supported the bill. After a further debate Vest's amendment to increase the emergency fund to \$50,000 was agreed to.

The foreign contract labor bill was then placed before the senate, but was laid aside to continue the consideration of the Indian appropriation bill.

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The provision was struck out.

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and pass the senate bill for the retirement of General Grant. This is the first bill passed by the senate, and specifically names the officer to be retired. Mr. Grant, of Ohio, demanded a second time the motion to suspend the rules. Seconded, 110 to 72. The thirty-minute debate allowed under the rules was opened by St. Louis in behalf of the bill. This bill, he said, proposed to place the general in the same position he would have occupied had he not, according to the will of the people of the country accepted the office of chief magistrate. The government has, however, done anything for General Grant, beyond paying him the salary to which he was entitled by law. The motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill was lost by a vote of 158 to 103. Not required a two-thirds in the affirmative.

Money from the committee on post-offices and post roads, moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill to regulate the letting of mail contracts.

Dingley and Blount advocated the bill on the ground that it would prevent a repetition of the Grant retirement bill, which was passed by the committee on naval and Indian affairs to secure a night session for the consideration of the measure reported by them with a cable.

The bill appropriating \$200,000 for the erection in Washington of a building for the library of the medical department of the United States army passed under suspension of the rules.

Committee of the whole adjourned.

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WASHINGTON, February 16.—At a meeting of the house committee on appropriations to-night Randall's proposition to increase the navy was adopted with amendments. The amendments provide that the board to consider the designs shall consist of three civilians, one line officer above the rank of captain, a naval constructor, a naval engineer and the secretary of the navy; that awards for the design of vessels shall be limited to ten thousand and five thousand; that there shall be but four different kinds of vessels and that the report of the board shall be submitted to the president before the first Monday in December, and he in turn shall transmit it to congress. The naval appropriation bill will be completed in the morning and reported to the house.

The resignation of Astor, the American Minister to Rome, has been accepted by President Arthur, and will take effect on March 15. The state department has confirmed both the report of Astor's resignation and its acceptance.

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Considerable progress was made in reading the bill when the committee rose, and the session of Monday began.

Resagan offered a resolution requesting the secretary of the treasury to forward the information in regard to the range and ranch of the cattle traffic of the western states. Referred to the senate.

Amendments to the army appropriation bill were now considered by the conference committee.

The house committee on elections to-day considered the election case of McLean (rep. v. Broadhead) elect of Missouri, and decided to report in favor of the latter.

The case of Frederick vs. Wilson of Iowa, will be considered on Wednesday.

The house proceeded to the consideration of business under special rules.

Slocum, under instructions from the military committee, moved to suspend the rules

FOREIGN EVENTS.

Gen. Wolsey Will Accept of a Canadian Regiment.

Unpleasant Labor Demonstrations Happen in Downing Street.

Russia Orders 4,000 Krupp's to Fortify Central Asia.

The Announcement Creates a Sensation in England.

Massacre of the Turkish Outposts by the Arabs.

The French and the Chinese Have a Scrimmage on the Sea.

FOREIGN NEWS.

GERMANY'S DUTY ON WHEAT. BERLIN, February 16.—During a debate in the Reichstag to-day on the subject of increasing the duty on cereals, Bismarck said that the majority of the members of the Reichstag approved of the duty of three marks on wheat.

BERLIN, February 16.—The Reichstag to-day voted to raise the duties on rice and wheat to 2 marks. The increase was opposed by the New German liberals and socialists and supported by the conservatives, imperialists and national liberals.

UNPLEASANT DEMONSTRATIONS IN DOWNING STREET. LONDON, February 16.—A deputation of workmen escorted by a procession of 3,000 unemployed laborers, accompanied by bands and carrying banners, marched to the office of the local government board to-day. Arrived the deputation entered and demanded the distribution of the public works.

The officials in charge of the board rooms somewhat dismayed by the demonstration, but politely informed the deputation that no official answers to the demand could at that time be given, because Sir Charles Dilke, the president of the board, was away, and during his absence nothing could be done.

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Mrs. Dudley Admitted to Bail. NEW YORK, February 16.—Mrs. Dudley was arranged to-day at the Yorkville police court. Her name was not present. Mrs. Dudley testified that she shot Rosa for the purpose of killing him because he was an enemy to her country. Justice Patterson consented to fix the bail for the prisoners' appearance before the grand jury at \$5,000.

Dynamite Lobbey. NEW YORK, February 16.—Eight cases of dynamite were stolen from the magazine of the American Dynamite company in West Chester county. Every effort is being made to locate it, as the dynamite is not a marketable product. The thieves are believed to be connected with the southern and other organizations of dynamiters. On the night of the robbery four men were seen rowing across the sound from Baychester to the Long Island shore. It is reported this morning that two English detectives are giving their attention to the case.

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