

THEY LACKED MORALE COURAGE

The House Defeats the Bill to Provide Clerks for Members.

A Great Deal of Interest Manifested in Washington over the Indiana Senatorship—Edmunds Expresses an Opinion.

Afraid to Place Themselves on Record WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—A magnificent opportunity for courageous and manly action was afforded members of the house after noon when the bill providing for clerks to members not chairmen of committees was called up. It is safe to say that nine-tenths of the house, if left to act free, would support this measure. It is what the house, in private consultation, has been howling for more than ten years. The members have been groaning under a burden of salaries to secretaries and the outlay for postage, etc., for years, and declaring that if the opportunity was presented they would favor a measure of relief. But by a vote of 141 to 105 the house refused to consider the bill this afternoon and if on the table. Those who were rejected last fall are claiming to-night that the votes of the defeated or retiring members killed the bill, but that will not hold good. It was lack of courage that did it.

MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED.

A German Farmer Wanders Away from His Home in Canada. His Last Seen in the Township of St. James, Ontario, Jan. 30.

Big Whisky Raid.

The Indiana Middle.

Asphyxiated By Gas.

Iowa's Oratorical Contest.

A Wagon Bridge at Clinton.

The Illinois Legislature.

A Discharged Clerk Suits.

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A Measure Introduced in the Senate to Purchase It and Ten More.

The Railway Attorney Bill.

Events Makes a Long Speech in Opposition to Its Passage—Pneumonia Discussed in the House.

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