

NEBRASKA OIL INSPECTION

How the Law is Ignored and Rendered Almost Inoperative.

BRIEF HISTORY OF OIL LEGISLATION.

What the Bill Proposes to Show Concerning This Fee-Collecting Farce and the Men Who Profit by It.

In the year 1885 the legislature of Nebraska enacted a law regulating the sale of illuminating oils, which went into effect May 1 of that year.

The provisions of this law governed the sale of oil in any quantity less than that of a barrel as well as barrels or tank loads.

Sustaining Damages. Under this law, if any person sustained damage either to his property or injury to his person by failure on the part of a vendor of oil to comply with the requirements of the law, the latter was held responsible to the former for the damage sustained.

No Respect for the Law. This statute, with understanding that it contained some good features, was a dead letter. It was flagrantly violated. None of the wholesale dealers made any pretense of complying with it.

Wanted Another Law. Nevertheless the people clamored for a law which would be more effective than the one which was then in force.

Emoluments of Inspectors. The state inspector must give a bond for \$3,000 for the faithful performance of his duties. A similar penalty is also placed at \$3,000. These officers are entitled to receive 10 cents per barrel for every barrel inspected.

Some of the Penalties. A person who shall sell illuminating oil before the same is inspected, shall be fined not exceeding \$500.

Monopoly Steals It. The Consolidated Tank Line company saw that the people were aroused and knew that they would no longer stand the unmitigated fraud which had been perpetrated upon them.

Test Was Too High. While the measure was before the legislature an effort was made to have the minimum test established at 105°.

ARGUING WITH MUCH FORCE.

Omaha's Contingent at Washington on the Alert for Points.

NEW YORK CAN'T GET THE CONVENTION.

Competing Cities West of the Mississippi Prepared to Resist all Efforts to Ignore that Great Region.

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HARPIES OF THE BATTLE FIELD

Sickening Stories of Chilian Ferocity—Even the Dead Mutilated.

SACRIFICES OF AN AMERICAN GIRL.

Foreigners Care for the Dead and Dying Chilian Soldiers Left a Prey to Vultures by Their Comrades—Horrible Details.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Some interesting details in regard to the course of events in Chile immediately following the battle which placed the opposition in possession of the city of Valparaiso, as well as on some points relating to the troublesome times preceding the junta's victory, is contained in a private letter recently received here from a young American girl who has been living in Valparaiso and Santiago.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—[Special Telegram to THE BEER.]—Senator W. O. Schmidt of DeKalb county, Ill., who will probably be chairman of the state senate committee on education, was interviewed here today and declared positively against any compromise with the anti-prohibition republicans for the repeal of the prohibition law.

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