LEGISLATIVE TOPICS.

Lively Parliamentary Sparring in the Senate Yesterday in Which Fisher Gets a Dose.

Representative Penrose States His Views in a Series of Pointed Sentences.

The Democratic Senators Gain Their Point That Yesterday's Proceedings Must Be Recorded.

The senate met at 10 o'clock yesterday morning with all present except Senators Brown and McNamara, who are still paired, and Senator Baker. After roll call Chaplain Berry offered a prayer in which the Almighty was invoked several times to send wisdom to the senate. The chaplain, who is a pleasant gentleman, with an English appearance, remained in his chair during the proceedings. While there was no business of any importance before the senate something over an hour was consumed in a discussion that grew quite warm at times. Senator Fisher, whose name for nerve leads all the rest made himself as prominent as usual. He was, however, sat down upon by Senator Hennessy for the first time. He had less to say after that, though his undoubted assurance will bring him to the surface again to-morrow. It is somewhat remarkable that the least brainy of the republican senators should do all the talking for his side. The reason for this is the hesitation with which many of the republican senators went into yesterday's proceedings. The vigorous use of the party whip drove them to the work and as a consequence they are very reluctant to show an aggressive front.

After the minutes had been read Senator Thornton asked that the request of the democratic senators for the ayes and noes be entered on the journal. He said that the vice president had ruled against the constitution and that he wished to have on the journal everything that had been done on the previous day. Speaking for the democratic senators he said our rights had not only been infringed on but overridden. The lieutenant governor said: "I have no objection to the entire proceedings of yesterday going down on the minutes. Senator Hedges managed in some way to get a word in ahead of Fisher. He thought it ought not to be insisted that all the proceedings be spread upon the minutes. He illustrated his point by saying that the reference in the debate to an article in the North American review should not be mentioned in the record of the previous day's proceedings. Parberry said that no quorum was present and the fire-eater pointed his finger to the other side of the room and in a shrill tone asked do you deny that a quorum was present? His mind had failed to grasp the senator's meaning that the record of the vote showed that the resolution had not been carried by a quorum. Senator Parberry read from the constitution and showed that the senate had been organized without a quorum. He thought the minutes ought to show how the vote stood for each candidate. Senator Hennessy said: "I think Senator Thornton has a perfect right to insist on that the ayes and noes were called for and that they should be recorded. We must take your ruling as a deliberate violation of the constitution. The lieutenant-governor said, "do you mean that I used the ruling for partisan purposes?" to which Hennessy replied: "I do not say that, but it has that appearance." Thornton said, "I desire to have placed in indelible writing upon the minutes, the record of yesterday's proceedings. You can not by any rule prove that a quorum voted. I maintain that when we have a constitution it should not be lightly pushed aside. There is no question on earth but what the constitution was overridden. The Jefferson county senator then hammered forth a general tirade against the democratic senators repeating his drivel of the day before about the neglect of the senators to vote. He was finally closed up by Senator Hennessy, who said that while the senator might consider himself a very capable adviser for the democratic party, his advice was not wanted. The democratic senators had acted under the ruling of Mr. Blaine, a much higher authority than the senator from Jefferson. He objected to Fisher's lecture. Senator Hoffman said: "I believe the idea of the journal is to show just what was done. The record should show how many votes each officer received." The discussion was finally finished by the lieutenant-governor directing the secretary of the senate to record the facts that request for the ayes and nayes had been made and also to record the vote for each officer. A memorial from the legislature of Washington was then read. It asked for assistance in inducing congress to pass laws to prevent individual or corporations from acquiring possession of lands granted to the new state for school purposes. On motion of Hedges the memorial was laid on the table. The following communication was read to the senate.

To the president and members of the senate: We, a committee of the house of representatives, beg leave to inform your honorable body that the first house of representatives of the state of Montana, is duly organized by the election of the following officers, where follows a list of them. The communication was signed by Messrs Loud, Thompson and Hastie. Another communication was to the effect that Messrs. Goodman, Wing and Harlan had been appointed a committee to act with a like committee from the senate to wait upon the governor. Upon motion of Hedges the senate adjourned until 10 a. m. to-morrow.

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Several Bills Introduced and Other Business Transacted.

There was an informality in some of the speeches in the house of representatives yesterday that gave added interest to the proceeding. There was some very plain talk on certain subjects. More business than usual was done. There was no quorum present at the opening session in the morning. After a recess of fifteen minutes, a quorum being found, Mr. Hunter, chairman of the committee on towns, counties and highways, made the following report: Your committee having had under consideration that portion of the governor's message directing the attention of the legislative assembly to needed legislation with reference to fees of county officers, ask leave to submit the following report: Whereas, Page 153, Sec. 16 of the laws of the Sixteenth legislative assembly of the territory provides that a full and complete statement of all fees and emoluments of whatever kind and character received by the several county officers shall be filed quarterly; and, whereas, such information is necessary as is contained in said quarterly statements, in order that a bill be drafted which shall do justice alike to the officers and taxpayers. Be it resolved that the several county clerks of this state be requested to furnish a full and complete statement to this house of all fees and emoluments paid to the several county officers for the last year as shown by the files in their offices, either as accounts allowed against the county or statements filed of fees collected in criminal and civil cases as required by law as cited above.

On motion of Beach the report was adopted. The report of the sergeant-at-arms was received, adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes. Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Toole for two days. A recess was then taken until 2 p. m.

At the afternoon session Mr. Wallace introduced house bill No. 1, entitled: an act to provide an index to the district court records. It was read to the house and ordered referred to the committee on printing. Mr. Breen gave notice that at the next session he would introduce an act for the protection of discharged employes and to prevent black-listing. Mr. Whaley gave notice of his intention to introduce an amendment to the act to provide printed ballots at public expense and to regulate voting. Mr. Comly moved that the amendment to rules as reported by the committee be adopted. Some discussion followed as to the time of adjournment. Mr. Penrose suggested that it might be well to take a recess before adjourning as he had been informed that the governor was about to send a communication to the house of representatives. In the course of his remarks Mr. Penrose said: "The republican members of the senate have departed from everything that tends to promote harmony. The lieutenant-governor from whom better things were expected has made a commencement of what we might call anarchy. If our governor would carry on matters as Rickards has done he would he would order out the militia and drive all the republicans out of town. The governor probably looks upon the matter as Blaine did upon Russell Harrison's visit to England. When he arrived there, Bob Lincoln telegraphed to Blaine: A jackass is here: what will I do with him? Blaine answered: Give him enough rope and he will hang himself. I suppose Governor Toole thinks the republicans will hang themselves if they can have enough rope. Now, I think, out of deference to the governor, we should wait fifteen minutes and find if it is necessary that his communication should be presented to-morrow morning. After a recess of fifteen minutes the speaker announced that the committee of state boards and offices would be made up of Messrs. Burns, Frank, McKiwee, Woodson, Hughes, Higgins and Breen, and Messrs. Comly, Barrows and Penrose as a committee on rules.

It was reported to the house that the reception of the governor's communication could be conveniently delayed until Monday.

Mr. Penrose then said: "During the recess a republican said to me, 'such talk as your's contained more anarchy than the lieutenant governor's action.' I consider that the democratic members of the house of representatives have the right to indulge in such talk. We are right and it is our duty to say so. If any man can prove to me that five illegal votes were cast in the tunnel precinct of Silver Bow, I will walk out of this house. If we had followed the examples of the republican psalm-singers and goody-goodys, the streets of Helena would be running with blood."

Mr. Hollywood arose and spoke of the importance of transacting business during the coming week.

Upon motion of Mr. Frank the house then adjourned until 2 p. m. Monday.

THE RUMP HOUSE.

Some Business Done by the Rumpers—Senatorial Gossip.

Business in the rump house on Main street has grown quite brisk since the establishment of communication with the senate in the manner set forth in THE INDEPENDENT of yesterday. The desks which formerly looked so bare are now littered with papers, and the members are seen to be busily engaged whenever in their places.

When it became known that the rumps had managed to join hands with their brethren in the senate chamber the rumors on the street came flying thick and fast about the probable candidates for United States senators. The two seats reserved in the senate chamber at Washington remaining unoccupied have spurred them on until it is safe to say that but for the federal limitation they would have taken a ballot yesterday. They were in caucus in the front committee room from 4 until about 6 yesterday afternoon. Dogberry Carpenter and the Warhorse were on the street within easy hailing distance of the Granite block but were not hastily summoned to the council or the second floor. That the senatorial question is commencing to be agitated in good earnest is made more apparent by the arrival of Lee Mantle from the west side yesterday. His friend, Capt. Wyman of Butte, who was sergeant-at-arms of the legislative council last winter, said of Mantle, "that nothing short of a United States senatorship would suit Lee." Sanders has a lot of admirers but it is not known how much strength he has since he stated his position on the mineral land question. Dogberry maintains a discreet silence on the subject. If he is doing anything, he is making a still hunt. One good republican said the other day that Hershfield was out of the race. But there is no doubt he would receive one or two complimentary votes on the first ballot. Seligman, of course, will receive a like "vote of thanks" for the part he has played. The commodore who fell outside the breastworks last October will come in for some share.

No attempt to do anything of the kind, however, was made yesterday while the rumps were in session. It was about fifteen minutes after the time for meeting (11 o'clock) while Seligman was cheek by jowl with Loud yesterday morning that the joint committee to visit the governor came from the committee room and Witter went up to his desk and called the house to order. The sergeant-at-arms of the senate was waiting at the rail. Just as soon as they could get to it they listened to the communication he had brought, which was a notification of the drawing for the long and short term senators. The clerk read the report of the committee appointed to inform the senate that the rump house had organized and that the fact of organization had been spread on the journal of the senate.

The select committee which have been considering the joint memorial in regard to mineral lands offered a substitute, which was ordered printed. It is to the effect that congress should take such immediate action as shall forever prevent the issuance to the Northern Pacific railroad company of any mountainous mineral lands except coal and iron.

The governor was next heard from in an indirect way.

The committee said that his excellency had been waited on, but had nothing to communicate.

The brutal prize-fight or slugging-match which occurred near Butte lately has aroused a good deal of indignation. So up bobbed Bray with a notice of a bill to prevent prize-fighting.

In order that the supreme court may go on smoothly and have a clerk, Norton gave notice of a bill to make the office a salaried one, and providing for the payment of the fees of the office into the state treasury.

Roberts was the champion of the rights of married woman in the legislature last winter, but Bray stole a march on him and introduced a bill yesterday to enable them to carry on business in their own names as sole traders. The bill fixing the terms of the supreme court then went through with a whoop.

Lieut.-Gov. Rickards came in just as a recess was taken until 2 p. m.

They met again after recess and adjourned so quick till 10 o'clock this morning that Roberts couldn't get a chance to ask for a leave of absence to present this morning in the district court, where his suit comes up at 10.

POLITICAL GOSSIP.

Here is a good story on a Butte politician and legislator. He is known to be a particular friend of Tom Couch and a strong advocate of that gentleman's election to a United States senatorship. The other evening another Butte politician who is looking after Lee Mantle's interests met Couch's friend in the lobby of the Cosmopolitan hotel. In the course of the conversation Mantle's merits as a statesman and citizen came under discussion. The Mantle man said: "Now I can't understand your opposition to Lee. You know he is one of the ablest men in the country and the peer of any man in public life to-day. Why don't you fall in line and support him?" "Of course I understand that," said Couch's man. "He is one of me best friends, don't you know. There haint no better man in public life than Lee," and hen he went into an eloquent eulogy of the Butte candidate. This went on until Mantle's man interrupted by remarking "of course I understand this talk of yours and I also underscand the relative positions between you and Mantle"—"What's that?" yelled the other, "that man hain't no relation of mine and don't you"—just then the ceiling fell down interrupting the conversation.

A few weeks ago a well-known correspondent of the Chicago Herald came to town to write up the political situation. One of the letters to his paper aroused the wrath of Tom Power, who met the correspondent on the street one day and ordered him out of town. Pending the arrival of a metallic coffin from Chicago the newspaper man remained in town through the clemency of the man who has a clear title to all of the state of Montana except her voters. After reaching Chicago the journalist devoted a few minutes to writing up a poetic screed on the great white czar of Helena and the northwest. It was very rich. Yesterday Mr. Power dropped into the house of representatives, and, through the courtesy of Representative Penrose, he seated himself at one of the Silver Bow desks and read the poem in question. It was a study to watch his face during the reading. When he had finished he laid down the paper with a far-away look in his eyes and slowly remarked: "I don't think that is a very good picture of me." He then jammed his hat over his eyes and walked away.

Hon. George Washington Irvine II., who was an interested spectator in the Rickards senate yesterday, will leave for Butte in a few days for the purpose of laying in a new supply of republican gall. Mr. Irvine is the United States marshal for the young and downtrodden state of Montana.

Amusements.

On Monday evening Daniel Bandmann and a superb company of actors will inaugurate a week's engagement at Ming's opera house. Mr. Bandmann promises to give a series of rare dramatic performances. His engagement will undoubtedly be the feature of the theatrical season in this city.

Notice to Shippers.

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