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Both Houses Settle Down.

Various Bills Made Mention of by the House.

School Girls Burned to Death in a Detroit Fire.

Eugene McCarty Near Loses His Life in Butte.

Legislative Proceedings.

HELENA, Dec. 20.—The dead lock is broken and both houses have settled down to business.

The senate opened with an acrimonious debate over the correction of yesterday's minutes, the democratic members claiming that the arguments, citations and alterations which occurred during the discussion over yesterday's election of officers should appear upon the journal. Senator Hedges showed that only the transactions of a deliberated body, and not the reasons by which conclusions are reached should go upon the minutes. Finally the journal was so amended as to show how many votes were cast for the officers elected and that the ayes and nays called for were refused by the chair.

A communication from the Washington state legislature, asking Montana to unite in a joint memorial asking congress to take action to prevent individuals or corporations from taking possession of the land granted to the new states for school purposes, was read and tabled. The house notified the senate that its organization was complete and that it was ready for business.

A communication was received from the house notifying the senate that a committee of three had been appointed to act jointly with a like committee from the senate to wait upon the governor and inform him that both houses were organized and ready for business.

Adjourned until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

IN THE HOUSE.

The house received a communication from the senate announcing the determination of the several terms.

Holter reported a bill relating to the printing of public documents.

A bill fixing the term of the supreme court was reported and subsequently passed.

Hovey reported a bill protesting against the Northern Pacific railway's acquiring title to the mineral lands of Montana and requested congress to forever prevent the issuance of patents thereto to said company.

Bray gave notice of a bill to prevent prize fighting in Montana.

White reported a bill preventing the sale of mountain trout and Bray introduced a bill pertaining to the rights of married women.

The house adjourned until 2 p. m.

In the afternoon the house, or a committee of the whole considered the bill in regard to the printing of public documents and adjourned without action.

Horrible Fatality.

DETROIT, Dec. 20.—Another victim was added to the disaster of last evening in the death of Bertha Moody, 14 years of age. Nellie Thatcher, aged 14, is terribly burned from the waist up and has slight chances of recovery. Lucy Renshaw is badly burned about the neck and arms so that her recovery is doubtful. Edna Fonda, aged 13, is frightfully burned about the head and face and has no hope of recovery. Georgia Homer is badly burned about the back and abdomen. No hope of recovery. Nellie Westgate is badly burned about the upper portions of her body. The injuries will be fatal. Edith Wheeler, aged 17, Edna Holland, 17, Beasle Bamford, 17 are severely burned, but there are hopes for their recovery.

A Narrow Chance.

BUFF, Dec. 20.—[Special.]—Eugene McCarty, employed in the High Org mine, while descending a mine yesterday afternoon slipped and was caught between the cage and the projecting timbers of the shaft. Before the machinery could be stopped McCarty had been tightly wedged in between the cage and shaft timbers in a very small space so as to suffer intensely. The cage was finally forced to one side and the unfortunate

The Great Artesian Basin.

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About the Giant Spring.

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This is an altogether wonderful combination of facts. Artesian basins exist all over the world, but to no great area or extent. Here is one known to be 300 miles long north and south and believed to be 500 miles long east and west. Is it a river? Does the water flow? If so, in what direction? Where from? Where to? If we are to believe it is a river, its superficial area must be about as great as that of Lake Superior, Huron and Michigan combined. When Lewis and Clarke, upon their splendid expedition in 1804, came to the Missouri falls they found a tremendous spring of water on the east bank of the river between the first, or Rainbow, and the second, or Black Eagle falls.

The banks here are about eight feet above the river and the water from this spring surged and gurgled up from an evidently subterranean bed and made its way over and among the great rocks that bound the bank into the stream below. Millions and millions of gallons of pure brilliant, crystal water flow from this outlet every minute into the Missouri.

Now, at this very point "the artesian water supply abruptly ends. Can it be that this stream is the mouth of a stream flowing north from Yankton and west from the Devil's Lake country? Then where can it rise? There are no mountains in South Dakota, Nebraska or Iowa, and how such a supply of water could be drained from a prairie region already feeding the Mississippi, the Missouri and the Platte is a mystery. The more probable theory, if one could but forget that giant spring above the Black Eagle falls, is that the Jim River basin is supplied from the Rocky mountain snows and that its contents flow east and south, not north and west.

Whatever may be said of the policy suggested by South Dakota's plan for the irrigation purposes, it must certainly be conceded that such means as are possible should be employed to solve these mysteries. It is scarcely the work of the geological survey, but the same reasons which render it desirable for the government to measure mountains and trace rivers enforce the propriety of ascertaining where that artesian water comes from, where it goes, and how it may best be employed as a natural force.

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