WORK OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE

DEMURRAGE BILL

Senate Places Amendment to W. A. Nolan Measure on **General Orders**

The bill requires railroads to furnish cars within a reasonable time after they are ordered by shippers, to start them from the place of shipment within a reasonable time and move them to their destination with reasonable speed.

and warehouse commission to investi-gate all charges of unreasonable delay in furnishing cars, of unreasonable or of his service to the state. and warehouse commission to investigate all charges of unreasonable delay in furnishing cars, of unreasonable or unequal demurrage charges, or unjust discrimination in the furnishing of cars, and to do substantial justice between the shipper and the railway companies. All charges for demurrage, car rental and trackage made by any railroad company must be just and reasonable and fixed by printed tariffs. sonable and fixed by printed tariffs published and filed with the railroad

The amendments were adopted and the bill placed on general orders. HORTON PUSHES

POLITICAL BILL

Urges Measure to Make Assessorship of Ramsey County Elective

Senator Horton confessed yesterday before the senate that the Republicans could not elect a mayor in St. Paul, and advanced that fact as an argument in behalf of the Lemon bill, to make the office of county assessor elective instead of appointive by the mayor and

For the first time during the present session of the legislature the Ramsey county senatorial delegation disagreed. The Lemon measure applies only to Ramsey county. The Ramsey delegation submitted a majority report recommending the bill for passage.
Thereupon Senator Hardy arose and
moved as a substitute that the bill be
indefinitely postponed.
Senator Horton explained the situation to the senators

tion to the senators.
"This is the first time the Ramsey delegation has been divided," said the senator. "The difference in opinion is purely political and in no sense personal. At present the county assessor of Ramsey county is appointed by the mayor of St. Paul and the county auditor, and as the mayor is inevitably a Democrat, no change in the Democratic complexion of the assessor's office can be hoped for. That's why the Republicans want the office of county assessor made elective."

After this frank confession of the Republican policies of the bill, the sen-ate defeated Senator Hardy's motion to indefinitely postpone it and adopted the Ramsey delegation's report by placing the bill on general orders.

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Senators Refuse to Concur in House Amendments-Committee Appointed

The compromise demurrage bill recommended by the senate committee on railroads, in place of the W. A. Nolan bill, was reported out yesterday morning by Senator Hawkins, chairman of the committee, who moved that the bill be printed and placed on general orders.

Senators Cole and Thompson wanted the Nolan bill printed and placed on general orders, but Senators Hawkins and Lord opposed this, as the committee's bill was the only measure on the subject before the senate.

The senate refused yesterday to concur with the house in its amendment to the bill by Senator Cole, fixing the salary of the insurance commissioner at \$4,500° a year, until the year 1907, when the salary is to be only \$3,500 at the expiration of Commissioner O'Brien's term of office displeased some of the senators. Senator Schutz exclaimed:

"Why cut down the salary after O'Brien's term expires. It looks like putting a premium on Democrats in

putting a premium on Democrats in office."

Senator McGill spoke in behalf of Commissioner O'Brien, who, he de-clared, had virtually evolved the bill their destination with reasonable speed. It requires shippers to load and unload the cars with reasonable dispatch.

It is made the duty of the railroad Ramsey senator declared, was a man

Senator Putnam moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the sen ate had concurred in the house amend ment. This motion prevailing, the senate voted not to concur, and decided to appoint a conference committee to meet with a like committee of the house and agree upon a measure satisfactory to both. Senators Putnam, Cole and Johnson were nowed by the Cole and Johnson were named by the chair to represent the senate on the

Fitzpatrick Defeats Hugo Bill

Senator Fitzpatrick's eloquent opposition to the Hugo bill, providing for the adoption of the abandoned children and unfortunate women, coming into the custody of an incorporated bethel society, sufficed to kill the measure. The vote stood 15 ayes and 27 nays.

Senator Fitzpatrick declared the measure the worst that had come before the senate for a long time. No

fore the senate for a long time. No senator had ventured to defend the bill. True, the St. Louis senators had spoken of the good intentions behind the bill, but what of that. It was well known that a certain undesirable place was paved with good intentions. The bill, Senator Fitzpatrick declared, gave the Bethel society the powers of the court, the powers of a parent and the powers of the state over the child. Senator Fitzpatrick appealed to the paternal instinct in the bosoms of the senators, urging them not to enact a law that would give a society the power to take a child away from its mother forever. He reminded the Duluth senators that he had stood by all their other bills, notably the one designed to equip Duluth with a "toy navy."
On the roll call Senator Calhoun of Minneapolis voted against the bill, explaining his vote with so much earn-estness that President Jones reminded him that he had a right to explain his

vote, but not to present at such time an argument on the bill. The bill failed to pass, receiving only 15 votes, with 27 against it. Saves Fish Hatchery Bill

Senator Frater saved his hill to es tablish a third fish hatchery at Deer-wood from indefinite postponement, as recommended by the committee on game and fish laws. Senator Frater moved as a substitute that the bill be placed on general orders and was sue tained by a vote of 19 to 16. The bill appropriates \$20,000 for the hatchery, \$5,000 to be available July 1, 1905, and

\$15,000 July 1, 1906. Senator Johnson tried to recall his personal injury bill from the judiciary committee, but failed, his motion being defeated by a vote of 19 to 7. The bill throws the burden of proof on rail-roads in actions for damages for per-

nal injuries. Another futile attempt was made to ass Senator Dunn's bill providing for pass Senator Dunn's bill providing for the publication prior to election of proposed constitutional amendments, once in all the legal papers of every county. It was admitted that such a law would increase the expense to the state from \$9,000 to \$35,000, as the present law requires the publication of such proposed amendments three times in only one legal paper in each county. The bill received but 27 votes to 13 against it, lacking 5 of the necessary number it, lacking 5 of the necessary number to pass any bill.

The senate adjourned until 10 a. m.

Passed by Senate H. F. No. 667: By Lemon—Limiting the rate of interest to 8 per cent on certificates of sale of real property for local improvement assessments.

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H. F. No. 600: By Flower—Allowing cities of 50,000 and over to issue bonds for \$150,000 to construct bridges over navigable streams.

H. F. No. 572: By Wallace—Providing H. F. No. 572: By Wallace—Providing for an assistant county superintendent of schools for Hennepin county.
S. F. No. 484: By Morgan—Amending laws of 1903 regulating the publication of articles of incorporation.
H. F. No. 391: By Deuzer—Amending laws of 1897 relative to establishment of permanent funds for maintenance of cemetries.

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H. F. No. 711: By O'Laughlin—Fixing salaries of mayor and common council of cities of 10,000 or less.

S. F. No. 475: By Hawkins—Providing for auditing of fees of municipal judges by county auditors.

AUTHORIZES ISSUE OF SNELLING BRIDGE BONDS

Senate Passes House Bill Enabling St Paul to Raise the Funds

Representative M. D. Flower's bill authorizing the issue of \$150,000 worth of bonds to construct a bridge across the Mississippi river at Fort Snelling was passed by the senate yesterday un-der suspension of the rules, on motion of Senator Horton. The bill empowers St. Paul's com-mon council to issue such bonds by a three-fourths vote.

LEGISLATURE WOULD **REWARD REPORTERS**

Resolutions Carrying Appropriations Introduced in Senate and House

Resolutions have made their appearance in both houses of the legislature providing for compensation for newspaper reporters who have covered the session. In the house the resolution carries an appropriation of \$150 for each reporter. The senate resolution provides similar amounts for the reporters there. The rules committee has the house resolution and the legislative expense committee the senate resolution.

legislative expense committee the senate resolution.

A resolution by George W. Armstrong of Hennepin. introduced in the house yesterday provides for \$25 additional compensation for the house pages. It was referred to the rules committee. Similar resolutions will be introduced for the four telephone operators at the legislative chambers.



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ACREE ON NEW BILL

House Members Favor Substitute for Vollmer Measure

The house agreed yesterday to a compromise substitute for the Vollmer bill, repealing the law placing certain limitations about the employment of convict labor in the state penal institutions. The substitute was agreed to by W. I. Nolan, chairman of the labor committee of the house; by Senator R. B. Brower and Representative P. C. Lynch of St. Cloud and by Representatives John Zelch and H. B. Vollmer of Stillwater, representing the people in the prison towns.

It limits the number of men employed in the St. Cloud reformatory and the Stillwater penitentiary to 10 per cent of the number employed in any industry now established in the state, but is not to apply to the brush factory at St. Cloud nor the twine plant, nor the proposed plant for the manufacture of binders, mowers and rakes at Stillwater. Men are to be employed at St. Cloud and Stillwater in any industry not now established in the state prison. The fact that the board of control is said to have a rope factory in contemplation at Stillwater is said to be the reason for the last clause in the bill.

The substitute Vollmer bill was putstrough the house without opposition and goes to the senate for affirmative action.

RACHIE'S FREAK BILL IS KILLED IN HOUSE

Measure to Regulate Greek Letter So-cieties Falls to Win Votes

Fortty-nine representatives went on record yesterday as favoring legislative prohibition of membership by students of normal and high schools and the freshman class of the state university in Greek letter societies. Elias Rachie, of Lac qui Parle, who championed the bill, said he was disappointed at the result, but he believed the agitation of the question would be productive of beneficial results. Mr. Rachie was given a reminder of his own practice when a member moved the previous question and prevented him from making an extended speech for his bill. As 60 votes are required for the passage of a bill, the Rachie bill was put to sleep. A dozen members explained their votes either for or against the bill. Several of those who voted against the bill said they believed that secret societies in high schools had become a menace to the democracy of the schools, but they did not believe the question a proper matter for regulation by a legislature.

FIGURES SHOW WORK OF SENATE AND HOUSE

Despite its alleged inactivity, the senate duty by the house thus far in the session Up to Wednesday night, the senate back to Wednesday night, the senate had sed 121 house bills and killed fifteen passed 121 house bills and killed fifteen measures that came from the house. The house had passed seventy-three senate files and indefinitely postponed seventeen bills from the senate. The senate had 102 house files awaiting consideration, sixty-three of the number having already been recommended to pass. The senate has shown a disposition to be careful in its work, and had amended thirty-seven bills from the house, against only nineteen senate bills changed in the house before being passed.

Express Tax Bill Passed The house yesterday passed the Johnson bill, requiring a 4 per cent tax on the gross earnings of express companies in Minnesota. The old law imposed a 6 per cent tax on the net earnings of the companies. State Auditor Iverson is said to be responsible for the Johnson bill, which passed with little opposition and scarcely any debate.

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NEW CODE PASSED

Members Admit They Know Little of What It

Contains

The revised code makes nugatory a large part of the legislation of the present legislature.

The revision, as amended, was passed by both houses of the legislature yesterday, but not until damaging admissions had been wrung from the lips of its sponsors. The code was passed amid scenes of disorder, and there was poorly suppressed excitement.

W. B. Anderson, chairman of the house judiciary committee, admitted in response to an inqury from Burdette Thayer of Fillmore, that the code will have the effect of repealing the amend-

have the effect of repealing the amendments passed at this session to laws of former sessions. The laws themselves are repealed by the enaction of the code and with them go the amendments upon which the house and senate have spent weeks of work. weeks of work.

weeks of work.

To a pointed inquiry by W. D. Washburn Jr., Mr. Anderson replied that his committee could not say for certain what was between the covers of the re-

mittee simply left to the clerks to com-plete and to make the changes in the code ordered by the conferees?" asked Mr. Washburn. There was no answer.

No Member Knows

There was no positive information forthcoming from the conferees, but an explanation was made that the change had been made by the senate in com-mittee of the whole. The senate keeps in its journal none of the proceedings of its work in committee of the whole, and not until the appointment of a committee to investigate was the information revealed that the change to the present law was made by the sen-ate in committee of the whole.

In the absence of this information, Mr. Washburn voted nay on the final passage of the code. Henry McColl of Ramsey was the only other member of the house to be recorded in the negative, though C. H. Block of Stearns also yeted no but had his vete changed. also voted no, but had his vote changed before the final announcement of the vote was made.

The fight on the adoption of the code was on the moment Chairman W. B. Anderson of the conference committee Anderson of the conference committee had made his report to the house. He asked that the report be accepted and the code be put on its immediate passage. Immediately there was a vigorous protest to rushing the revision through the house without opportunity for consideration. Mr. Washburn said he desired to ask that it lie over for a day, to be made a special order for a day, to be made a special order for Friday. Speaker Clague refused to recognize him to make the motion, holding that the rules were against the motion at this time, R. J. Wells, George W. Armstrong and M. L. Fosseen joined in the protest against too hasty action.

Investigation Meant Defeat

vision. He called attention to a con-flict between the terms of the so-called by the house, and the code's chapter or

Mr. Anderson, P. E. Dowling, W. P. Roberts and other friends of the revision protested that there was no way out of the dilemma, for to attempt to amend the code at this late date would result in its defeat. It must be immediately passed and enrolled or it would not become a law at this session, Mr.

Anderson urged.

Burdette Thayer asked a question, the answer to which staggered the lay-

men of the house.
"I would like to ask the chairman of

conclusions," Mr. Anderson replied, and as the house stood aghast at the admission, he supplemented it by de-

Then Mr. Washburn propounded his query as to the right of eminent domain. The unsatisfactory nature of the response caused him to ask another question.

he asked, and while members of the judiclary committee looked at each other they admitted that none had. other they admitted that none had. The work had been left to the clerks. Mr. Fosseen, despite his protest against the inconsistency of the insurance chapter, voted for the bill, but Mr. Washburn, after insisting that action should be delayed at least one day, voted against the bill. He and Henry McColl were the only members of the house who refused to swallow the unpalatable dose, though several other nouse who refused to swallow the un-palatable dose, though several other members refrained from voting until forced to do so by the speaker. The doors were locked when 113 of the 119 members had been secured on a call of the house. Sherman S. S. Smith voted yes for the purpose of offering a reconsideration. J. G. Lund of Hennepin and L. O. Teigen of Jackson declined to vote, but other members found them out and insisted that the speaker re-quire them to vote. Both voted aye, but

Try to Clinch Passage

followed immediately by a motion by W. B. Anderson to reconsider the vote, to clinch the passage of the code. Strenuous objection was offered code. Strenuous objection was offered to this suggestion. Sherman Smith declared that he wanted a day to ascertain the status of the street railway legislation. M. J. O'Laughlin protested that the country members did not want to force something on the cities that they did not want in the right of eminent domain. W. P. Roberts shouted advice to the members to "quit fooling," and moved the previous question. Smith declared that if the judiciary committeemen could not tell what was in their code he wanted it referred



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vision.
"Is the report of the conference com-

"I am not opposed to giving street railway companies the right of eminent domain in cities and villages," Mr. Washburn added, "but it should come from the cities themselves and not from the cities themselves and not from the legislature. I would like to ask if no member of this conference committee has gone over this bill to see whether the changes ordered have been made."

Chairman Anderson declared that to Chairman Anderson declared that to thresh out the code on the floor of the house meant its defeat at this session. He insisted on immediate action. Armstrong pleaded for an opportunity to know what is in the code. J. G. Lennon insisted that his Hennepin county colleague was out of order. The report of the conference committee was port of the conference committee was adopted in the midst of the excitement.

Then on the final passage of the bill the fight was renewed. M. L. sions of the insurance laws in the re-O'Brien insurance bill, recently passed the duties and responsibilities of the office of the state insurance commis-

I would like to ask the chairman of the judiciary committee," Mr. Thayer said, "If the laws of previous sessions amended by this legislature will not be repealed by the code when it goes into effect March 1, 1906?"

"I think the gentleman is right in his conclusions," Mr. Anderson replied,

"Has no member of this committee gone over this bill to see whether the changes have been made as ordered?"

The final vote on the revision was

committeemen could not tell what was in their code he wanted it referred back to them. James R. Hickey expressed the fear that the senate had not struck out the objectionable feature relating to street railways. Mr. Anderson forced the vote on his motion to reconsider, and while no record was kept of the vote, some ten members were counted in the affirmative. The house, anxious to rid itself of a work that has been the bete noir of



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the session, followed the leadership of the judiciary committee and settled the final passage of the revision. Examined the Code

James "R. Hickey immediately fa-thered a resolution authorizing the ap-pointment of a committee of five to ascertain the status of the street car company legislation, and after the noon recess it developed that the code as amended contains the law as it now exists in relation to the right of emi-

nent domain for street railway com-panies, excluding them from the ex-ercise of the right inside cities and villages. The house passed the two bills introduced in the senate by the senate judiciary committee relating to the publication, circulation and editing of the revision. One bill vests the copyright of the code in the state and pro-vides that it shall be printed by contract awarded by a commission con-sisting of treasurer, auditor and secre-tary of state. Not more than 1,000 copies to be printed for the use of public officers in the state, and \$10,000 is appropriated to defray the expense of the printing. The bill fixes \$5 as the maximum price at which copies may be sold. L. H. Johnson of Hennepin protested that the price is ex-orbitant and offered an amendment fixing the maximum at \$4. It was re-jected by the house. A second bill names Mark B. Dunnell to annotate and edit the revision. He is given \$3,500 for the work, with \$1,500 for his

CODE AS AMENDED

PASSED BY SENATE The senate repassed the revised code yesterday as amended by the joint con-ference committee. The chief amend-ment is that providing that the code shall not take effect until March 1, 1906, instead of Dec. 1, 1905, as originally provided.

The code, which now awaits the governor's signature, contains three important changes, as compared with the locument submitted to the legislature revision commission. The house rectified the omission of the drainage laws by supplying a chapter regulating that department.

The senate inserted a chapter regulating game and fish, and restored the Somerville law providing for the taxation of foreign corporations.

Only three votes were recorded

against the code, Senators Hardy, Laybourn and McNamee voting "no." Those voting in the affirmative were: Alley, Barker, Batz, Benson, Brower, Buck, Calhoun, Campbell, Cole, Coller, Collester, Comstock, Cooke, Cowan, Dale, Dunn, Du Tolt, Durant, Everett, Fitzpatrick, Ffater, Gjertsen, Harrington, Hawkins, Horton, Jepson, Johnson, Laugen, Lord, McGill, McGowan, Morgan, Naeseth, Michols, Peachey, Peterson, Pugh, Putnam, Michols, Peachey, Peterson, Pugh, Putnam, Nichols, Peachey, Peterson, Pugh, Putnam Rieke, Schutz, Shell, Smith, E. E., Smith W. A., Somerville, Stephens, Stone, Sund berg, Thompson, Thorpe, Torson, Ward Wilson, Witherstine, Wood.—54.

HOUSE IS OPPOSED TO STEERING COMMITTEES

Nolan's Resolution Meets Quick Death in Lower Branch

When it killed W. I. Nolan's resolution for a steering committee to guide important legislation in the closing days of the session, the house yesterday served notice that it is as large as any of its members. There were few supporters for the resolution. Ward Stone effectively killed off the Lennon resolution, protesting against the hiring of a "foreign" band to play at the next state fair. Mr. Stone sent up a resolution "joshing" the suggestion by condemning people of the state who did not confine their diet to Minnesota foods, liquids and clothing. The house tabled both the Lennon and Stone resolutions.

The side path commission gives notice that all persons found riding bicycles after May I without tags for 1905 will be arrested and fined to the full extent of the law under the city ordinance. The City Clerk has the tags now. The tags are fifty cents.

Ramsland Mineral Bill Passes With but eight negative votes, O. T. Ramsiand of Renville put through the house yesterday his bill to prohibit the leasing of state mineral lands. The intent of the bill is to withdraw the mineral properties of the state from contract and lease until a report is received from the commission named by the legislature, with recommendations as to future disposal of the properties. The votes against the Ramsiand bill were mostly from St. Louis and adjoining counties.



Act Ouick When It Comes!

Armstrong Is Unable to Advance It to Calendar

Not more than twenty-five members on the house stood with G. W. Armstrong of the following the house stood with G. W. Armstrong of the start of the calendary of the legalize the acts of the start of t respasses.

B. H. Jefferson, of Cottonwood, broke in to make a spirited speech against any merit in the Armstrong bill, but he was shut off before he had concluded by A. L.

who raised a point of order against M. J. O'Laughlin, who was in the held that the point of order was chair, held that the point of order was well taken.

Mr. Jefferson said that the particular case sought to be covered by the Armstrong bill was one brought before the public accounts committee and for which legalizing acts were asked. He declared that there was no evidence to prove that the former governor or the state treasurer had authorized an extension of the permit.

It was admitted that the time head.

permit.

It was admitted that the timber board had no authority to extend the life of a timber permit, but now curative acts legalizing trespass amounting to \$52,000 was asked. Mr. Jefferson had asked for a glass of water to dampen his parched throat and was getting warmed to his work, but he was shut off by the timely point of order raised against him. Mr. Armstrong lost his motion to advance the bill to the calendar.

Favor More Pay for Aldermer Alvin Rowe's bill, giving \$800 a year salary to the councilmen of St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth, was favorably reported yesterday by the house committee on municipal legislation. The bill had been amended by the Ramsey delegation to place the initiative of raising their salaries with the members of the city council. aries with the members of the city co

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