

Resolved, That the committee appointed to visit the Hospital for Insane at Independence, Buchanan county, be requested to investigate the truth of the following, clipped from the Evening Gazette, a newspaper published at Cedar Rapids, Iowa:

"EDITOR GAZETTE:—I wish you would inform the taxpayers what the Independence Insane Asylum is paying for coal. It has been necessary for me to engage attorneys to secure this information, which is as follows:

"They are paying for lump, \$2.90; my bid, \$2.50.

"Nut, \$2.60; my bid, \$2.00.

"Pea, \$2.10; my bid, \$1.25.

"My bid for the latter was on pea and slack mixed, which is the same as the Electric Light Company and American Cereal Company use. In addition it costs the asylum 10 cents per ton more to haul the coal they are now using than it would to haul mine, on account of the Illinois Central railroad depot being one mile farther away than the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern. It seems to me that this is a proper subject to present to the Legislature for investigation, as several thousand dollars would have been saved the state in the purchase of coal for this institution in addition to supplying work to Iowa miners, whose taxes help to support this and other state institutions.

Yours,

C. D. IVES.

"Cedar Rapids, January 17, '96."

"The Gazette is informed that if this matter is not investigated neither C. D. Ives nor E. E. Pinney will submit bids next year, and the Illinois people can have it their way unless the people chosen to represent the state care enough about the matter to give Iowa merchants and Iowa mines an even show with those of Illinois. The Gazette wants to know what sort of furnaces are used at the asylum, as some of those connected with the institution claim that they show better results for Illinois coal or worse results for Iowa coal than other furnaces probably would do.

"Let the Legislature investigate this matter."

Mr. Dowell moved that the resolution be laid upon the table.
Lost.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Power offered the following report of the committee drafting resolutions of respect on the deaths of Messrs. D. F. Miller, Sr., of Lee, S. Burnquist of Webster, C. L. McGonigle of Clayton and A. St. Clair Smith of Linn:

WHEREAS, IN the providence of God, the Hon. D. F. Miller, Sr., who was a member of this House of the Twenty-fifth General Assembly, has departed this life, and

WHEREAS, By his high character and his long life of public service in both the nation and the state he has done much to mould the destinies of this state, and

WHEREAS, Socially he won the hearts of all acquaintances and associates, and in all the relations of his home life he embodied everything that makes the idolized husband and father; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we tender to the bereaved family of this departed statesman our sympathy and condolence; that these resolutions be spread upon

the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be instructed to send enrolled copies of the same to the family of the deceased.

J. T. P. POWER.
J. H. FUNK.
T. J. SULLIVAN.
JONAS P. JOHNSON.
H. J. NIETERT.

Committee.

WHEREAS, We have heard with sorrow of the death of Samuel Burnquist, member of the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fifth General Assembly from the Sixty-second District; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in his removal from the scenes of earthly activity the State of Iowa has lost a good citizen, the members of the Twenty-fifth General Assembly have lost a valued associate, and all within the circle of his hearty sympathy have lost a true and loyal friend. Coming to this country as a boy, without money or influence, he exemplified in his honorable and successful career, the possibilities of this land to the earnest and deserving youth.

We tender our sympathy to the bereaved family and commend the virtues which won for him the respect and affection of his neighbors to the emulation of all. Be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread at length upon the Journal of this House and an enrolled copy be furnished the family of the deceased.

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Committee.

WHEREAS, It has pleased our heavenly Father to call from this world of sorrow Hon. C. L. McGonigle, a member of the Twenty-fifth General Assembly, who died at his home in Monona, Clayton county, Iowa, February 12, 1895; and

WHEREAS, His character, his kindly, modest, and retiring disposition, his generous qualities of heart and mind, and his valuable services as a member of said body are worthy of recognition; therefore be it

Resolved, That we express to his family our most sincere and heartfelt sympathy in their loss of a true and devoted husband and affectionate parent.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered on the Journal of the House and the Clerk of the House be instructed to send an enrolled copy to Mrs. C. L. McGonigle, widow, and to the children of the late Representative.

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