THE MINING BILL.

It Defeats All Opposition, and Passes.

THE FIRE AND POLICE BILL.

Executive Session of the Council—Business Transacted Today.

Hatch's bill to regulate the locating and recording of mining claims, is a measure which makes some radical changes in the existing order of things in reference to those subjects. It requires mining records to be deposited with the county recorder, allows that officer to appoint deputies in the mining districts, requires a certain amount of work to be done within sixty days from the date of location, and contains other provisions that are new to the present laws regulating this subject. The bill met with determined opposition in the lobby and on the floor of the House, and it was not expected that it would pass, but it passed the House by a vote of 13 to 6, much to the surprise of its opponents.

Powers's bill creating a board of fire and police commissioners, has been pending a long time in the hands of a Council committee. It has been the subject of a good deal of lobbying, and has met with a great deal of opposition. But he either has followed it up closely, and has entirely defeated it. The result is that the Council, this afternoon, passed it, with amendments. It is thought the House will concur in them, and that the measure will be promptly forwarded to the Governor.

Immediately after the house went today the Council held an executive session for the purpose of acting on the nominations of the Governor for auditor and treasurer, Hon. John T. Caine and J. E. Watkins, Esq. After a long consultation Mr. Caine was confirmed, but action on Mr. Watkins's nomination was deferred.

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