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## Our Raleigh Letter.

Special Cor. The Courier.

Raleigh, Feb. 23.—In the Legislature the last several days were what may be termed "liquor bills week," and the hall of the House and Senate Chamber have resounded with the oratory of Representatives and Senators on the subject of temperance, prohibition and liquor legislation.

In the Senate a minority of the committee having the Anti-saloon League bill (known as the "London bill") in charge, reported a substitute for that measure, which its advocates claimed was practically the London bill, except that provision is made so that the country people and residents of towns of less than 300 population can vote on the question of the manufacture and sale of liquor, as well as those in towns and cities of greater population.

This substitute bill was first taken up, and three days have already been consumed (including night sessions) chiefly in its discussion. A vote will be reached on it and the London bill at noon Tuesday, that agreement having been reached by the Senate Saturday afternoon.

The House has wrestled with the so-called "Watts bill" (said to have been drawn by Governor Aycock and Senator Simmons), day and night amendment was offered and voted down. Finally the bill, after being slightly altered by some amendments, passed its second reading by a vote of 71 to 38, and on Friday night it passed the third and final reading by the vote of 48 to 30. It now goes to the Senate.

It looks now as though the Senate might pass the London bill, with section 5 stricken out (its advocates agreeing to that), and if it does, there will necessarily have to be a conference on the part of the two branches, through a conference committee, and agree on a compromise bill.

And they'll have to hurry, if they get any kind of bill at all enacted into law.

**ANTI-CHILD LABOR LAW PASSED.**  
The Senate has passed the "anti-child labor bill" almost unanimously, and the House will concur in it, probably this week.

The bill reported by the committee (as agreed on between them and the representatives of the mill men here) was amended, however, before it was passed.

As passed it allows adult operatives in cotton mills and workers in other manufacturing to work six to six hours a week, if they choose so. But minors under eighteen years cannot work longer than eleven hours a day, or an average of six-and-a-half hours in any one week. Children under twelve shall not be employed, under any circumstances. That is all. An amendment was offered to prohibit children between twelve and fourteen years from working at night, but it was rejected by an overwhelming majority against it. After Senator Durham, of Gaston, made a ringing speech against it—in behalf of the operatives and in their interest, he stated, though he is himself a cotton mill official. It was a fine speech, filled with arguments and facts, and turned the tide of opinion decidedly the other way from that in which it had set.

**NO HOPE FOR OUTSIDE INSANE.**  
I greatly regret to tell you that there is apparently no hope at present for the better care of the unfortunate insane now confined in county jails and poor-houses. The legislative committee on Asylums for the Insane have agreed to report against any extension of either of the hospitals at this time, and appropriate only what is necessary for maintenance of the number of patients now confined therein, with small appropriations for absolutely necessary improvements.

**OTHER MATTERS.**  
The disciples of Mrs. Eddy, otherwise called "Christian Scientists," and the faith cure "doctors," showed up in formidable array (headed by Miss Harrison, of New Bern, and armed with learned counsel and female stenographic reporters) and stormed the battlements of the Committee on Public Health in an effort to defeat the pending bill which affects them—requiring all who practice medicine, or profess to heal disease, to stand an examination before the State Board of Medical Examiners. But they were signally defeated, the committee unanimously voting to report the bill favorably. Ostensibly it is also put under the ban "message" treatment (much the same thing) escapes. The bill is supposed to "defeat the practice of medicine in North Carolina."

On Saturday evening the Senate passed an important bill in reference to improved public roads. It allows the county commissioners to build a good road for three miles from court house and to levy a special tax, if necessary, not to exceed ten cents on the \$100, to pay cost of same. Some twenty-five or thirty counties are exempted from the bill.

There is very little doing here, outside of the Legislature, at present of general State interest.

L. LEWIS.

**Suit Against the Southern for A. B. Carrick's Death.**

Mr. Wade H. Phillips, administrator of A. B. Carrick, who was recently killed on the Western railroad, between Salisbury and Asheboro, has brought suit against the Southern Railway for \$25,000 damages for the death of Carrick. Mr. E. E. Haper is the attorney of the administrator. Davidson Dispatch.

## A Flying Express Splits Open a Crowded Trolley Car.

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A fast express on the Lenoirville Railroad cut through a trolley car crowded with school children at Clifton Avenue, Newark, N. J., on Feb. 19th. Eight of the children were killed and a score or more of them injured. The motorman of the car, who stood by his post, will die, and the engineer of the express was so badly hurt that there is small hope of his recovery.

Both the express and the trolley were on steep grades, going at right angles. The express was signalled, and the crossing gates were lowered, while the trolley car was yet half way down the hill. The motorman shut off the power and applied the brakes, but almost immediately the car began to slip along the icy rails. It gained tremendous momentum, and at the bottom of the hill crashed through the gates directly in the track of the oncoming train. The locomotive plowed its way through the trolley, throwing the children in every direction.

**Justice Shiras Resigns.**

Justice Shiras, of the United States Supreme Court, has presented to the President his resignation as a member of that tribunal, to take effect February 24th. Former Secretary of State William R. Day, of Ohio, has been selected as the successor of Mr. Shiras.

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A bill has been introduced in the Legislature to repeal the law against giving free passes as it applies to State officers.

The thing to do with that bill is to kill it quick. State officers ought not to owe obligations to any railroad, they ought to accept courtesies from none, they ought to pay their way when they ride like other folks. The free pass method of bribery or silence has been put under ban in North Carolina. Let it stay there, and let public officers who take passes and thereby come under obligations to railroads be known as breakers of the law they have sworn to maintain. —News & Observer.

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Princeton Tiger.

But he followed the pair to Past-tucket—  
The man and the girl with the bucket,  
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## The Old North State.

An old colored woman and child were lured to death at Nashville, N. C., last week.

John R. Pitt, a white farmer, committed suicide last Friday near Tarboro by taking laudanum.

The county house keeper of Forsyth, has been indicted for not properly keeping the poor of the county.

State Senator E. J. Justice, of Marion, will move to Greensboro after the adjournment of the Legislature.

Mrs. Nancy Taylor, aged about 21 years, was burned to death at Lenoirville last week. Her clothing caught from a red hot stove.

The depot at Harrisburg, a station 14 miles from Charlotte on the Southern Railway, was burned one day last week. The fire was caused by the explosion of a gasoline stove that was used for heating purposes.

At Henderson last week Oliver Smith, colored, was convicted of entering the house of his employer while he was away from home and stealing \$25 and then attempting to burn the building by starting a fire in a trunk and closing the lid.

The Washington correspondent of the Raleigh Post writes that paper that Marshall L. Mott, Esq., of Greensboro, was presented to the President yesterday and is seeking a federal appointment of some sort.

A hog was on the market a few days ago that had six feet, two behind and four in front. A merchant in this city bought the hog and cut the two front legs off and had them on exhibition in his store. —News & Observer.

**The Hulfines Beer Bottling Works, at Greensboro, was burglarized on the night of Feb. 19th. A box, belonging to A. M. Traylor was broken into and \$44 in cash and a note for \$325 taken. Nothing else was troubled, which goes to show that the thieves were familiar with the contents of the box.**

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## The New Revenue Act, Changes, Etc.

The revenue act as reported by the sub-committee of House and Senate makes the poll tax same as before \$1.25; the ad valorem tax 21 cents for state purposes and 4 cents for pensions and 18 cents for public schools, making 43 cents on the \$100 value of real and personal property; the corporation tax is, like the taxes above, the same as at present as is also the inheritance tax.

The income tax is 1 per cent. on incomes over \$1,000; derived from property not taxed; from salaries and fees, public or private, from annuities, from trades or professions, and from any other source, the incomes from which are not specifically exempted from taxation by law. The excess tax is \$200 for each day or part of a day on every valuation of a circus, show, or masquerade to which the price of admission, including a reserve seat does not exceed 50 cents. Exemptions given for the sole benefit of religious, charitable or educational objects are exemption from taxation, except that when opens, star courses

or theatrical troupes are employed, such as usually appear in licensed halls or theatres, then the tax should be the same as that imposed on traveling theatrical companies performing in unlicensed halls. The sewing machine tax is \$350. Each peddler of food, 250 for each county; each itinerant salesman who exposes for sale in a rented place or on the street goods or merchandise, \$100 for each county. Cotton compresses \$100 for each 1,000 bales. Hotels from 25 cents to 50 cents per

Only those who are allowed licenses which give a fixed or certain return; the operation of any other business is punishable by not less than \$200 or three months imprisonment or both. On stock brokers \$50. On dealers in futures from \$50 to \$200, according to population of place. Liquor dealers \$200 a year, for retailers, \$400 for wholesale and retailers, \$50 for beer dealers. On grain distilleries \$25 if under 6 bushels daily, \$50 up to 12 bushels, and so on up to 200 up to 100 bushels. Half the liquor license tax goes to the state, the other half to the counties for school. Tax on dispensaries 2 per cent. of gross receipts to go to the state. Merchants tax 40 cents on each \$1,000 up to \$50,000 and so on until on sales over \$125,000 tax is 20 cents on each additional \$1,000. Insurance license tax \$250 for life, \$200 fire, accident and marine companies. On agent and agents in each county \$100 for the state and a like amount for the county. Express companies \$5 on each mile of road or water on which business is done for telegraph companies 25 cents on each mile of wire, for telephone companies 2 per cent. of the gross receipts within the state.

**No Bail Allowed For James H. Tillman.**

The hearing on the application for bail in the case of commonwealth of South Carolina against former Lieut. Gov. Jas. H. Tillman, charged with the murder of G. M. Gonzalez, editor of the State in Columbia, S. C., Jan. 1902, had begun on Feb. 19th. Mr. Tillman was not present but was represented by his counsel, Congressman Ed. George W. Craft and P. H. Nelson, a leading criminal lawyer of Columbia.

Thirty-six affidavits presented by the prosecution in support of the writ were introduced by the defense at the previous hearing in Newberry, S. C., a week before, covered the charges in detail.

The State was represented by Commonwealth Attorney U. X. Gunter, and the solicitor General of the county.

The affidavits introduced by the defense all tended to show that Tillman acted in self defense, declaring that he had received messages and information that Editor Gonzalez intended to take the defendant's life.

In his sworn declaration, Mr. Tillman stated that he had been repeatedly urged and warned to watch for his safety. He wished to avoid any altercation, his statement says. As he was about to retire from the office of Lieut. Gov., his term expiring two days after the tragedy, Mr. Tillman was removing from the office his personal effects, including two revolvers. While carrying these up the street, he met Mr. Gonzalez, who, he stated, pushed his hand into his pocket. Believing his life to be in danger, Tillman hurriedly said: "I got your message," and fired, firing the affidavit said, to save the defendant's life.

Affidavits introduced by the defense supported Tillman's statement in many details.

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