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THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

bly of North Carolina:

heartily with you in devising means to ferred to fer particulars. promote the public good.

has played with pitiless fury among the colored citizens. people has been notably increased and mended to your favor. diversified, their farms, stock and ag-

actuding labor, have ruled law. pre-emisently an agricultural State, revenue for all its purposes. As soon as noded lands, and many of our counties exceedingly that the management has not believe and carneally hope that when reyour legislation should be directed topassible after the passage of the law in are adopting laws with regard to enclosward the improvement of that interest 1877, the organization of the Board of ing their lands, the effect of which is to mainly. In this connection I beg to Agriculture was completed by the electredace the expenditure of timber for when your producessors adjourned. Practices in the Courts of Halifax mainly. In this connection I beg to Agriculture was completed by the electrodic table. The first and perhaps greatest need of an now occupy seats in it; a Commissioner As guardians of the interests of an agri-In the call your attention to the fact that the tion of two intelligent farmers who the farming purposes to the minimum. energy or determination has been wantwas elected. Secretary and Treasurer coltural people, thinly scattered over the necessary and the nature of the control and the nature of the control and the increase of the nature of good highways and easy transportation. For the results of the first two years, I requested by the Board of Agriculture make little progress, in such a work as for persons and products. As a general refer you to the accompanying report to say that they concur in the recomrule, from the lowland belt westward, the of the Commissioner, Cal. L. L. Polk, mendations of the Commissioner, highways of our State are as bad, if not which sets out averything in detail. I I call your attention to the report of in such operations, and which cost more being authority for neither a survey to be worse, that any to be found in the At regard the beginning as excellent. The Dr. Ladour, Director of the Fertilizer money than the Company could comlantic States. The old system of loca- chief difficulty in the way of doing any Central Station. It is gratifying in the mand. Owing to the geological pseulartiog them and keeping them in repair, new thing among a people so conserva- extreme, you will perceive, that the ities of the formations through which the adopted by our fathers more than a rive as ours is in securing their prompt quality of the Fertilizers sold in the track is cut, vast sides of earth and rockhundred years ago, is still in use, though co-operation. It was found very deficult State has steadily improved, and the its utter isefficiency for nearly that at first to awaken an active interest in marke value of the improvement length of time has been apparent. Of the operations of the bureau, but the amounts to more than \$100,000 in two But the work is now almost done, durtendency upon all industry which such enlarging. Special attention has been fact that, knowing their wares were to Ia a few weeks from this day the engine nest attention to the necessity of change stocking of our rivers with fish, and the come up to the mark, and many others permanent prosperity need be expected tion concerning the State and its reunless this grievous evil is remedied, sources. Much good has been effected Certain great leading thoroughfares I am sure, and an interest excited that through the most convenient centres, will lead to still more. A serious drawand all pouring into the nearest railroad back to fish propagation is the numerdischarging into the se-I advise that the ignorant and unscrupulous. This some other method for their construc- will disappear when results are seen,

tion and repairing be devised. decided to locate one for the blacks at astly refused; additional legthe second one; the past summer, more are alive or dead as that may be, ble conclusions: 1st. That convict labor

homes and pleasant places of our South
I stacerely hope the appropriation for source of our streams is simply incalera and Western neighbors—especially both schools may be renewed and the culable, considered with reference to of our great daughter Tennessee-the law be made to embrace both sexes. rainfall, destructive floods, &c. The profoundest quiet and most reverential For though females have attended both proof of this is plain to any one who obedience to legal authority have preschools by permission, yet the Board of has observed the condition of those vailed throughout our borders, whilst Education did not feel at liberty to ex-vallers whose hillsides have been enrioting, robbing and defiant lawlessness pendany State money in their aid, which tirely stripped of timber and converted have disturbed the peace of many was a little angullant for so chivalrous into that shame of southern agriculture States, North and West of us, account a people as surs, who are so well aware -old fields-and yet in the face of the panied both by arson and bloodshed, that as a general rule our female teach- increasing value of timber and the de-The crops of the last two seasons have ers are better than the males. The ex- creasing value of the lauds from been excellent and the means of sub- cellently worded memorial of the teach- which it is ruthlessly swept, the destrucsistence have never been more abunders themselves, which accompanies the tion goes on. Many counties already dant and cheap. The industry of our report of Prof. Battle, is especially com- feel the evil keenly, and not many years

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE. ricultural implements show considerable The establishment by the last Legis- do not see my way clear to that remedy, of breadstuffs purchased abroad has very important step indeed to the wel- legal right to do what he pleases with visibly diminished. This is an un-fare of this State. As was to have been his own. If he sees proper to cut down distress among our mechanical by our farming people with great satis- hindered. But the people of other am informed, population and prices of all products, faction. So far, this bereau has cost nations are finding means, by bonuses, the people nothing, the tax on licenses to exemption from taxation and other

preparation of a handbook of informa- have quit the market altogeter,

systems, regard being had to the cir- the vital defects of our laws lies in the cash valuation upon the work done, needed lastruction in the art of teach- examine our statutes for a hundred years JOHN A. MOORE. one, therefore, a six weeks school was There is no power given to the Chief held at Chapel Hill during the summer Executive or any head of a department, vacations, and for the other a perma- to quicken the diligence or rebuke the nent school was established in Fayette- criminal neglect of his subordinates; ville. Both have been remarkably suc- and many of our best laws take the should be charged. cessful—at the first session of the white chance of the local favor or disfavor school 2 5 teachers attended, and at with which they may be regarded and

paratus. The railroads very generous- for a people to multiply greatly their list confinement. Sd. That the health and bullas, in Gaston county, and the gradies by gave reduced rates. The agent of criminal offences, but for the curing general tone of the convicts is better in the Newton, on the W. N. C. R. R. Franche Peabody fund supplemented the agent of this serious defect in the administra- out-door week. Influenced by these To the Honorable the General Assemthe Psabody fund supplemented the ap- of this serious defect in the administra- out-door work. Influenced by these propriation with a handsome donation, tion of our laws, I can see no better considerations, I am induced to say that In compliance with the constitution and every dollar that could be spared way than the imposition of heavy penal- in my opinion it is our policy to provide nished with 50 convicts and the number and the time-honored custom of my pre- was used to equalize the benefits of the ties for the omission or refusal, on the labor for them on public works, alto- has been kept up. decessors, I have the honor to greet you State's bounty by paying the traveling part of any public officer, to perform gether, after the completion of the Peni- this enterprise to your favor. as the representatives of the people and expenses of the more indigent; lectures any duty which he is required to per- tentiary buildings, leaving within its to confer with you in regard to the by distinguished citizens of the State on form. It his not only been found im- walls only such as from legisleness, and more important to the welfare of the State state of our commonwealth. To an popular themes were delivered almost possible to get the statistics required the nature of their crimes, cannot be Executive desirous of serving well his daily with the best results. The und under the act establishing the Board of seat suiside. In addition to the com-State, the meeting of the General As. doubted effect of the whole was to arouse Agriculture as before remarked, and pletion of the roads begun by the State, sembly is always the occasion of rejoic. an enthusiastic interest in behalf of also to get proper and timely returns to which labor has been already as- Ore Knob-also the sait line and plaster ing, as it not only brings to his aid the popular education among a large por- from the County School Boards and signed, there are a number of local deposits of Washington county, Virginia wise counsel of legislators fresh from tion of our people, and to excite a spirit Managers, whilst several counties in the railroads and turnpikes greatly desired their constituents, but relieves him of of honest pride in their culling among last election for Congressmen failed to in many parts of the State, and valuable much embarrassing responsibility. I all the teachers present which will, it is send full and proper returns of the votes swamp lands to be drained, at which therefore gladly welcome you to the beged, do much good. The accom- cast-and some even failed to return convict might be employed with great capital, and promise to comperate most panying report of President Battle is re- any at all and so on through the list, profit to the State, the counties or com-It is to the last degree discouraging to munities supporting the convicts. I The colored Normal school at Fay- those who earnestly desire to do some- think that whenever any county or com-It is known to you that owing to efferille was put in charge of Mr. Robs thing for the public good to find that munity will obtain a charter for building causes which I need not here attempt to get Harris a native colored man of those whose special duty it is to bein, a railroad or a turnpike, draining a been kept with that company under a conducidate, the people of the United excellent character and capacity, super- will not do so, and can refuse to do so swamp or dyking a river, and will under-States-and in a great measure of the vised by a board of local managers se- with impunity as germain to the work take to support the hands, they should civilized world—have been for some lected from the best business citizens of of the Agricultural Bureau. I desire to be given the convicts labor. There years past, and still are, passing through the town, who took a great interest in call your attention to the subject of our are many fertile valleys of greater er a period of most remarkable financial its welfare. It has been managed with forests. I will not undertake to point less extent, remote from railroad facili- d awn and placed on the W. N. C. work, trouble, producing everywhere much unexpected success. The past session out the many and most important func- ties, such as the great valley of the beyond the lidge. distress and even disaster. Of course opened with 58 pupils, about 40 of tions which they fulfill in the economy Yadkin from Salisbury to Patterson, The Atlantic and North Carolina Radio North Carolina has shared these ca. whom have received certificates as of nature and which the investigations of where well-to-do farmers. I am sure. lamities and her prosperity has been re- teachers, same of high grades; the scientific men are bringing every day to would be induced to attempt the build- ever since my accession to office, some of tarded as has that of others. But I be, second year began with 74 pupils and the attention of the world, but will con- ing of narrow-gauge railroads, if they lieve I can truthfully say that she has is now in progress. The same donation tent myself with referring to them as a were given the necessary labor; and suffered as little. If not less, by these was made to this school by the Peabody source of wealth, bealth and fertility, many excellent turapikes would be con- morroage bonds on the ground of usury, hard times than her sisters. Looking at the white school, and the and to the fact of their rapid and waste-at the whole State and comparing our same scheme adopted to equalize its full destruction. Depleted as they are, condition with others, we have abundant henefits. The report of Mr. Harris, to our forests to-day are worth more the same manner. In this way the inreason to be thankful and take courage which you are referred, will be as sur-intrinsically, properly managed, than for the future. The public health has prising as I am sure it will be pleasing the lands they stand upon, whilst never been better, whilst the pestilence to all who desire the real welfare of our the value of those especially which people be accomplished. shadow the highlands round about the

DYKES FOR THE ROANORE. As a further illustration of this idea, I hence if some remedy be not applied the outery will be general. I confess I done to reclaim it. If the counties or

with our criminals is comparatively new About 12 miles of rails only were puralmost daily becoming more so, every- appropriation will furnish the iron neces- the funds in his hands have not been sufthing pertaining to it is deserving of sary to reach Asheville unless it should figuret to meet all the objects provided by Fayettaville, in a building tendered by islation is needed to make this law able force kept in the enclosure has the colored people of that place. They effectual, and in this connection, I been constantly employed upon the were established on somewhat different beg permission to remark generally that walls and buildings, and by placing a many educated teachers who simply excellent, as all who will philosophically beep. The returns from those engaged needed instruction in the art of teacher examine our statutes for a hundred years on the various railroads show atill ing, whilst the blacks needed teachers passed will confess; but a large portion of greater wages valuing their work by instructed in both the elements of teach- them, of on of a most beneficent charing and the arts of learning. For the acter, lie dermant and inoperative, are very liberal toward the company for the Legislature at which the companies

VALUE OF CONVICT LABOR From this we may draw some valua-Practice in the Counties of Hallfax, than 100 teachers were present, repre- Proof of this is found in the new number is almost if not quite as valuable for Northampton, Edgegombe, Fitt and Martin-In the Supreme Court of the State about sixty counties. An excel- ber of the statutes in relation to sub- road construction as hired labor. 2d.

The public works have been pushed for to save the States property was pursued Remembering that North Carolina is sell fertilizers having yielded sufficient devices to restore the forests on de- ward with energy and ecomomy. I ment Western mountains, unsided by all the modern appliances and material now used some of them as great as fifteen acres of surface, have been continually falling jute the track as fast as it could be removed the inconvenience, gost and distressing impression once produced is lasting and vears. This is caused obviously by the light is nearly through the great tunnel. roads occasion, I need not stop to re- given to the analyzing and classification be subject to a rigid scientific test, the will pass the summit, and the track con mind you I shall only beg your ear- of fertilizers, including mails, to the re- dealers were careful to make them be completed to Asheville easily by mid- I would suggest that a resolution of your

Owing to the condition of the Treasury, I did not purchase the whole amount of The Penitentiary system of dealing buy, though greatly temperate was offered. bay, though greatly tempted to do so by

which were ralled to the attention of the interest precaptly hereafter, the accumu-lerest. This is known as the recognized lend interest being incided and time of debt, as contradistinguished from the payment extended, the bond holders aurrendering \$10,000 of bonds and coupons with it is a question that deserves your to be cancelled. When it came to the best consideration. It is out of the quesbeg leave to call your attention to the aunis of the present Board it was appur- iton for us to attempt to pay it at its face situation of that rich and once produc-eatly to the last extremity of exhaustion. Value. Indeed I do not conceive that tice region the Roanoke country below lite reachest, track and bridges were worn there is any moral obligation upon us to Weldon. At one time the Egypt of our out and assate, its rolling stack run dawn, do so; nor do our creditors expect it of State and a source of great wealth to its employees unpaid, its interest nearly us. Quite one-half of our property upon State and a source of great wealth to our people, those splendid and inexhaustible lands are fast becoming a wilderness by reason of the destrucralling stock are now much improved, the our bends were based was wantonly destructed by consent of a large majority of those who held them, and no court of ralling stock are now much improved, the tion of the levees which confined the floating debt has all been paid, couplayers

incred all concerned to the imputation that | expressed to your predecessor without due recard to private interests. I

ANGULA BAY, It is also a source of regret that the work of custing a canal through Angela Bay was not undertaken as provided by law. sake of our good name and our future practically impossible to do the work, owing to the omission of the set to provide plements to be furnished by the Board. A

waters. Surveys of the Neme, the Yalkin and the Catawin, are in pragress or cathonerable body in this behalf would makemecesary appropriations.

The Treasurer's report will engage your in this State, and us it is now by far the enased, the cost of the whole being a carnest attention. You will see that whilst against them should be removed from the lives, might be cheaply and thoroughly ous dams and obstructions of the streams; most costly of all our institutions and is little over \$75,000. The remainder of the the atmost economy has been practiced, yet the convicts; and as to the other roads of these obstructions by the successful of such a system is to pusish offenders. This of such a system is to pusish offenders of such a system is to pusish offenders. of such a system is to punish offenders with hard labour, either to reform or deter them and others from the com-I am happy to be able to state that portant matter will then be helped in mission of crime. The economic prob- \$100.000 per annum or \$200.000 for the peaced, name at the \$22.000 appropriated them under color of his office, may at any an increased interest is manifested their execution by a wiser popular opinion. The plan adopted at pressure in popular education of the reading and opening and classes in popular education of the reading and opening and classes in popular education of the reading and opening and o This I believe mainly due to the action a popular handbook has been the actual ent is much more than doing this if the pertug, guarding, and overseeing them Asylum was naid out of this year's taxes. district where suon prosecutions are pendof the last Legislatore in appropriating impossibility of getting statistics. The work being done by the converts was been to the same time about \$38,000 all other small items which could be so the parties work being done by the converts was been to the same time about \$38,000 all other small items which could be so the parties work being done by the converts was been to the parties work being done by the converts was been to the parties which could be so that the parties which the of the last negislative in appropriating impossibility of getting statistics. The number of conmoney for the establishment of Normal duties required of tax listers under the
schools. In necondance with the law. 6th section of the net establishing this the Board of Education established Department, have been in seven cases is shown by the report of the very comthe floard of Education established Department, have been in seven cases one for the whites at the University and out of ten evaded, or openly and deligible to head.

The blacks at settly refused: sold in the blacks at settly refused: sold in the defendants objected to further to some extent attributable to the length. On the whole, the experiment of con-atructing that road by the convict labor January. It is to be regretted, and I have the ground that the court no looger had has been a success. I hope it will be con- no doubt is very surprising, to the Finance juri diction of the case. Upon argument it need, the number kept up and every Committee of the last General Assembly, before the Hon. William R. Cox, then it necessary step taken by your body to finish who thought the tax bill would yield suffisystems, regard being had to the cirthe vital defects of our laws lies in the
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constitute in the matter in Georgia and North Carolina R. R. has which would operate more unequally, un- for the State appealed to the Supreme finished grading to the town of Morphy, in justic or projudicially to the Treasury; the Court. Recognizing the important and Cherokes county. I have received no offi- rule for every county, town and township,

Col. L. C. Jones, President of the Wes- usted in the same locality and of the same lite fations of the Sucreme Court with arwhom the work is done, yet it will be tern Railread, makes a very flattering reseen the convicts have carned more port of the progress of the work done by than four times the minimum fixed by convicts on his line. Having determined any other convicts on his line. Having determined any other convicts on his line. The distribution of the assessment may chance to be. to extend it in the direction of Greenshoro. Very little property is assessed to anywhere the company began work at or near Egypt within the neighborhood of its value, but of the State. After a full discussion by in March, 1878, with 100 convicts, and that does not matter; the essential blen is counsel, the Supreme Court, with one dis there is good prospect of soon seeing this to have the assessment bear the same uni- senting voice, affirmed the opinion and road completed to Greensboro. It will form proportion to the true value of the judgment of the lower court, and dismissopen out a fine section, and be a great ben-effit to the country through which it passes, one man pays a vestly higher tax than his tin—In the Supreme Court of the State and in the Federal Courts of the Eastern Courts of to Payetteville and to Wilmington. The neighbor, and one township or county than

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lature by lowering the assessments. It becomes also a kenvy tax on honesty and compels the conscientious man to pay sometimes double or trable the tax poid by his less scrupulous neighbor. A remedy and good pointy. What that remedy shall be your wisdom must devise. We do not want an increase of taxes but an equalitatoo of taxes and a faithful collection of hose which are levied. My own opinion is that the Tressurer, Auditor, or other State officers, he authorized to act as a supervise and equality the assessments of the county officials whose lists should be submitted to it, and it should have authority to summon witnesses, hear testimony, Dr. and if the county assessors were chesen by the State Board it seems to me we would almost have a guaranty that

So, too, some disposition should be made tenative to the lands sold for taxes and bought in for the State. For ten years as the report of the Secretary of State inorms me there are now in office Sheriffs' feeds for 1755 tracts and lots of real ertate, representing taxes, to the amount of nearly \$17,000, on which the time for relemption has expired and the State's title ab plate. In most cases the owners continue happily in passession while their default goes to swell the taxes of their neighbors. I refer to the Tressurer's report for a report of the State debt, and the amount of expenditures of the government, both of which are so closely set forth as to need no comment from me.

PURING DEET.

The public dabt, it will be seen by the Prensurer's report, amounts to \$10.960,terest. This is known as the recognized special tax bonds. What shall be done

editor to destroy one half of his security Roanoke within its banks. In the de-moralized state of labor there and the to affirst its bonded debt, an old tax debt mainter. But we can sad should pay reduced condition of the planters, it has due the United States, compromised at something. The resolution of last session been found impossible to replace them, \$6,503, is being paid at the rate of \$500 constituting the Governor, Treasurer and been found impossible to replace them, per month, \$1,500 being already paid; and the whole region will be lost to the the President reports \$10,000 in the treas with our creditors gave no power to make State for generations if something is not any on the let of January to meet interest or accept any proposition whatever; and when the first installment comes due in so an invitation to visit New York to constaples have steadily enlarged, the amount of a Department of Agriculture, was a danger of interfering with the owners recommend that sufficient force be previous, and us to date of report were dence will show. Besides this no attempt furnished them to rebuild those levees still quater for 1878. These are certainly to open negotiations with us has been doubted evidence of progress, but manufacturing enterprises and the larger proven defective, and will require some tespects all his timber, dry up the springs which ufacturing enterprises and the larger proven defective, and will require some test of our State from ruin, and enable the class of speculation requiring more capports and the larger proven defective, and will require some test of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of the law lands of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of the law lands of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of the law lands of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of the law lands of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of the law lands of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of the law lands of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of our streams and precipitate his soil of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of our streams and precipitate his soil of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of our streams and precipitate his soil of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of our streams and precipitate his soil of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of our streams and precipitate his soil of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of our streams and precipitate his soil of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of our streams and precipitate his soil of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of our streams and precipitate his soil of our State from ruin, and enable the current output of our streams and precipitate his soil of our streams and p to the finascial derangement referred first step ever made in the direct inter- below him, and impossibling himself and to, in consequence of which there has est of agriculture and has been haired his children, I can't see how he is to be caused much local opposition, and sub- tax bands are concerned, my opinios so changed, that they are not binding either in law or good morals unless it may be as burthens of an honest adjustment of all our indebtoloss, as semething sooner or later will have to be done alike for the

PEDERAL ISTERPRIENCE WITH STATE

I call your attention to certain matters which have occurred since your last see sinn, and which give rise to questions of difficulty and grave impertance, involving a sceming conflict between the laws at the United States and those of the State, At the Fall Term, 1876, of the Baperior

Court of Guilford county, one Haskins and two others were indicted for an alleged In March, 1878, the defendants baving been accessed, fited in the office of the Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of North Carolina, their petition under oath, in which they set forth that they were officers of the Internal Revenue Department of the United States and that the acts charged against them in the bill of indictment I have mentioned were committed under color of their office : they therefore prayed that the prosecution aucz of an act of Congress now embedied in section 613 of the Revised Statutes of acting by authority of any Revenue law of the United States, on account of any act different, and the values of property sit- deemed it to be my daily to assist the desame time in the case of the State against