

BISHOP ATKINSON'S DEATH.

The death, last week, of Bishop Atkinson, is a loss not only to the members of his own church, but to his race, which was ennobled by his life and example.

THE DEEMS FUND.

Within the past year or two, Rev. Dr. Deems has contributed several hundred dollars to our State University to form the "Deems Fund," to be used in aiding poor young men to receive a collegiate education.

THE PROHIBITION CONVENTION.

The Convention of the friends of Prohibition in this State assembled in Raleigh yesterday, and was called to order by Judge Reade, and was opened by prayer by Bishop Lyman.

THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

At the beginning of every session of Legislatures it is customary for the Governor to address a communication to the members thereof, and in accordance with this custom Gov. Jarvis has sent his "Message" (as it is called) to the Legislature now in session.

Railroad Accident.

A telegram to the News and Observer, dated 8th inst., says: "Last night the fast mail train going south on the Richmond and Danville Railroad, while running very rapidly, ran into a rock slide one and a half miles east of Lexington, N. C."

State News.

Raleigh Star: The steamer "Gov. Worth" was snagged and sunk in the Cape Fear River, near Connaula Bluffs, about thirty miles below Wilmington, on Wednesday morning. Her cargo was saved.

News and Observer: There are no less than three propositions to divide Wake County for the purpose of forming new counties. One is for parts of Nash, Franklin and northwestern Wake; another for Harnett, Chatham and Wake, with county seat at Lashley; and still another for Orange, Chatham and Wake, with county seat at Durham.

Elizabeth City Economist: Huel Henby a prominent citizen of Farmville Township, was thrown out of his buggy Xmas day into a ditch and was drowned because he was too drunk to get out; and Jake Rumley, of Chicod township, broke his neck by bending his neck too far back to take a drink out of a 3 gallon jug, the same day.

Newbern Nat Shell: On Monday last fifteen Englishmen, with their families, arrived in this city for the purpose of prospecting for land, and we understand they are much pleased with the soil and they will probably establish themselves in this section.

OUR RALEIGH LETTER.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

RALEIGH, Jan. 11, 1881.

EDITOR RECORD: The weather, the streets, and the Legislature are the absorbing themes of gossip about the city. The most expressive criticism as to the weather is that it grows "wosser and wosser, and continually wosser," while the oldest inhabitant declares that the streets were never before in such a deplorable condition.

Legislative Proceedings.

(Continued from The News and Observer.)

SECOND DAY.

SENATE.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1881. It was just 11 o'clock when Mr. Dorch rapped on the desk and said: "The Senate will come to order." His prediction was verified, and, after a prayer by Dr. Burkhead, the public business was tackled in earnest.

Legislative Proceedings.

(Continued from The News and Observer.)

THIRD DAY.

SENATE.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7th, 1881. The Senate was opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Gwaltney. The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Williamson, of Edgecombe, introduced a bill to restore the election of justices of the peace and county commissioners to the people, which was referred to the committee on judiciary.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Rev. Mr. Townsend, of Cumberland, offered prayer. The calendar of yesterday was read, and, after some alteration was approved.

Legislative Proceedings.

(Continued from The News and Observer.)

FOURTH DAY.

SENATE.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8, 1881. Dr. Skinner offered prayer. Bills and resolutions were introduced, and disposed of as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House met at 11 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Dr. Skinner. By Mr. Hicks—to exempt public school teachers from certain public duties and capitation tax.

Legislative Proceedings.

(Continued from The News and Observer.)

FIFTH DAY.

SENATE.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 1881. The Senate caused to order and was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Marshall. The chair announced Messrs. Tucker, Dicker, Hanes, Merritt and Harris as the Senate branch of the joint select committee on prohibition.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House met at 11 a. m. Speaker in the Chair. Bills and resolutions were introduced and disposed of as follows:

Legislative Proceedings.

(Continued from The News and Observer.)

SIXTH DAY.

SENATE.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1881. The Senate was called to order by the President. Prayer by Rev. E. R. Rich.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

House met at 11 a. m. Speaker in the Chair. Prayer by Rev. Dr. Watkins.

Legislative Proceedings.

(Continued from The News and Observer.)

SEVENTH DAY.

SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12. The Senate met at the usual hour. Mr. Dorch in the chair.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

House met at 11 a. m. Speaker in the Chair. Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ruple.

Legislative Proceedings.

(Continued from The News and Observer.)

EIGHTH DAY.

SENATE.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1881. The Senate met at 11 a. m. Speaker in the Chair.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

House met at 11 a. m. Speaker in the Chair. Bills and resolutions were introduced and disposed of as follows:

Legislative Proceedings.

(Continued from The News and Observer.)

NINTH DAY.

SENATE.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1881. The Senate met at 11 a. m. Speaker in the Chair.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

House met at 11 a. m. Speaker in the Chair. Bills and resolutions were introduced and disposed of as follows:

cal speakers and public journals that there was fraud in the sale of this property. The investigation was a right due the legislators and officers then assembled. The three commissioners named A. S. Har- rison, Rufus Barringer and John Eggle, were appointed to the sale, and, after a reason their report would give entire satisfaction on the point.