

STORMING THE HEIGHTS.

DR. PALMAGE'S SUNDAY THEME.
They Have Piled Up Obstacles in the Way of Zerubbabel Until They Have Been as a Mountain.

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LAW-MAKERS AT RALEIGH.

The Resolution in Regard to Cuba Is Modified.

CHARGES OF BRIBERY ADOPTED.

Bills Providing for New Jury Lists Passed the House—Terms of Judges of the Peace Expire in December, 1898.

SENATE.
Monday, January 19, 1897. The Senate met at 12 o'clock. Lieutenant Governor Dougherty presiding. Prayer by Rev. H. W. Norris. After the journal of Thursday was read and approved, the following bills were introduced: (1) To amend section 1199 and 1200 of the Code, relating to challenges of jurors. (2) To amend section 1199 and 1200 of the Code, relating to challenges of jurors. (3) To amend section 1199 and 1200 of the Code, relating to challenges of jurors.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS.

The News of a Week Tersely Told in a Column.

MASONIC OFFICERS INSTALLED.

Castle Hayne Abandoned—Taxable Values—Gave the Old Man a Wreath—Their Religious Beliefs.

The Grand Lodge of Masons met in Raleigh last week. The session was interspersed with business and pleasure. A communication from the grand lodge of Wisconsin was received regarding a uniform system of distressed Masons. It was referred to a special committee and a full report may be made next year. Resolutions of respect to the late Don. Williams, of Tarboro, were adopted by a rising vote. A resolution was adopted to secure a portrait of B. N. Duke and place it in the Duke Building at the Oxford Orphan Asylum.

PROFANE PEOPLE.

Major McKinley will be the third Methodist President. The Duke of Edinboro has a private income of \$100,000 a year. Senator Watson has arrived in London in connection with the hearing of interest on the Great Eastern Railway. The hour for the inaugural ceremonies having arrived, the Senate proceeded to a body to the House of Representatives, where they proceeded to count the votes of the State officers.

CYCLING NOTES.

The year 1897 was a great season for bicycle lovers. There were many meetings with a small but growing demand. One of the developments in bicycling is the increasing popularity of taxicabs. In London a deposit has been established for the repairing of motor vehicles. In Washington the street-car tracks are so full that they do not interfere with the comfort of the riders of wheelchairs. New York taxicab do not now complain about the law as regards their business, but they are in a state of consternation for the making of their wheels has become a question of life or death.

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

The Proceedings Briefly Told From Day to Day.

SENATE.

MONDAY—Senator Allison, Republican, of Iowa, appeared in the chamber today for the first time this session.

Senator Allison, Republican, of Iowa, appeared in the chamber today for the first time this session. He had been absent from the chamber since his appointment as secretary of the commission on the subject of a violation of the neutrality laws by the exportation of munitions to the Brooklyn navy yard. He was the subject of a resolution offered by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, that Mr. Mills bring his speech on the Cuban matter at 1:30 p. m., with thirteen Democratic Senators and six Republicans in their seats. It went over without action. Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, gave notice that he would speak upon it Wednesday.

HOUSE.

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