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A CHANGE.

"Fight with Americans unavoidable. We are not the aggressors."

Such is the message from a Filippino agent to his country's representative in Paris Other advices from the distant Phillippines indicates that war is inevitable and that in a short time Dewey and Otis will have their hands full in subduing Aguinaldo and his liberty loving Fillipinos.

The pretext for inaugurating the late Spanish-American War was the sacred cause of humanity. The sentiment of a nation was appealed to with such power that two great nations became involved in war and thousands of miserable beings paid the penalty by sacrificing their lives at their country's behest.

Liberty was the key-note, the watch-word of the campaign. The war was ended and Cubans still bow in submission to a power, but now American instead of Spanish. Dewey and Aguinaldo, hand in hand, boon companions, defeated the Spaniards in the far distant Philippines and the fact was heralded forth to the world that liberty had been regained for a people and that the natives of those islands no longer acknowledged any nation as mistress.

But during those few months since Dewey and Schley and Shafter won the battles for the nation, there has been a change, a revolution. The administration has forgotten the purpose, the cause, the origin of the war. The question of freedom for others has been resolved into something else and the greed of conquest has seized those in power with such force that our armies that last year were sent to the front for the purpose of rescuing people from tyranny and misrule and domination by others, are now engaged in placing those very people in the subjection of an American bondage.

AN INVESTIGATION ORDERED.

We are pleased to note that the Legislature will order an investigation of the affairs of the penitentiary. This proceeding on the part of the Legislature is in accordance with the wishes of the great mass of voters of the state.

The apparent attempt of Gov. Russell to stave off such an investigation by placing the institution in charge of Democrats is balked.

Our readers will remember that the notorious John R. Smith was at first in control of this department. Later J. M. Mewborne succeeded him. Mewborne resigned and Capt. Day was then appointed.

A resolution has been introduced in the Legislature looking to the erasing the name of Jim Young from the cornerstone of the white school building for the deaf and dumb. A disgrace to the state is about to be removed.

A noted figure in North Carolina Methodism passed away Saturday night when Rev. Jesse A. Cunningham died of heart disease at his home in Greensboro. He had served long and faithfully in the ministry and had thousands of friends and admirers throughout the state. The good man was in the 67th year of his age and had for more than two score years been a member of the Methodist Conference.

WORK OF THE SOLONS.

A Democratic Legislature is Transacting Business in a Hurry.

MONDAY JAN 9.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Gibbs.

A communication was received from United States Senator Marion Butler relative to the fish culture status in North Carolina and suggesting that the General Assembly pass an act similar to the one passed by the General Assembly of Tennessee.

Bills were introduced as follows: By McIntyre, giving relief to the sheriff of Alleghany; By Coke, to place on the pension list the name of James Chandler; by Osborne, to issue bonds for Charlotte for water-works; by Ward, regarding investigation of railroad and telegraph charges; by Smith, a bill for the election of railroad commissioners by the people.

The bill provides that the railroad commission shall be elected in the same manner and at the same time as the members of the General Assembly; that the terms of the commissioners to be chosen by the General Assembly now in session shall expire on the 1st of January, 1901, that at the general election held for members of the General Assembly in the year 1900 there shall be elected three commissioners; one for two years, one for four years and one for six years. The next general election preceding the expiration of the term of office of any of said commissioners shall elect his successor, whose term of office shall be six years, and that in case of vacancy the Governor shall appoint and his appointee shall hold until the qualification of his successor.

By Fuller, colored, relating to the treaty of peace and other foreign relations.

The bill to empower the town of Reidsville to issue bonds for water-works, passed third reading.

Bill to prevent fast riding and driving over bridges in Gaston county also passed final reading.

Senator Fields, by request, was allowed to file additional evidence in the contested election case from the thirty-first district.

At 11 o'clock the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE

The House met at noon and Rev. Dr. Carter offered prayer.

Isaac Smith, member from Craven, rose to a question of personal privilege, in regard to the action of the Republican caucus in expelling him last Saturday night. He said he was part and parcel of the grand Republican party, representing the noble people of Craven. He claimed that the action of the caucus was an unjust and unwarranted attack on one member and was therefore one on all; that it was an unfounded attack by a caucus said to be Republican. "They say I am read out of the party. These same fellows said during the late campaign that the Democrats would disfranchise the negro, and yet before these Democrats have even a chance to distranchise any one these fellows go out and disfranchise the only member of their race who has voted in its true interest. They have disfranchised me because I had the courage to do what was right.

Petree, Republican, rose to a question of personal privilege and said he introduced the resolution regarding Smith in the caucus, but denied that it was an attack on good government. He declared he favored white supremacy in North Carolina.

Resolutions were introduced as follows: By Carraway, ordering that the State flags be displayed on the capitol. By Giles, to create a joint committee on reprinting statutes.

Bills were introduced as follows: By Curtis, to provide for paying witnesses. By Council, to amend chapter 148 of The Code, removing disabilities of married women. By Allen, to amend chapter 138 of The Code, regarding internal improvements; to prescribe short forms of crop liens and chattel mortgages, By Harrison, to repeal the act creating the railroad commission. By Robeson, to protect the lives of property on railroads by providing against incompetent employees By Clarkson, to establish the Vance Textile School, (appropriating $15,000, the location to be at the place which gives a like sum.) By Austin, for relief of ex-Sheriff Hoskins of Jones, By Winston, to allow Bertie to issue bonds and levy special tax, to alter the corporate limits of the town of Kelford; to amend chapter 288 public laws 1895; regarding Bertie and Craven Superior Courts, By Boushall, to promote the comfort of passengers on railroad trains, By Reinhardt, to prescribe the courses of studying and the books to be used in the public schools (and giving authority to have such books printed at deaf mute school at Morganton

Tuesday Jan. 10.—The Senate today passed unanimously a resolution calling on our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their best efforts to have a constitutional amendment providing for the election of United States Senators by the people submitted to the Legislatures of the several States.

Senator Cowper introduced a bill to provide for white Government in the county of Hertford. The rest of the session was devoted to routine work

In the afternoon, the Senate Committee on Elections heard the contested case of Cannon vs. Franks, from the Thirty-fourth district Davidson and Ferguson appeared for Franks, and Posey and Smith for Cannon. The case was hotly contested, the contestant alleging that there were irregularities in some precincts and that the Cherokee Indians who voted for Franks were not entitled to vote at all. After a three hours' hearing the committee decided, by a unanimous vote, that Franks, Republican, was entitled to hold his seat.

IN THE HOUSE

the bill providing for an investigation of the penitentiary was favorably reported. The committee is empowered to compel attendance of witnesses by a fine of $1,000, if necessary.

The bill repealing the act of 1897, which requires officers of corporations to file an oath with the State auditor created considerable debate in the House. Mr. Romntree favored the repeal of the act. The bill was lost by a vote of 49 to 71.

The Senate resolution as to the election of United States Senators by the people was passed. A bill repealing the act providing for the working of the roads of Northampton by taxation was passed.

Mr. Robinson introduced a bill to amend the charter of Fayetteville.

A bill permitting the Bank of Fayetteville to reduce its capital stock from two hundred thousand to one hundred thousand dollars was passed.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

Both the House and Senate met today at 10 o'clock. In the House it was a very busy day. Twenty-nine bills, four resolutions and two petitions were introduced. Among the new bills were the following:

By Boushall of Wake: To create a code commission.

By Ray of Cumberland: To repeal the Fayetteville dispensary law.

By Noble of Jones: To repeal the election law.

By Wright (Republican) of Warren: To repeal the law for electing magistrates.

By Garrett of Rockingham: To pay judges of election in certain counties.

By Lowry (Republican: To amend article ten of the State constitution

By Smith (colored) of Craven: To pay officers and State witnesses when no true bill is found.

By Brown of Stanly: To fix the maximum number of employes for the General Assembly.

By Williams of Bare: To request Congress to establish two light beacons in Pamlico Sound.

The amendment proposed to the constitution (article 10, homesteads and exemptions) is to reduce personal property exemption from $500 to $200, and make the homestead $500 instead of $1,000.

Mr. Boushall's Code Commission bill provides for a commission to collate, digest and revise the public statute laws of the State, upon the same plan as that adopted by the last code commission Their work is to be submitted to the next General Assembly for approval. No commissioners are named in the act, neither is the salary fixed. They are empowered to appoint a clerk.

During consideration of the calendar four resolutions were adopted, six bills were passed on third reading, two on second reading and eight on calendar were referred to the proper committees.

Among the bills passed, the only one of importance was that providing for increasing the number of commissioners in Edgecombe county from three to five. The Board of County Commissioners is authorized to appoint two additional commissioners at the next meeting, to hold office until the next election. After that, five commissioners shall be regularly elected every two years.

SENATE.

Among bills passed by the Senate were the following:

To authorize the towns of Charlotte and Louisburg to issue bonds for municipal improvements.

To repeal chapter 203 of the Laws of 1897, with reference to the procuring and distribution of dead bodies for scientific purposes.

To provide a joint committee to investigate the State Treasurer's office, charitable institutions and agricultural departments.

To forbid clerks of courts to appoint themselves or their deputies as commissioners to sell land.

Senator Travis introduced a bill to repeal the election law. It will be favorably reported tomorrow.

The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections reported that it found Senator Franks (Republican) of the 34th district, entitled to his seat.

The Legislature started off right by reducing the salary of the various clerks from $5 to $4 per day.

The Roxboro Courier, one of the best weeklies of the state, has commenced its sixteenth year. Our congratulations.

It is gratifying to know that the Legislature has already transacted more business than did its predecessor in 60 days.

An amusing incident occurred in Raleigh Saturday night when the Republican caucus expelled Isaac H. Smith, the colored representative from Craven county He denounces their action and asks the people not to charge up to the negro the mistakes of Governor Russell's administration.

Princeton Boys.

Weather very changeable, consequently, severe cold's and lagrippe.

Mr. Geo. W. Howell, one of our best carpenters has gone up to Raleigh

Mr. D. E. McKinne is having a lot of stables erected on his vacant lot in front of his store, for the benefit of his customers.

Mr. Luther Grantham an industrious young man who lives 4 or 5 miles south of town, has accepted a position as overseer on Mr. J. W. Perry's farm.

"The Boys" gave a social party at McKinne's Hall Monday night. We learn that there was quite a large gathering and was a very enjoyable affair.

We regret to chronicle the illness of our townsman, Mr. J. D. Finlayson, who has been quite sick several days. We suppose the cause of Mr. Finlayson's illness is lagrippe. We hope its nothing worse.

Messrs. Lewis and Ballard Hastings have moved in to our city. Welcome. Mr. Lewis Hastings has gone into merchandising in the large Whitley store belonging to Mr. D. E. McKinne.

Mr. Haskel Fields has gone out of business. Messrs Hastings & Benton having succeeded him. The latter gentlemen will be found at Fields' old stand.

Mrs. J. D. Finlayson and daughter, Beatrice, are on the sick list this week, lagrippe having taken almost entire possession of their home. We hope to see them all very well soon.

Rev. O. L. Stringfield, Financial Agent for the Baptist Female University at Raleigh, lectured at the Baptist church last Sunday night on the subject of "Christian Education for our Women." For two hours he held his large audience as if by magic. One moment he would bring tears from the eyes of his hearers; next moment the congregation would roar with laughter. Those who failed to hear Rev. Mr. Stringfield missed a treat. We all hope to have him in Princeton again.

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SELMA NEWS.

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Wm. Richardson and Dr. R. J Noble went to Raleigh Tuesday to the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons.

Dr. Person, of Fremont, has located here.

The officials of the Southern were here last week talking about building a union depot here. 'Tis said they decided to build if the Coast Line would assist. A depot with better accommodations is much needed.

The coal chute has been cut down seven feet. It is easy to to put up coal now.

SENEX.

La Grippe Successfully Treated.

"I have just recovered from the second attack of la grippe this year," says Mr. Jas. A Jones, publisher of the Leader, Mexia, Texas. "In the latter case I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I think with considerable success, only being in bed a little over two days against ten days for the former attack. The second attack I am satisfied would have been equally as bad as the first but for the use of this remedy as I had to go to bed in about six hours after being 'struck' with it, while in the first case I was able to attend to business about two days before getting 'down.'" For sale by Hood Bros. and J. W. Benson.

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Concert in Selma.

The concert given by Mrs. Vick's Sunday School class last Friday evening was quite a success. In fact, it is spoken of as being the most pleasant event of the holidays.

The recitations were excellent and the living pictures all one could wish, while the music was so perfect we readily saw the marked ability of the highly proficient music teacher in our very flourishing school.

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J. H. KIRKMAN.

Jan. 9, 1899
Phone No. 51.

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