

THE COMMAND, "SILENCE." The Washington Post says:

"Ratify the treaty. We intend to do it in the end-there is no doubt upon that point. Ratify it, and put our government, with the American people behind it, in a position to act with authority and weight. There will be time enough for the opponents of territorial expansion to proclaim their views. For the sake of our national honor let us

stand together now. * * * Show the, world that we are a loyal and homogeneous people. Reserve our intestine quarrels for a later day. Everybody knows that the action of the Panis court will be eventually approved. Why suspend the proclamation of that approval-thereby confusing, bewildering and instigating to pestiferous courses the ignorant and infatuated followers of Aguinaldo, bimself a childish and

vainglorious monkey-merely in order that a handful of senators, honest and cultivated men we know, shall venture their individual convictions and meanwhile, aggravate the complications that now beset us?" 🋸

This reminds us of the remarks of William J. Bryan

"If we enter upon a colonial policy, we must expect to hear the command 'silence' issuing with increasing emphasis from the imperialists. When the discussion of fundamental principles is attempted in the United States, if a member of congress attempts to criticise any injustice perpetrated by a goveroment official against a helpless people he will be warned to keep silent unless his criticism encourage resistance to American authority in the Orient. If an orator on the Fourth of July dares to speak of inalienable rights or refers with commendation to the manner in which our forefathers resisted taxation without representation he will be warned to keep silent lest his utterances incite rebellion among distant subjects."

The Post says: trouble, for us is brewing in the Philipis at the head of a very large armed force. * * * Thousads of the Filipinos have been armed-through Ger-

The Dead Body Act Senate-Regulating Insurance;

Franks-Cannon Case put Over.

Raleigh, Jan. 11 .- The house was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Danicls, from ratification. of the First Presbyterian church. The juidciary committee reported favorably E. J. Justice's bill to repeal chapter 163, acts of 1897, in reference to fire insurance rates,

Mr. Council, from the committee on railroads and railroad commission, reported favorably house bill 71, appointing a committee of five to wait on Governor Russell and learn his reasons for removing the Wilsons from the railroad commission and report in five days. The bill was then passed.

The committee on enrolled bills reported a number of bills correctly enrolled.

The resolution of Representative Ham mond, of Wake, which permits the statue of Worth Bagley to be erected on the capitol grounds was unanimously passeđ.

Fruits and Produce. Representative S. L. Hart's act to prevent the spread of disease was reported favorably.

Representative Austin, of Yancey, introduced a resolution of Mr. Thomas, a Confederate soldier.

The judiciary committee reported that it had adopted a rule requiring that all bills which affect the constitution must be printed.

Representative O. P. Williams, of N. C. SUN DRIED AP-Graham, introduced a bill providing for fees to be paid by Graham county for

killing of certain wild animals. Representative Gillam's bill to regulate the charges of insurance companies on farm property in North Carolina 39 South Main Street. aroused some discussion. The present law provides that the insurance rates on such farm property shall be no higher than those in force in Virginia. It appeared from the debate that the rates in different sections of Virginia were

"It must be evident to the duliest in- different and under this law the insurtelligence that trouble, and very serious ance companies could select the highest of these rates for North Carolina. The pines. We know, now, that Aguinalds bill was referred to the insurance comhas no intention of accepting American mittee with the understanding that a dominion, and we know further, that he bill fixing the insurance rates and repealing the present law shall be reported favorably.

The bill to increase the number of That Whitman's Chocolate man agencies, as we believe and now commissioners in Edgecombe county re find ourselves confronted by a forfrom three to five was reported favora midable and hostile array, our rights bly by the committee on counties, citics disputed and our dominion challenged." and towns and passed. When will there be a better time than The bill to authorize Reidsville to is the present to utter protests against the sue \$25,000 of waterwork bonds was policy that is rushing this country headpassed on its second reading. buy. long into centain but unfathomed seas The bill of Representative Brown, o of difficulties? Surely not when this Stanly, to limit the employment of "very serious trouble" is fully upon us. clerks and assistants and providing that A proposition that involves the paythose hereafter employed - shall receive ment of \$20,000,000 for the privilege of \$2.50 per day, was referred to the com-

Seniate bill 32, ito repeal section 1,906,

of the code, wrich was reported by the judiciary dommittee with a substitute adding the section 1,906 the words: "pro vided no cierk of dourt shall appoint himself or deputy als a commissioner to sell land" was passed. It will be in force

House bill 42. Walter Moore's bill to repeal chapter 203 acts of 1897, the dead body act, and senate bill 41 to the same effect, which were reported favorably by the judiciary committee, aroused considerable discussion, and add the arguments against this much cursed law during the campaign, were repeated. Senator Wilson said President Alderman of the state university, and other educattors wanted to be heard on the bill. that an acceptable amendmient, giving the bodies of the oriminals to the medfeal schools might be prepared by them. and he asked postponement. Senation Glebra said the senate should

kill the daw Senator Spaight spoke of the necessity of providing bodies for the medical school, and said, "The midst of the dis-(Continued on fifth page.)

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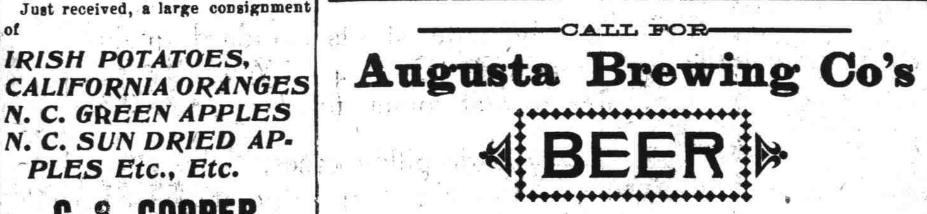
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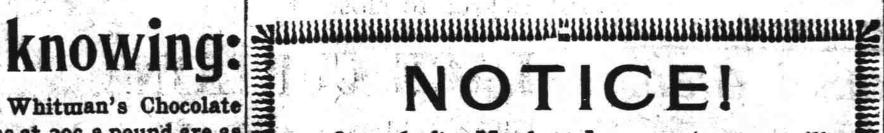


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