

LEGISLATURE HARD AT WORK.
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session is here now." Glenn reported, "I didn't know we had a session of session, like a season of killing boys."

Senator Justice said the bill voiced the sentiments of humanity. Senator Wilson withdrew his objection and called for the ayes and noes. Fuller, the colored senator, created a laugh by saying, in explanation of his vote, "The gentlemen of the legislature have been so kind to me I have no desire to deprive them of their strongest campaign thunder."

Representative Moore's bill was passed and the senate bill tabled. House resolution 35, Representative E. J. Justice's joint resolution, creating a joint committee, of three, from the senate and two from the house to act on all bills regarding or affecting judicial districts, shall be referred, was passed.

Senate bill to change the school districts of Chatram county, was referred to the committee on education. Senator Brown said the legislature not take charge of every little school district in the state, and Senator Jerome seconded his remarks.

The bill to repeal the tax on horse dealers must be a very important one. It was one of the first bills introduced in the senate, and considerable time has been devoted to it. Senator Fields moved that the bill be taken from the finance committee and placed on the calendar and argued for it.

The bill carries with it a repeal of the inheritance tax on estates of deceased persons. The taxes derived from horse dealers last year amounted to \$3,054. There was considerable discussion. The lieutenant governor laughingly commented on the fact that the Post said that Senator Fields must be very busy as he failed at one session to call up his horse bill.

Senator Fields withdrew his motion on the promise of Chairman Osborn to call a committee meeting. Senator Justice nominated Senators Glenn, Travis and Jerome, as members from the senate, of the joint committee on judicial districts, and they were elected and adjourned to the house.

Senator Glenn called attention to the necessity that private bills seeking private relief, give the requisite thirty days' notice. He said that the speaker of the house insisted from now forward to enforce this law strictly. The lieutenant governor said that some private laws had been passed with a provision that they should be "public laws." Senator Glenn thought this did not satisfy the law.

The report of the election committee, reading Senator Franks, was read and Senator Justice moved its adoption. Senator Glenn asked that consideration be postponed because he said the report of the reading of Senator Franks turned on a weighty law question, that is, the right of the Indians to vote, and the report of Richmond Pearson against W. T. Crawford, for congress turned on the same question. He said the action of the senate would be quoted as a precedent and might have a far reaching effect. He did not want the senate to commit itself without careful consideration to the right of the Indians to vote.

Senator Justice said he had no possible desire to urge the matter and withdrew his motion to adopt the report and it stands on the calendar for action tomorrow. The report of the committee simply says Franks is entitled to the seat.

By unanimous consent Senator Skirvin introduced a request bill to amend the general education law, which was referred to the education committee. Senator Murray's bill to abolish the chain gang system of Madison county, was referred to the committee on penal institutions.

Senator Travis' bill to repeal chapter 159 acts of 1895, and chapter 185 of the acts of 1897, was placed on the calendar. Senator Cowper's bill to repeal chapter 522 acts of 1891, was referred to the judiciary committee.

Senator Thomas' bill to amend chapter 168 of the acts of 1897, was referred to the judiciary committee.

NOTES OF THE DAY.
It has been snowing and sleeting all day.

T. J. Reed, of Asheville, is here in at

MOORE TRAYLOR'S MAGISTRATE CIGAR

endance on the Grand Lodge. The senate elections committee in the contest of Eaves and Lambert against Kerley and Souther, from the Thirty-first district, granted leave to the contestants to amend their specifications of fraud. It gave Kerley and Souther until January 23 to produce evidence. The contestants were represented by Judge A. C. Avery, J. H. Pou, Kerley and Souther by R. O. Burton.

J. Y. Jordan expects to return tomorrow. Craig withdrew today as chairman of the house branch of the joint committee on judicial districts in favor of E. J. Justice.

The secret steering committee appointed as per a resolution of caucus, published in the Gazette, met tonight. The members of the committee from the house are: Lee S. Overman, Heriot Clarkson, George Rountree, E. J. Justice and W. B. Council; from the senate, Frank I. Osborne and R. Z. Smith.

The house committee on elections by a party vote today seated George Deas, Democrat, in place of Dudley Paul, republican, of Pamlico county.

The Grand Lodge of Masons elected Dr. Nabbles, of Selma, grand master; Dr. Beverly S. Royster, deputy grand master; I. J. Clark, senior grand warden; W. L. Biddell, junior grand warden; William Sampson, grand treasurer; J. C. Drewry, grand secretary.

EWART WON'T PRESIDE
Special to the Gazette. Washington, Jan. 11.—Judge H. G. Ewart has informed the attorney general that he would decline to preside when the First National bank cases come up for trial. The judge bases his reason on the ground that he is not confirmed. His action will not delay the trial as Judge Paul, of Virginia; Judge Brauley, of South Carolina, or Judge Goff, of West Virginia, will preside.

The Third North Carolina regiment certainly will be mustered out. Senator Pritchard has introduced a joint resolution construing section 4716 revised statutes, so as to entitle to pensions claimants who served in the Confederate army and subsequently in the United States army. This means much to the state of North Carolina.

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1000 Ready-made sheets standard quality; worth 55c each. Cost 44c. We sell them to first comers for **39c**

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1000 Pairs ladies' English black hose, the best 25c hose in the state; cost 19c. Will close as long as they last for **15c**

1000 Pairs ladies' black seamless hose worth 12½c; to close at **7c**

LACE CURTAINS.

They will be sold at **one-half** our regular price, which brings them way below cost. You have never seen any such prices as you will see in our store Thursday morning.

MILLINERY.

All walking hats, sailors, and other hats that we are selling at \$1, \$1.50 and \$2 will be on special tables, to go at **59c**
This means about one-half the wholesale cost, but they must go.

LADIES' JACKETS.

All our fine jackets, \$10, \$12 \$15 and \$17 will be placed on one table **\$6 Each** and sold for

All our \$8, \$10 & \$12 English cloth capes will go at **\$5 Each**

All our \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50 capes will be sold for **\$1 each.**

Big line \$4 jackets will be sold for **\$2.**

Everything in our entire store will be cut down in same proportion. The sale will last until stock is sold unless entire stock is disposed of as a whole, then, of course, prices will be made by our successors. The opportunity will not come again to the people of this section, and we advise early buying, as we do not expect stock to last long. Don't send for samples; it would do no good, as stock is broken every day. Remember we have always done as we advertise and you will find things (long as they last) just as we say, about one-half what you usually pay. We sincerely thank every one for their past favors, and we will always have the kindest feelings for those who have kindly favored us with their patronage. It is with deep reluctance that we retire from the dry goods business, but circumstances over which we have no control, demands the change. Thousands of dollars worth remain to be sold at this Great Closing Out Sale. No goods can be taken back or exchanged. Again thanking the public for their patronage, we close with the lowest prices ever seen in Asheville.

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