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> Probability that the Adjournment will be on Wednesday.

> Pardon for Man Convicted When Norwood was on · the Bench.

> Geo. F. Wes on a Member of the Board of Agriculture-Education Bill Passed.

Special to the Gazette. Raleigh, March 4 .- Only two new bills were introduced in the house today, allow judges to appoint stenographers in special cases; to repeal the public rallway; to repeal the act requiring the governor to appoint three directors of the Albemarle and Chesapeake canal; to encourage the use of wide tire vehicles on roads in a number of counties by by remitting to their owners half road ax or half the required labor on roads, (it applies to Mecklenburg, Alamance, Buncombe, Edgecombe, Gaston, Forsyth, Lincoln, Moore, New Hanover,

Rowan, Wilson and Durham. Overman introduced a bill, which passed, to allow the state's prison to hire to the counties of Buncombe, Jackson Rowan, Haywood and others, upon application, such able bodied convicts as may be desirable, the counties named to pay all the expenses.

The senate bill to establish a criminal count in Hertford county failed to pass. It was said that Senator Cowper, who passed the bill, was to be judge. Mr. Curtis and others declared against bills to give members offices.

The bill prepared by the American Bar Association, codifying the laws as to negotiable instruments and commercial paper so that all state laws on the subject may be as uniform as possible, passed second reading, but on objection of Ray, of Macon, the third reading was continued until Monday.

The bill changing the congressional districts passed. It transfers Mitchell Cleveland and Gaston to the eighth, and Davie and Yadkin to the seventh

The bill appropriating \$10,000 to the soldiers home afforded a lot of fine eld The revenue bill carries \$10,000 appropriation for the house but the bill under consideration provides \$10,000 buildings. Mr. Williams of Iredell for the committee, said that had provided \$200 per year for each inmlate of the In glass front boxes, at 20c a home and did not think the state could afford more. McLean of Harnett, Carra way, chitherwood, Boushall, spoke for Full line of MASON'S Crackers the bill and loud applause from the gal leries rewarded them. Ray, of Macon, and Davis, of Haywood, said the old soldiers would prefer to have the money and stay at home. The appropriation was reduced to \$5,000 and the bill passed. A resolution was passed creating a committee to nominate trustees for the colored school at Greensboro. These trus tees will also have charge of the schools at Winston and Salisbury.

Mr. Cowan, of Jackson county, who is considered one of the most efficient journal clerks ever employed by the leg slature, was presented with a scarf pin by Mr. Williams, of Yadkin, on behalf of the Populist and Republican members for courtesles extended. The house then elected the caucus nom nees as corporation commissioners.

SENATE. bills: To authorize the speaker to appoint closed out at 25 per cent below cost. I three commissioners to the Panis Ex W. Glaser, 34 South Main street. position. The commissioners will pay their own expenses. To allow Morgan ton to vote on the dispensary question; to prohibit dumping sawdust in certain streams of Swain, Majon, Transylvana, Henderson counties; to incorporate the (Continued on fifth page.)

KARL von BUCK, M. D., Medical Director,

ITS SESSION

portant Measures,

cluding Canal Agreed to

Cost of Armor Plate Limited but no Discussion of the Scope of the Associa-Government Factory.

Washington, March 4.- The fifty-fifth congress ended its career at noon today. During the early morning hours in the house the conference report on the river and harbor bill was adopted without division, after some unavailing protests by Hepburn, of Iowa, against the canal amendment on the ground that it was not germane.

The conference report on the ficiency appropriation bill containing full agreement, was agreed to.

The final conference report on the naval bill was presented by Boutelle. He explained that the senate had yielded to the house as to the number of ships (12) to be authorized, and the house has confirmed the armor plate provisions as to the limit of cost of armor to \$300, but both local. These bills were passed: to has secured the elimination of the provision for an armor plate factory. The house reluctantly yielded up this ftem school local tax, chapter 42, acts 1897; to as to the price of armor, said Boutelle. incorporate Kinston and Jacksonville and was only in hope the future congress would remedy the situation. The report was adopted.

The usual vote of thanks to the speaker, was passed, and at 12.10 the house adjourned.

In the senate Allison moved to recede from the remainder of the amendments in controversy, in the sundry civil bill. including the Pacific cable project. After some discussion the motion was

It was announced that the house refused to authorize the construction of government armor plant. Butler asked: "Will we conclude any contracts for new war vessels unde the pending bill, if it becomes law?"

"No, I think not," he replied, "I believe we shall do no more than get out plans and specifications for authorized ships and decide about turrets and the like." Tillman declared the senate had ylelded everything and the house noth-

"The senate conferees cannot hold to this controversy alone," said Mr. Hale. "But the senate can," Tillman replied, we can place on the house the responsibility for an extra session. I was never so strongly tempted in my life to say, "This bill shall not pass and become a law."

The conference report was agreed without division, and the senate ended

NOMINATIONS HELD UP.

Washington, March 4.-More nemina. tions were left unacted on by the senate today than at the close of any session in years. This is due largely to the unusual number of army and navy promotions, but a great batch of civil . m. missions, including a lot of postmasters, met the same fate. Prominent among the latter are those of the commission to recommend legislation for Hawaii The only judicial nomination that failed was that of H. G. Ewart, former congressman, to be judge of the western North Carolina district.

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interested in the purchase of first class clothing or gents furnish ing should carefully inspect my window and examine my goods. I am going to Seed Potatoes. The senate today passed the following Porto Rico and all my stock must be

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The "Blue Ribbon" Baking Powder Company of Richmond, Va., is using a burseless charage to advertise their goods. The first one ever used for advertising purposes in this section.

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Treatment of Lung and Throat Diseases

ASSOCIATION

Agreements Reached on Im- Organized at the City Hall President Gives Notice of Last Night.

Report on River and Harbor Bill In- Officers Elected and a Constitution Welker Declares Repr sentative Adopted.

> tion and the Method to be Adopted to Secure Better Roads & bout At hev.lle.

At the meeting held in the city hall last night, an association for the inrovement of the roads of Asheville and Buncombe county was formed. The night was not at all favorable to getting out a large number of people, as a heavy rain fell all the evening, but that very fact tended to impress more vividly on the persons interested the importance of good roads. About twenty gentlemen who are interested in this nevement were present, and after some andom discussion, the association was formed and a constitution adopted. Dr. C. L. Minor, G. F. Weston, A. M. Field and J. R. Dubose all spoke forcibly egarding the need of road improvement and the possibility of accomplishing it. Mr. Duff Merrick spoke in favor of not confining the work to pleasure drives movement which should stimulate or force the county commission and board of aldermen of Asheville to Jo

he needed work. During Mr. Merrick's speech a point of order was made several times, on the ground that he was not talking on the ection of the constitution under discussion. Finally he gave up and left the meeting, but his influence was largely felt, and the name and purpose of the society was changed to a broader construction. Its purpose therefore will se to improve the roads and pleasure drives of Asheville and Buncombe county so that visitors and residents may have an opportunity to use them with some degree of comfort.

The following gentlemen pledged themselves as members of the society B. H. Cosby, J. R. DuBose, John Roebling, G. F. Weston, B. M. Jonest, H. D. Childs, J. A. Burroughs, C. L. Minor, Frank Loughran, Wm. Johnson W. F. Snyder, A. M. Fields E. C. Chambers, A. A. Jones, J. A. Nichols, r. W. Raoul, Charles McNamee, J. T.

Although some money will be obtained by the initiation fees and dues of the members, subscriptions will be asked for from all who are interested. The object, further, is to start a popular sentiment in this direction. Then when the sentiment is strong enough, the law providing for boading county may be voted on. J. R. Dubose brought up this state law, which seems to have been neglected. It is to the effect that on a pe tition of twenty-five per cent. of the voters of Buncombe county, the county commissioners must call an election to vote on the proposition to bond the coun ty for \$100,000 for the improvement of the roads. This act seems to have never been taken advantage of, and it hoped by the society to create a sentiment in favor of this act, so it may be carried into effect.

The farmer is especially remembered by the society, as it provides for free membership for people outside of Asheville, thus giving them a vote on the management of the work done on the roads without making them any

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Early Rose, Peerless. Burbank's Field and Garden Seeds. All of the best variety at

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TO REAPPOINT

his Intentions.

Linney has Been Snubbed.

ngon-Pritchard Gives Evidence in the Contest.

Special to the Gazette. Washington, March 4.- The president this morning informed Senator Pritchard that he will give Judge Ewart another recess appointment.

Senator Pritchard left tonight for his home. Judge Ewark is here and is delighted with the way his affairs have

It is believed that Senator Butler would allow a vote on the Judge Ewart case this week, and your correspondent had this fact in mind when the statement was made in a former letter to the effect that the unexpected would

Representative Walker, of Massachusetts, was granted one hour and a half unanmous consent this morning and delivered his farewell speech. Mr. Walker spoke of his efforts for currency reform as a member of the committee on banking and currency, and said that he had worked almost single handed. He severely arraigned his colleagues for not recognizing Congressman Linney by placing him on the committee. He said Mr. Linney was practically the only republican member from the south and yet he had been studiously snubbed because he had an opinion of his own about the currency of the country. He would not commit himself as favoring the idea of restricting the currency of the country.

By way of capitol chat it may be said that Speaker Reed is greatly given to speaking in parables, as it were, or to making illustrations that never fall to illustrate. The big speaker entertains some views with reference to the little war in which this country is engaged, and to the matter of expansion and oth er mooted subjects. This latest story, which has never found its way in print, is to this effect: Two or three members were discussing expansion with the speaker when the laster gentleman asked his hearers what they would think of a man who owned poultry establishment, filled with the finest breed of chickens, and who, when he went to set a half dozen of his choice hens, would slip under the hen two or three eggs that had been the product of a common scrub dunghill chicken. "Now," said the terror of presidential aspirants, "you may draw your own conclusion." That is a speech against "benevolent assimilation" that is

worth some thought. Congressman Pearson is here and is hard at work with his contest matter. Senator Pritchard gave evidence in the Soon to be Discussed in the Reichstag; W. A. H. matter today. z

OPPORTUNITY.

FOR THE PEOPLE OF ASHEVILLE I have made up my mind to go to Porto Rico. I will close out my entire stock at 25 per cent. less than cost. Clothing, gents' furnishing goods, hats and underwear, merchant dailor's cloth and cloth for ladies' tailor made suits, lso store pictures. Botire stock must go I. W. GLASER, 34 South Main street, Asheville.

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Another Indication That Europe will Devour Her.

Italy's Demand for a Naval Base and Sphere of Influence.

Belief Strengthened That Salisbury has Abandoned Open Door Policy

The Approaching Tragedy of the closing Century in the Ancient Oriental Empire.

Laffan cable dispatch to the Gazette. London, March 4 .- Italy's demand for a naval base and sphere of influence in China is universally interpreted in Europe as another important move toward the partition of the empire,

It is known that Italy consulted with the British government before making the demand at Pekin.

Those who are convinced that Salisbury has abandoned the open door policy are strengthened in their belief by this incident, and if they are right, then the doom of China is sealed and its destruction will be not much longer delayed, for the East will be the scene of a most dramatic tragedy during the close of the century.

HEIRLOOMS

OF HEROISM

Five Cadets at Large to the Naval Academy Appointed by McKinley.

Washington, March 4 .- Under authorty given by congress in a special act, the president today appointed five additional cadete at large to the naval cademy. They are John Gridley, son of the captain of Dewey's flagship, who died on the way home; Isaac C. Bac'ey, brother of Ensign Worth Bagley, killed at Cardenas Gustav Busbee, grandson of Admiral Warden; Alexander Thackera, grandson of General Sherman; and Nixon W. Elmer, son of Captain Elmer who died during the war.

THE SAMOAN SITUATION.

Proposed New Conference-

Berlin, March 4.-The Samoan situation will shortly be discussed in the Reichstag, the government desiring it to be done as early as possible. The latest declarations of Foreign Minister Von Buelow are taken to imply that the question of a new conference has been informally broached and that the triplicate powers are anxious to modify the xisting trouble-breeding treaty.

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