

WORK OF THE LEGISLATURE.

What Is Being Done by the Law-makers at Raleigh.

SENATE, Jan. 25.—Quite a number of bills of a local nature were reported favorably from committees.

The bill to reorganize and incorporate the penitentiary passed.

The bill codifying and consolidating the insane laws came with a favorable report from the committee except as to one or two provisions. There was a lengthy discussion as to the clause with reference to confining the criminal insane in the penitentiary, this being opposed by the majority of the Senators who spoke. Finally the bill was re-referred to the committee and it was ordered that 200 copies of the amendments to the bill be printed and distributed among the Senators.

HOUSE, Jan. 25.—Among the bills introduced was one to reduce the auction fees on leaf tobacco.

The bill reorganizing the penitentiary was taken up. It is the one agreed on at the Democratic caucus, and changes the name to State Prison and creates 12 new directors. The bill passed second reading without debate. On the third reading Hampton, Republican, demanded the yeas and nays also asked for an explanation of the bill. This was quickly and succinctly given by Foushee, who said the bill was to turn over to the dominant party the penitentiary and the farms. He said it was in the nature of a writ of ejectment. At this there was laughter. The vote on the bill was: Yeas 89, nays 15. There was a laugh, when Smith, colored, of Craven, voted yea. The bill was immediately sent over to the Senate.

A bill to change the time of meeting of county commissioners to the first Tuesday in each month was tabled.

A bill to protect buyers and sellers of leaf tobacco in the state by making failure to comply with contracts a misdemeanor was taken up. It applies also to farmers who have contracted to sell their tobacco to warehouses or agents. The report of the committee was favorable. Davis, of Franklin, the author of the bill, explained its provisions, saying it was to enforce honesty. Foushee antagonized the bill, saying if a warehouse man failed to carry out a contract he should be responsible in a civil action, not criminally. He thought the bill went too far and was an invasion of the liberties of the citizens. Rountree said the bill appeared to him revolutionary and an invasion of the common law. He thought there was too much legislation making many acts criminal. The discussion of the bill became quite general. Powell, of Wake, thought the bill very fair, while Overman declared it violative of the constitution. Rountree moved a reference to the judiciary committee. It was so referred.

SENATE, Jan. 26.—The following were some of the bills introduced: To allow Greensboro to issue bonds; to prevent dealing in futures in North Carolina.

The bill to provide extra commissioners for Stokes county came up and after some discussion and the yeas and nays being taken, the bill passed third reading, the vote standing 38 yeas and 4 nays. This bill will enable the commissioners to bring suit against the clerk of the Superior court of Stokes, who, it is alleged, has \$1,500 of the county's money.

The House bill to authorize the publication of the sketches of the North Carolina Regiments was taken up and passed unanimously. The bill authorizing Forsyth county to levy a special tax to pay indebtedness passed its final reading.

HOUSE, Jan. 26.—Bills were introduced to require telegraph companies to exercise due diligence in the transmission and delivery of messages; to amend the Code in regard to the removal of cases from one county to another; to allow Rockingham county to issue \$11,000 in bonds, also to incorporate the town of Mayodan; to promote the use of wide-tired vehicles for the improvement of the public roads.

The bill amending the act in regard to public drunkenness in Buncombe passed, by putting it in the jurisdiction of magistrates. The minimum fine is \$5; the maximum \$10.

The bill requiring the elementary principles of agriculture to be taught in the public schools was tabled.

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe.

George W. Walt, of South Gardner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50 cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by C. E. Holton.

Corncob Meal.

"We are constantly meeting with fakes and fakirs," said a young Wall street broker the other day, "but one of the slickest schemes that I have ever come across was a corncob mill in Cairo, Ill. The way I became acquainted with the business was through a friend of mine out there, who was interested in the deal and who picked me up, a young chap without any money, and made me the purchasing agent in Chicago.

"It was a long time before I myself knew the wherefore of the mill. It was erected in an inaccessible place, two or three miles out from Cairo, and a board fence ten feet high was built around it. The company had its own private wires, and every detail of the business was scrupulously kept secret. The employees themselves did not know what use the corncobs were put to. They merely knew that large quantities of cobs were sent in, but the company gave it out they were seeking to invent a new process for paper pulp, and that silenced questions.

"This was not the only use for the cob mill, however. The company furnished it straight to one concern out West, and to another down in the South. It was part of my business, however, to find out the disposition that was made of the meal, and this is the strange part of my story. The firm out in the West showed me a large vat and a distilling apparatus. In the vat coffee berries were placed and boiled. The drip, which was strong black coffee, passed by means of a distiller over to another vat containing nothing but this corncob meal. The latter became saturated with the coffee juice. Both berries and meal were dried, and the boiled berries were placed upon the market as a cheaper grade of coffee, while the meal was put up in packages and sold for ground coffee.

"The firm in the South had a similar scheme, except that it made use of the stems of tobacco leaves. You know that in cigar and other tobacco factories the leaves are stemmed and the stems are sold to snuff manufacturers. But this firm boiled the stems, distilling them off into a vat containing corncob meal. The result was sold as smoking tobacco under a brand you'd easily recognize were I to mention it.

"The firm that I worked for paid \$50,000 for its plant and declared a small dividend the first year. The second year it paid 250 per cent. dividend. It ran along swimmingly until the Illinois legislature passed a law prohibiting the exportation of adulterated food stuffs. That killed the scheme. The plant is being used now as a flouring mill."

For La Grippe.

Thomas Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash-av., corner Jackson-st., one of Chicago's oldest and most prominent druggists, recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for la grippe, as it not only gives a prompt and complete relief, but also counteracts any tendency of la grippe to result in pneumonia. For sale by C. E. Holton.

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To Prevent Burial Alive.

Assemblyman Reddington last week introduced in the House of the New York legislature a bill to prevent premature burials.

The bill provides that cities or places where there are 100 or more interments each cemetery shall have a mortuary or mortuaries, to be used for the disposal of the dead, which shall provide rooms of sufficient number to enable each body that is received to be placed and kept a certain time. Over the door of each mortuary chamber there shall be a transom, kept open at all hours. The door shall be kept open at all times, and permission to inspect a body deposited shall be given at all hours of the day to the relatives or friends of the deceased.

No body shall be received unless accompanied by a statement on the part of an attending physician or coroner showing whether he has found these signs of death: Permanent cessation of respiration and circulation; purple discoloration of the dependent parts of the body; appearance of blistering around a part of the skin touched with a red-hot iron, or the characteristic stiffness known as rigor mortalis.

It is provided that no body shall be buried, cremated or otherwise disposed of in any of the cemeteries, crematories or other places for the final disposal of the dead before seventy-two hours shall have elapsed from the time of death.

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Capt. S. C. Rankin.

The universal expression of bereavement and loss which followed the announcement that Samuel C. Rankin had been suddenly summoned from earth, the ready response to the request of the mayor of Fayetteville "that all places of business be closed in order that all might pay a closing tribute of respect to the deceased," the solemnity and genuine sorrow depicted upon the individual countenances of the vast assemblage thus gathered, were unmistakable evidences of that high and wide-spread esteem which the deceased had won for himself in the hearts of those among whom he was so well known. All felt how solemnly appropriate were the services as conducted by three pastors of the city. Not a word spoken in the way of eulogy or praise, or in any way whatever concerning the deceased. There was no need. Such would only have weakened the silent ecstasies more eloquently expressed by this very silence than any language could have done.

He was one to whom the Master would have pointed, "Behold an Israelite indeed in whom is no guile." As a citizen all felt that his acts were the result of honest convictions. His calm and searching investigation of all questions concerning which there could be honest doubts, united with a well known soundness of judgment, gave his opinions weight, and he was regarded as one whose counsels it was safe to follow.

I have known him from childhood and can recall nothing either in speech or act inconsistent with the highest type of the gentleman and christian. Such a man needed for himself no warnings of death's approach, nor dying testimony for the comfort of surviving friends. Modest, gentle, courteous and unassuming, yet firm and unwavering with fixed principles of integrity and uprightness, he was a model citizen, christian husband and father. In reviewing such a life we cease to wonder that he was so highly and widely esteemed. J. C. W.

Aboriginal and Original.

In a small town in Nebraska the girl waiters at the tavern left to go to a new hotel in a neighboring town, and as no other help was available the landlady was forced to do the waiting herself until he thought of the Indians at the Indian reservation. He promptly hired four of them, but as the Indian has no idea of time they did not get round to the tavern the next day until the breakfast hour was over, and all the guests save one had eaten. He was a drummer for a New York house, and is known in the West as a great grumbler.

When he appeared in the dining-room, the landlord urged forward the man he had been training. "Take his order, Jim," he said, "and give him a glass of ice water." The Indian managed to take the order correctly, and carried it in and served it; then he took his stand at the back of the guest's chair, as he had been instructed to do.

But the drummer was in a bad temper, and declared in no complimentary way that he would not be served by an Indian. At that the grim statue at his back whipped out a savage-looking dirk, and holding it over the head of the grumbler, he said, with Choctaw brevity: "You eat."

And eat the drummer did, flesh and fowl, not daring to move a muscle, while the unwavering arm held the dirk within an inch of his head; and it was not until he had eaten everything in sight that his predicament was discovered and he was rescued in a state verging on collapse.

Dangers of the Grip.

The greatest danger from La Grippe is of its resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy for la grippe we have yet to learn of a single case having resulted in pneumonia which shows conclusively that this remedy is a certain preventive of that dangerous disease. It will cure la grippe in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by C. E. Holton.

Cure for Stuttering.

A young gentleman of this city who stutters saw an advertisement by some Northern firm claiming a sure cure of stuttering for \$10, the money to be sent before the cure. He thought the price fair, and made haste to send on the amount. In due course of time he received the cure. This was it: "Keep your d—n mouth shut."

He didn't stutter at all after getting the "cure." Language flowed freely.—Charlotte Observer.

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Wealthy People Live in Constant Fear of Assassination.

What is the smallest income on which a man may live in New York? was the question I asked today of a noted banker whose income cannot be less than \$100,000 a year. "Well," he replied, "my household expenses alone amount to \$25,000 a year, and I do not see how I could possibly live on less than that. Then a reminiscent smile begins to cross his countenance, and heaving a little sigh, he said: "But the happiest time of my life was when my wife and I and two children lived here on \$2,500 a year. We kept two servants, and felt quite rich. After all, happiness doesn't depend on the amount of a man's income. I was quite intimate with William H. Vanderbilt, and he was considered the richest man in the country. I met him one day on Fifth avenue, and said to him that he ought to be the happiest man in the world. "I am not," the great millionaire replied. "My health is shattered, and all the money I possess cannot restore it. I cannot even drive one of my fine horses. It is painful for me to sit down. My only possible exercise is to walk down the avenue. I receive threatening letters daily, and my nerves are so unstrung that I am constantly afraid that some assassin will waylay me. I am overrun with people who want to get my money. I am the most wretched man in New York, and I tell you that after a person has accumulated enough to secure him against poverty and gratify his reasonable wants, every dollar in addition is a burden and weighs him down."—Philadelphia Ledger.

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A Milwaukee Incident.

This could never have happened anywhere except in Milwaukee. It was at one of the public schools and the class in language was having a word exercise on "garden." One requirement was to name as many kinds of gardens as possible, and the whole list—rose gardens, kitchen gardens, market gardens and so on, had been given when a chunky youngster on a back seat raised his hand. "Please'm," he said shrilly, "you've forgotten 'beer garden.'"

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