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It is said that quail are so numerous  
in New Mexico that farmers will load  
gunners free and supply them with pow-  
der and shot to shoot them. Here is a  
chance for some of our sportsmen who go  
out often and come back with empty  
bags and long faces.

The Raleigh News and Observer  
says the last year the penitentiary was  
managed by the Democrats it paid every  
expense and was self-supporting. The Re-  
publicans have been in control less than  
two years and yet they have succeeded in  
running into debt, and when the returns  
are all in it will require not less than  
\$100,000 to pay the penitentiary back in  
the same condition that it was in when  
Mr. Lester turned it over to his successor  
in 1897.

SENATOR GRAY in a speech at Wil-  
mington, Del., says that the people  
through Congress, will decide what shall  
be done with the Philippines; that the  
President is committed to no colonial  
policy; that the islands are a sacred trust  
which we were obliged to take unless we  
wished them to be retained by Spain or  
seized by European land-grabbers; that  
the American people will see that the  
Philippines receive justice, and will curb  
the ambition of territorial aggrandizement  
and stand by the principles of the Constitu-  
tion.

## May Lease Penitentiary.

CAPT. PAUL OF RICHMOND, WANTS TO  
LEASE THE PENITENTIARY AND THE  
ROANOKE FARMS.

The Raleigh Post of the 26th contains  
the following which is of interest to our  
readers:

Capt. J. B. Pace, a well known and  
wealthy citizen of Richmond, Va., is in  
the city considering the advisability of  
submitting a proposition to the State for  
a lease of a large number of the Peni-  
tentiary grounds and also the State farms  
on the Roanoke river.

Mr. Pace is at the Yards and his  
visit here at this time is for the purpose  
of acquiring information relative to the  
penitentiary. If he can perfect his ar-  
rangements and secure a lease of the es-  
tates and farms he desires, Capt. Pace  
will enter into the new industry of sugar  
refining. In connection with the  
culture of beets, the establishment of a  
factory for the manufacture of sugar  
would necessarily result.

The proposition, if made, will call for  
the lease of the farms on the Roanoke  
containing a number of thousand acres of  
land, and will carry with it 600 convicts  
at least. Capt. Pace's idea is to cultivate  
principally sugar beets, into which sugar  
will be manufactured.

A number of members of the Legisla-  
ture look with favor on the scheme  
which Capt. Pace has in mind. It has  
been argued that the culture of beets  
in the State and the manufacture of sugar  
therefrom will be a great object less-  
on to the farmers in the State.

Capt. Pace is fully satisfied that the  
soil and climate of the Roanoke Farms  
as well as that of all eastern countries is  
especially adapted to the culture and  
growth of sugar beets. This has been  
demonstrated by a large number of tests  
made by Capt. Pace in the past two years.

It is said that the purity of the beets  
grown in North Carolina exceeds, if any-  
thing, those raised in the great Western  
States, on such a great scale.

## MUST PAY BACK BOARD.

THE PENITENTIARY DIRECTORS SAY  
THAT SUPERVISORS MUST PAY BOARD  
FOR MEMBERS OF THEIR FAMILIES.

The Raleigh Post of the 26th contains  
the following which will interest North  
Carolinians generally:

The directors of the penitentiary were  
in session yesterday and adjourned until  
March after a short session.

Capt. Day was allowed a stenographer  
at a salary of \$50 per month.

Director Cotton made a motion that the  
matter be carried over until the next meeting,

until the penitentiary is fully organized,  
but it did not prevail.

The motion requiring supervisors to  
pay \$8 per month for board for members  
of their families was brought up. Director  
Cotton said that he thought that su-  
pervisors were already paying the State  
for their families and he called  
attention to the fact that the directors  
passed an order more than 12 months  
ago requiring that they do so.

A bill was introduced to provide for  
widening and increase of depth of the  
Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal.

The resolution was adopted urging  
Congress to build a light house at Cape  
Beacon, Pamlico sound, and also the bill  
to appoint two extra commissioners for  
Sampson county.

Saturday, January 21st.—The Senate  
met at 10 o'clock and remained in session  
until noon. Thirty bills were passed.

None of them is of general interest or  
importance.

Among the bills passed by the Senate  
were the following:

To exempt Confederate soldiers from  
paying peddlers tax. This was amended  
by adding "and shall not act as agent for  
another" to protect deposits in banks by  
requiring officers of banks to give bonds.

Mo.-day, January 23.—Favorable  
reports of committees were made on the  
following bills. To repeal the charter of  
New Bern. To enable married women to  
contract as feme sole.

The following bills passed: To amend  
chapter 153, laws 1881, incorporating  
Paynesville. To improve roads in  
Wilson. To amend section 1308 of the  
Code with regard to drainage of low  
land. To change the name of Harriton,  
Penns.

Mr. Cotton replied that no one was  
authorized to make any such proposal.  
He said moreover that the Legislature  
had failed for its investigation of the  
management of the institution, and that  
the matter would easily be settled if  
the resolution failed of passage.

When the vote came the resolution  
was adopted and the various super-  
visors will be required to pay board for  
the past 12 months for members of their  
families.

The following bills passed: To amend  
laws of 1885, so that the unsupported  
evidence of a woman shall not be suffi-  
cient to convict in sedition cases.

To give the Legislature the appointment  
of State Librarian, the law to be  
operative two years hence.

To provide for punishment of pools,  
trusts, conspiracies and companies, by  
providing that any purchasers of any  
articles made or sold by a company be-  
longing to a trust shall not be liable for  
the price of the goods purchased, and  
this set may be plead as a defense to  
any action for recovery of same.

Monday, January 24.—Of the nine  
bills presented, however, repeat of  
the merchants' purchase tax.

Among the bills introduced were the  
following:

To require to amend section 503 of the  
Code to protect land owners against  
depopulation of tenants.

To regulate salaries and fees of  
registers of deeds.

To provide separate waiting rooms in  
deposits.

To give judges the power to declare  
attorneys from practice in courts when  
of immoral and disreputable acts, and  
power to appeal is given such attorneys  
to the Supreme court.

The bill to repeal the act making two  
years abandonment ground for divorce  
was tabled; as was also the bill to prohibit  
the charging of over 6 per cent on crop  
liens by reboars.

The bill passed reducing the price of  
Supreme court reports to \$1.50.

A resolution was adopted, raising a  
committee on election of State University

## The Legislature At Work.

### BILLS INTRODUCED

AND ADDED CLOSING—A CONDENSED REPORT OF ONE WEEK'S PROGRESS.

### SENATE.

Wednesday, January 25.—It was de-  
cided that 200 copies of the bill codifying  
the laws of North Carolina, and submitted  
by Dr. P. L. Murphy, of Morgan, be printed, so that an intelligent  
consideration can be given to the bill,  
which is lengthy and important.

After a long debate \$200 was allowed  
as election contest expenses before the  
Senate by A. Cannon, who lost the seat  
from the 24th district.

The number of senate pages was re-  
duced from ten to six.

Bills were introduced as follows:

To provide primary elections for politi-  
cal parties.

By Senator Robinson, to add two new  
members to the board of commissioners  
of Sampson.

To allow surety companies to become  
surety for guardians, executors (privately  
re-enacting the old Democratic  
law).

To establish a State veterinary associa-  
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pointed part of the joint committee to in-  
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The Hartford county bill increasing  
the number of commissioners from three  
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To repeal the law relating to non-su-  
pervision.

To prepare better government for  
wrecking interests.

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