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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Penny Damage Suit Will Be Commenced This Morning—Venue of Fifty Proceedings Yesterday.

No cases of importance were heard in the New Hanover Superior Court yesterday, and at 11:45 A. M. a recess was taken until 10 o'clock this morning, when the \$30,000 damage suit of B. F. Penny against the A. C. L. R. E. Co., of S. C., will be taken up. It will likely require the balance of the week to dispose of it. Attorneys for the plaintiff are Messrs. Franklin McNeill, Bellamy & Bellamy, A. J. Marshall and Herbert McClammy. The defendant will be represented by Messrs. Rountree & Carr, Davis & Davis and Bellamy & Pechau. Under the act of 1885, in order to eliminate the great difficulty in securing a jury, fifty trials were ordered summoned yesterday by Judge Peebles.

Court met yesterday at 10 A. M. and the jurors summoned for the week were returned by Sheriff Stedman with the exception of Geo. W. Tucker and J. A. Forst. J. A. Husko and A. B. Cooke were excused. The following cases were disposed of:
Roseita Shepard vs. J. D. Shepard, divorce granted.
City of Wilmington vs. Barbara Hensley, Bellamy & Pechau allowed to retire from the case as attorneys for defendant; defendant to be notified to employ counsel by next term of court. City of Wilmington vs. Fred K. Balore et al., new parties to be made and case continued.
A. C. Hicard, receiver, vs. W. H. Chadbourne et al., continued; new parties to be made; J. D. Bellamy and E. K. Bryan allowed to withdraw as attorneys for plaintiff; notice to issue to plaintiff to employ other counsel.

The venire of fifty from which to select the jury in the Penny suit was drawn as follows: James Sinclair, Chas. W. Worth, W. B. Thorpe, W. A. Dick, T. W. Weaver, Jno. E. Keyes, Daniel B. Branch, W. A. Frank, John C. Hoyer, F. J. Dempsey, G. F. Bell, H. Munson, C. G. Smith, H. A. Barr, Eugene Phillip, Wm. Strathern, L. McKeithan, J. W. Oate, R. B. Register, C. O. Alexander, Benj. E. King, J. G. Selter, Geo. T. Blaud, C. H. Heide, T. J. Pratt, Arthur W. Branch, S. G. Hall, E. D. Sloan, G. D. Powers, H. Gerdes, J. D. Brown, R. H. Gwaltney, C. L. Mason, J. Newton, H. R. G. W. Britt, L. F. Harper, Edgar W. Rogers, J. B. Ekinia, F. A. Baisenger, H. W. Strickland, D. L. Cappa, J. O. Brock, J. E. Crow, A. G. Orrell, F. D. Reynolds, A. G. Alderman, Jas. W. Collins, L. Y. Styne, D. M. Beardsley, C. B. Clowe.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The price of anthracite coal has dropped to \$7.50 per ton in New York.

—First-class fare on the steamer City of Fayetteville is \$2.75; meals, 75 cents.

—The 50th annual meeting of the Seamen's Friend Society will be held this afternoon at 8 o'clock.

—Mr. S. A. Schloss, of this city, has purchased of Mr. T. G. Leath a half interest in the Academy of Music, Charlotte, N. C.

—The monthly statement of the receipts of cotton and naval stores at the port of Wilmington is published in the commercial columns of to-day's STAR.

Mrs. Geo. Grotgen Dead.

Mrs. Geo. T. Grotgen, wife of a highly respected citizen of Wilmington and daughter of Mr. Jordan W. Branch, the well known janitor at the Court House, died Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the family residence on Castle street, after a long illness. Mr. Grotgen was a most estimable woman and leaves beside a father and mother, 3 children, four brothers and a sister to mourn their loss. The funeral was conducted at 4 o'clock from the family residence yesterday afternoon by Rev. Dr. A. G. Voigt and Rev. Dr. C. S. Blackwell and the remains were laid to rest in the presence of many sorrowing friends and relatives in Oakdale cemetery.

The Need of an Ambulance.

An imperative need of Wilmington now is an ambulance of modern construction in which the sick and wounded may be carried to their homes or to the hospitals. A valuable life may be saved through promptness in reaching a hospital with the victim of an accident; and common humanity demands that the most comfortable of all vehicles should be used for the transportation of sufferers. If the city authorities will not make the purchase, the STAR will undertake the task of raising the necessary funds by public subscription.

Shipping in January.

The monthly report of Capt. Edgar D. Williams, harbor master at this port, shows that during January there were arrivals of 30 vessels, each of 90 tons and over, and having a combined tonnage of 24,649. Of the 14 American vessels that entered, 8 were steamers, 10,126 tons; 2 barges, 5,800 tons; 4 vessels that arrived, 4 were steamers, 5,975 tons; one barque, 649 tons, and one schooner 180 tons. The report compares very favorably with that of January last year.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. B. Cooper—Grain.
 Clyde Line—Selling days.
 Mercer & Evans Co.—Oh, don't!
 Seaman's Friend Society—Notices.
 People's Savings Bank—Greater than riches.
 Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Deposit with us.

SUBSIDIARY LOCALS.

W. Strathern—Bicycle stolen.

MR. JONES RESIGNS.

County Road Superintendent Asked More Salary or Relief from Duty.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

Regular Monthly Meeting Yesterday Afternoon—Major Robertson Qualified—The Report of Hospital Referred Back for Amplification.

As a result of an order made at the last meeting of the Board of County Commissioners that he devote at least 30 days' actual time out of each month to the duties of the office and that the salary attached to the position remain the same, Mr. Sol. J. Jones yesterday tendered his resignation as County Road Superintendent. The resignation will take place upon the election and qualification of Mr. Jones' successor.

The resignation came at yesterday afternoon's regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for February. Mr. Jones in submitting his monthly report for January concluded by stating that he was doing more work already upon the roads than the salary would justify; the cost of living had very materially increased and with the exception of Sundays and stormy days, 30 days amounted to about all his working time, and that in addition, he was compelled to keep a horse and buggy at a cost of \$15 per month. He asked that he be allowed to give all his time to the roads and that his salary be increased from \$40 to \$75 per month or that his resignation be accepted.

The Board went into executive session for about half an hour and had a conference with Mr. Jones in the meantime with the result that upon returning in open session the resignation was accepted.

The Board met at 2:30 P. M. Present: Chairman McEachern and Messrs. Gabriel Holmes, H. L. Vollers, W. F. Alexander and W. F. Robertson. Maj. Robertson, the newly elected member of the Board, having qualified before Justice of the Peace Owen Fennell, took his seat as a member of the Board.

Mrs. Lanesy Bowen, of Harnett township, was allowed \$1.50 on the out door poor list and Messrs. Robertson, Holmes and Alexander were appointed a committee to investigate the matter of the continuance of that amount each month. License to peddle without tax was granted to J. F. A. Reeves on account of physical disability. Action of the chairman in approving the application of J. W. Smith to retail liquor at No. 130 North Water street, was concurred in. Geo. R. Smith, of Harnett township, was relieved of poll tax on account of physical disability. The usual monthly reports of the Register of Deeds, Superintendent of Health and Superintendent of Roads were read and approved. The Superintendent of Health treated 117 patients in the office and 30 patients were visited at their homes. No acute sickness has occurred in the Home, camp, or jail during the month.

W. M. Hensley was appointed to survey certain lands for F. Padrick in Cape Fear township. Bonds of W. H. Shearin, superintendent of the convict camp, in the sum of \$2,000 with Sam. B. Blossom and Marden Bellamy as sureties, and of C. C. Simmons, standard tax on account of \$300 with Jno. E. Wood and J. W. Humphrey as sureties, were read, signed and approved. Upon motion Chairman McEachern and Messrs. Holmes and Robertson were appointed to arrange for the services of the road and bridges committee, to collect the back taxes. Bids for building a bridge over Whiskey creek were referred to the Roads and Bridges Committee. Chairman Alexander, of the Roads and Bridges Committee, was authorized to have needed repairs made to the "water fence" of the county.

Jno. Scott, colored, Wilmington township, was refused the exemption from poll tax on account of alleged physical disability. Chairman Robertson, of the County Home Committee, was directed to confer with the proper persons relative to the boundary lines of the county property on Smith's Creek.

The special committee, to whom the petition of Mr. Samuel Blossom for a change in the county road near Cape Fear was referred, reported through Mr. Holmes and the report was adopted as follows:
 "After examining the road at Castle Hayes as desired, changed by Mr. Samuel Blossom and others, we would recommend that if Mr. Blossom will build the road bed over the proposed road and drain same to the satisfaction of the road committee, and further pay for macadamizing any increased distance more than the present road and that when same is done, then we will accept the road and discontinue the present road."

Standing committees of the Board were announced as follows:
Auditing—Holmes, Vollers and McEachern.
Permanent Roads—McEachern, Robertson and Holmes.
Roads and Bridges—Alexander, Robertson and McEachern.
County Home—Robertson, Alexander and McEachern.
Building—Vollers, Robertson and McEachern.

Dr. Joseph Akerman, surgeon in charge of the James Walker Memorial Hospital, submitted the following report of the expenditures of the institution during the year 1902:
 Subsistence.....\$ 3,189.01
 Drugs.....1,654.27
 Plumbing..... 51.88
 Fuel..... 5,008.43
 Hay Bails..... 689.99
 Livery..... 339.89
 Fuel..... 185.25
 Water Works..... 301.26
 Fire Insurance..... 443.15
 Surgical Supplies..... 945.19
 Equipment..... 1,689.04
 Sundry..... 1,689.04

Total.....\$14,196.89

The statement was referred back to Dr. Akerman for completion, his attention being called to Sec. 6, Chap. 13, of the Public Laws of 1901, requiring a more complete statement, notably of the number, name, age and sex of patients treated during the year, etc.

THE UNITED STATES COURT.

Adjourned Term Convened Yesterday Morning—Number of Cases Disposed Of—Circuit Court Matters.

Pursuant to recess on Nov. 29th, 1902, the U. S. Circuit and District courts met in this city yesterday afternoon for the purpose of disposing of a number of cases that could not be reached at the regular term, owing to the illness in Raleigh of Postoffice Inspector F. N. Davis and the absence of material witnesses in several other cases. Most of the District Court matters were disposed of yesterday and cases on the Circuit Court docket will be taken up this morning. Principal among the civil cases is that of Mrs. Annie McQueen, Ex. vs. the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, of New York, for the recovery of a policy of \$5,000 on her husband's life, about which there is some controversy.

Present upon the assembling of court yesterday were Judge Thos. R. Purnell, U. S. District Attorney Harry Skinner, Assistant U. S. District Attorney Oscar J. Spear, U. S. Marshal H. C. Dockery and Clerk W. H. Shaw. C. O. Knox was sworn as crier for the term. Jno. E. Brown and R. F. Gore were sworn as bailiffs. B. F. McLean, Esq., of Maxton, is assisting with the work in the clerk's office.

During the day an order was issued by Judge Purnell appointing L. H. Bryant a United States Commissioner in and for the Eastern District of North Carolina, resident at Magnolia, his term to continue for four years unless sooner revoked.

The following jurors continued from last term were in attendance yesterday:
Jury No. 1—A. T. Clark, J. E. Honeycutt, W. H. Bolton, F. D. Miller, J. H. Newland, J. O. D. O'Neil, J. A. McFarland, S. B. King, E. S. Boyette, W. Streeter, Hare, F. G. Middleton, James W. Smith.

Jury No. 2—H. Kelley, John Monroe, G. M. Rainwater, W. T. Jeans, D. Stewart, M. Watson, D. W. Watson, Jephia Peal, Rufus Register, D. S. Bender, B. F. Turlington, J. E. Peterson, C. T. Lamb.

E. B. Freeman, of Lumberton, was excused as a juror for the term.

The following cases were disposed of:
L. T. Mills, New Hanover county, abstracting mail from rural free delivery; called and failed; nisi, sic fa and capias; forfeiture stricken out and bond filed for appearance at next term.

M. E. Coleman, Columbus county, violation postoffice regulations; defendant called and failed; judgment nisi sic fa and capias.

Sandy A. Thomas, Scotland county, retailing liquor without license; 30 days in jail and \$100 fine and costs.

N. T. Covington, Richmond county, illicit distilling; defendant to give bond within ten days for appearance at May term of court.

John Brock, Robeson, retailing; continued; bond to show good behavior; Owen McLean, Robeson, illicit distilling; continued.

J. Garley Bundy, Robeson, retailing; continued; bond to show good behavior; Saddy Mooreau, Robeson, retailing; continued until May term; 10 days to give bond.

Ben Hines, colored, Scotland county, abstracting letters from postoffice; verdict guilty; sentenced to four years in Sheltonham, Md., house of correction or reformatory.

Thomas Earling, colored, Scotland county, abstracting letters from postoffice; sentenced to four years at hard labor in Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga.

Andrew Martin, Robeson county, retailing; called and failed; judgment nisi sic fa and capias.

Dick Smith, Scotland county, retailing; verdict guilty; sentenced to 60 days in jail; \$100 fine and costs to be released after 60 days without imprisonment for fine and costs.

At 4:45 P. M. a recess was taken until 9:30 A. M. to-day.

RUN OVER BY AN ELECTRIC CAR.

Negro Bruised and Severely Injured at Second and Princess Yesterday.

William Hill, colored, 25 years old, was run over by Car No. 2, of the Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co., at Second and Princess streets, yesterday at noon and as the result of the accident, he is at the James Walker Memorial Hospital in a serious, though not necessarily fatal condition.

The negro appeared to be slightly under the influence of liquor and had just been thrown from a mule at Mill's stables in the immediate vicinity. He was carelessly walking across the street, eating a potato, and the car was approaching at a low rate of speed. Motorman Elijah Jones, in charge of the car, sounded his gong long and loud but Hill, apparently, was unconscious of everything else in the world except himself and the potato, when he was struck by the vehicle and dragged for about ten feet along the track. E. O. Horton, a fireman of the C. R. L. & P. Co., was at the corner and yelled at the negro but he paid no heed to the warning. That he escaped alive is a miracle, but he was taken from under the car a few minutes later, badly figured and wounded but in the possession of all his faculties.

Dr. W. D. McMillan and Dr. D. W. Ballack were quickly on the scene and after giving him temporary attention he was sent to the hospital, where Dr. Jos. Akerman, the surgeon in charge, reported him as doing very well at 1 o'clock this morning. The negro has a fearful gash on the right cheek; his nose was split and the forehead over the left eye was laid open by the skull. His right hand and wrist were badly contused and he had severe abrasions on the hip and back, but no bones were broken. If there were no internal injuries, the negro will be out in a day or two.

—Col. Jno. W. Hinsdale, of Raleigh, is in the city as one of counsel to appear in an insurance case in the U. S. Court to-day.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

The Measures Charter to Be Submitted to Voters at the Regular Election.

THE ALDERMEN IN SESSION.

Regular Monthly Meeting Last Night. Request to the Legislature—Minor Appropriations Made—Reports from City Departments.

With the exception of instructing the City Attorney to prepare and use his efforts to get through the Legislature a bill, definitely fixing the time for holding the municipal election on the first Tuesday in May, and providing at the same time for a submission of the new charter of the city to the qualified voters of the municipality, the Board of Aldermen at its regular meeting last night transacted very little business of general interest. Those present at the meeting were Mayor Waddell and Aldermen Mann, Bellamy, Sweeney, VonGlahn, Hasbagen, Cooper, Johnson, Mann and Tencken.

The election matter was brought to the attention of the Board by Mayor Waddell, who read as follows from a printed statement in order that no mistake as to his position might occur:

"GENTLEMEN: Although it is no part of my duty to do so, I call your attention, for the third time, to the Act of the General Assembly, passed March, 1901, which requires the Board of Aldermen to submit the charter of the city to the qualified voters of the city, after giving 90 days notice of the election. The act does not specify when the election shall be called but says: 'That so much of this act as provides for the calling and holding of an election for the acceptance or rejection of this charter shall go into effect immediately.' This act was passed nearly two years ago, and, if this Board intends to regard it at all, it will be necessary to do so at this meeting."

It will be recalled that the new charter for the city was prepared two years ago by Mr. Ireddell Meares, former city attorney, and that it was adopted by the Board of Aldermen then in power and forwarded to the Legislature for enactment into law. Objection to some provisions of the new charter was developed and State Senator Morton made it imperative by adding an amendment that it should not go into effect until passed upon by a majority of the qualified voters of the city. That section of the law, however, as stated by Mayor Waddell, makes it mandatory for the Board of Aldermen to submit the measure to the people. When it had been fully discussed last night, Mr. Johnson made a motion, which prevailed, that the charter be submitted to the people at the next regular election and that legal advertisement of same be made by the City Clerk and Treasurer. Mr. Johnson suggested that it would be advisable for the Board to hold a special meeting and hear the new charter read, as many had forgotten what its provisions were. It was explained that reporting it would do no good as the measure will have to go to the people just as it had before and with the public to defeat or adopt the bill. The Mayor and City Attorney took occasion to commend any movement looking to a codification of the city laws, as at present they are in a deplorably fragmentary state.

In this connection the matter of the date for holding the regular city election was brought up and the City Attorney read the correspondence he recently had with the Attorney General of the State. Mr. Sweeney moved, however, and the motion prevailed, that, in order to remove all doubt as to the proper time to hold the election, that the City Attorney be directed to correspond with Representative Morton and Senator Bellamy and have them to secure the passage of a bill fixing the date on the first Tuesday in May.

Committee reports were called and upon recommendation of that on Finance, the report being made by Chairman Hasbagen, the following orders were made: That no action be taken in reducing the tax valuation of the Wilmington Sewerage Co. from \$55,000 to \$25,000; that G. C. Simmons be awarded the contract for care of the city clock at \$60 per year; that taxes erroneously paid by the Kidder Lumber Co., and Mr. E. G. Worth be refunded; that the recommendation of the Commissioner of the Sinking Fund for the retirement of \$48,000 in bonds and certificates be concurred in; that the claim of the Howard Relief Fire Company, amounting to about \$475, be allowed, the same having been advanced to the City for city purposes; that the City Clerk and Treasurer be instructed to list taxes against the Wilmington Underwriters' Insurance Company in accordance with report sent down by the State Auditor. The last named order was upon motion of Mr. Cooper.

Under head of Fire Department, Chairman Cooper took occasion to congratulate Chief Schibben upon his excellent annual report and to report the arrival of the new horses.

Chairman Mann, of the Light Committee, exhibited the reports of lights reported out by the police during the past month and recommended the purchase of a "meter."

Upon report of Chairman Tencken, of the Market Committee, \$125, or so much thereof as is necessary, was appropriated for repairs to the scales and fences at the city pound.

Upon recommendation of Chairman VonGlahn, of the Police Committee, Wm. Sheehan, Sr., was elected a substitute on the force, and the Board of

Audit and Finance Concurring, it was

ordered that the committee be empowered to rent a patrol wagon, pending the purchase and arrival of a new "Black Maria."

At the Mayor's request the control of the old Fifth Ward hook and ladder hall was committed to Chairman Murrell, of the Public Building Committee. Several suggested the propriety of selling the property but objection was made by Aldermen Tencken and Mann and no action was taken. Mr. Tencken expressed a hope that some day it might be sold and the proceeds devoted to the building of a central fire station.

Chairman Johnson, of the Sanitary Committee, reported the trouble with the pipe of the Wilmington Sewerage Company on Market, between Front and Water streets, but said the damage was being repaired.

Chairman Johnson, of the Streets and Wharves Committee, reported the completion of the Fifth and Sixth streets bridges and said they had been opened to public travel. The improvement of Chesnut, between Seventh and Tenth streets, had been completed. In the matter of public conveniences and designation of the streets, he asked for further time. He said the contract of Weldon Skinner for the operation of the city rock quarry had expired and an effort would be made to lease the plant to other parties. Upon motion, \$500, or so much thereof as is necessary, was appropriated for the purchase of a new hoisting engine, which was deemed absolutely necessary. The former action of the Board in reference to wharfage fees at the Front street market dock was reconsidered and the fees were made 80 cents per day for flats and boats, occupying first position; 25 cents per day for second positions and 15 cents per day for third positions.

The ordinance in reference to referring all liquor license applications to the City Attorney to be passed upon as to form, was tabled, upon motion of Mr. Sweeney.

Mr. Cooper asked for an opinion as to whether The Orton and Gieschen Bros had a right to serve liquors to their guests on Sunday. The Mayor said he was not the legal advisor of the Board and the City Attorney said he thought they had a perfect right to serve their guests at bona fide meals.

Upon motion of Mr. Johnson, W. B. Duke, contractor for the city oil lights, was given \$10 extra per month for three months, in view of the fact that all material had advanced since the contract was made.

A petition from lady residents on Second, between Dock and Castle streets, asking for an improvement of that thoroughfare, was read and upon motion of Mr. Sweeney it was referred to the Streets and Wharves Committee with request for immediate action.

The annual report of the James Walker Memorial Hospital was received and ordered on file. City Attorney Bellamy reported the collection of \$311.07 back taxes. Castle Welgher Bland reported having inspected and weighed 215 head of cattle and having paid into the treasury \$23.40, revenue therefrom.

The Superintendent of Health reported during the month 38 deaths, 18 whites and 20 colored; 40 births, 15 whites and 25 colored; three quarantines for scarlet fever; 1,147 loads of trash removed; 2,023 premises attended to by scavengers; 4,472 inspections by health officers; 10 fumigations and 547 lime and acid orders issued. The sewers in the city were reported as giving much trouble and action along that line was recommended.

Chief of Police Furlong reported 66 arrests during January, 16 of the defendants having been white and 50 colored; 15 sent to the roads for an aggregate of 410 days and two to the Superior Court.

No action was taken on the Carnegie library offer upon the ground that it had never been brought officially before the Board.

The usual \$150 appropriation for assistance to the City Clerk and Treasurer in the collection of taxes was made.

WILL SAIL FOR LIVERPOOL.

The Popular Capt. G. H. Holtum Leaves on His Ship This Morning.

The British steamer *Polona*, Capt. G. H. Holtum, will sail early this morning for Liverpool, Eng., with a cargo of cotton consigned by Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

The departure of the *Polona* means more to the majority of the population of Wilmington, than the clearance of the average cotton steamer, because it carries with it one of the most popular crafts masters in the service, American or foreign. Reference, of course, is made to Capt. Holtum, who numbers his friends in this city by the hundreds. His departure is accompanied by the best wishes of all his friends for a successful voyage and a safe return.

Capt. Holtum in turn, desires that his thanks be tendered to his friends in the city for their hospitality and courtesies and he expresses a hope that early next Fall it may be the good fortune of the *Polona* to come this way again. The STAR sincerely hopes that the captain's wish may come true, even before next Fall, if such a thing is possible.

Tom Pescud Dead.

The numerous friends in Wilmington of Mr. Thomas Pescud, will regret to hear of his death which occurred in the Rex Hospital in Raleigh yesterday presumably from appendicitis. Mr. Pescud traveled from Wilmington for the Standard Oil Co., but made his home Raleigh. He was very popular here.

GREATHER THAN RICHES



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 H. C. McQUEEN, President. J. N. S. ARMSTRONG, Vice President.
 Feb 3 st P. W. DICK, Cashier.

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BECAUSE—Your deposits may be withdrawn at any time without notice.
BECAUSE—A little nest egg, safely invested on interest, will always be a source of comfort to you—it may prove indispensable.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,

168 Princess Street.
 J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President.
 Feb 3 st C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

LEGISLATURE YESTERDAY.

Senate Refused to Appoint Committee to Meet Boards of Trade—Bills As to New Hanover.

[Special Star Telegram.]
 RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 2.—There was considerable discussion in the Senate to-day over a resolution by Baldwin, of Winston-Salem, that a joint committee of two Senators and three Representatives be appointed to meet with the representatives of the Chambers of Commerce of the State to-morrow to hear their complaints as to freight rate discriminations. The bill was finally referred to a committee, thereby defeating its purpose. The opposition contended that the resolution was premature; that if the Chambers of Commerce had complaints to make they should come before the regular legislative committee. Baldwin states that the resolution was sent to him from Winston-Salem.

A joint resolution passed the Senate and House, providing that a special committee of ten be appointed to investigate the management of the State prison and charges by S. C. Bird, of Marion, of cruelty to convicts in marching a squad of 160 convicts from Mitchell county to Raleigh. The investigation is in Supt. Mann's request.

Many bills were introduced in the House. Notable ones were: Davidson, to incorporate Rutherfordton and Hickory Nut Gap Railroad Company. To dispense with the use of private seals.
 Watts, to amend the election law of 1901 as to registration.
 Morton, a bill relating to train dispatch exemption from jury duty.
 Hill to allow sale of property belonging to New Hanover county to Odd Fellows for Odd Fellows' building.

Freeman, to eliminate the oath feature of the Mecklenburg primary law. Vann, to encourage sheep raising by taxing dog tax to go to school fund. Kreeger, relating to oculists and opticians.

Many petitions regarding liquor legislation were presented in both branches of the Assembly. Among the bills ratified to-day was a joint resolution urging Congress to provide for cleaning out Shallotte river.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Messrs. Jno. C. Dockery and J. T. Sharp, of Raleigh, are in the city attending Federal Court.

—Mr. Jordan Molver has returned to his home from the Jas. Walker Hospital, where he has been under treatment for hemorrhage. He is much improved.

—Mrs. W. W. Blair, who is visiting relatives in Gainesville, Ga., is dangerously ill with peritonitis. In response to a telegram Mr. Blair left Saturday to be with his wife.

—Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, Richmond, will sail from New York to-morrow for a foreign tour. He is in poor health and takes the trip for recuperation.

—Messrs. James Kyle and J. A. Taylor, members of the Executive Committee of the Associated Boards of Trade of North Carolina, left last night for Raleigh to attend a meeting in that city to-day. Mr. K. A. Parsley, the third member of the committee from the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, found it inconvenient to attend.

New Clyde Liner Coming.

The Clyde L. *Onida*, of the Wilmington line, has been transferred to Philadelphia to take the place of the *Gulf Stream*, which was reported as wrecked in the telegraphic columns of the STAR Sunday, and the *Geo. W. Clyde* will return to Wilmington in the *Onida*'s stead.