which figures in the "Minutes," which the Johnstones keep for amusements

"Unto thee, O Charlotte, O H Lindite this For thou hast removed, O joyful

Day, an insurmountable obstacle My being a poet. I may compare it Unto a considerable obstacle, Which, This time last year, I being in the steamer Crossing from Holyhead, Rear'd itself right in front of me, Looming to North and South ever nearer

And nearer. I said, 'Now if I were minded Cross the Atlantic to America I couldn't, in Consequence of this insurmountable

Obstacle,'
Which at that moment we ran Being prevented by a buffer from Doing Ourselves any harm. The obstacle was in point of fact Ireland. And as to this day, Whose would cross the Atlantic Must needs sail round that Con-siderable obstacle, He cannot sail through it, So hast Thou taught me, O Charlotte, Sailing clear of the obstacle of rhyme,

Be a poet,"

—Boston Transcript. THE LEGISLATURE.

Raleigh News-Observer's Report Curtailed TUESDAY, March 1, 1881. SENATE. Mr. Scott, of New Hanover, to in-

corporate the Sons and Daughters of Charity Benevolent Aid Society of New Hanover county. Calendar. Mr. Jones, to amend the charter of the town of Jacksonville, in Onslow

county. Calendar. Senate bill 576, to amend an act to provide for the working of convicts on the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad, passed its second reading.

The question was discussed at length. The previous question was called laid on the table.

The Senate now proceeded to the consideration of the bill to establish the new county of Vance. The bill was upon its third reading.

The bill passed its second reading -yeas 25, nays 20, and was made the special order for Wednesday at 12 o'clock.

Senate bill 190, to extend the time to redeem land sold for taxes. Amendment was adopted, giving two years to redeem land instead of the time proposed in the original bill. The bill passed its second and third readings. Amended by Mr. Richardson that this be published in four newspapers of the State, to be selected by the Secretary of State, in those localities most interested.

Senate bill -, to incorporate the Clinton & Faison Railroad Company, passed its third reading-yeas 33 nays 0.

Senate bill 668, to enable the city of Wilmington to provide for it bonds maturing in 1882, passed its

third reading—yeas 29, nays 0. House bill 834, Senate 678, to charter the Louisburg Railroad Company, passed its third reading-yeas 31, nays 2.

Senate 473, to amend chaper 90 Battle's Revisal, section 15, entitled judges of probate. The substitute proposed by the committee provides that the clerks of the Superior Courts of North Carolina shall be required to be in their offices during the months of July, August and September on the first Monday only of the month. The substitute offered by the committee was adopted.

EVENING SESSION. The unfinished business of the morning session was taken up, which was a bill to allow clerks to be absent at certain times from their of-

Mr. Harper offer an amendment striking out July and September, leaving the month of August, which was adopted, and the bill passed second and third readings-21 to 8.

Mr. Davidson moved to enter a motion to reconsider the bill donating \$600 to the Colored Industrial Association. Prevailed.

House bill 582, Senate bill 595, to incorporate the Cotton and Merchants' Exchange in the town of Goldsboro, passed second and third readings.

House bill -, to incorporate the Alum & Little Rock Railroad Company, passed second and third read-

House resolution 71, Senate reso-Representatives in Congress to use of Vance passed its third reading their influence to reestablish the bea-

Senate bill 724, to incorporate the Carolina Ocean Steamship Company, passed its second and third readings.

Senate bill 343, to change the time herein shall impair the contract because its second and third readings.

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boro, passed its second reading-yeas its second and third readings.

An amendment was proposed by the committee. Adopted. The bill passed its second and third readings.

Mr. Spears moved to strike out

"Confederate soldiers" and insert

"late war," Motion withdrawn.

Mr. Staples, resolution to print

1,000 copies of the testimony taken

pefore the committee on internal improvements, with regard to Western North Carolina Railroad. The rules were suspended and the resolution was adopted.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

On motion of Mr. Manning, House bill to establish three additional judicial districts was put on its morning was taken up, being Senate bill —, supplemental to an act creating a State Board of Health. liquor was announced as the special order for 11 o'clock.

Mr. White spoke against the bill. Mr. Manning offered to amend by striking out section 16, which makes it indictable to be seen drunk in a public place. Mr. Manning said he public place. Mr. Manning said he was in sympathy with this bill, but to section 2, by striking out the words, "Which shall not be taken would be compelled to vote against

Mr. Carter offered an amendment providing that the county commissioners shall have power to revoke licenses for cause. Adopted.

Mr. Leak moved to strike out that clause which prohibits the sale of

liquor to habitual drunkards. Mr. Leak moved to amend so that county commissioners should have the discretion to levy the same tax as provided by the State, and to strike out the clause prohibiting the sale to persons who are in the habit of getting intoxicated.

On motion of Mr. Sparrow the amendments of Mr. Leak were voted on separately. The one giving the commissioners power to impose the tax in their discretion passed-yeas 62, nays 46, and the one prohibiting the sale to drunkards passed by a vote of 271 to 31.

Mr. Manning's amendment was adopted-yeas 74, nays 29. The bill was put on its third read ing and passed—yeas 61, nays 46.
Mr. Glenn, of Stokes, moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill

passed. On motion of Mr. Bowman, the previous question was ordered and the bill passed its third readingayes 55, nays 47.

On motion of Mr. Day, the special order was displaced for the purpose and the bill failed to pass-yeas 14, of considering the unfinished businays 23. A motion to reconsider ness, which was the bill increasing was taken up. mor Court districts.

The bill failed to pass its second reading-yeas 49, nays 52. EVENING SESSION.

Bill to incorporate the Alum and Paint Rock Railroad passed its econd and third readings.

Senate bill for the better government of the North Carolina Insane Asylum. This bill had been made special order for 8 P. M. and was taken up under that order. Mr. Rose, the chairman of the committee, explained the bill, which then passed ts third reading. Senate bill to incorporate the East-

ern North Carolina Insane Asylum. Passed and enrolled. Senate bill to enable the city of

Wilmington to fund certain bonds. Passed and enrolled. Senate bill for the better protection of farmers and fishermen.

After some discussion the bill passed its third reading. House bill to incorporate the North Carolina Fertilizer Company. Passed

House resolution directing the reprinting of "The Woody Plants of North Carolina," by Dr. Curtis, passed its third reading and was sent to

its third reading and ordered to be

the Senate. SENATE. WEDNESDAY, March 2, 1881.

House bill 678, Senate bill 629, to change the name of the town of "Quhele," in Robeson county, to that of "Shoe Heel," passed its second

and third readinge. The special order hour arrived, which was Senate bill 547, to amend an act entitled an act to adjust and renew a portion of the State debt, ratified in 1879. The substitute proposed by the committee, repealing the act altogether, had been adopted. The question now before the Senate was the amendment of Mr. Finger, proposing to continue the commission, with power to exchange State stock for bonds at par. The amendment was adopted. The amendment pro-

posed by the committee, "provided that the 205 construction bonds now in the treasury shall be entitled to their ratable share of the State stock its second reading. The bill then in the said North Carolina Railroad passed its third reading—yeas 25, Company." Adopted.

An amendment was offered by Mr.

yeas 24, nays 16.

con light at Hatteras, was adopted.

House bill 362, Senate bill 553, to regulate the board of commission for the navigation of Hatteras lnlet, passed its several readings.

Senate bill 656, to amend the characteristic for various State departments, giving \$15 per mouth to servants, except eight watchmen and janitor, who shall receive \$1.50 per which was Senate bill 184, to au

Senate bill 697, to change the time of making returns to the Secretary of State of vacant lands by entry taken, passed its second and third readings.

House resolution 635, instructing our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their influence in the passage of an act for the better protection of the people against fraudulent life insurance companies, passed to change or modify the construed to change or modify the Senate bill 350, for the relief of to an act, creating a State Board of State and W. J. Best, nor to relieve A nov? Dewit

posed relative to holding inquests and the fees paid. Adopted. The bill passed its second and third read

Mr. Barwell explained the action of the committee stating that in advocating \$800 they did not give what the mecessities of the case demanded, and they only advocated that amount because of the poverty of the State. EVENING SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Davidson, Senate resolution —, to adjourn on the 14th inst., was taken up and adopted. The unfinished business of this The bill then passed its third read-

nediw , neitan dad a see The special order having arrived, which was the consideration of Senate bill 4740to regulate the sale of liquors in this State, Mr. Scott, of away from the place of delivery, but shall be drank there." The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Lockhart offered an amendment allowing bar-keepers to sell a quart as well as "less than a quart."
Messrs. Williamson, of Davie, and Spears opposed the amendment of Mr. Lockbart. It was adopted.

Mr. Williamson, of Edgecombe, amended by striking out the words "5 per cent." wherever it occurs, on which a cell for the yeas and nays was sustained - yeas 22, pays 19. Mr. Dortch moved to make the

bill a special order for to-morrow at 1 o'clock. The motion prevailed. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Mr. Glenn, of Stokes, for commit-

ee on internal improvements, reported unfavorably on the bill to sell the State's interest in the Atlantic & North Carolina railroad, the North Carolina railroad and the Western North Carolina railroad. The committee reported amend-

ments to the bill to sell the State's interest in the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad. On motion of Mr. Manning, this

bill was laid on the table. Mr. Bunting moved to take up the resolution to expunge the record in the impeachment trial of W. W. Holden. Motion failed.

The unfinished business of yesterday, being Mr. Day's bill to establish a oriminal district in North Carolina, The bill passed its third reading

yeas 58, nays 38. On motion of Mr. Rose the House went into committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the school bill section by section.

Mr. Rose was called to the chair. At 2.40 o'clock the committee rose and reported that they had considered the bill to section 36 and had adopted certain amendments.

EVENING SESSION. House bill to prohibit and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors in certain localities in this State (commonly known as the "omnibus bill"). Having consumed two and a balf hours in its consideration, the bill, under a call of the yeas and nays, passed its third reading by a vote of 66 to 19.

The school bill was then taken up as unfinished business, and the amendments suggested by the committee of the whole were adopted, and under a call of the previous question the bill passed its second

reading.

A bill in relation to the erection of a hospital in Wilmington passed its third reading.

SENATE.

THURSDAY, March 3, 1881. CALENDAR.

Mr. Dortch entered a motion to reconsider the bill which failed to pass on Saturday with regard to the Agricultural Department.

House bill 767, Senate bill 679, to establish a graded public school in Goldsboro, passed its third reading yeas 32, nays 1. House bill 690, Senate bill 687, to prohibit live stock from running at

large in Lenoir county, passed its third reading—yeas 27, nays 6. Senate bill 492, to protect farmers and fishermen. Substitute offered by

Senate bill 219, to establish a pubic road through the State's lands and improve the same. Substitute reported by the committee, The substitute was adopted and the bill passed its second and third readings. House bill 168, Senate bill 478, to regulate official advertising. The yeas and nays were demanded; the call was refused, and the bill passed

An amendment was onered by last Staples as a substitute for the bill as it stands amended, authorizing the issuance of four per cent. bends for county to remove existing obstructions in the Cape Feer fiver, passed than a standing. dollar for dollar. House bill 476, Senate bill 711, to its second and third readings. House bill 601, Senate bill 606, to uthorize the commissioners of Pen-

Senate bill 656. to amend the charter of Saul's X Roads, in Wayne Mr. Spears called for the yeas and tend aid to other roads. The followcounty, passed its second and third nays. Passed third reading—yeas 29, readings.

Senate bill 724, to incorporate the Senate bill 343, to change the time never a shall impair the contract be-

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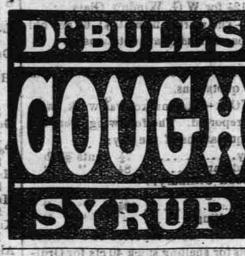
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its obligations to build the road to Paint Rock and Ducktown. And provided further, that nothing in this act shall be construed to impair the security of the State. Adopted.

Mr. Burwell spoke at length in favor of the bill. Messrs. Clarke and

Williamson, of Edgecombe, in oppo-

Mr. Staples spoke an bour, urging its passage. The question before the Senate was

the second part of the amendment proposed by the committee, referring to the private stockholders. Adopted. The question was now upon the amendment of Mr. Deaver. Mr. Merritt thought that the

round of the amendment was already covered by the original bill. The amendment was adopted. Mr. Scott, of Rockingham, offered an amendment, the effect of which is

to forbid aid to any road except the North Carolina and the Western North Carolina Railroads. Mr. Burwell offered an amendment to the amendment excepting the

University Railroad. Adopted. Mr. Clarke offered an amendment that the Piedmont Railroad Company shall build the road to Ducktown, and they shall bind themselves thereto, and if they fail to build the said road within ten years, they shall forfeit their right, title and in terest in the Northwestern North Carolina Railroad. Amendment was

Mr. Burwell offered an amendment to insert after "Predment Railroad Company" the words "or University Railroad." Adopted.

Mr. Clarke offered an amendment to strike out Piedmont Railroad wherever it occurs and insert Richmond & Danville Railroad Company, This amendment provoked consider able discussion.

EVENING SESSION. Senate bill 163, to provide for better proof of deeds executed beyond the limits of this State. The substitute offered by the committee was adopted and the bill passed its second and third readings.

House bill 735, Senate bill 705, to incorporate the Beaver Dam Drainage Company of Sampson county. The amendment proposed by the committee was adopted and the bill passed its second and third readings. The question before the Senate was the amendment of Mr. Clarke to

strike out Piedmont Railroad Com

pany, wherever it occurs, and insert

Richmond and Danville. Railroad Company. Lost. The question was upon the passage of the bill upon its second reading, and it passed - yeas 25, nays 14. The rules were suspended and the bill passed its third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES On motion of Mr. Tate, the bill to provide for carrying out the revenue bill was put on its third reading. After some slight amendments the bill

passed. On motion of Mr. Bunting, his resolution to expunge the record of the impeachment trial of W. W. Holden was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. Manning, tabled -yeas 67, nays 27. It was understood the special committee would report a resolution removing his disabilities

to-morrow. The Apportionment bill was announced as the special order for 11 A. M., and was put on its second

reading. Mr. Turrentine offered an amendment providing that Alamance and Guilford counties should retain two Senators. The change of one Senator from Guilford and Alamance to Robeson and Columbus was the only change the committee made in the

representation. The bill passed its second reading -yeas 61, nays 30. On motion of Mr. Webster, the

bill was put on its third reading and The special order for 12 M., the bill to provide for the support of the penitentiary, was put on its second

reading. Mr. Manning moved to strike out \$90,000 and insert \$75,000. Mr. Bledsoe moved to amend by inserting \$60,000.

Mr. Manning's amendment was adopted. The bill passed its second reading. On motion of Mr. Manning the

rules were suspended and the bill put on its third reading.

Mr. Manning moved to strike out the salary of \$200 per year, and give the board of directors \$4 per day for the time actually engaged and the

Mr. Manuing's amendment was adopted. The bill then passed its third read-EVEVING SESSION.

actual traveling and hotel expenses.

House bill for the prevention of ruelty to animals. Ater a prolonged debate and several amendments beng voted down the bill passed its second and third readings and was sent to the Senate. On motion of Mr. Webster, the

reading. On motion of Mr. Rose, the bill was considered by sections, commencing with the 37th section, that being where the committee of the whole

This, of course, took up a great deal of time, as a number of amend ments were sent forward, most of which were voted down. Among these, was one by Mr. Webster to allow the Superintendent of Public Instruction a clerk at \$600 per year. Mr. Glean, of Stokes, opposed this

of \$500 for the traveling expenses of the Superintendent, Mr. Webster's amendment was then adopted. Mr. Webster then called for the previous question, and the roll was called on the passage of the bill, showing—yeas 73, nays none.

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