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## DOLLAR WORSHIP.

In no other country in the world is the almighty dollar pursued with the same restless energy and determination as in this. It seems to be the chief end of man, and to make money the inspiration of every one old enough to know what a dollar is. In this respect the character of our people seems to have undergone a change within the past generation, for thirty years ago there was not this wild and general pursuit of riches. Of course there were men then as there always have been and always will be who toiled, planned and struggled to accumulate riches, but the average man was content with a moderate income, and while they neither worked so hard, lived so rapidly, nor gathered together as many dollars as the successful dollar hunters of this age do they lived easier and were doubtless happier.

This is especially true of the South. Under the old order of things, before the war brought its upheavels and revolutions there was no section of the globe where there was more real enjoyment of life, more comfort and more content and more solid happiness than in the ten Southern States. The South was then what might be called a purely agricultural section, the spirt of speculation had not crossed her borders, her people generally speaking, were comfortably situated, with incomes more than sufficient to meet all their moderate wants. They believed in a rational enjoyment of life and were never happier than when sharing their abundance with those they liked or with the wayfaring stranger, to whom they were always hospitable and kind. With slaves to cultivate their fields and a sure demand and market for their staple crops they were sure of a competence and could afford to take life easy. Free spenders, and good livers, liberal and generous as a rule, they sought the sunny side of life and got all the enjoyment there was in it.

Of course the revolution which overturned the old order of things has changed this to a great extent, for with the new order came new methods and combinations of circumstances which put an end to the old custom of taking life easy. The nature of our people has not changed but their conditions have, and they can no longer indulge their tastes and inclinations with the same freedom as they did in the olden time. Who will not say that our people then did not live to better purpose than they whose life is spent and souls jeopardized in the eager pursuit of coveted dollars? Money is a good thing to have, for without it one has a pretty rough-and-tumble existence here below, but it should be sought as a means, not an end, something to utilize and enjoy, not to hoard. When its pursuit becomes the chief object in life and hoarding it the chief pleasure, then there is a life perverted, wasted, and the money is not good. The steamboat stoker who earns his bread not only in the sweat of his face but of his whole body, is a happier man than such a man and lives to better purpose.

We believe in progress and we believe in wealth, the progress that makes the world better while it makes it richer, and the wealth which brings comfort and blessings to its possessor and benefits to others We want to see our Southland become progressive and rich in this way, but we do not wish to see the day when her people will forget the example of the men who lived in the days that are passed, and let the pursuit of riches become an engrossing passion and the Almighty dollar the God they worship. There is something better and nobler to live for than that.

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Langston, colored, of Virgina, (occupying a stolen seat) made a speech in the House Friday in support of the Force bill. It isn't a Force bill Langston needs. It is something to suppress Billy Mahone.

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Suitors in St. Louis have taken heart. A judge out there has decided that a woman is legally bound to return presents made by a fellow when she kicks the fellow. This encourages the courtship business considerably, for one set of presents will do to go 'round. That judge had probably been there himself.

## CAROLINA OIL AND CREOSOTE CO.

**Annual Meeting of Stockholders—Election of Officers.**

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Carolina Oil and Creosote Company was held in this city yesterday. Hon. Warner Miller. Hon. Geo. West, of New York, and Capt. A. A. Thomas, of Washington, D. C., were present.

Hon. Warner Miller, of New York, President of the Company, was in the Chair and called the meeting to order. Three-fourths of the stock—three thousand five hundred and twelve shares—were represented.

An election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

President—Hon. Warner Miller.

General Superintendent—Capt. A. A. Thomas.

Secretary and Treasurer—Wm. Kennish.

Directors—Hons. Warner Miller and George West, of New York; Hon. J. P. Jones, of Nevada; Hon. R. B. Plumb, Capt. A. A. Thomas and Jno. C. Calhoun, Esq., of Washington, D. C.; Capt. Jno. F. Divine and Daniel L. Russell, Esq., of Wilmington.

The various officers made reports, and the affairs of the company, as a result of last year's operations, were regarded as satisfactory.

**Arrested for Forgery.**

A man named Edward Weaver was arrested yesterday at the Sutton House, on the charge of forgery, and committed to jail. Monday last Weaver told the proprietor of the Sutton House that he was expecting his mother to send him money and he would pay his board. Later in the day he came in and paid a week's board in advance and said that his money had got here, Wednesday he gave Mr. Sutton a check signed "T. J. Southerland," for one hundred and fifty dollars, to keep for him. Yesterday he was pretty drunk, and asked Mr. Sutton to lend him a dollar. Mr. Sutton asked him why he didn't get either the check he gave him or the one he still held for two hundred and fifty dollars cashed and he told him he would do so. Mr. Sutton thought something was wrong, and went to Mr. Southerland and asked him if the checks were good. Mr. Southerland said he had never given them.

Weaver claims to have come from Wilmington, Del., and said that he had lived in Philadelphia some time; in the employment of the Armour Packing Co., and that he came to Wilmington to take a position with the company here.

**The First Shad of the Season.**

The first white shad of the season of 1891 was caught last Tuesday, the 13th inst., with a drift net at Mr. W. B. Davis' fishery at Keg Island, about twelve miles below Wilmington, on the Cape Fear river. Last year the first catch was on the 20th.

The fishermen are all ready and hopeful of a good and early season. Mr. Davis has seven crews out and others are preparing their camps and getting their boats and nets ready. Shad from Florida and Savannah have been going north for several weeks past, but have not been marketed here; dealers say they are so far inferior to the Cape Fear river shad that they cannot be sold in Wilmington.

## THE MASONS.

**Election of Officers by the Grand Lodge.**

At Raleigh, Wednesday, the following were elected Grand officers for the ensuing year:

Grand Master, H. A. Gudger, Asheville; Deputy Grand Master, John W. Cotton, Tarboro; Senior Grand Warden, F. M. Moye, Moyton; Junior Grand Warden, R. J. Noble, Smithfield; Grand Treasurer, D. S. Waitt, Raleigh; Grand Secretary, D. W. Bain, Raleigh.

N. B. Broughton was elected a Director of the Orphan Asylum, to succeed Rev. C. T. Bailey, resigned.

## THE OYSTER WAR.

**"Johnnie Get Your Gun" and Go to The Front.**

The New Berne *Journal* of yesterday says: "The oyster grounds are said to be dotted with Virginia and Maryland boats, armed with Winchester rifles and small cannon, and in defiance of our laws are trespassing upon the native oystermen, and dredging wherever they choose and ruining the beds. In response to the sudden clash the Pasquotank Rifles and the Washington Light Infantry have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness for active service, and at Elizabeth City the steamer *Vesper*, of the E. C. D. Line, has been chartered and held at the wharf for further developments.

**Small-pox at Savannah.**

The *News* says that three more cases of small-pox have developed in Savannah, Ga., making six in all—within a block of where the first case was discovered. Mrs. Wilkinson, whose little child was the first to take the disease, has become affected, as well as another one of her children. The third case is that of Dr. B. F. Ulmer, at the corner of Broughton and Houston streets.

**Receipts of Naval Stores.**

Receipts of naval stores at this port for the crop year—from April 1st to January 16th—compared with receipts to same date last year, are as follows: spirits turpentine, 59,993 casks; last year, 60,615. Rosin, 273,167 barrels; last year, 208,396. Tar, 43,573 barrels; last year, 49,276. Crude turpentine, 16,179 barrels; last year, 17,007.

**Fire at Castle Hayne.**

The buildings of the North Carolina Phosphate Co., at Castle Hayne, nine miles from this city, were destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. The property belonged to Col. Hawkins and other gentlemen of Raleigh. There was insurance on the plant amounting to $4,500.

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— Rev. J. S. Hartzell, of Sumter, has received a call to the rectorship of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of this city.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

**Debate in the Senate on the Bill to Pay Solicitors Salaries—The Bill Passed—Other Measures Considered—Many Members Absent from the House—Bills Introduced.**

*Special Star Report.*

SENATE.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 15.

The Senate was called to order by Lieut. Governor Holt, and opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Pettinger of the city. The journal of Wednesday was read and approved,

Reports from standing committees were made as follows: Committee on Banks, Mr. Galloway; Corporations, Messrs. Aycock, Chisson. Ardrey, Turner, Walser, Bryan, Twitty; Finance, Messrs. Davis, Mitchell; Salaries and Fees, Mr. Allen of Granville; Engrossed bills, Mr. Walser: Federal Relations, Mr. Davis of Franklin.

Leaves of absence were granted Mr. Speight and Mr. Gunn of Wake on account of sickness.

MESSAGES.

A message from the House, transmitting sundry bills passed by that body and its concurrence in certain Senate resolutions.

Also, the appointment of the House branch of a committee of conference on the bill to redistrict the State.

Message from the Executive regarding the oyster troubles in the waters of Dare county.

Also, an accompanying letter from the Board of Commissioners of Dare county. Referred to committee.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Morgan, regulating the fishing in Croaton sound.

By Mr. Walser, to continue in force and effect the act chartering the Silver Valley Mining Company in Davidson.

By Mr. McLarty, to incorporate Pleasant Gum Camp Grounds, Union county.

By Mr. Courts, for the relief of Rockingham county, and to issue bonds.

By Mr. Gilman, Resolution of Onslow county Alliance in regard to the sub-Treasury bill and other national demands by the Alliance. Referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. McLarty, to amend the pension law of North Carolina.

By Mr. Turner, to incorporate the town of New Wilkesboro.

By Mr. Bellamy, to enable the Y. M. C. A., of Wilmington, to issue bonds and for other purposes. Finance Committee.

By Mr. Bellamy, to amend chap. 12, vol. 2 Code, entitled cruelty to animals.

By Mr. Griggsby, to repeal chap. 256, Laws 1889.

By Mr. White, bill defining the method and time for legal advertisements under execution and decree of courts.

By Mr. King, to incorporate Greensboro Street Railway Co.

By Mr. Bellamy, to authorize the State Treasurer to pay mileage and per diem to witnesses and others who attended the Committee of Examination into Railroads and other Corporations.

Sundry bills, unfavorably reported on committees, were laid on the table.

S. B. 66, to provide an annual salary for Solicitors of the State, on its second reading.

Mr. Turner explained the bill and favored its passage. The bill provides an annual salary of $1,800.

Mr. Bellamy thought the salary was too little, and to get a good lawyer to give up a paying practice he should have a good paying salary.

Mr. Ardrey favored the bill, although it would reduce the pay of the solicitor in his district.

Mr. Butler thought $1,800 was enough for solicitors to receive.

Mr. Ardrey moved to amend by inserting $2,000 in place of $1,800.

Mr. McLarty thought every solicitor in the State would gladly accept the $1,800, and hoped the amendment would not be adopted.

Mr. Williams opposed this bill because it was a lawyer's bill. He was amused to hear reference made to solicitor's fees as blood money. Why, he never saw a lawyer who would not for his fee prosecute a man to death.

Mr. Ardrey asked to interrupt Senator Williams, and asked: 'Would you like for any one to assail the farmer in as direct a manner as you are assailing the legal profession?"

Mr. Williams replied that he did not care; they had never seen the time when the farmer could not take care of himself.

Mr. Twitty thought the bill a good one, and he would support the bill.

Mr. Griggsby was in favor of the bill, and as a farmer in the west, would give it his support.

Mr. Ardrey withdrew his amendment.

The main question was ordered, and on a call of the yeas and nays the bill passed its second reading—31 ayes, 12 nays.

S. B. 94, a bill to exempt from municipal taxation the personal property of minor children, was taken up and referred to the Finance Committee.

S. B. 87, a bill to authorize the consolidation of the Winston Street Railway Co. and the Winston Electric Light and Motor Power Co. On its second reading.

Resolutions were passed to instruct Congress to use every effort to defeat the Conger Lard bill, and support the Paddock-Pure Food bill; to regulate fees of Sheriff's in regard to claim and delivery; and to repeal the National Bank System.

**Important Measures Considered Wednesday, the 14th.**

S. B. 104, to amend chap. 124, Laws 1887, to prevent the sale of liquor within two miles of the town of Lagrange. Passed second and third readings.

Objection to the Roanoke river bill being withdrawn it passed its third reading and was sent to the House of Representatives witeout engrossment.

S. B. 23, concerning sales and renting of property by guardians—to relieve guardians in certain cases.

Mr. Williams, of Pitt, objected to this bill as an innovation on the poor little minor children of old North Carolina.

Mr. Twitty explained the bill for Senator Williams. It passed second and third reading.

S. B. 48, to amend chap. 318, Laws 1889, regarding registration by butchers. Strikes out Wayne county, and inserts Wilson county. Passed second and third readings.

S. B. 50, to amend the election law, defining when registration shall cease. Registration shall not be done on Saturday.

Mr. Williams approved this bill. Saturday was farmers' day and he hoped registration on Saturday would not prevail.

Mr. Turner thought some definite time should be embodied in the election law for closing the registration books.

Mr. Butler thought it would be a good idea to allow the books to remain open till 11 o'clock a. m. Saturday.

The bill was amended so as to close registration at 12 o'clock noon, Saturday. The bill as amended passed its second and third reading.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House met at 11 o'clock, was called to order by Mr. Speaker Doughton, and after prayer by Rev. Mr. Pettinger of this city, the journal of yesterday was read, and after some minor correction approved.

Many members are absent on account of sickness and the House looked decidedly thin this morning, the many empty seats being quite noticeable.

The Democratic Alliance members held a caucus last night upon the subject of a Railroad Commission. The Republicans held a caucus also at the same time in the Senate Chamber.

PETITIONS.

Mr. Nash, for the establishment of a ferry in Stanly county.

Mr. Hillman, for the establishment of an Industrial School for girls.

Mr. Hood, to prohibit the sale of liquor near Flint Hill Baptist Church in Mecklenburg county.

Mr. Pritchard, to incorporate Paint Rock. Also, to prohibit sale of liquor near a church in Madison county.

The committees then reported as follows: Mr. Peebles, Judiciary; also, Messrs. Jones and Gilmer for same committee; Phillips for Committee on Agriculture; Cole for Committee on Engrossed bills; Peebles for Committee on Corporations.

The following resolutions were introduced and referred to proper committees:

Mr. Hall, resolution of Farmers' Alliance in regard to public roads; in regard to school fund, and in regard to labor statistics.

The following bills were then introduced:

Mr. Reed, to allow trapping of fish in Buncombe county.

Mr. Nash, to establish a public ferry in Stanly county.

Mr. Phillips, relating to agriculture and to allow a tonnage tax on fertilizers.

Mr. Brinson, for relief of the Clerk of Pamlico county.

Mr. Bryan, to regulate the terms of office of County Commissioners.

Mr. Zachery, to prevent the spread of cattle distemper.

Mr. Cheers, in regard to the turpentine industry.

Mr. Grier, to amend sec. 3734 of the Code.

Mr. Hopkins, to prevent dogs running at large.

The Speaker then announced the Committee on Salaries and Fees—Mr. Coffield, Chairman; Messrs. Alston, Jones, McClure, Franks, Snell, Williams, Phillips of Watauga, Patterson, McGill.

The calendar was then taken up and disposed of as follows:

Bill to allow the sale of wine and cider in Tyrrell county, passed its second reading.

Bill in relation to carrying deadly weapons—making it a fine of not less than $30 nor more than $50.

Mr. Holman opposed the bill, saying that if it was raised to $30 that it would be the means of taking appeals, and that the whole matter would be consumed in costs, &c.; that the school fund now got the $10.

Mr. Ray said that it was not a bill to raise revenue, but to suppress crime.

Mr. Pritchard favored the passage of the bill. The bill was opposed by Mr. Henry and Mr. Alexander. The bill was favored by Mr. Brinson and Mr. Perry, the latter stating that the negroes in his county took a delight in shooting their pistols at the school house windows, and that it ought to be stopped.

Mr. Lowery favored the bill. He said he would be ashamed to carry a pistol in his pocket, that it was the cause of many crimes; that no one with manhood would carry one, and that it ought to be checked.

Mr. Cole, (col.) favored the bill. He wished it would be made $100; no one but a coward would carry one.

Mr. Williams favored the bill.

Mr. Pickett said he was like his friend from Chatham; that the colored population in his section all went armed, and he thought that by this bill they would be forced to improve the public roads.

Mr. Wood favored the bill.

Mr. Holman explained his opposition to the bill.

Ayes and noes were called for. The call was sustained.

Mr. McGill gave notice of an amendment.

The bill passed, by a vote of ayes 58, noes 39, its second reading, and took its place on the calendar.

Bill in regard to old soldiers was laid on the table.

Bill to empower the commissioners of Jackson county to levy a special tax. The bill passed its second reading and took its place on the calendar.

Bill in regard to the stock law in Warren county passed its second and third readings and was engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill for relief of Clerk of the Superior Court of Wilson county—amended so as to include Lenoir, Madison and Hyde, and as amended passed its several readings—was ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Leaves of absence for Messrs. Skinner, Kirby, Johnson, Foust, Hedrick, Earnhardt, Wilfong and Whitfield, were asked for on account of sickness, and granted.

By consent the following bills were taken up:

Bill to change the time of holding the Superior Court of Henderson county.

Bill to amend the charter of the city of Asheville passed its several readings, and was ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SENATE

RALEIGH, Jan. 16.

The Senate was called to order by Lieut. Gov. Holt and opened with prayer by Rev. J. Bobbitt, of the city. The journal of Thursday was read and approved.

Sundry petitions were submitted and referred to committees.

Bill and resolutions were reported from committees and placed on the calendar as follows:

Judiciary committee—Messrs. Avery, Butler, Aycock, Parker, Turner.

Agriculture, Mechanics and Mining—Mr. Williams, of Pitt.

Corporations—Messrs. Chesson and Aycock.

Engrossed bills—Mr. Avery.

A communication from the Attorney General regarding bonds given to the State for convict labor was read in answer to a joint resolution of the General Assembly.

The following bills and resolutions were introduced, read and disposed of.

By Mr. King, to amend sec. 2, chap. 34, Private Laws of 1887.

By Mr. Twitty, to prohibit the sale of liquor within two miles of Bill's Creek Baptist church, in Rutherford county.

By Mr. Twitty, to incorporate Henrietta Mills in Rutherford county.

By Mr. Culbreth, to incorporate Wachovia Loan and Trust Company.

S. B. 46, to regulate fees of sheriffs and constables in claim and delivery of personal property, passed third reading.

S. B. 75, for the relief of sheriffs in certain cases, passed third reading.

S. B. 66, to pay solicitors an annual salary, came up on its third reading.

Mr. Turner made a full and able explanation of the bill. There was a great demand for this bill to become a law. It would be a great benefit to the State. It would provide means for adding to the school fund; be of immense saving in cost bills to the various counties. It was a good bill and had but little objection among the solicitors themselves. He thought the salary as fixed by the bill at $1,800, was reasonably fair pay for the work to be done. It was as good as the present salary paid our Judges. He thought the bill one which should strike the Senate most favorably.

Mr. Williams opposed the bill.

Mr. Avery thought the laws of our fathers wise, good enough. He thought this was rash legislation. It was not advocated in the campaign. He had intended to be heard but seldom on the floor of the Senate, and then only when he felt that duty compelled him to do so. He did not favor this bill, and felt that the bill had not had that careful consideration which so radical a change demanded. He favored recommitting the bill.

Mr. Green of Harnett, did not favor the bill. He opposed the creation by this Legislature of twelve salaried officers, when it was also expected to create a Railroad Commission which would necessitate four salaried officers.

Mr. Butler differed from Messrs. Avery and Green, of Harnett. He thought the bill a good one and would be a great saving to the people. It might well be entitled a bill to reduce the pay of solicitors of this State. The present system of conducting criminal prosecutions was an expensive one. His county—good old Sampson—was for it and he would support it.

Mr. Bellamy favored the bill, and referred to the change in the manner of paying the Solicitor of the Criminal Court of New Hanover and the popularity of that court.

Mr. Walser said his people had for a long time favored a change in the manner of paying solicitors. Costs had piled up in his district mountain high, mostly from frivolous prosecution by solicitors where convictions had failed. He favored the bill and thought the salary—$1,800—a reasonable one.

Mr. Allen, of Granville, moved to make the bill the special order for next Friday at 12 o'clock.

Mr. Turner said he was sorry that it had been intimated that he had introduced this bill from any selfish motives. He did it at the request of farmers, business men, and others of his people. He was here as the representative of the 34th district, at a great personal sacrifice to himself. But he was here at the almost unanimous instance of the 50,000 good citizens whom he had the honor to represent. He scorned the man who would stoop to class legislation. He represented the people as a whole. He was not the advocate of any particular class. He had studied this matter, and at the request of many had drawn the bill in good faith. He hoped the bill would pass.

Mr. Ardrey was not here with any instructions, but to do as he pleased for the very best interests of his people and the State at large. He favored the bill if it would make the salary $2,000 instead of $1,800.

Mr. Butler was always in favor of postponing when light was to be thrown on the subject, but he did not favor postponing as an advertisement for lobbyists to congregate to defeat a measure which was a popular one and of so much good to the State.

The question recurring upon the motion to make it the special order for Friday, at 12 o'clock, it was lost.

The bill was put on its third reading and Mr. Bowers offered to amend by making the salary $1,200 instead of $1,800. Lost.

The bill passed its third reading by the following vote: Those voting in the affirmative were: Messrs. Allen of Bladen, Ardrey, Atwater, Aycock, Bell, Bellamy, Bishop, Butler, Chesson, Courts, Durham, Galloway, Griggsby, Hobson, King, McLarty, Morgan, Paine, Parker, Shankle, Sprinkle, Turner, Twitty, Walser, White—25.

Negative—Messrs. Allen of Granville, Alston, Avery, Bowers, Bull, Culbreth, Davis of Franklin, Davis of Haywood, Gilman, Green of Harnett, Mitchell, Reid, Reynolds, Russell, Skinner, Stanford, Wilcox, Williams—19.

Bills passed third reading: To amend Laws 1883; amend charter of Wilkesboro; protect trout; amend chap. 503 Laws 1889, (Road Law); amending charter Carolina Insurance Co. Passed second reading—to encourage mechanical proficiency; simplify statute of limitation; abolishing December term Davidson Court. Recommitted: Bill amending charter of Reidsville.

The special order to-morrow at 12 m. is the bill for protection of oyster interests.

Messrs. Aycock and Ardrey are the Senate branch of Committee on Printing.

Leaves of absence granted five Senators.

Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House was called to order at 11 o'clock by Mr. Speaker Doughton, and after prayer by Rev. Mr. Woodson the journal of yesterday was read and approved.

PETITIONS PRESENTED.

Mr. Frank, from Onslow Alliances, concerning indebtedness of Onslow county.

Mr. Galloway, concerning the sale of cider and wine near churches in Craven county.

Mr. Ray, for the relief of Elizabeth Gooding.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Ray presented sundry bills for Proposition and Grievance Committees, Mr. Bryan, for the Judiciary Committee. Mr. Grier also presented a report for the some committee.

Mr. Holman presented report of Committee on Finance.

Mr. Phillips presented report of Committee on Agricluture.

Mr. Gilman reported for Committee on Education.

Mr. Gatling for Committee on Engrossed bills.

Mr. Coffield for Committee on Corporations.

Messrr. Peebles and Brake for the same Committee.

Mr. Yancey for Committee on Banks and Currency.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Henry, to incorporate the town of New Wilkesboro.

Mr. Stancill, to amend chap. 34 of the Code.

Mr. Call, to establish a colored industrial school.

Mr. Wood, to abolish February term of Bertie court.

Mr. Reed, to charter the People's Bank of Asheville.

Mr. Coffield, to regulate fisheries.

Mr. Mann, for relief of A. M. Swindell.

Mr. Reed, to prevent gambling.

Mr. Gower, to protect seed buyers.

Mr. Morse, for relief of W. R. Goodwin.

Mr. Strup, to authorize Gaston county to pay a school claim.

Mr. Hood, to prohibit sale of deadly weapons to minors.

Mr. Bass, to prevent gambling at Agricultural Fairs.

The Chair announced the expiration of the morning hour, and announced the following committees and chairmen thereof.

Committee on Public Printing—McGill, Holman, Hall of Halifax.

Insurance—Morton, Perry, Henry, Prince, Toms, Anderson of Henderson.

Immigration—Hopkins, Kearns, Walston, Brake, Mayes, Edwards, Gatling, Bond, Long of Columbus, Lineback.

Public Buildings—Dickson, Gilmer, Henry, Wood, Hedrick.

Enrolled Bills—Lowery, Hillman, Strouss, Francks, Bridgers.

Election of Justices of the Peace—Stancill, Hall of Orange, Long of Warren, Denny of Surry, Taylor.

Military Affairs—Hall of Halifax, Morton, Ham, McGill, Phillips of Nash, Lorrell, Buchanan, Phipps.

Public Library—Watson of Robeson, Cox, Currie, Hall of Halifax, Hendricks,

Railroads, Postroads and Turnpikes—Scott, Roberson, Whitfield, White, Currie, Edmundson, Gill, Houck, Yancey, Banner.

CALENDAR TAKEN UP.

The following bills were taken from the calendar and placed before the House for action.

Bill in regard to carrying deadly weapons. Substitute offered. Lost.

Mr. Holman spoke in opposition to the bill; he stated that he thought the matter was well enough as it now stood.

Mr. Brinson favored the bill; also Mr. Pritchard.

Mr. McGill spoke in opposition, and sent up an amendment. Amendment lost.

The bill passed its third reading.

Bill to authorize the commissioners of Jackson county to levy a special tax. The Speaker stated that this being a bill to tax, it necessitated a call of the House. The bill passed its third reading by a vote of ayes 88, nays none.

Bill to be entitled a bill to amend the charter of the Real Estate Investment Company of Wilmington passed its second and third readings, and was ordered enrolled for ratification.

Bill to perpetuate records, passed second reading. Mr. Gilmer, from the Committee on Judiciary, explained the bill to the House. It then passed its third reading.

Bill respecting the Superior Court in Davidson county was laid on the table.

Bill for the protection of sheep husbandry. The committee having reported adversely on this bill it was laid on the table.

Bill to amend sec. 32 of the Code passed second and third reading.

Bill to authorize the Commissioners of Macon county to levy a special tax passed second reading.

A communication was read from the Attorney General in relation to the bonds of railroads deposited with the State in connection with convict labor.

Mr. Peebles moved that the letter be referred to the Committee on Penal Institutions. It was so referred.

By consent, the bill to incorporate the Great Falls Manufacturing Company, at Weldon, was taken up.

SENATE.

RALEIGH, Jan. 17.

The Senate was called to order by Lieut. Gov. Holt, and opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. L. L. Nash of the city. The journal of Friday was read and approved.

Leaves of absence were granted Mr. Green of Harnett, until Wednesday; Mr. Davis of Franklin, indefinite; Mr. Morgan until Wednesday.

Reports were made from the Committees on Propositions and Grievances, Judiciary, Corporations, Engrossed Bills, Committee on Fish and Fisheries.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Bellamy, bill to incorporate the New River Oyster Co.

By Mr. Wilcox, bill to amend charter of Jonesboro, Moore county.

By Mr. Ardrey, bill to incorporate the Georgetown and Charlotte Railroad Co.

By Mr. Aycock, bill to amend sec. 616 of the Code.

By Mr. Twitty, to authorize Polk county to levy a special tax.

By Mr. Bellamy, resolution to instruct the Secretary of State to forward certain laws to Judges and Solicitors.

BILLS PASSED.

S. B. 85, to amend charter of the town of Wilkesboro, passed third reading.

S. B. 91, to simplify the statute of limitation, passed third reading.

H. B. 15, S. B. 128, to abolish the December term of Davidson Superior Court, passed third reading.

H. R. 16, S. R. 72, concerning and providing for printing the Governor's message. Adopted.

S. B. 108, to allow persons to change his or her name, under art. 2, sec. 11 of the Constitution. After being explained by Mr. Bellamy, it was put on its second reading.

Mr. Gilman moved to amend, "provided no person shall be allowed to change his or her name but once." Adopted.

The bill passed its second and third readings.

S. B. 110, to repeal chap. 403, Laws 1887, making valid certain acts of the Commissioners of Cumberland, passed second and third readings.

H. B. 27, S. B. 111, to amend chap. 90, Laws 1889, strikes out Jones county, passed second and third readings.

H. B. 51, S. B. 113, to regulate the sale of corn in certain counties, passed second and third readings.

H. R. 128, S. R. 137, to create a special committee, consisting of two Senators and three Representatives to investigate the letting of convict labor under the Acts of 1883 and 1885, to the Western N. C. R. R. Co., and the Richmond & Danville R. R. Co.

Mr. Aycock moved to refer to the Judiciary Committee. Adopted.

S. R. 149, instructing the Secretary of State to furnish certain laws affecting the criminal laws enacted by this General Assembly, as soon as possible after their passage. Adopted.

H. B. 4, S. B. 129, to repeal chap. 321, Laws 1889, relating to sale of cotton, passed second and third reading.

The President announced as the Senate branch of the joint special committee on the Railroad Commission, Messrs. Butler, Lucas, Griggsby, Bell and Walser.

Mr. Williams was added to the Committee on Corporations.

The special order for 12 o'clock being the Oyster bill, it was postponed until Monday at 12 o'clock.

The Senate adjourned till Monday at 11 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House met at 11 o'clock, and after a rap from Mr. Speaker Doughton's gavel there was prayer by Rev. Mr. Hall, of this city.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

PETITIONS.

Mr. Mann, petition from citizens of Hyde asking for oyster legislation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Ray, for Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Peebles, for Committee on Judiciary; Messrs. Mann and Gilmer also reported for same committee.

Mr. Denny, for Committee on Engrossed bills.

Mr. Henry, for Committee on Counties, Cities, Towns and Townships.

Mr. Coffield, for Committee on Salaries and Fees. (This report allows C. M. Busbee $800 for services as counsel to Railroad Committee on Taxation).

Mr. Hood, for Committee on Banks and Currency.

Mr. Lowery, for Committee on Enrolled bills.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions were introduced as follows:

Mr. Henry, on Public Printing.

Mr. Stancill, on printing report Board of Health.

The following bills were then introduced and referred to their appropriate committees:

Mr. Cox, to amend sec. 2,016 of the Code.

Mr. Holman, for relief of sheriffs and tax collectors.

Mr. Hillman, to incorporate a Female Seminary in Cabarrus county.

Mr. Reid, to amend the charter of Asheville; also, to amend the charter of Raymond.

Mr. Gilmer, to allow Haywood county to pay school claims.

Mr. Earnhardt, in relation to a cotton weigher; also, in relation to the charter of Salisbury.

Mr. Call, shipping timber out of the State; also, in regard to divorce.

Mr. McGill, in relation to killing stock by railroads.

Mr. Taylor, to allow the commissioners of Graham county to levy a special tax.

Mr. Brinson, to amend school law.

Mr. Alston, to reduce the rate of interest.

The Speaker then announced the expiration of the morning hour.

A message was received from the Senate, transmitting sundry bills and asking concurrence thereon.

CALENDAR.

The calendar was then taken up, and the following bills were disposed of:

Bill to authorize Macon county to levy a special tax. On the call of the roll the bill passed its third reading by a vote of ayes 75, nays none, and was ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill in regard to Roxboro Land and Loan Company and to give it banking privileges. The Committee on Banks and Currency recommended a substitute.

Mr. Hussey moved to strike out the clause in the bill allowing corporations to collect interest in advance. Accepted. Passed second and third readings.

Mr. Hood, to incorporate the Regents Orphans' Home.

Mr. Hood spoke in favor of the bill, explaining its provisions. He stated that it was a most worthy object, &c. It passed its several readings.

Bill to compensate judges and canvassers of elections—giving them such compensation as the county commissioners may elect. The committee amended it so as to make the pay not more than $1.00 per day. Passed as amended.

Bill to amend chap. 175, Laws 1889, passed second and third readings.

Bill to incorporate Bethel Academy in Mecklenburg county, passed its several readings.

Bill to amend chap. 93, Laws 1887, in regard to road supervisors—changing time of appointment from August to February.

This bill was favored by Mr. Grier and Mr. Mann. Mr. Alexander opposed. Mr. Scott moved to refer it to the Committee on Public Roads. Mr. Peebles said he did not oppose the motion to refer, but he wished to explain what actuated the Judiciary Committee. He said that in February the roads could show up for themselves better than at any other time, and we could see whether they had done their duty. The bill was referred.

Bill to re-charter the Petersburg Railroad Company, and to extend its charter, passed second reading.

Mr. Holman sent up an amendment, providing that nothing therein contained should exempt any of the property of said corporation from taxation.

The bill was then placed on the calendar.

Resolution on the election of trustees of the University was adopted.

Bill to apply taxes to the payment of subscriptions of certain townships to the Durham & Lynchburg Railroad, passed second and third readings.

Bill for the relief of creditors of Elizabeth Gooding, widow of a Confederate veteran who died before her warrant reached her. The money is to pay funeral expenses. It passed second and third readings.

Bill for relief of E. G. McDaniel (to pay school order) of Jones county; passed second and third readings.

Bill to remove obstructions across Cane river in Yancey county. Tabled.

Mr. Yancey moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill to incorporate the Roxboro Land and Loan Co. passed, which was agreed to.

Mr. Henry reviewed his amendment to prevent the corporation from retaining interest in advance. Lost. The bill then passed.

Bill to establish a public ferry in Stanly county, passed.

Bill incorporating the People's Bank of Asheville, passed.

Leaves of absence were granted Messrs. Bryan of Wayne, Bass, Wood, Lowery, Tatum, Lowe, Wiley, Peebles.

Adjourned.

## WASHINGTON NEWS.

**Death of George Bancroft, the Historian.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Geo. Bancroft, the historian, died late this afternoon. His death was not due to any disease, but to gradual failing of age. He was born October, 1800.

Death occurred at 3:40 o'clock this afternoon. The end was quiet and peaceful, and came after a period of unconsciousness lasting twenty-four hours. He was in fine health and spirits, had an excellent appetite, and a good faculty for sleep until last week, when he caught a slight cold. He had always lived carefully, but generously, and he had said repeatedly within the last six weeks tha he had never slept better nor had a better appetite. Notwithstanding his cold he continued to seek indoor exercise every day until Thursday, when he took to his bed as a matter of precaution. His whole illness was less than three days. He failed rapidly yesterday, and became unconscious in the afternoon, in which state he remained until the end.

## DELUDED NEGROES.

**A Swindling Scheme Practiced in Georgia.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., January 17.—Several hundred deluded negroes have reached Atlanta, bearing with them cards entitling them to go to Africa via Savannah for one dollar a head. The villians who are working up this scheme for pillage are hard to get at, but they are demoralizing colored labor.

## SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Stanly *Observer*: Only seven miles. The whistle of the construction train on the Yadkin Railroad at Bilesville was distinctly heard at Albemarle last Tuesday morning.

—Louisburg *Times*: Robbie, the 14 year old son of Dr. R. E. King, accidently shot himself in the foot while out hunting on last Saturday. The whole load of shot passed through the instep of his foot.

— Concord *Standard*: More wild geese have passed through this part of the country this winter on their way South than in any winter in a long time. The extreme cold of the northern winter has driven them to the sunny climes.

— Charlotte *News*: Mr. Eli Hall, one of the oldest men of Mecklenburg county, died at his home, in Sharon township, at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Mr. Hall was 93 years old. —— Mr. Frank Kuykendall, a citizen of Sharon township, died su