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### LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

At the beginning of the week there were 396 bills and resolutions pending in the Senate. Only ten of the number are of importance.  
Number in the House 172, of which sixteen are of importance.  
A bill has been introduced to reduce the salaries and court officials of New Hanover Criminal Court.  
A bill to authorize Oslow county to issue bonds passed.  
The bill to extend the term of office of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Wilmington until an election is held under the amended charter passed. (This means a holding on of the present Board of their offices two years longer than the period for which they were elected.)  
The bill to regulate the fees of Sheriffs, Clerks, Registers and Jurors, passed.  
The bill to make the carrying of cutting knives, razor, slungshots, artificial metallic knuckles, pistols, &c., in a second manner, a misdemeanor, passed.  
The Senate has caught the investigating fever, and has appointed a committee to look into the alleged corrupt combination of Republicans and Democrats to secure the passage of the Western R. R. bill, in consideration to the colored Senators in the selection of Magistrates.  
A bill to abolish the New Hanover Criminal Court was introduced.  
The bill to refund the state debt passed. It allows the present holders of our bonds to exchange them for our bonds bearing 1 percent interest. The new debt will be \$7,500,000, instead of \$7,000,000 as at present.  
The bill to change the line between Brunswick and Columbus counties passed the House.  
In 1876 or 1876, during the reign of the shotgun policy in Mississippi, Kemper county was distinguished more than another for the awful atrocities which marked the white-linings. They assaulted the family of Judge Chisholm, in broad day, shot him to death, his little boy, and honor of horrors killed his beautiful, refined and courageous daughter, Miss Cornelia Chisholm, who at the time she fell, was interposing her body between her father and his murderers. One would think that such fearful crimes should, if possible, be forgotten by the perpetrators.  
"A many of our readers know E. J. Hale, formerly of Fayetteville, now is a book publisher in New York. He is also the N. N. correspondent of the Raleigh Observer. He is an old, old man. He has been a professing Christian for many years. Whether it is a moral obliquity, or an intellectual prejudice which drove him to write the following, which appears in his last letter from New York to the Observer we cannot pretend to say; but this we believe: That he was not ignorant of the damning horrors of Kemper county, as his last sentence acknowledges.  
"As I had no taste for these reports, I went for my mail, and found a direction to go ahead with a Mississippi book which I had agreed to publish; and I spent the whole day in arranging the MS. for the printer's hands. And it is wonderful how much work one can accomplish in a day entirely freed from interruption. The book is a vindication of the Democrats of Kemper county, Mississippi, from the aspersions of the Radical carpet-bagger who infested every southern state, and for a time got control of the negroes and induced them so to misbehave as to force upon some of their heads the vengeance of insulted fathers and husbands. The picture presented is a horrible one; but happily it is ended by 'the flight of the carpet-bagger,' which is at last accomplished, and celebrated in verse, and by the restoration of kind feeling between the whites and the negroes, and of good Democratic governments. In reading the MS. of this book, I inquired of the author if he might not subject himself to a suit for libel by some of the villains whom he exposed in very plain language. 'By no means,' he replied, 'it is all truth, and truth is not libellous here; and besides,' he added, 'this is not our mode of settling quarrels down here'—a part of which indeed is abundantly shown by his history. The pistol and gun seem to have been a hope are not now—the arbiter in all disputes."

### CITY ITEMS.

Col. J. F. Young is in Washington, D. C.  
Bob Engersoll lectures in Washington to-night.  
The storm signal drops fifty to the staff in the languid air.  
Four alarms of fire on the day and night of the 27th instant.  
We expect to be on the brink of canvassing for a paper to-morrow.  
The fish market is better since the city government has been extended.  
The high winds have made the dust most disagreeable during the past week.  
Col. O. H. Blocker was in our city on Friday last, stopping at the Purcell House.  
The work of raising the hull burnt hull of the steamer North East, goes bravely on.  
Hon. A. S. Seymour will hold the next term of the Superior court in New Hanover county.  
Mr. J. P. Garrett, Superintendent of the workhouse, has twenty-seven prisoners at work in rice field.  
If the banks would pay three percent interest on deposits, there would be more money in circulation.  
Samuel F. Phillips Solicitor General of the U. S. has been very sick at his residence in Washington, D. C.  
Hon. Thos. Settle, U. S. Judge in Florida has been in Washington for the past week attending official business.  
Mr. W. B. Duncan has been appointed Postmaster at Beaufort, N. C. He has filed his bond and taken charge of the office.  
Messrs. Gabriel Holmes and Joseph H. Watters, two young gentlemen of experience in the business, are about to open a new retail grocery in our city.  
We would hint to the Board of Aldermen, whose lawful term of office so soon expires, that they give attention to the broken pavements while they may, and before May.  
Col. Thos. B. Keogh, who is the Chairman of the Republican Executive Committee of North Carolina is in Washington, D. C., looking after the interest of his friends.  
Gen. Allan Butherford, of our city, who is practicing law in Washington, is doing, we are glad to say, a very splendid business. His address is 26 Grant Place, Washington, D. C.  
Mr. James Orrell's house on Fourth street just beyond Lony's bridge was fired on the night of the 27th about midnight. A passer by discovered the flames, and it was extinguished without any alarm made.  
SENATOR RANSOM.—The appropriations for our river and harbor improvements, has been increased by the efforts of Senator Ransom to \$100,000. It left the House at \$25,000, which speaks volumes for Senator Ransom.  
The steamer Passport has been thoroughly overhauled, repainted and touched up generally, preparatory to the spring and summer campaign of excursions, etc. She will resume her trips to Smithville to-morrow.  
MILITARY.—J. C. Hill, of this city, has received from His Excellency, Gov. Jarvis, his commission as Captain of Company A, Fifth Battalion, N. C. S. C. (Heavy Light Infantry), succeeding A. B. Lind. He qualified before Justice McQueen on Thursday.  
SIX MEN DEATH IN JAIL.—Wilmington Andrews, a colored lunatic, was found dead in the county jail at Smithville on Thursday morning last. Deputy Coroner D. W. Manson held an inquest over the body the same day, and the jury returned a verdict that the deceased came to his death from cause or causes to them unknown. It is supposed that he died from the effects of a fit of some kind.  
Col. O. H. Blocker, of Fayetteville, N. C., has received the appointment of special agent from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. This is one of the best appointments that has been made by the Federal Government in this state for several years, and we congratulate Commissioner Ransom on the splendid selection he has made. Col. Blocker's high qualifications by experience and education, fit him for a very efficient officer of the Internal Revenue. He stands well with all of our citizens, regardless of party, though a stalwart Republican. He is a brave, chivalrous gentleman, and a conscientious officer.

Gen. Robt Douglass was confirmed as U. S. Marshall of the Western North Carolina District, by the U. S. Senate on Thursday last.  
Hon. Jos. J. Martin, Congressman elect of the First District, was at the Capital for some days last week. He is looking well, and the First District may well feel proud of such a Representative.  
Wooten's Chapel, Rev. Willis Wooten, Pastor, corner of Bladen and 7th streets, Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M., and 7 o'clock P. M. Preaching Wednesday night at 7 o'clock. Sunday School at 9 o'clock A. M.  
Our esteemed and beloved friend Col. Ed. Brooks of the National Republican editorial staff is a candidate for the Consul Generalship of Mexico. Mr. Brooks is supported by nearly everybody and will unquestionably get the place, as he should. There could be no better appointment made by the President. His elevation would be particularly pleasing to the entire southern Republicans, as well as to the newspaper men of the country. But what will Washington be without Ned Brooks? His familiar face and pleasant smiles, as well as his very great kindness is known to every man who visits Washington. But we wish him every success in his efforts, and we will cheerfully support him to the very end.

Since our last, the entire community has been saddened, and shocked by the death of two of its most valuable members. Dr. W. E. Freeman died on Saturday the 25th after a painful and somewhat lengthy illness. He was one of the most distinguished homeopathic physicians in the city. In the qualities of a man and citizen there was no one in the city more loved and respected.  
Colonel W. S. Devaux was smitten with paralysis on last Sunday about six o'clock in the evening, and survived only till ten next day. The painfulness of the event was mingled with an awful sense of the uncertainties to his friends. It can never be more truly realized that in the midst of life we are in death.  
Col. Devaux was well known as one of the most able members of the legal profession in the state. His genial manners first won him heart and hand of all who came in contact with him. To those who had the fortune of an intimate friendship, he was one of the most estimable and fascinating of men.  
The learned professions might justly be said to have lost one of its pillars; a great loss; the community and their friends unite with their families in acknowledging the severe bereavement which is in a greater or less degree common to all.

As will be seen by the subjoined letter received by Mr. Bashe, of the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina, Hon. Samuel E. Phillips will deliver the address before the Association at the commencement in June.  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 24, 1879.  
Ephes H. Bashe, Esq., Raleigh, N. C.  
MY DEAR SIR: I accept with pleasure the invitation tendered me by your committee to deliver the annual address before the Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina at the next commencement. I remain,  
Very truly your friend,  
S. E. PHILLIPS.

### JUSTICES' CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

The Act as Passed Feb. 26th, 1878.  
A Bill to be Entitled an Act to Define the Criminal Jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.  
SECTION 1. Justices of the Peace shall have exclusive original jurisdiction to hear, try, and determine the offences enumerated in sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21, of chapter 32, of the laws of 1878-79. And the punishment for every such offence shall not exceed a fine of fifty dollars, or imprisonment for thirty days.  
Sec. 2. Justices of the Peace shall also have exclusive original jurisdiction of all such peace warrants and proceedings thereunder, as they shall assume jurisdiction of, and of all bailable proceedings and issues arising thereunder, and to take bond from defendants in such proceedings, with approved security, as heretofore required by law to be taken in the Superior Courts of this State; and also of all assaults, assaults and batteries, and affrays, where no deadly weapon is used. And the punishment for the offences enumerated in this section shall not exceed a fine of fifty dollars, or imprisonment for thirty days; and the allowance made to the woman in this bailable proceedings when the putative

father admits the paternity of the child or she swears she has been seduced against him, shall in no case exceed fifty dollars; and the defendant shall also pay a fine of ten dollars which shall go to the costs, and the detainer provided by law; and the Justices of the Peace, shall have no jurisdiction of any suits with intent to kill, or assault, with intent to commit rape, or seduction, or any offence which may be punished by law with imprisonment for one month; and the defendant shall be construed to mean imprisonment for thirty days, by all the Justices and Courts of this State.  
Sec. 3. Section six of chapter 176 of the laws of 1877-78, hereby repealed.  
Sec. 4. The words "imprisonment for one month," wherever used in any of the statute laws of this State, shall be construed to mean imprisonment for thirty days, by all the Justices and Courts of this State.  
Sec. 5. Section six of chapter 176 of the laws of 1877-78, hereby repealed.  
Sec. 6. Section 111, chapter 32, of the laws of 1878, amended to read as follows: An assault with or without intent to kill or injure, the person convicted shall be punished by fine or imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of the court; and the defendant shall be construed to mean imprisonment for thirty days; but the defendant shall not exceed a fine of fifty dollars, or imprisonment for thirty days; but this proviso shall not apply to cases of assault with intent to kill, or assaults with intent to commit rape.

Sec. 7. Section 12, chapter 32, of the laws of 1878, amended to read as follows: Whenever a person complains of an assault or battery, or of a peace warrant shall be brought before a Justice of the Peace, such person may be required to enter into a recognizance, payable to the State of North Carolina, in such sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, as such Justice shall direct, with one or more sufficient sureties, to appear before the court, at some Justice of the Peace, within a period not exceeding six months, and not depart the court without leave, and in the meanwhile to keep the peace, and be of good behavior towards all the people of the State, and particularly toward the person requiring such security.  
Sec. 8. The party against whom a warrant shall be given, may appeal to the Superior Court from the same. And the party injured may appeal, if he shall be dissatisfied with the judgment, and the Justices shall be authorized to cause his name upon the warrant to appear. When an appeal is taken the whole matter shall be heard again by the Superior Court.  
Sec. 9. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent the Superior Court and Criminal Courts from finally hearing and determining such affrays as shall be committed within one mile of the place where, and during the time such court is being held; nor shall this act be construed to prevent said courts from assuming jurisdiction of affrays, assaults, and batteries, and other offences, if some Justice of the Peace shall not, within six months after the commission of the offence, have proceeded to take official cognizance of the same.  
Sec. 12. This act shall not apply to proceedings now pending in the Superior, Criminal or Inferior courts.  
Sec. 13. This act shall be in force from its ratification.

The Port Gibson (Miss.) Reville writes all those who encourage the migration of the colored people from the south 'deal with us as other incendiaries outside the law.' There was a time when such words were more than a threat. Now the colored people are not chaffed, and if they want to emigrate they will do it. But the Reville proposes to persecute them if they do not go to the north; and if they do, they do not go to the north; and if they do not go to the north, they are not to go to the north. There is no statute law against the migration of the colored people and the Reville, but there is an unwritten law as swift as electricity in its enforcement and as sharp as the lightning-bolt law which moves with the wind, whose statutes-only whisper—which can be enforced with terrible vengeance if the thing is not stopped.  
He had returned to New York with his wife from a summer vacation at the seaside, and he was in front of the house giving a friend a graphic account of the season's pleasures. 'Went in bathing every day,' he exclaimed enthusiastically. 'Ah,' responded the friend. 'Wife go in too?' 'Oh, yes, every day,' said the returned vacationist. 'Can she swim?' queried the friend with some interest. 'No-o, she can't,' was the reply. 'She tried and tried to learn, but somehow she didn't get the hang of it. She said she couldn't get the right-kick, and I let her think that was the reason, but the fact was—and here he looked up at the house, and sunk his voice to a whisper—'she couldn't keep her mouth shut long enough to take four strokes before she'd have some silly remark to make, when I'd have to—she'd swallow a whole wave and go plump to the bottom!'

It is expected that fifteen seats in the next Congress will be contested. Edgecombe carried 298 couples last year—61 white and 292 black.

### How to Divide the Property.

He had been sitting still so long that the mother expected to find him asleep when she looked around and asked: 'Well, Harry, what are you thinking of?' 'What are we very rich?' he solemnly inquired by way of reply. 'In one way we are,' she said; 'your father says he values me at three million dollars, you at two millions, and the baby at one.' This closed the conversation on that subject, but next morning as Harry was getting on his oars, he examined the new patch which had been added, and coolly observed: 'Well, I think father had better sell off about the half of you or the whole of the baby and get the rest of us some decent duds to put on.'

### A Man at Market.

He was a singular-looking customer, and in a crowd of a thousand you would not have picked him out for a millionaire. He passed through the market, with his thumbs inserted in the armpoles of his vest, and when he reached a fruit stand, he surprised the owner of the stand by observing: 'You may measure me five quarts of your choicest strawberries.'  
'Haven't any strawberries,' replied the attendant. 'Been out of season, four full months.'  
'Hum,' mused the man. 'No strawberries. Well, I'll leave my address and you may send me around a basket of the best peaches you have.'  
'No peaches in the market,' exclaimed the fruiter. 'The season's over.'  
'No peaches either?' said the strange customer, with a surprised look. 'The whole country voted for hard honest money, and I can't purchase a few strawberries or peaches. In the language of the immortal Shakespeare, whither are we drifting?'  
Five minutes later he had drifted up to a meat stand, and was trying to 'slew down' on a calves' liver.

According to Adjutant General Jones's report the aggregate strength of the State Guard is 2,294. More than fifty thousand dollars worth of ordnance is now in the hands of the troops. Most of the rifles are of the very latest improved breech-loading patterns, worth eighteen dollars apiece.  
Never help yourself to articles of food with your knife or fork. Use a harpoon or a lasso.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CUSTOM HOUSE, WILMINGTON, N. C. COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, Feb. 22, 1879.  
Sale of Seized Goods at Auction, CROWN & MORRIS, Auctioneers.  
WILL be sold at public auction at the Custom House Wednesday March 13th, at 11 o'clock a. m.:  
1 piece of Canvas.  
2 pieces of Blue Cloth.  
1 piece of Red Cloth.  
1 pair Flannel Drawers.  
1 piece of Underclothing.  
1 pair Flannel Overalls.  
1 pair Mittens.  
By J. W. VAN SOULLEN, Collector of Customs.  
Feb. 23-25  
THE SCHOONER 'IRISH TIMMONS' CANADAY, Collector of Customs.  
Feb. 23-25  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA, LINA. The United States vs. The Schooner 'Irish Timmons'. To whom it may concern: NOTICE is hereby given, that in obedience to a motion to me addressed, under the seal of the District Court of the United States, for the Case Four District, in the Eastern District of North Carolina, dated the 20th day of February, 1879, requiring me to seize the American Schooner 'Irish Timmons' her boats, tackle, apparel and furniture and detain the same in my custody, until the further order of this Court, I have filed in said Court, by J. W. Albertson District Attorney for the United States, for the violation of section 223, rule 11, of the revised statutes of the United States; and the said Schooner, by consent of the said United States Attorney, having been released to the owners, or claimants, upon sufficient bond for the sum of \$50, the same being for double the amount of the prescribed penalty, and for \$20 to cover costs.  
Now, therefore, all persons claiming the same or knowing or having the authority to say why the property and things aforesaid, should not be condemned and sold in payment of the said penalty and costs, are hereby notified to appear before said Court, to be held in and for the District aforesaid, at Wilmington North Carolina on the first Monday in May 1879, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, if the same shall be a day of jurisdiction thereof; and there to interpose a claim for the same, and there to interpose allegations in that behalf, showing cause, if any to the contrary.  
J. B. HILL, J. B. Marshall, Per J. N. VAN SOULEN, Deputy Marshal, Feb. 23-25

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Let the Good Citizens of Wilmington pause and think.

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HAVE ON HAND OVER 2 Tons Candy 2  
EVERY GRADE  
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OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.  
Crown, Dehusk, Golden, Layers, Loose, Muscatel and Seedless Raisins in any quantity.  
New Citron, New Turkish Prunes, New Crop Currants.  
Worth's Shaker and Ginger Preserve, Marmalades, Fruits, &c., &c., &c.  
English, German and American Cheese.  
Pure Old Brummies, Wines and Cordials, Scotch and American Whiskies, for Egg Nog.  
English and American Crackers of every kind.  
Apples, Oranges and Lemons in sufficient quantity to furnish every one.  
Our Three Dollar Brand 'B' select Whiskey has improved by age.  
Our Four Dollar Brand Summerdean Whiskey has no equal in the city.  
Our Old Rye and Baker Whiskies are equal to any in America.

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Remember the best.  
CHRISTMAS PRESENT  
you can give the poor a choice lot of  
Family Supplies.  
Call on us and we promise to give the  
BEST AND FRESHEST GOODS.  
AT THE VERY LOWEST PRICES.  
BOATWRIGHT & M'KOY,  
5, 7 AND 8 NORTH FRONT STREET.  
December 22 '78