THE LEGISLATURE.

The Fusion Majority Made the Office Job to be Bandied Around Amongst Politicians .- Dr. Curtis Removed Because He Was a Democrat Though His Term of Office Had Not Expired and Dr. Maynard Was Elected.

The Fusionists majority in the recent Legislature did not, in their many exhibitions of disregard of the public weal, more strikingly show their willingness to subordinate the public good to their insatiate greed for office than in the ton. Hardly a day passes without additional evidence accumulating, as the acts of the Legislature are reviewed, to demonstrate the utter incapacity of that

The quarantine has been established by the State at the port of Wilmington since 1868, under the regulations provided in chapter 24, entitled "Health and Quarantine," volume 2nd of the Code. The quarantine at the port of Wilmington is a matter of State necessity; it is under State regulations; it is paid for by the State and should be controlled by the State authorities. The quarantine physician heretofore been appointed by the Governor and subject to removal only by him. The introduction of any of the diseases like cholera, smallpox, yellow fever, or like contagious diseases in that port might lead to an epidemic, not only disastrous to the city of Wilmington, but to the State at large. Our State Board of Health and State Medical Society has exerted its influence at all times to keep up a proper and effi-cient quarantine at this port. The Leg-islature of 1893 appropriated \$5,000 to improve its quarantine, although the fund has not yet been expended. The quarantine physician is charged with the responsibility of prescribing such regulations as may be necessary for the protection of the inhabitants of the State and has been for the past fifteen years by Dr. Wil-G. Curtis, who resides at Southport, and the quarantine is estab-lished at the mouth of the Cape Fear River, where all vessels subject to quarantine are brought to anchor and required before proceeding up the river to await the inspection of the Medical officer. When it is considered that several hundred vessels enter and clear at the port of Wilmington during the year, hailing from West India and South American ports, where infectious diseases so constantly prevail, the absolute necessity and importance of the quaran-

amongst politicians. And yet the Fusion majority in the Legislature, in deference to the Republican machine at Wilmington, has transferred the selection and appointment of the quarantine officer from the Governor, while continuing the quarantine generally, to a police commission made up of Republican party hacks at Wilmington. This it has attempted to do, by the passage of an Act entitled, "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Wilmington." This Act creates a Police Board, to consist of William H. Chadbourn, John R. Melton, Silas P. Wright, John E. Taylor and Frederick B. Rice. The city heretofore department, city clerk and treasurer, city attorney, city physician, harbor master, clerks of markets, policemen, and all

tine become self-evident.

Hanover. John R. Melton calls himself a Populist. William H. Chadbourn and and John E. Taylor is a negro Republi-

can politician. when the board met and organized, it elected Rice, one of its members, city treasurer, and Melton, another one of its members, chief of police, and upon their Foster, an unsavory carpet bagger of reconstruction days, and—Croom, who tant position of City Attorney, a Mr. Sutton, who is a clerk in Judge Russell's office, having just gotten his license as an attorney, but virtually this meant the election of Russell.

John E. Taylor, the negro member of the board, is employed by Rice as his chief assistant in the office of city treasurer. So the board divided the spoils amongst themselves. These instances are referred to as illustrating the character of the board that

FUSION GREED AGAIN

by the act of the special session of 1868, Public Laws, chapter 33, page 46, and who shall perform all other such duties of quarantine physician as may be prescribed by the lawful quarantine ordinance and quarantine regulations of the cut-of-warmen and quarantine regulations of the cut-of-warmen and the cut-o City of Wilmington; and the authority granted to the Governor by said act of THE QUARANTINE AT WILMINGTON the Assembly to designate such a physician is hereby repealed, and it shall not be lawful for the public treasurer to pay out to any person acting under the designation or employment of the Gov-Of Quarantine Physician a Political ernor any sum whatever, except for such services as shall be rendered before the designation or employment of a quarantine physician by the police board as herein provided."

Section 8 reads as follows:
"The act of the General Assembly aforesaid, being chapter 33, page 46, of the Public Laws of the special session of 1868, shall remain and continue in full force and effect, except as altered by section seven (7) of this act." The section of the Code, (2913) which this act seeks to amend, provides: "It shall manner in which they have dealt with the quarantine at the port of Wilming-nate some physician of experience who nate some physician of experience who shall act as medical quarantine officer for the above station." referring to the station at the mouth of the Cape Fear River, who "shall be removable at the pleasure of the Governor."

It will be observed that the laws establishing and governing the quarantine remain and continue in full force and effect, except as to the manner of appointing the quarantine officer, which is changed from the Governor, who as the head of the State, ought properly to appoint to this local police board, who have not and ought to have anything to do with the State quarantine.

Here, then, is a bold purpose upon the part of the Fusion Legislature, at the dictation of local political bosses to interfere with an established quarantine system of thirty years standing, which heretofore has been under the responsible direction of the Governor, and to place it in the hands of a local irresponsible board of machine politicians, merely to provide an office for one of the Fusion henchmen. How has this board ex-

ercised its power?

Dr. William G. Curtis is an experienced and able physician, who has had special observation and knowledge of the quarantine station for fifteen years. With limited means at hand to prevent the introduction of infectious diseases and a quarantine equipment acknowlfrom infectious diseases: he is a State edged to be inadequate, he has yet sucofficer. The position is filled at ceeded during his encumbency of this office over the period of time mentioned in preventing the introduction at this port of any of the epidemics and infec-tious diseases. He has so managed and watched the quarantine that he has prevented the passing of any vessel, infected with disease, and prevented the introduction of any case of contagion. This counts for nothing, however, with such men as compose the Police Board of Wilmington, because Dr. Curtis has the distinguished merit of being a Democrat. He came to this State in the '40 or '50s, with letters of introduction from the great Democratic President, Franklin Pierce, and has been an unswerving adherent to this party since his long residence in The office of quarantine physician is not one that should be bandied around this State. He settled at Southport, and has lived there ever since, enjoying the respect, alike of his profession and of the best people of the Cape Fear section.

The Police Board addressed Dr. Curtis a letter notifying him that he had been removed from the position of Quar-

Dr. Maynard, whom the Board seeks

to place in this office, was the Populist candidate in the campaign of '92 for Congress in the Sixth Congressional Dishas been governed by its Board of Al dermen and Board of Audit and Finance. The Act puts an additional encumbrance upon the city government in the creation of this police board. It makes the chairman of the police board act as Commissioner of the Sinking Fund. All the officers of the city, including the chief of rolice, chief of fire and policy the chief of the office would be a menace to the Fund. All the officers of the city, in-cluding the chief of police, chief of fire of the office would be a menace to the health and interest of the State at large. Fortunately, he will not be inducted into this office unless the courts so determine. persons employed in working the public | Dr. Curtis holds his commission from streets or employed for any purpose, are appointed by this board, and even the street work of the city can be let out by contract only with its concurrence. All salaries are fixed by the concurrent action of the police board and the board of abolish his office, but expressly continued to a street work of the city can be let out by contract only with its concurrence. All salaries are fixed by the concurrent action of the police board and the board of abolish his office, but expressly continued to a street work of the city can be let out by contract only with its concurrence. All salaries are fixed by the concurrent action of the police board and the board of abolish his office, but expressly continued to a street work of the city can be let out by contract only with its concurrence. All salaries are fixed by the concurrent action of the police board and the board of a street work of the city can be let out by contract only with its concurrence. All salaries are fixed by the concurrent action of the police board and the board of a street work of the city can be let out by contract only with its concurrence. All salaries are fixed by the concurrent action of the police board and the board of a street work of the city can be let out by contract the concurrence. All salaries are fixed by the concurrent action of the police board and the board of a street work of the city can be let out by contract the concurrence. aldermen.

The sole and only purpose of the act is to give control of all the offices in the mission, and prohibited the State Treascity and port of Wilmington to the Republicans. The responsibility for the general management of the city's affairs general management of the city's affairs are left with the Board of Aldermen, as heretofore constituted.

The F. B. Rice referred to above as one of the police commissioners, was the Boardlier State Scatter from North Republican State Senator from New to enjoy it during the term of his appointment, unless removed as in this case by the Governor for good cause. Silas P. Wright are local Republicans Dr. Curtis will make the contest and not surrender his office until our Supreme Court shall so determine.

members, chief of police, and upon their resigning from the board, it elected to fill the vacancies on their board, F. W. legislature of '69, and this is another instance of its disregard of public interreconstruction days, and—Croom, who is a Republican and keeper of a second-class bar-room. It elected to the impor-will the disclosures of the evil of their doings ever end?

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Church at three subctions was brought
down with pneumonia succeeding La
Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing
would last hours with little interruption
and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. "The police board shall employ some suitable physician, who shall act as medical quarantine officer for the port of Wilmington, and who shall perform all the duties required of such physician who shall perform all the duties required of such physician who shall perform all the duties required of such physician who shall perform and \$1. AN INTERESING INCIDENT.

A Kind of Civic Succession Kept of Presidents of the Dialectic. Special to the News and Observer

CHAPEL HILL, N. C. June 17.
On Monday night of the commencement week at Chapel Hill at a meeting of the Dialectic Society, Kemp P. Battle was called on for a speech. In the course of his remarks he called attention to the fact that he joined the society just fifty years ago, and that 47 years ago he had the honor to be its president. On the occasion of the dedication of its new hall the first president of 1795, James Mebane, of Caswell, was present and he and Dr. Battle jointly presided over the society. After Dr. Battle took his seat Mr. A. B. Andrews, Jr., moved that he he be requested again to preside jointly with the president then in the chair Mr. Harlee Mc-Call, of Statesville. The motion unanimously prevailed and thus at the centennial of the Dialectic Society this venerable body had as a presiding officer, one who had sat alongside its president of one hundred years ago. It was requested that Mr. McCall return to Chapel Hill in 1945 and transmit the Presidential succession to the young chairman of

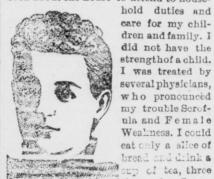
James Mebane was a most worthy man, once Speaker of the House of Com-mons. He was a son of Alexander Mebane, a member of Congress, and one of the commissioners who selected the site of the University. The excellent Giles Mebane, once Speaker of the Senate, was a son of James Mebane.

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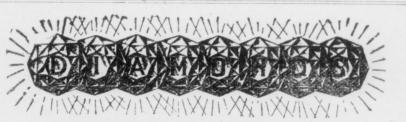
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