

school in every county (the bill is published in this issue): and a measure by Senator Ward to promote agricultural fairs. The Senate passed Senator Henderson's

bill regarding qualifications for Justices of the Peace and for forms of acknowledgement. Several bills provoked discussion and went back to the committees.

THE HUSBAND'S RIGHTS.

The bill by Senator Henderson which her husband's death. Married women do excited so much discussion read as fol- not convey their property to their hus- to amend the present law in regard to lows:

Section 1. That section 1831 of the this is often a wise and good, but is not trains. The change proposed makes the Code be amended by adding thereto the seldom for purposes of fraud. The laws law operatie on all through express trains following: "And every husband, who have been in favor of the wife in propershall be living separate from his wife, ity matters, and that is responsible for either under judgment of divorce by a such acts on the husband's part. He becompetent court, or under deed of separa- lieved this bill would help women be tion executed by said husband and wife cause it would not place them in a posiand registered in the county in which he | tion where they might promote fraud by resides, or whose wife shall have been allowing husbands to make over properdeclared an idiot or lunatic, shall have ty to them to defraud creditors. Mr. power to convey his real estate without Woodard considered the bill eminently the consent of his wife. Senator Justice said he emphatized his

Section 2. That section 1832 of the Code be amended by adding thereto the opposition to the bill last night or any following: "And every husband whose step in this direction. The law does inwife shall abandon him shall have power vest the wife with the right of dower to convey his real estate without consent and has since 1867. She also has a right of homestead, which can be laid off any of his wife."

SENATOR MORRISON OPPOSES.

Senator Morrison said he did not sup port the bill in the committee and earnestly opposed it now. A wife now had the old common law dower of a third in- husband could do as he pleased. As stated terest in her husband's property. It is a question whether that is a vested right, but one judge held that it was such a right, and if so it is protected by the Constitution beyond the power of this General Assembly. Anyway, this is a of the Peace and allow him to practice On right the women of North Carolina have, but under this bill if a woman shall lose and opposed electing Justices of the Peace her mind then the husband shall have a and making them lawyers, too. There right to sell the property in which she has a vital dowery right. Why she might be insane for thirty years and then re- Code prevented a man from doing both. gain her mind only to find all the property she and her children depend on sold by training and make him a Justice of the her husband. A woman in such a state ought to be protected above all others. There is a provision now by which a guardian can be appointed and property sold by proper legal course, but the woman's mental misfortune does not now rob her of her property. Why, as to deeds of separation there is great question as to such deeds standing. There are strong reasons to believe that this Assembly a woman's dower. This looks like North The Senator further said that he now re-Carolina is beginning, not only to grant distinguished citizen of Buncombe county, divorces for anything but to shake up the ancient rights of husband and wife. Then the bill says that the husband can sell his wife's property if she abandons him. There is often a question which has abandoned, the man or woman? This bill would encourage mean men to pretend that their wives had abandoned them so that they could sell the woman's property. The homestead right is a vested right in North Carolina, and the wife certainly has this homestead right and this Assembly cannot rob her dea of it. This Assembly should mark well the limits of the Constitution, and the Legislature should not act on the presumption that the Constitution will take of Bethany church in Alamance county. care of itself. Don't let this Senate do this wrong to the poor women. When a

ing that there had been no lack of gal- ments was the Senate bill to allow the lantry or sympathy for ladies in the dis- executor or administrator of a trustee cussion. The bill only asks that the or a mortgagee the power of sale and the same right now applying to the wife be other powers conferred, in case of the given the husband. The right of dower death of the trustee or mortgagee. The s only a statutory right and rests with bill finally passed, as amended by the this body. As to the homestead, when committee and by Mr. Simms, of Wake. does it begin? In no case does the wife's Among the opponents of the bill was

interest in the homestead attach until Judge Graham, of Granille. Mr. Hood, of Wayne, introduced a bill bands, but men do to their wives, and the separation of the races on railroad doing any local businesys whatever, as it is now, the law is frequently evaded on

express train by skipping a few stations. GOVERNOR VISITS HOUSE. While the Calendar was being disposed of, Governor Aycock came into the House and sat for a fe wminutes in Mr. Win-

ston's seat. Many of the members shook hands wit hhim. The Governor looks to be in splendid health. The members whose seats are near the main aisle will be protected hereafter from the blasts of cold air occasioned by the constant opening and shutting of the docr. A resolution offered by Mr. Simms

to direct the Sergeant-at-Arms to place a portiere across the aisle was adopted. time without any judgment. There can Mr. Carraway pointed feelingly to the unprotected dome of his consciousness, as pital, of Wilmington, passed its third he remarked with tears in his tones that he received a shivering shock every time deed, but when she loses her mind the that door was opened.

The House was called to order by Speaker Moore at 11 o'clock, and open- ing. ed with praver by Rev. Dr. A. A. Mar-

On motion of Mr. Curtis, of Buncombe, the reading of the journal was dispensed with.

The chair added Mr. Morris to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Nicholson, to the Committee on Penal Institutions, Mr. Collins to the Senator Woodard explained that the Committee on Pensions, and Mr. Carbill only proposed to take a lawyer of long son to the Committee on Health. of absence for Mr. Stubbs ,of Martin, | The Senate bill to amend the charter Peace. Col. Worthington had only consented at the urgent request of the bar | until Monday. Granted.

of Wilson, because a well equipped justice The following petitions and memorials were presented:

> Mr. Spainhour, petition to incorporcitizens of Curke county asking that W. T. Dale's pension be increased. county.

tition from citizens of Edgecombe to land could proscute for violation of laws amend Chapter 100, Laws of 1885, in re-, relative to hunting. gard to stock law.

but North Carolina had so many illustrious men that the speaker's misfortune Mr. Gaither, of Catawba, petition relief of D. T. Finger. NEW BILLS.

Lieut, Goy, Turner called the Senate to

with. ship, both of Lenoir county, Leave of absence was granted Senators McNeill, Calvert and Speight until Mon-

PETITIONS PRESENTED.

Raleigh Real Estate, Trust and Insur- its readings and was sent to the Senate children. Scott: Prevent sale of liquor in two miles ancee Company to the Raleigh Real, without engrossment. Mr. James: From citizens of Pitt ask- on Calendar. (Continued on Second Page.)

Wilson, of Caswell, to provide the

the failure to record the issuing and return of marriage license a misdemeanor. Introduced by request Gaither, to amend Section 3652 of the

Code relating to collection of taxes from and could not find any law that was bettax-payers removing from one county to another.

Graham, of Granville, to appoint Rufus Amis a Justice of the Peace for Oak Hill township in Granville county. Stewart, of Harnett, to prevent the use of profane or vulgar language on the public highways.

Speaker Moore, to amend Chapter 353, Public Laws of 1897, in reference to the stock law. Speaker Moore, to amend Section 752

Volume 1 of the Code in regard to printing statements of county finances Speaker Moore, to authorize the Board of School Directors of Jackson county to pay certain school claims.

Speaker Moore, to authorize the comooks. Our children pay too much for missioners of Jackson county to levy chool books. special tax. Winston, of Bertie, to regulate the

working of convicts and establishing county farms THE CALENDAR.

The bill providing for the government of the James Walker Memorial Hos and final reading and was ordered enof ignorance has flourished. grossed and sent to the Senate. The bill to abolish fences in Nash

county passed its third and final read-

The bill to authorize the Commis-When the bill of Senator Woodard came shall, of the First Baptist Church, this sioners of the town of Concord to issue bonds passed its third reading.

> The bill to incorporate the town of Apple Tree, in Greene county, passed its third reading and was ordered sent to the Senate without engrossment.

The bill to allow the Commissioners the Superintendents of Graded Schools. of Yancey county to levy a special tax These men can tell the Senate and the passed its final reading and was order-Board of Education for that matter, ed sent to the Senate without engrossthings about books that we have never reamed of. We want to get the best ment.

of the Whitney Reduction Company, in Rowan county, passed its three readings and was ordered enrolled for ratification.

The Senate bill to amend Chapter 20, Public Laws of 1899 was reported unof teaching. Mr. Spanhour, petition to incorpor- favorably by the Judiciary Committee, ate Bethel Baptist church, Burke and tabled on motion of Mr. Rountree. This amendment provided that no one Mr. Daughtridge, of Edgecombe, pe- except the owner in fee simple of the act impartially for that reason.

The bill for the appointment of a many legislators did the same thing and Justice of the Peace for Anson county | would continue to do so when the session from citizens of Catawba county for the was referred to the Committee on Juswas over. The book question is import ant and the quality of the book more ttices of the Peace, on motion of Mr. Curtis, of Buncombe. important than the price.

Carraway, of Lenoir, to appoint W. The bill to allow the commissioners Senator Aycock, in reply, said that he S. Uzzle Justice of the Peace for Mose- of Craven county to levy a special tax believed the State Board are capable of ley Hall township, and W. T. Moseley passed its final reading and was order- making a wise selection, that they were Justice of the Peace for Vance town- ed sent to the Senate without engross- to have the advice of a sub-committee of ment.

Hayes, of Chatham, to appoint Jus- | The House bill to change the name would doubtless be superintendents o tice of the Peace and Constable for of the Raleigh Real Estate, Trust and Graded schools. The State Board would Williams township, Chatham county. Insurance Company to the Raleigh Real willingly listen to advice. In Tennessee Hayes, to change the name of the Estate and Trust Company passed all this very bill saved \$250,000 a year to the

Estate and Trust Company. Placed The bill to systematize and regulate he had attended school in Tennessee and making an apportionment of representaspecial proceedings was laid upon the that he knew the situation as well as any tives in Congress from the several States (Continued on Fifth Page.)

interest of the children of North Caroo state the facts that brought about the ntroduction of this bill. It is modelled we have to pay for our books now. after the Tennessee law. I investigated the different laws regulating school books

cock or any one else. ter calculated to produce the desired re-Senator Aycock continued: "The uniult than the law in operation in the form system of adopting school books in hurried forward with the aid of high State of Tennessee. If our educational almost evedy Southern State except North water. There is still some uncertainty policy is to be successful we must settle Carolina, and North Carolina pays more regarding the proposed tube and sheet this text book question. We may make for her school books than any State where appropriation after appropriation, but we

the uniform system is in vogue. will never educate the children of North Mr. Green of Wilkes, said that he dearolina unless we pass a law under sired all the information on the subject which they can secure books. We must he could get, and that it an yone could upply the rural districts. In many places throw any light on it, he thought he he poor children will have to be given wanted to hear from him.

he books by the State and the proper Mr. James H. Pou stated that he repsettlement of this guestion means at resents the University Publishing Comnce a great deal to the State. North pany. This company he said, recognizes arolina administers her affairs more the need of a ccaeper method of supplyconomically than most other States do. ing school books. They desire to be except in that one particular of her text heard at any date and can give the committee suggestions as to arriving at a

method by which no house will have an "We have decided to make the State advantage in the competition. Reputa-Board of Education the School Book Com- ble book companies desire with the to get books as cheaply as possible. I bemission, because they are responsible to he people. We have sworn that the lieve a scheme will be presented that hildren shall be educated. This is a will greatly improve on the bill. Mr. Aycock said that the lawyers could

ig step in that direction. We want to ccure the best book for the best money. present the matter to the committee on very short notice, and that he thought We will send light where the darkness the bill ought to be acted on at once.

Mr. C. M. Busbee stated that he repre-Senator Alexander said that while he sented the University Publishing Comhad a most exalted regard for the gentlepany, and called attention to the fact nen composing the State Board of Eduthat the bill provided for the sub-comation, he was satisfied they were not the mittee holding executive session, which nost competent to choose school books would prevent the representation by any for the children of North Carolina. Most publishing house of the merits of their of them haven't seen a school book since own or the demerits of other companies their boyhood days, and would think of publications.

the blue back speller first thing. We ought to get the right kind of books and RESIDENT DIRECTOR FARFATENED. the right man to make the selection are

## Friction Between Improvement Company and Government of San Domingo.

(By the Associated Press.) San Doingo, Jan. 17 .- (Via Haytien Ca-

The Board of Education hasn't time to look into all these things, and you can't that the resident director of the San expect the Governor to do the amount of Domingo Improvement Company of New abor necessary to acquire the informaion a Superintendent acquires in year ernment's disposition and collection of Mr. Beddingfield, of Wake, asked the customs duties and reserving the comjuestion if many of the Superintendents had not represented one or more pub pany's rights against all merchants who lishing house, and were not qualified to

pay duties to the Treasury, also informing the director that in case of his re-Senator Alexander replied that a good fusal to do so his passport will be given

> him. The refusal of the Improvement Company officials to sign liquidations for customs duties will cause the suspension

of payment of salaries in the case of part of the government officials. The Chamber of Commerce is paying duties Treasury. The Government is firm in the stand it has taken.

Reapportion Bill Biguea.

(By the Associated Press.)

one. Prior to the enactment the uniform under the Twelfth census.

quiries are fewer ,but manufacturers exlina to secure books for less money than hibit no concern on this point. Work is so vigorously prosecuted at the fur-Mr. Busbee instantly disclaimed any in- naces that demand for fuel increases and tention of reflecting upon Senator Ay- coke production in the Connellsville region expands. Coal also moves more freely at Pittsburg, delayed shipments being plants, and action by the Carnegie Comoany is awaited with interest.

"Another moderate increase occurred in sales of wool at three chief eastern markets raising the total for three weeks to 10,382,300 pounds. There is still a heavy loss compared with preceding years. for in the same period last year the total was 14,920,800 pounds, and 16,495,800 two years ago; 22,332,270 in 1898 and 19,-\$86,200 in 1897. These figures give a good idea of the present dullness in this industry.

"The raw material for the other leading textile industry has been in less satisfactory position, owing to depression in the yarn market, which caused the assoviation to recommend reduction in output by one half. Large estimates of the cotton crop also assisted the decline.

"Boot and shoe shops are, as a rule, well occupied, but it is noticed that business is unequally distributed. Salesmen furnish moderate orders from the West and South, although the rapid growth of manufacturing at interior points has exerted a perceptible influence in New England sales. Sales of leather are of only moderate volume and much below expectations of holders with no speculative operations.

"Failures for the week were 325 in the United States, against 242 last year."

Total Cotton Receipts.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 18 .- The following are the total net receipts of cotton at ble.)-The Government has demanded all ports since September 1st, 1900: Galveston 1,366,377 bales: New Orleans 1.653,009; Mobile 108,401; Savannah 740,-059; Charleston 189,225; Wilmington York withdraw his notice (of January | 225,495; Norfolk 276,838; Baltimore 38,-15th) declaring null and void the Gov- 167; New York 76,764; Boston 133,853; Newport News 17,408; Philadelphia 13,-613; Brunswick 49,399; Port Arthur .500; Pensacola 81.335.

Total 4,971,443 bales.

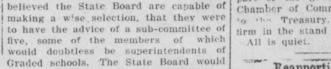
MARTIAL LAW IN CAPE COLONY.

Unlawful For Any but Officials and Soldiery to Possess Arms.

Cape Town, Jan. 17 .- Martial law has now been proclaimed in every part of Cape Colony, except the districts of Cape Town, Simonstown, Wyndberg, Port Elizabeth and East London. It has also been proclaimed in Tombuland, Griqualand East, and in East and West Pololand. It has been proclaimed unlawful for any person in the Cape peninsula, except officials and regular or irregular troops to The President today signed the bill, possess arms and ammunition or either.

> Some men go to work and others wait for work to come to them.

(By the Associated Press.)



was sometime to over look one. THE SESSION.

order at 11 o'clock, prayer by Rev. A. W. Curtis, of the Congregational church. Reading of the Journal was dispensed

be a homestead without judgment and ex-

emption, it can be laid off any time. When

a wife is sane she can refuse to sign a

the bill failed to pass its second reading.

COL. D. WORTHINGTON.

was needed there. In 1885 Col. Worth-

ington was chairman of the Judiciary

Senator Gudger: "I am willing to sup-

port the bill now since I find it makes a

lawyer a Justice of the Peace and doesn't

make a Justice of the Peace a lawyer."

membered Col. Worthington as once ;

Committee of the House.

Petitions were presented as follows: Mr.