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NEW LAWS AND CHANGED LAWS.

The act to raise revenue makes some changes, a note as to which may be more easily understood than the whole law would be.

The poll tax is reduced from \$9 to 72 cents. That on real and personal property, moneys, credits, investments in bonds, stocks, joint-stock companies or otherwise, is reduced from 20¢ to 24 cents, to be applied as follows: 12 instead of 14¢ cents to the general fund; 6 in place of 9 cents to the insane and deaf and dumb and blind asylums; 6 cents as heretofore to the penitentiary.

The tax on billiard saloons is as heretofore \$20 on each table, but hereafter every place where liquor is sold is considered a billiard saloon.

Retail liquor dealers are to pay a monthly license tax of \$5.00, instead of \$3.00, as now; and retailers of malt liquors only \$3.00, instead of \$1.50, as now. And "any grocer, druggist, dealer or other person who shall sell spirituous or malt liquors, wines or cordials, in any quantity, if the same or any portion thereof shall at any time be drunk upon the premises where such liquors, wines or cordials are sold shall be considered to be a retail dealer within the meaning of this section."

The merchants' "privilege tax" is changed by repeal of the \$5.00 item.

Every person or company running sleeping cars upon any railroad in this State is to pay \$50 yearly for every car so run, and shall make returns and pay to the State treasurer. Penalty for non-compliance, \$2,000.

Tobacco warehousemen, instead of a license tax of \$50, are to pay \$15 and 1 per cent. on gross amount of their commissions on all sales of tobacco in excess of 300,000 pounds.

Any merchant, dealer or agent selling sewing machines shall pay a tax of \$10 in each county, but the payment of a license tax of \$200 to the State Treasurer will enable any person, company or manufacturer of sewing machines to peddle them in any county, employing any number of agents, free of county or municipal tax.

A peddler's license tax of \$10 is hereafter good for a year instead of six months.

Itinerant lightning rod men are to pay \$50 instead of \$10 for each county.

Drummers are to pay \$100 annually instead of \$50. The liquor dealers' drummers are to pay \$200.

Marriage licenses are reduced from \$1.00 to 50¢.

On February 27, 1879, it was enacted that the children of colored parents born at any time before the first day of January, 1868, of persons living together as man and wife, are legitimate children of such parents or either one of them, with all the rights of heirs-at-law and next kin, with respect to the estate or estates of any such parents, or either one of them.

From the same date it has been lawful for any clerk of a court of record in any other State to act as a commissioner of affidavits and deeds, exercising the same powers as heretofore granted to regularly appointed commissioners for the State.

It is alleged in the preamble to an act to regulate marriageable kinship,

that "many persons in this State, in estimating what degree of kinship is nearer than first cousins, compute kinship by the half-blood as being only half so near as the same degree of kinship by the whole blood." Wherefore, on February 27, 1879, it was enacted that "hereafter, in this State, whenever the degree of kinship shall be estimated with the view to ascertain the right of kinspeople to marry, the half-blood shall be counted as the whole blood: *Provided, however*, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to invalidate any marriage heretofore contracted in case where by counting the half-blood as the whole blood the persons contracting such marriage would be nearer of kin than first cousins; but in every such case the kinship shall be ascertained by counting relations of the half-blood as being only half so near kin as those of the same degree of whole blood."

An act to provide for keeping in repair the public roads of the State makes the Justices in each township a body corporate styled the "Board of Supervisors of public roads." The first meeting is to be held on the first Monday in May for election of a chairman, to serve until the first Monday in February, 1880, the time for subsequent annual elections. The board is to meet on the first Monday of February, May, August and November, to consult on the condition of the roads, having in the preceding week gone over and personally examined them. At the May meetings overseers shall be appointed for sections then laid off, and hands allotted to them and their field of work assigned. The overseer may resign after one year's service if he has done good service, and may be re-elected to oversee work for two years thereafter.

Three days of work in each year is the portion of every able bodied man between 18 and 45, the supervisors excepted. A day's work is not less than 7 nor more than 10 hours. One dollar a day or an able-bodied substitute will excuse service. Failure to work or to pay is a misdemeanor which will cost \$2 to \$5 or five days imprisonment, or both fine and imprisonment as the court may direct.

The overseers are to make quarterly reports under oath to the Boards of the condition of the roads, number working, number failing to work and whether delinquents paid their dollar; those failing to work or to pay to be at once warranted and tried. At the February meetings of the Boards, the overseers are to make report of all moneys collected and file statement of manner of expenditure. Failing to discharge these duties is a misdemeanor, for which overseers are to be warranted and fined \$7, which and the costs not being paid five days' imprisonment results.

The supervisors are empowered to lay out and discontinue cartways; the county commissioners to lay out and discontinue public roads, under existing rules, except that no more than five jurors may be summoned to assess damage to property. The supervisors, also, are to make annual report, at the first term of the Superior Court for their county after the first Monday in August, of the condition of the roads and as to the discharge of the duties assigned. Failure to do so is a misdemeanor, and the penalty is fine or imprisonment or both, as the Court please.

This law as ratified on March 14 applies to the State, excepting the counties of Alleghany, Ashe, Alexander, Watauga and Mecklenburg.—*Raleigh Observer.*

The Methodist Church owns more property than any other denomination in the Union, that sect having \$69,854,121 invested in churches. The Catholic Church comes next with \$60,985,563; then the Presbyterian Church, \$47,828,732; the Episcopal, \$36,514,549; Congregational, \$25,069,698; the Baptist, \$39,229,221. Then follows a long list which brings up the total amount of money invested in churches in the United States to \$354,229,221.

CAPTIONS TO THE ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 1879.

[Raleigh Observer.]
ACTS.

An act to incorporate the Burgaw and Onslow Railroad Company.

An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Harnett County to levy a special tax, and for other purposes.

An act to amend chap. 20, Laws of 1876-'77. [Relating to certain roads in Burke, McDowell, Mitchell, Yancey and Caldwell counties.]

An act to provide for the completion of the Western Asylum for the insane.

An act to amend an act to establish a Department of Agriculture, Immigration and Statistics, and for the encouragement of Sheep Husbandry, ratified March 2, 1877.

An act to consolidate and revise the charter of the town of Winston, and the amendments thereto.

An act for the relief of farmers and others from payment of special tax.

An act to amend sec. 1, chap. 267, Laws of 1876-'77, prohibiting the sale of liquor in certain localities.

An act to empower the W. N. C. R. R. Company to make terms with the Chester and Lenoir Narrow-Gauge Company.

An act to correct an error in the act to compromise, commute and settle the State debt.

An act to compromise, commute and settle that portion of the State debt known as the "Williamston & Tarboro Railroad."

An act to authorize the Commissioners of McDowell County to levy a special tax.

An act to extend the charter of the Bank of Raleigh and the Bank of Durham.

An act to incorporate the village of Big Lick, Stanly County.

An act concerning receiving freight and shipment of the same, and change of rates of transportation by railroads and other transportation companies.

An act to amend sec. 343, of chap. 17, Battle's Revisal. [Relating to suits founded on judgments rendered previous to Aug. 1, 1868.]

An act to prevent overcharges in the sale of produce.

An act to provide for the support of the N. C. Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, for 1879 and 1880.

An act to incorporate the town of Troy, in Montgomery county.

An act to define the meaning of false pretense.

An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Oxford & Henderson Railroad Company," ratified March 25th, 1871.

An act to amend chap. 122, Laws of 1876-'77. [Relating to the duties of the County Commissioners of Mecklenburg, regarding the fence-law and boundary fence between Mecklenburg and Iredell counties.]

An act to repeal chap. 148, Private Laws of 1868-'69, with reference to the town of Ridgeway. [Sec. 2 forbids the sale of liquor within two miles of said town.]

An act to regulate the size of fish packages. [Requires all fish packed for market to be in packages 13 inches in diameter at head of staves, 25 inches in length, and confined by at least ten hoops.]

An act to re-convey to F. D. Koonce, of Onslow county, a house and lot in the city of Wilmington, heretofore sold for taxes.

An act to amend chapter 155, private acts, laws of 1874-'75, concerning inspection of timber and lumber in the city of Wilmington.

An act to aid in the construction of the Statesville Air Line Railroad.

An act for the relief of the blind. [Appropriates \$60 per annum to those who lost their eyes in the Confederate service, during their natural life.]

An act to amend the acts incorporating the town of Kenansville, Duplin county.

An act to require town and city constables to make monthly reports.

An act to pay off the indebtedness of the Insane Asylum.

An act to incorporate Piedmont Lodge, No. 30, I. O. O. F., of Hickory.

An act to incorporate the Champlin Compress and Warehouse Company.

An act to levy a special tax in Pasquotank county.

An act to prevent the telling of timber, or otherwise obstructing the waters of Rockfish and Doctor's Creek, and other streams in the county of Duplin.

An act to prevent tramps infesting or depredating on citizens of the State.

An act to amend and consolidate the charter of Great Falls Manufacturing Company, located at Rockingham, Richmond county.

An act to authorize the Caldwell and Watauga Narrow Gauge Railroad to change its gauge.

An act to define the duties of Sheriffs performing the duties of County Treasurer.

An act to amend the charter of the town of Pittsboro, N. C.

An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of North Carolina.

An act in regard to additional disqualification of jurors.

An act to ascertain the indebtedness of Madison county.

An act to incorporate the Globe Gold Mining Company of North Carolina.

An act to amend an act passed at this session, entitled "an act to prevent the desecration of the Sabbath day." [Forbids the running of railroad trains other than those carrying U. S. mails.]

An act to protect fish in the waters of Limestone Creek and other streams in Duplin county.

An act to incorporate the Roxboro and — Narrow Gauge Railroad.

An act to provide commutation for Ed. G. Gaddy and W. Allen, disabled soldiers.

An act to amend sections 3 and 4, chapter 30, Battle's Revisal, regarding official bonds.

An act to prohibit the taking of fish in Conit's Creek, in Pitt county.

An act to aid in the completion of the Spartanburg and Asheville Railroad. [Allows 100 convicts.]

An act to authorize Edgecombe county to fund its floating debt.

An act to charter the Thomasville and Albemarle Railroad Company.

An act to prevent the sale or giving away of spirituous liquors or wine within two miles of any place at which political speaking takes place.

An act to consolidate the towns of Winston and Salem.

An act for the relief of land owners where land has been sold to the State for taxes. [Allows one year from ratification of act to redeem such land.]

An act to authorize Granville county to fund its floating debt.

An act relating to roads and highways. [Authorizes the election biennially of a supervisor of highways in each county, &c.]

An act to submit the question of the sale of spirituous liquors to the voters of the town of Reidsville.

An act to authorize the commissioners of the county of Richmond to levy a special tax.

An act to appoint cotton-weighers for the towns of Goldsboro, Kinston and Newbern.

An act to incorporate Smith's Bridge High School Joint Stock Company.

An act to amend chap. 87, secs. 34, 35, 36 and 37, Battle's Revisal. [Appoints Boards of Navigation for Hatteras and Ocracoke Inlets.]

An act concerning civil actions for the recovery of debts contracted for the purchase of land.

An act to amend chap. 196, laws of 1876-'77. [Restricts the farming out of convicts in certain cases.]

An act to prevent the enticing of seamen from vessels.

An act to incorporate the Etna Gold Mining Company of North Carolina.

An act to provide for the registration of certain deeds and other instruments of writing, and to make valid the registration of others. [Extends the time to register where lapse has heretofore occurred, within two years from ratification of act.]

An act to amend section 156, chap. 32, Battle's Revisal. [Makes it obligatory with county commissioners

whether capital punishment by hanging shall be public or private.]

An act to secure holders of policies of fire insurance in North Carolina. [Requires insurance companies to deposit \$10,000 in U. S. bonds with the public treasurer.]

An act to allow the citizens of Jackson county to pass through the toll-gates in Macon county free of charge; also to allow the citizens of Macon county to pass through the gates in Jackson county free of charge.

An act to incorporate Stonewall Lodge, No. 99, I. O. O. F., of Monroe, Union county.

An act to incorporate Aurora Lodge, No. 108, I. O. G. T., of Warrenton.

An act to extend the time to redeem land sold for taxes and bought by the State. [Extends the time to Jan. 1, 1881.]

An act to amend chap. 163, laws of 1871-'72. [Regarding commissioners of a public road in Iredell county.]

An act to establish a normal school at Trinity College, Davidson College, and Wake Forest College.

An act to provide for convict labor on the Louisburg branch of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company.

An act to amend chap. 63, laws of 1874-'75, regarding the dividing line between the counties of Franklin and Granville.

An act to amend secs. 2, 4 and 5, chap. 49, laws of 1876-'77. [Relating to fish-ways.]

An act to incorporate the town of Manly Station, Moore county.

An act to repeal any and all acts creating, reorganizing or continuing in existence the Western Division of the Western N. C. Railroad Company.

An act to amend an act to define false pretense, ratified the 11th day of March, 1879.

An act to provide for filling vacancies in boards of county commissioners. [Magistrates select.]

An act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in numerous localities.

An act to ascertain and audit the debt of Cleveland county.

An act for the more effectual punishment of horse-stealing.

An act to incorporate the Pungo and Alligator Rivers Canal Company.

An act to authorize the commissioners of Chowan county to levy a special tax.

An act to provide for the levying and collection of taxes. [Machinery act.]

An act to complete the indexing of grants in the office of Secretary of State.

An act in relation to the city of Raleigh.

An act supplemental to an act entitled "an act for the support of the Penitentiary of North Carolina for the year 1879 and 1880."

An act to provide for the sale of insolvent judgments in favor of counties against defaulting officers.

An act to incorporate the Tusquitti Methodist Church, South, in Clay county.

An act to change the county of Martin from the Second to the First Judicial District, and the times of holding the courts thereof.

An act to authorize the Board of Education of Brunswick, Surry and Edgecombe counties to pay certain school claims.

An act to amend chap. 240, laws of 1874-'75, entitled an act to prevent discrimination in freight tariffs by Railroad Companies operating in this State.

An act supplemental to an act to amend sec. 8, chap. 255, laws of 1876 and 1877.

An act to establish the State line between the State of North Carolina and the State of Georgia, between the counties of Macon, N. C., and Rabun, Georgia.

An act to legalize the purchase of land for the Penitentiary.

An act to incorporate the Zion Hill Cemetery of Concord.

An act entitled "an act to secure by mail, notices issued by Board of County Commissioners to Justices of the Peace, Road Overseers and School Committeemen."

An act to repeal the act incorpora-

ting the town of Lillington, in New Hanover county.

An act to reduce the cost of criminal prosecution.

An act supplemental to an act to settle, compromise and cumulate the State debt, passed at this session of the General Assembly.

An act to adjust and renew a portion of the State debt.

An act to incorporate the Rockingham and Salisbury Railroad Company.

An act to amend the charter of the town of Farmville, Pitt county.

An act declaratory of the meaning of, and to amend the charter of the town of Reidsville.

An act to incorporate the North Carolina Coast Canal Company.

An act to incorporate the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

An act to pay the jurors of Edgecombe and Craven counties.

An act for the relief of the sureties of John W. Mallett, late Tax Collector of Fayetteville.

An act to change the time of holding the Superior Courts in Warren county, and to allow two weeks therefor.

An act to aid the completion of the Seaboard and Raleigh Railroad, running from Wilmington to Martin county, through the counties of Martin Pitt, Nash, Franklin and Wake.

An act to incorporate the North Carolina Baptist Sunday School Convention.

An act to incorporate Rising Hope Lodge, No. 1800, G. W. O. of Odd Fellows, of Flemington, N. C.

An act to amend the charter of the Charlotte and Taylorsville Railroad Company.

An act to incorporate Zion Wesleyan Institute of Cabarrus county.

An act to incorporate the town of Forestville, in the county of Wake.

An act to authorize the Board of Commissioners of Anson county to levy a special tax.

An act to provide a fund for the payment of jurors.

An act to prevent the felling of timber, or otherwise obstructing the waters of Rockfish and other streams in the county of Duplin.

An act to incorporate the Trustees of Macedonia Baptist Church in the county of Transylvania.

An act to authorize the county commissioners of Hertford county to levy a special tax.