is as changeable as master rumors, or news from the Legislature.

SPEAKER Carlisle is confined to his bed from illness occasioned by cold contracted during his recent visit to Albany, N. Y.

JUDGE FURMAN, of New York, has sent ex-mayor Edson to jail for fif teen days and imposed a fine of \$250, for contempt of court for refusing while mayor to obey an injunction issued by Judge Beach restraining him from making a nomination for commissioner of public works and corporation counsel. THE legislature has passed the bil

Judges will probably not go on their circuits until the fall. It rather strikes us that if a bill to make lawyers and judges work more, nine nave seen/amply sufficient for their famillar and obdurate cheeks. practical purposes. The over worked judge is an exploded idea. Whenever a special term is to be held in any there are many willing ones to

Where the Blame Lies. Dr. Nobles, in a communication t the Southerner on farming commences his article:

take the \$200.

"There is a weeky paper pub lished in our county and I occasionally read it and find but little in its columns to advance the agricultural interest of our goo? Edgecombe, and it ought not so to be. I think its editor is to blame for much of this, but can't we bestir ourselves just a little and occasionally give him our ideas, and have him to publish them (if he will), and by so doing we may be instrumental in doing some good, Can't we get twelve good farmers in our county that will give their ideas on farming once in three months to the editor of the Southerner for publication? I have some little county pride yet left, and I would like to see our paper have a column, or more devoted to the | ubject Agriculture. And I want to see our farmers write their views and experiences upon various subjects and now, I give in a plain way, a few

thoughts upon farming.' The intelligence that there is weekly paper published in this county will of course be gratefully received, but that this paper does nothing to advance the agricultural interests of the people cannot safely be said by one who reads it 'occasionally." ally lest week in an agricultural pa-The Rural Messenger, published in

ricles taken from the Southerner and credited to it. Dr. Nobles, we know, intended nothing unkind. Intelligent as he is

and a most excellent gentleman withal, we are inclined to think that he did not mean what he wrote. Why is the editor to blame? Can he make farmers give their "views" on farming if they are unwilling? For more than twelve months our friend who has written a very readable and instructive article has promised us something on the order. of what we have just received. His case is only one of many. Now, Doctor, tell us why you waited so long.

of practical farming. Such knowl- body will have to pass it again beedge though desirable, is not necessary to an editor of even an agricultural publication. But before theories can be formulated, rules laid down and deductions made the facts or points in a case must be given. This any editor if he is to instruct or enlighten farmers requires, this is ted of our farmers. 'It is with them that the blame is.

The Southerner will take this occasion to say to the people of this sec tion a fault or two that they possess. The suggestion of Dr. Nobles will not be heeded though some few may say to themselves that he is right. Our people are a reading people, very intelligent, but as writers they are the po rest in the land. We do not mean that incapacity is the cause. It arises either from laziness, over-modesty, diffidence, envy or malice, possibly a combination of several of these. The papers agitate matters and things that concern the public good, but it is only now and then (far between the "now" and the "then") that the editor is assured of his readears approval, or encouraged to continue his advocacy of them. By approval and encouragement we mean an expression of opinion in writing so that the for an audience.

the factory employees are actually One more fault, we believe it is a failing the world over, but our people are possessed of it in an eminent degree. They know how to edit a paper better than any one else In short he advice they give the publisher how a paper should be conducted is but the effects of the bus ness depresmore than no could follow in a century sion are necessarily very sensibly even if he were of that almost extinct felt throughout the Union. While class, an advice taker. We thank our Southern people escape this en Dr. Nobles for his suggestions. forced idleness, let us be careful that 27. The bill then passed its second We again renew our invitation to him we indulge in no extravagance. The and third readings. and others to give us any matter of in- prices which now rule for our prod terest that may come to their knowl- ucts demand that we be very cautiedge. Until they do (the Dr. includ- ous. Let our people do this and ed) we must urge them not to 'shake sgain can they cherish the hope that their gory locks' at us.

Roller Skating.

Skating will have to go notwithstanding its exceeding popularity The physicians have announced it is a fact that while they differ in opinion as to whether it is healthy or not, so far as ladies are concerned, without whom the rinks would be slimly attended, it spoils the cherters. shape of the foot and makes the ankles thick and bulgy. Our girls are not careful about their health, but they will never submit to look like Chicago women about their feet.

Mr. ('leveland's Model Secretary The President-elect is fortunate in having a private secretary who knows how to talk fluently and agreeably without giving anything away. Col. Lamont has a talent in that respect which entitles him to be regarded by his employer as a boon of the first magnitude. We do not know another man in public life, in fact, with the possible exception of a few members of Congress prone to make speeches on finance, who can grant increasing the number of Superior his mouth full swing and yet impart Court Judges to twelve. The new so little information; and it is very clear that Democratic politicians who think of getting pointers from him concerning offices and the like might

> -St. Louis Globe Democrat. A Good Paper.

This weeks Southerner had a colored contributor in the person of Rev. H C. Phillips of Washington, N. C. a former pastor of the colored Methodist church of this town .- N.

The Southerner certainly did, and with much pleasure. The SOUTHER-NER is a Democratic paper, uphold ing Democratic principles. It per sues that course on political matters that are only what the best Demoerat could approve of.

Not being responsible for viwes o its correspondents but willing to give any one a hearing, no proper communication from a colored man would be rejected. By just and fair dealing the SOUTHERNER claims and has the respect and esteem of all parties.

Hands Off.

Our legislature passes a joint resolution instructing our representation tives exert themselves to have the surplus in the United States Treasury appropriated for educational purposes. If this money were to be devoted exclusively to the instruction of legislators, we should unhesitat ing approve of such an undemocratic measure. But as none of our solons will get any benefit from this surplus in an eductional point of view, we desire to remind them that for the remainder of the session to attend to their own business and let that of Congress alone, Two thirds extended from Shelby to Roth body has not disposed of that amount of business 'o justify them to dabble into matters federal. Cause for Thanks.

As the 48th Congress draws to close it becomes evident that the reg ular appropriation bills will consume the remainder of the session and that with the exception of few private bills which some very popular member may rush through, there will be no other legislation. This for a time puts a quietus on the Blair Educational Bill so called. Although it has passed the Senate, if the House takes no action on it before March We do not profess a knowledge 4th it will be a dead letter and that fore it could become a law. This will afterd its opponents time to discuss the bill, its dangerous tendencies in a calm manner.

Now let allwho oppose it strive to create a predominant public sentiment of their way of thinking. The present Congress has not accomplished much. what the Doctor suggests be given The House seems to be bent on talkto our raders and is just exactly ing and River and Harbor bills, but what we have time and again reques | it deserves much credit and countless thanks for some things it has not done. One of these will be the failure to pass the Blair blll.

Good Times.

"Hard times" if we are to judge by popular verdict are ever present with us and the good times are in the future; or if we really bave them we never know it until they are past. One fact is evident, "good times" are not here in disguise now. The hardest of periods is stalking through the land. The revival of business which one hears or reads of in protection newspapers is a myth. If anything, business is more depressed than ever. This may be, we hope it is, the darkness that precedes the dawn, but it certainly is not yet dawn. The number of idle workmen is constantly increasing. In New York City, for an example, seventy five thousand people is the estimate readers of the paper may see that it of the metropolitan journals of the number out of employment. Petersburg. Va. to come nearer home,

> suffering. The South being more of an agricultural country, has not the want and suffering that now exists throughut the manufacturing states, "there is a good time coming."

The General Assembly. SENATE.

THIRTY FIRST DAY. PETITIONS

Mr. Conor-From certain citizens of Rocky Mount, in the counties of bridges. Propositiving from the Nash and Edgecombe, in regard to Mr. Means said Feb. 1, it be certain amendments to their town

the railroad bill, he would he Mr. Mullen-From certain citizens of Halifax county, representing 200,-000 acres of land, asking for the stock law for the whole couty.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES. Mr. Connor, of judiciary committee

reported adversely on the bill to make the stockholders in the State banks liable to loss when the bank Mr. Gatlin, of the judiciary com-

mittee, reported adversely on the bill to reduce the cost in legal proceedngs, recommending that the title be changed so as to read, "To appoint receivers in certain cases," and that it be further amended and passed. BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Mullen-To prevent live stock from running at large in Halifax and Warren counties.

Mr. Troy- Resolution fixing the lay for the adjournment of the legis. lature. as well listen to the winds that fan Mr. Bond-To authorize the conft

> special tax. Mr. Cooper-To amend chapter 241, of the laws of 1883, and to make certain the comp'etion of the Western

North Carolina railroad to Murphy, Cherokee county. Mr. Simmons-To incor porate the

Pamlico improvement company. Mr. Dotson-To amend section 2057 of the Code, in reference to gates and bars. Propositions and grievances.

Mr, Connor (by request)-To regu late the admission of foreign surety companies to do business in this State ; also to facilitate the giving of bonds required by law.

CALENDAR. To incorporate the Chespeake Norfolk & Carolina railroad company. Mr. Connor thought the terminal points ought to be stated definitely he wanted to know at what point it would touch the Wilminton & Weldon railroad. Mr. Means said that if Wilson continued to grow in attrac tions, as hitherto, it would probably go there. Passed its third reading.

To incorporate the Oxford and Clarkesville Railroad Company. Pass ed second reading.

Bill to enable railroads and other transportation companies to extend their lines and to aid in the construction of railroads. Mr. Twitty moved that no corpor

ation shall be allowed to hold stor in the C. C. R. R. until it shall be Mr. Means moved that any compa

ny or corporation taking benefit of this act shall be liable to taxation in same manner as individuals. Mr. Gudger sent forward an amendment to section 2, Mr. Buxton

moved to amend by striking out sec-

tion 2 entirely. Mr. Gudger did not believe that any legislature had the right to ex empt any property from taxation.

He thought this a leap in the dark. Mr. Connor traced the history of the bill in the senate and considered its provisions identical with those of the two railroad charters granted this morning. The amendments by the finance

committee, making roads built under this act subject to taxation, was adop. ted. Mr. Twitty's amendment was

A goodly number of amendments fell by the way-side. Some filibustering was indulged in by the opponents of the bill, but at 11:30 a vote was reached and the bill passed; ayes 22, navs 15,

A resolution that after February 12 the senate meet from 10 o'clock a. m. to 2. p; m. was carried. A resolution that after February

16 the senate meet at 7:30 on Mon day, Wednesday and Friday nights. for the consideration of private and local public bills, was carried.

Bill to prevent the unlawful use of

Bill to establish Scotland county. Bill to amend section 677 of the

Bill to amend section 2,833 of the JUDICIAL DISTRICTS

The bill increasing the number of iudicial districts came up as unfinished business. On the proposition to adopt fifteen

the number of judges, the vote was—ayes 13, nays 95. The chair put the bill on its second reading; providing for thirteen udges. The vote was ayes 44, nays Failed to pass.

Mr. Womack moved to reconsider. Mr. Pou moved to lay that motion Mr. Green called the ayes and pays

The vote to table was-ayes 26. nays

Mr. Leazar offered an amendment. fixing the number of judges at twelve On this the vote was-aves 77, navs

SENATE. THIRTY-SECOND DAY, Rountree-To create the township of Shine, in Green county.

ning at large in the county of Edge-Mr. Connor-To amend section combe. Passed third reading. 367, and to repeal sections 363 and 369 of the Code. Judiciary. By

Bill to amend section 2040, of the request-To amend sections 3748 dode, prescribing the method of sum noning the jury to lay out roads and 3752 of the Code. Judiciary. Passed second and third readings. To regulate the width of certain

Bill to permit a joinder of felony and misdemeanor in indictment where an assault is included, passed cond and third readings. The Senate amendments to the bill

repeal section 2814, of the Code; to

amend chapter 382, laws of 1883; to

The following bills passed second

e strick law; to give Halifax and

reading: To give Richmond county

authorize the commissioners of Mar-

Chowan county to levy a special tax

The following bills passed third

reading: To ratify the will of John

Strother, deceased; to incorporate

The bill to make the seduction of

woman under promise of marriage

criminal was amended so that mar-

HOUSE.

Petitions were introduced asking

The following bills passed second

realing: To prevent live stock from

running at large in the county of

Vance (after strong opposition by

Mr. Ward, of Vance); to authorize

The committee made an unfavora-

ble report on the bill relating to the

sale of the State's stock in the At

lantic & North Carolina railroad.

final reading: To amend section 2821 of the Code: to amend chapter 98

laws 1879, extending time for fund-

A resolution instructing our mem-

tional purposes, passed its final read-

The bill to prevent live stock from

Blaine is not dead, nor does he

Today Mr. Blaine is complete mas-

State where a Republican Senator

The following bills passed their

ria. e shall be a bar to prosecution.

for local prohibitory laws.

establish the county of Ransom.

was adopted.

for 1885-'86

nal reading.

ter 308, laws of 1883.

it be taken up on its third reading Mr. Alexander moved to amend providing for the establishment of that no railroad company whose criminal courts in Mecklenburg and charter provides for exemption from New Hanover were occurred in. taxation, and which has not a complete SENATE. ed line in operation, shall receive any THIRTY FOURTH DAY, of the benefits of this act, unless the Among the bills introduced were

exemption from taxation. Adopted deeds; to incorporate Wilson Mutu-The bill passed third reading. al Benefit and Relief Association; to Report of committee in the matter change the government of the public of the claim of J. W. Newsom to a schools; to amend the law concerning seat in the senate. the sale of mortgaged property; to

stockholders shall agree, in corporate the following: To amend the Code

meeting, to surrender all rights to relative to coroners and registers of

The minority report of the committee submitted that the words "House of Representatives" "Norhampton County" constituted device with n the meaning of the law. The minority report dissented from that opinion. The report was discussed by Messrs. White, Gatting Todd, Graham, Thomas and Bon when the previous question was called missioners of Chowan county to levy and the majority report sustained. declaring that senator Mason was duly entitled to his seat.

Mr. White introduced a resolution in favor of Jas. W. Newsom. Calen-

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Among the bills introduced wer the following

Bill to be entitled an act in rela tion to the Stare's stock in the Atlan tic & North Carolina railroad company. (It appoints a commission composed of the Governor, treasurer and attorney-general, to contract for the sale of the State's stock in the Atlantic & North Carolina R. R., for the purpose of building a railroad from Goldsboro to Salisbury or Char-

By Mr. Waring-Bill to establish criminal circuit, to be composed of New Hanover and Mecklenburg. Referred to the committee on judicial

Bill to amend the Code in relation to public schools. Bill to prevent live stock from run-

ning at large in the county of Edgecombe. Amended so that the act is not to go into opperation until Nov. . 1885.) Passed second reading. Bertie county to fund its debt. A resolutation was adopted that the house shall meet at 10 o'clock, a. m. daily.

Bill to amend section 1973, of th Code (to allow railroads to load and unload and to run on Sundays trains and other perishable freight, passe ts second and third readings. Bill to repeal section 1245 and

ing State bonds; to allow passage of fish up New river, Ashe county. provide for the registration of deeds. (Goes into efect November 1st, 1885.) bers of Congress in regard to the The bill was made special order for surplus in the United States Treasury; Tuesday next at noon. asking its appropriation for educa-

THIRTY THIRD DAY. BILLS.

Were introduced as follows: running at large in Edgecombe To amend section 2820 of the Code county came up on its second read-To amend section 2752 of the Coding. An amendment postponing the To empower the commissioners of date when the bill takes effect until Edgecombe county to control the November, which was adopted on usage of the public bridges in that the second reading, was strickened out and bill passed its final reading.

To incorporate the Cashie & Roanoke railroad and lumber company. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

even sleep. His defeat was to be ex-Bill relating to the practice of medicine in the State amended so as pected. But the narrow escape of not to apply to persons who should the Democrats made his defeat anything but decisive. Though beaten practice without fee or reward. Mr. by the Democracy the election of last Troy submitted an amendment that year did this, it also took the plumed no regular graduate in medicine shall be liable until after the ras age knight out of the category of one of of the act. Carried. the leaders of his party and made

him the leader or "boss" House bill to establish a criminal circuit to be composed of New Hanter of his party; the election of Evover and Mecklenburg counties: arts to the Senate from New York Bill to divide the State into twelve showed his power. In every other udicial districts.

BILLS INTRODUCED. To regulate challenges of jurors in criminal cases. Concerning the serving of writs.

CALENDAR. Bill to prevent live stock from running at large in Goldsboro township, Wayne county. Passed third

Bill to authorize the town of Wilson to issue bonds to the amount of \$5,000, at 8 per cent, for the construction of a market house and the purchase of a fire engine. Passed third reading.

Bill to prevent live stock from running at large in Rockingham county.

Bill to provide a suitable room for the supreme court library. | This had already passed the Senate, The amount is \$15,000. Mr. Busbee offered an amendment

to the effect that the work should not be done by convicts. Lost. The ayes and nays were called, and liese it to be the best Phosphate I ever used. the bill passed its second and read- I vill use more of it next season. 80, and the house reconsidered the ing.

The special order, the bill to prohibit the importation and sale of obscene literature, came up. Messrs. F. S. ROYSTER & Co. Mr. Womack offered a substitute,

and Mr. Barringer offered an amendment which was rejected. The substitute was explained by Mr. Womack and was adopted, and the bill so amended passed its third reading. Bill to prevent live stock from runhas been elected the hand of Blane

has been plainly visible. Don Cameron, of Pennsylvania, was forced to make terms with him and have the event chronicled before his party went into caucus.

If he wishes a nomination from his party in '88 for President he can have it for the asking; and the fight he will "put up" will be as gamely fought as that of 1884. We mildly advise some of our contemporaries largest assortto delay the demise of the Radical leader, or if they have killed him to

vears or so.

Personal Intelligence.

delay the funeral services for three

Thick wrappings have been very popular. Mrs. M. Oppenhelmer has been very ill. Maj. J. P. Coffield left Wednesday for Ral-

Mississippi. Elder B. Greenwood, of Wilson, was in The Tarboro Cooking Club will suspend

operation until Lent is over. Miss Fannie Wimberly, of Battlebore, i visiting Miss Sallie Pippin. A resolution concerning counties delinquent in the payment of taxes, Mr. S, E. Spier formerly of this place, now of Goldsboro, was here Monday.

Senator Ransom is one of the Senate committee to notify Cleveland of his election. Mr. Duke Battle has a situation in St. Augustine, Fla. Monday he left here for that

va visiting Miss Sannie McNair left Mon-

tin county to borrow money, issue day for Wilmington. bonds and levy a special tax, for the Messrs. Jne. L. Bridgers, jf., D. Ruder and purpose of building a court house and Arthur L. Wilkinson left Tuesday for the and jail; to amend the Code relative to special tax collectors; to allow Mrs. Judge Biggs and Daughter, Mrs. 8.

H. Van Cleve of New Jersey, are the guests of Miss Talitha Cobb We regret to learn that Capt. E. E. Knight one of our enlightened farmers, is suffering very much from a wound received at Sharpsburg. He was as gallant a soldier as ever

the Oxford & Henderson Rulroad; Messrs. H. Morris, L. Heilbro er and I to require judges to allow juries to Lichtenstein will leave here next Sunday 29. take with them when they retire for Washington, D. C, to attend the convention of District Grand Lodge No. 5, I. O. B written instructions; to amend chap-B. held therel on the 24th inst. They being the representatives of Zanoah Lodge No. 235 Resolution giving the Governor of this place. Mr. H. Morris will also atter the \$350 in lieu of sent for "old manthe convention of the Grand Lodge of the same order to be held in New York, March sion" until the new mansion shall have been complet d, passed its fi-

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