

THE LEGISLATURE OF 1891.

The General Assembly, after a session of sixty days, has adjourned. No legislative body in the history of the State has been more conscientious, painstaking and conservative.

Under the able, nobles and impartial leadership of Lieutenant Gov. Holt, there has been a feeling of mutual co-operation and unity between the Senate and House. No Speaker of the House for the last decade has presided with more dignity, ability and impartiality than Hon. E. A. Doughton, and the honor of the speakership could not have been more worthily bestowed.

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SALE OF CIGARETTES PROHIBITED.

The Legislature having passed the act prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors the TIMES aware that the law is of importance to cigar and cigarette dealers and alive to the publication of news directs attention to the provisions of the act which reads as follows:

SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell, give away or otherwise dispose of directly or indirectly cigarettes or tobacco in the form of cigarettes or cut tobacco in any form or shape, which may be used or intended to be used as a substitute for cigarettes, to any minor under the age of 17 years, and any one violating the

provisions of this act, or any person or persons aiding, assisting or abetting the violation thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by fine or imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

SEC. 2. That any person who shall or may aid or assist any such minor child, in obtaining the possession of cigarettes or tobacco in any form used as a substitute therefor by whatsoever name it may be called, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned in the discretion of the court.

SEC. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification. Ratified the 3rd day of March A. D. 1891.

A RALEIGHITE IN CUBA.

THE HEARING "QUEEN OF THE ANTILLES."

THE DELIGHTFUL CLIMATE, THE WOMEN, THE AMUSEMENTS, THE COSTUMES AND THE TRADITIONS OF THAT TROPICAL ISLAND PICTURED.

HAVANA, Cuba, March 3rd, 1891.—When, in the early part of March, a man can sit upon the balcony of his hotel, barefooted and wearing but two garments, and enjoy a strong breeze from the Gulf of Mexico, can recline in a rocking chair and lazily dream away the hours in those reveries which come from a genuine "Henry Clay" Havana cigar upon an investment of only four cents; can sit at the dinner table in mid winter and see around him fresh from the garden every variety of fruit and vegetable that he has ever seen or heard of with many more hitherto unknown to him; can sweetly sleep through the night upon a bed of stretched canvas, in a strong draft, covered with only a light sheet, and never take cold; can enjoy a surf bath all the year round; can listen to the soft notes of the guitar and the silvery voice of the lovely senorita throughout the entire night in the moon-light on the placid bay—that is Cuba "the Queen of the Antilles."

INFLATION OF THE CURRENCY.

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The United States dime here is current for 25 cts, and "the dollar of our dollars" will buy \$2.50 worth of notes issued by the Queen of Spain's bank. We bought a pretty Spanish fan with pictures of the bull fight for 60 cts. Spanish gold. We landed the dealer a \$1.00 greenback and he gave us the fan and a \$1.00 Spanish bill in change. Hotel charges seem high at \$10 per day until you learn that the \$10 represents only \$4.00.

It is a very low rate of board when we consider the elegant accommodations given, and the further fact that every barrel of American flour that is landed at Havana pays a tariff of \$4.25 in gold! All other breadstuffs and meats from the United States are taxed in this proportion.

POPULAR AMUSEMENTS.

The favorite amusements of the Cubans are the cock fight, the masquerade carnival and the bull fight. These entertainments all occur on Sunday. A visit to the Danza, or Carnival Ball will fill the American with surprise such as he never before experienced. The bull fight is the special delight of the amusement seeker. They are intensely exciting and are attended by fifteen to twenty thousand people. The bulls are truly ferocious animals and they are all brought from Spain having been trained to fight as we train horses to the race. The Bull Ring or "Plaza de Toros" is in shops like our cyclorama buildings only a great deal longer. The grand entrance of the performers all on horseback, clad in the gayest costumes, is indeed a brilliant spectacle and is loudly applauded by twenty thousand voices. Then the ring is cleared with the exception of the "Matador," or bull-fighter, and his assistants, whose duty is to make the beast mad. The heavy gates under the band stand are opened and in bounds the angry bull. It would be safer to meet a wild lion in India than that animal. From this time begins the wildest excitement which continues to the end of the performance. The bull paws the ground

and snorts in his frenzy, and the steel barbs with ribbons attached are thrown at him and fastened into his shoulder. He is a grand looking beast, and being now thoroughly enraged he bounds towards a horse and rider. The horse is unable to escape, and is immediately gored to death while the rider is thrown to the ground. The matador now enters the ring and the fight begins. It is a combat between skill and brute strength. The man must face the maddened bull with only a sword in his hand. It is cowardly to strike while the animal is at rest and the man would be lashed. The red cloth is flaunted before the bull and he closes his eyes and makes a furious dash for the Matador, who, by a single skillful thrust of the sword between the shoulders of the animal, pierces his heart and he falls panting in death. The air is then filled with wild shouts of applause while the Matador gracefully bows his acknowledgments. At a call from the bugle the decorated horses are brought into the ring, a rope is thrown over the horns of the dead bull and he is drawn out. The next acquaintance we have with this noble animal is when his juicy and tender steak is placed steaming before us next morning at breakfast. The fight continues until six or eight bulls are killed, the performance taking about three hours. The prices of admission to the bull fight are \$2.00 to \$5.00 in gold. It is an expensive luxury, but we people will have it. We were fully satisfied by attending one performance in the bull ring.

A SMALL FORTUNE FOR SOMEBODY.

In 1886 Miss Emma Richards, an actress, came to Havana to take a position in one of the theatres. She soon had the yellow fever and died here. While I was visiting a few days ago, a Cuban lady in the adjoining house seeing that I was an American, sent for me to call upon her for a few moments. She told me through an interpreter, that she was with Emma Richards when she died and just before her death she "put this paper in my hand and told me to send it to her son a little baby then three months old. He is with his grand mother somewhere in Florida. I can't speak English and don't know what the paper is and have not seen an American since the actress died." I examined the "paper" and found it to be a cashier's certificate of deposit of \$550,000 in the Fourth National Bank of New York. The check is dated June 5th 1883, and is payable with interest to the order of Emma Richards. The name and residence of the "grandmother in Florida," the name of the baby boy and the whereabouts of any member of the family of Emma Richards are all entirely unknown. The check and some other valuables are at Havana, sacredly preserved by the Cuban woman awaiting a legal claimant. She wanted me to publish this statement hoping to find the child to claim the fortune.—State Chronicle.

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It appearing to the undersigned that C. J. Stewart one of the defendants in the above entitled case, is a non resident of the State of North Carolina, so that legal process cannot be served upon him. It is ordered that publication be made in The Central Times, a newspaper published in Harnett County, for six weeks and ending with C. J. Stewart to appear before the undersigned at his office in Lillington on or before the 20th of April 1891, and answer or demur to the complaint now on file in his office, or the plaintiff will demand judgment pro confesso as to him. Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 20 day of Feb. A. D. 1891. J. A. CAMERON, Clk Supt. Court Harnett Co.

F. P. JONES, Attorney-at-law, DUNN, N. C. Practice where ever services are required either in State, or Federal Court. ay-14-f

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