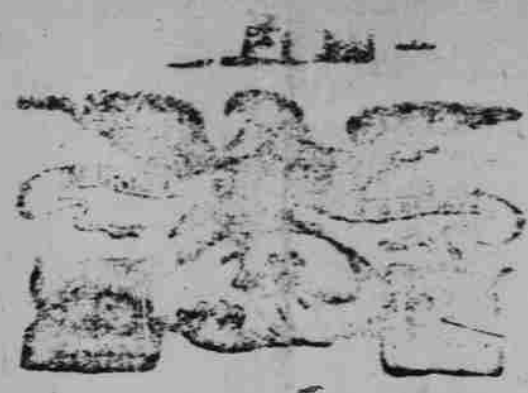


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THE LEGISLATURE

What our Busy Lawmakers are Doing at the Capital City.

SENATE—JANUARY 17TH.

The Governor sent in message containing evidence of the case in the removal of the Wilsons from the office of Railroad Commissioners.

Eleven new bills and resolutions were introduced. Among the bills were the following: By Senator Lowe: to prevent impositions on attorneys.

By Senator Hairston: to require foreign corporations operating in the State to become domestic corporations.

By Senator Justice: to amend the charter of the Bank of Levi.

By Senator Ward: to regulate the shooting of wild fowl in Dare county.

By Senator Miller: to exempt ex-Confederate soldiers from the payment of peddler's license, also one to repeal chapter 105, laws of 1895.

HOUSE—JANUARY 19TH

In the House the interesting feature of the day was the discussion of the bill to give Hertford County a better government. Snipes, the member from Hertford, opposed the bill on the ground that the officers of the county were all white and that the county was out of debt and prosperous, but stated that if any of the officers were negroes he would be for the bill.

This remark brought the colored member, Isaac H. Smith, of Craven to his feet and asked his fusion friend from Hertford what he meant by that remark. Smith told him that he (Snipes) held his seat by virtue of negro votes and now his first act was to turn his back upon them.

Smith addressing the speaker said: "when I speak I represent half a million people; when you speak you represent 1,600,000 of souls; when he speaks (pointing to Snipes) I dont know how many he represents. I shall vote for the bill and hope it will pass." The bill was put upon its final passage. All the fusionists voting against it and all the Democrats for it except one. Smith from Craven voted for it. The bill gives eight commissioners to the county.

Forty new bills were introduced. Among the most important perhaps were the following: To amend the Code so that children of the mother shall inherit from each other as if all were legitimate; to appropriate \$40,000 annually to the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Morganton; to prevent the sale of adulterated or misbranded food; to provide for construction of monuments to Gen. Francis Nash and Gen. William Lee Davidson, for which congress has appropriated \$10,000; to establish a State Text-Book commission; to abolish all exemptions from jury duty; to reduce salaries and fees.

Only five bills passed third reading. The most important of these was the bill to repeal the local school tax election law.

SENATE—JANUARY 18TH.

The following bills were among those introduced to-day: By Senator Bryan: To incorporate the city of Newberu.

By Senator Williams: To declare Lower Little River, in Cumberland county, a lawful fence.

By Senator Goodwin: to prevent removal of cases from State to Federal courts.

By Senator Smith: to provide for primary elections and conventions by political parties.

By Senator Robinson: To increase the number of commissioners in Sampson county.

By Senator Glenn: To incorporate the State Veterinary Association.

Bills passed to increase the number of commissioners in Hertford county; to allow the bank of Fayetteville to reduce its capital stock from \$200,000 to \$100,000.

HOUSE—JANUARY 18TH.

Twenty-six new bills and six

petitions were introduced in the House to-day. Perhaps the following were of the most general interest and importance: to appoint a committee to investigate and report whether articles of impeachment should be prepared against Judge Norwood; to pay solicitors a salary of \$2,000 annually, instead of paying fees; to require the elementary principles of agriculture to be taught in public schools; to prevent removal of certain cases from State to Federal Courts; to amend the law in regard to official bonds of county officers; to amend the law in regard to giving security in criminal actions; to amend the law in regard to giving security in criminal actions; to amend the law touching payment of mortgage in case of mortgagee's death.

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School for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind at Raleigh.

By Allen, of Wayne: to allow chairmen of boards of education to administer oaths; also one to repeal the law appointing a local board of trustees for the colored normal school at Goldsboro.

By Johnson, of Johnston: to protect fish in Mingo creek.

The contested election case of Dees vs. Paul was taken up after the morning hour and Dees was given his seat by a vote of 21 to 75. Dees is a Democrat and was elected by a recount.

Of the three bills passed third reading two were relating to the management of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad.

SENATE—JANUARY 21ST. Thirty new bills were introduced in the Senate to-day—five of general and twenty-five of local importance. Of those of general interest were to give married women the same powers of a feme sole; to protect depositors in banks against loss by requiring that the officers thereof shall be bonded; to amend section 2,301 of the Code, relating to the appointment of a keeper of the Capital; to amend section 2,155 of the Code, relating to the probate of wills.

Thirty bills passed third reading all of which were of local importance. One of them exempts Confederate soldiers from peddlers licenses in the counties in which they live.

Another gives the commission-ers of Graham county power to pay \$5.00 for each wolf and panther, and \$2.00 for every wild-cat killed in that county.

HOUSE—JANUARY 21ST. Eight petitions and thirty-two new bills were introduced in the House to-day. The petitions were for the incorporation of school houses and churches. The bills of general interest were:

To remove the State Arsenal off the Capitol Square; to prescribe a standard scale for the measurement of timber; to punish fornication and adultery between negroes and whites by jail imprisonment of not less than four months or penitentiary imprisonment of not over five years, and make it a felony; to punish the carrying of concealed weapons by a fine of from \$5 to \$15 for the first offence and from \$15 to \$30 for each subsequent offence; to amend section 1, chapter 248, laws of 1885, so that the unsupported evidence of the woman shall not be sufficient to convict in seduction cases; to provide for the punishment of pools, trusts, conspiracies and combinations, by providing that any purchases of any articles made or sold by a company belonging to a trust, shall not be liable for the price of the goods purchased.

Only three bills were passed to-day's session. These are: to publish sketches of North Carolina troops in the Civil war; to make cruelty outside of the State, and one year's separation cause for divorce; to permit Cabarrus Savings Bank to establish a branch bank at Albemarle, Stanly county.

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STATE NEWS.

ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE STATE.

A young woman in Davidson county is charged with infanticide.

A southbound freight on the Atlantic Coast Line ran into a westbound freight train on the Seaboard Air Line at Pembroke crossing last Thursday evening wrecking both trains. No one was hurt.

Alex Allen, the negro who choked his wife to death in Raleigh on last Christmas eve, was tried and convicted in Wake court last week of murder in the second degree. He goes to the penitentiary for 30 years.

A Concord brick contractor has recently completed a circular shaped brick smokestack for the Wiscasset Mills at Albemarle. It stands 124 high and contains 204,000 bricks.

Carthage Blade: The heaviest sleet fell here Wednesday night and Thursday that has been known in this section for many years. It has been very destructive to trees in breaking limbs and disfiguring the trees.

Rev. T. J. Gattis, of Oxford, has brought suit for damages against Dr. J. C. Kilgo, president of Trinity College, B. N. Duke, W. H. Branson and W. R. Odell. The suit is the outgrowth of the controversy between Judge Clark and Dr. Kilgo. Gattis claims that the gentlemen named in his suit have slandered him and injured his reputation.

Concord Standard: On Monday night the store and dwelling house of Mr. Sam Morgan, who lives near Swift's Islands Montgomery county, was burned. No cause is known for the fire unless it was the work of an incendiary. The whole loss is about \$2,500, and there was no insurance carried.

Fayetteville Observer: Two thousand acres of the best timber land in Quewhille township was sold in this city yesterday. It was bought by Britton & Johnson, the noted lumbermen, from the heirs of the late Angus Ray for \$20,000. This is one of the largest land sales that has occurred in Cumberland in years.

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Pepper Pointers.

The Difference Between the Black and the White Kinds.

Very few housewives seem to understand the difference between the black and the white pepper, and why the latter is superior. The black pepper is the most commonly used in seasoning. This is the coarse pepper made by grinding the peppercorn with the outer shell or husk on it.

White pepper, on the contrary, is made of perfectly ripened peppercorn after the husk has been removed, and is in every way superior in flavor to black pepper, though it is not quite so pungent.

White pepper costs but a trifle more than black and does not disfigure a white soup or sauce as black pepper does.

It is interesting to recall the fact that this simple condiment was so costly in the middle ages that rents were sometimes paid in a pound of peppercorns, delivered at certain times. The term "a peppercorn rent" still lingers in modern jurisprudence, and means a nominal rent.

The Portuguese, who formerly controlled the pepper market of the world, were influenced more, it is said, by their desire to obtain an abundant supply of pepper than by anything else in their effort to discover a short passage to the Indies.

In 1498, when the passage round the Cape of Good Hope was finally discovered, pepper went down in price.

Nepaul pepper is a delicious, delicate kind of red pepper.

The red pepper known as cayenne pepper takes its name from Cayenne, a seaport town, and the capital of French Guiana, on the northwest extremity of the Island of Cayenne, and near the mouth of the river of that name.

The pepper is not prepared from a peppercorn, but from the dried fruits of various species of plants known as capsicum. All these fruits have a very strong, pungent flavor. The annual or common capsicum—the Guinea pepper plant—was taken to Europe by the Spaniards and grown in England in 1548.

Cayenne pepper is manufactured from the ripe fruits, which are dried, ground, mixed with wheat flour and made into cakes with yeast. These cakes are baked until hard like biscuit, and then ground and sifted. The pepper is sometimes prepared by simply drying the pods and pounding them fine in a mortar.—Ex.

Kansas Slaughter Bill.

The Populist Legislature of Kansas, which is spending its last days and several thousand dollars in an extra session, says The St. Paul Dispatch, is struggling with a capital punishment bill. In that State the law provides death as the punishment for murder, but also makes the Governor's signature to a death warrant necessary to the legality of a hanging. Until the Governor signs such a warrant the murderer is destined in State prison. It happens that all the Kansas Governors in recent years have been opposed to the death penalty and have signed no such warrants. Consequently some 49 murderers have accumulated in the penitentiary. Their lives have been at the mercy of the Governor's holding office during the several periods of their imprisonment.

A case of the heinous crime of parricide has called the attention of this Legislature to the anomalous state of the law and the Populist legislators are discussing a remedy. A bill has been introduced, though it may not pass, to restore the death penalty and make the law effective. The incoming Republican Governor is required to sign the warrants of all the prisoners now detained in prison. There are 49 of them, and their speedy execution would satisfy the most ardent champion of capital punishment.

GENERAL NEWS.