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"Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."  
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## TOWN DIRECTORY.

**CHURCHES.**  
 Methodist Church—Rev. W. A. Forbes, pastor. Services every Sunday night, and fourth Sunday morning and night. Praying meeting every Wednesday night. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. G. K. Grantham, Superintendent.  
 Baptist Church—Rev. W. C. Barrett, pastor. Services every second Sunday morning and night. Praying meeting every Thursday night. Sunday school every Sunday morning, J. C. Clifford, Superintendent.  
 Presbyterian Church—Rev. R. W. Hines, pastor. Services every first and fifth Sunday morning and night. Sunday school every Sunday morning, D. H. McLean, Superintendent.  
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**TOWN OFFICERS.**  
 J. A. Oates, Mayor.  
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 V. L. Stephens, P. T. Massengill, O. P. Shell, J. A. Taylor.  
 W. H. Duncan, Policeman.

**COUNTY OFFICERS.**  
 Sheriff, Silas A. Salmon.  
 Clerk, Dr. J. H. Withers.  
 Register of Deeds, A. C. Holloway.  
 Treasurer, L. D. Matthews.  
 Surveyor, D. P. McDonald.  
 Coroner, Dr. J. F. McKay.  
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## A PLEA FOR SAMPSON.

**PRESIDENT MCKINLEY SENDS A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS Urging the Same Recognition for Admiral Sampson and His Men for Services in and About Cuba, that had been Given Admiral Dewey and His Men for Services in Manila Bay—A Long List of Promotions Sent to the Senate.**

Washington, February 14.—The President to-day sent a special message to Congress urging that the same recognition that had been given Dewey and his officers and men for his service in Manila Bay should be given Sampson, commander of the North Atlantic fleet, and his men for services in and about Cuba.

The message follows: "During our naval war with Spain the United States naval force on the North Atlantic section was charged with varied and important duties, chief among which were the maintenance of the blockade of Cuba, aiding the army in landing troops and in subsequent operations, and particularly the capture, blockade and destruction of the Spanish squadron under Admiral Cervera.

"This naval campaign, embracing objects of wide scope and grave responsibility, was conducted with great ability and with the greatest gallantry on the part of the commanders-in-chief and of the officers and enlisted men under his command. It culminated in the annihilation of the Spanish fleet in the battle of July 3, 1898, one of the most memorable naval engagements in history.

"The result of the battle was the freeing of our Atlantic coast from the possibilities to which it had been exposed from Admiral Cervera's fleet and the termination of the war upon the seas.

"I recommend that, following our national precedents, especially that in the case of Admiral Dewey and the Asiatic squadron, the thanks of Congress be given to Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson, U. S. N., and to the officers and men under his command for highly distinguished conduct in conflict with the enemy and carrying on a successful and naval campaign on the Cuban coast, resulting in the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago de Cuba, July 3, 1898.

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY."

The President to-day sent the following nominations to the Senate:

Navy—Rear Admirals to be advanced in rank from the 11th day of February, 1901: William T. Sampson, five numbers; Charles E. Clark, six; Charles D. Rodgers, three; James K. Cogswell, Frederick Singer, William P. Potter, Giles B. Harber, John B. Briggs, Newton E. Mason, George P. Colvocoresses, John A. Norris, five each.

Lieutenant-Commanders advanced: Warner B. Bayley, two numbers; Edward M. Hughes, five; Cecil P. Rice, five; Albert C. Dillingham, two; Aaron Wald, two; Lucien Young, three; Charles B. Ransom, three; M. Helm, five; Cameron Mer. Winslow, five; Alexander Sharp, Jr., five; Frank H. Bailey, three; Benjamin Tappan, five; Reynolds T. Hall, three.

Ensign W. R. White, five numbers; Paymaster William W. Galt, one; Naval Constructors Richmond P. Robeson, two; Rear Admiral James Eastwiler, retired, two; Chief Engineer Charles J. MacConnell, retired, one, and to rank of chief of the Engineers on retired list holding the rank of captain, retired, Captain John L. Hannum, retired, two; Captain George Cowie, retired, three.

Acting assistant surgeon, with rank of first lieutenant, Paul C. Hutton, North Carolina.

The Schley-Sampson controversy was renewed as the result of the President's nomination and a number of Senators announced their opposition to the nominations. During the afternoon a number of them received a telegram from General Felix Agnus, of Baltimore, protesting against the preferment of Admiral Sampson. This telegram was as follows:

"I ask in the name of truth and justice that you will not allow history to be perverted by permitting the advancement of Admiral Sampson over Admiral Schley for a victory in which he had no part, not even firing a single shot. Admiral Schley, in announcing the American victory, told the truth and said that while he was unavoidably absent at the time of the action, he is said for the glory of the flag that Schley was on the spot. America would still be ringing with his praises, if he did not do, as you well know, instead he started the controversy which has just culminated in the nomination sent to the Senate. If these are confirmed, justice will have been falsified and a monstrous injustice done a brave American officer. May I ask you to prevent these confirmations at this session."

**SENT TO PRISON FOR LIFE.**  
 Fairburn, Ga., February 14.—Judge Candler has sentenced three white men to life imprisonment for the murder of a negro. The cases, which were jointly concluded today, have aroused intense interest, as the parties are all well known. Sentences were imposed a few days ago by Judge Candler, and today Judge Candler gave the court's pronouncement to Shelli Cochran, a brother of Pegram and W. E. Hester. These men, with five others, were indicted for the murder of Sterling Thomason, a negro, who, it is charged, had informed the white men in sentencing the white men Judge Candler said he thought the law-sons which culminated in this murder had begun with illicit distilling.

**WILL BE RETIRED TO-DAY.**  
 Washington, February 14.—Generals James H. Wilson, Fitzhugh Lee and Theodore Schwan will be retired to-day, the last named on his own application. Colonel A. S. Dargert, Fourth Infantry, will be promoted to a Brigadier-General, succeeding General Schwan, and will be retired immediately with his higher rank.

**CASTORIA For Infants and Children.**  
 The Kind You Have Always Bought  
 Bears the Signature of

## THE NEW LAWS.

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS RATIFIED 239 ACTS.**

**Many Purely Local.**

Below Are Published 193 of the Number.

Raleigh Post.

Since the convening of the General Assembly 239 acts have been ratified and are now in full force as laws. The Post this morning publishes the captions of the first 193 of these new laws and will give the remaining 46 in tomorrow's issue. The first 193 acts are as follows:

To change name of Guardian Security Trust and Deposit Company of Wilmington to The People's Savings Bank.

To print pardons, commutations of sentences, etc., by the Governor.

For relief of Frank P. Hobgood, Jr.

To print Governor's message.

To amend section 3720 of the Code.

To repeal chapter 254, public laws 1899, relating to Greensboro dispensary.

For the relief of certain public school teachers in Mecklenburg county.

To amend chapter 2, laws of 1889, relating to the State Bank of Commerce of Hendersonville.

To appoint justices of the peace for Harnett county.

For joint sessions to open returns of State officers.

To elect enrolling clerk.

Concerning the improvement of the upper Cape Fear river.

Favoring the establishment of a National Forest Reserve in Western Appalachian mountain region.

To allow Alamance county to elect five county commissioners and elect a new member for the term ending December 1st, 1902.

To allow commissioners of Iredell county to levy a special tax to pay the indebtedness incurred in erecting a new court house.

To amend chapter 256, laws 1888-1889, entitled an act to incorporate the Howard Relief Fire Engine Company of Wilmington.

To amend charter of Reidsville.

To amend chapter 593, public laws 1899.

For relief of the dangerous insane department of the State Hospital at Raleigh.

To give consent by the State to the acquisition of the United States of such lands as may be needed for the establishment of a national forest reserve in said State.

To change time of holding McDowell Superior Court.

To authorize Rocky Mount to issue bonds for electric light and sewerage.

For relief of Miss Samantha Lyon, public school teacher in Wilkes county.

For preservation of live stock in Clay county.

To repeal chapter 145, laws 1899, entitled an act to encourage the killing of wild animals in Graham county.

To amend the charter of the Whitney Reduction Company.

To incorporate the Hertford Banking Company.

To amend charter of Concord.

To appoint A. S. Barbee justice of the peace for Chapel Hill township, Orange county.

To amend chapter 581, public laws 1899, so far as it relates to Franklin county.

To amend charter of Concord.

For relief of Miss Mamie H. Parham.

Fixing time for election of United States Senator.

Joint resolution inviting Hon. J. L. M. Curry to address the General Assembly on subject of Education.

To prohibit shooting guns and pistols in town of Roper, Washington county.

For the relief of J. B. Covington, tax collector for Bryson County.

To amend Edgecombe county stock law.

To make the first Monday in September a legal holiday.

To provide government for the James Walker Memorial Hospital, Wilmington.

To incorporate United Sons and Daughters of Salem, at Wilmington.

To authorize Concord to issue bonds.

To relieve certain teachers in Caswell county.

Resolution of sorrow and

sympathy at the death of her Majesty Queen Victoria of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India.

Resolution of respect in regard to the death of Queen Victoria.

Joint resolution to appoint a stenographer for the committee on public roads.

An act for the relief of P. K. Kidner.

To repeal chapter 32, public laws of 1899, as they apply to Cumberland county.

To prevent erection of artificial islands or lumps in Mystic Grove Sound.

To repeal chapter 426, public laws of 1899.

To amend section 1, chapter 7, laws of 1889.

To change name of Raleigh Real Estate Trust and Insurance Company.

For relief of W. T. Cross, clerk of Gates county Superior Court.

To incorporate Surry County Loan and Trust Company.

To incorporate Cleveland Commercial College of Shelby.

To incorporate Bank of Hendersonville.

To provide for indexing and making side notes and for publication of the captions to laws and resolutions ratified by the General Assembly of 1901.

Directing the keeper of the capitol to unfurl the national flag over the dome of the capitol.

Joint resolution requesting our Representatives and Senators in Congress to support a bill "to apply a portion of the proceeds of the sale of the public lands to the endowment, support and maintenance of schools or departments of mining and metallurgy in the several States and Territories.

Resolution to elect a State Librarian.

To authorize the commissioners of Craven county to levy a special tax.

To prevent persons from fishing and shooting from bridges across the Neuse and Trent rivers in Craven county.

To incorporate the town of Bisco in Montgomery county.

To authorize town of Franklin, Macon county to issue bonds for street improvement and other purposes and to levy a special tax.

To incorporate The Durham Traction Company.

To amend an act to incorporate the Citizens' Savings Bank.

To amend chapter 821 of the Code, relating to the qualification of justices of the peace and matters relating thereto.

To provide cotton weavers for towns of Trenton, Pollocksville and Maysville, in Jones county.

To validate certain probates and registrations.

To incorporate the Bank of Clinton.

To incorporate the Eagle Hose Company No. 7, of Greensboro.

To incorporate the Security Life and Annuity Company.

To appoint D. Worthington a justice of the peace and allow him to practice law.

To authorize the incorporation of the street railway companies under the general law.

To amend section 616 of the Code relative to the trial of actions to try the title of office.

To incorporate the Bank of Mt. Olive.

To abolish fences in Nash county.

To elect a justice of the peace for Reynolds township, in Gates county.

To amend chapter 180, laws of 1891.

To amend the charter of the Bank of Carthage.

To repeal chapter 170, public laws of 1889, which prohibits the formation of a corporation with capital of exceeding \$1,000,000.

To allow the commissioners of Yancey county to levy a special tax.

To permit the commissioners of New Hanover county to pay their chairman a fixed salary.

To set out and define the township lines of Chadburn township, Columbus county.

To incorporate the Goldsboro Oil Co.

To appoint H. Cabiness a justice of the peace and allow him to practice law.

To provide for a jury list of Scotland county.

For relief of P. M. Dellinger, register of deeds of Catawba county.

To establish graded schools in Rocky Mount.

To incorporate the Bank of Fremont.

To incorporate the Commercial Bank of Rutherfordton.

To amend chapter 205, public laws of 1899.

To amend sections 3840 and

3841, of the Code, to abolish the office of standard keeper in Northampton and Warren counties.

To appoint J. W. Efrid and Jno. W. Bostian justices of the peace in Stanly county.

To authorize the trustees of Goldsboro graded schools to issue bonds.

To incorporate the Bank of Randleman.

To incorporate the Southport and Northwestern Railroad Company.

To incorporate the Bank of Plymouth.

To amend and enlarge the charter of the Cleveland cotton mills.

To amend the charter of the Fries Manufacturing and Power Company.

To incorporate Wilmington Lodge, No. 532, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

To incorporate the Chamber of Commerce of Washington.

To incorporate the Hilton Railroad and Logging Company.

To amend the charter of the Winston-Salem Railway and Electric Company.

To amend the charter of the Moore County Railroad Company.

To levy a special tax for Ashe county.

To amend chapter 22, private laws of 1899.

To direct the treasurer of Caswell county to pay \$33.67 to A. J. Hooper.

To incorporate the Carolina Art Company.

To protect quail in Yancey county.

To increase the number of commissioners of Hertford county and re-establish the office of county treasurer.

To prohibit hunting birds in Clay and Macon counties.

To prevent hunting on lands in Craven county without consent of owners of lands.

To protect deer in Onslow county.

To incorporate the Hertford County Telephone Company.

For the relief of N. H. Jones Robeson county.

For the relief of Peter Carver, (col.) of Robeson county.

To amend chapter 128, private laws of 1899.

To amend chapter 262, public laws of 1885.

For the relief of Miss Mary Glass, of Caswell county.

To change the name of Louise Yard Mills.

To allow defendants in peace warrant cases to appeal to the judge holding the court, when the appeal shall be heard by the judge.

To amend the act, ratified January 26th, for the relief of W. T. Cross, clerk of the Superior Court of Gates county.

For appointment of justices of the peace in Rockingham county.

For the relief of G. F. Garner, white school teacher in Randolph county.

For the relief of Robt. N. McNeill.

To authorize the commissioners of Halifax county to use the surplus funds derived from the sale of bonds under the acts of 1899, chapter 535.

To amend chapter 581, public laws of 1899.

To amend chapter 85, laws of 1897, in relation to the public schools of Durham county.

To amend chapter 273, acts of 1899.

To regulate the working of convicts in Pasquotank county.

To amend the charter of the Methodist Orphanage.

To amend chapter 435, public laws of 1899, relating to fishing in Neuse river.

To allow Bryan Buck, a one-armed Confederate soldier, to peddle without license.

To increase the license tax for retailing liquors in Greensboro.

To amend the school laws of Person county.

To place the State's oyster steamer Lilly in the custody of the Governor.

To incorporate the Piedmont and Alleghany Railroad Co.

To incorporate the Valley-town cemetery in Cherokee Co.

To incorporate the town of Wingate, Union county.

To regulate the keeper of the capitol.

To empower the commissioners of Swain county to levy a special tax for the purpose of building a bridge at Whittier's, N. C.

To incorporate the town of Mapleton, Hertford county.

To incorporate the Winterville High School, in Pitt county.

To empower the commissioners of Macon county to purchase lands upon which to build County Home, and levy a

special tax to pay for same.

To authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Stokes county to levy a special tax.

To amend chapter 17, public laws of the adjourned session of 1900.

To amend section 3692, of The Code, relating to the collection of taxes from tax-payers removing from one county to another.

To authorize commissioners of Franklin county to issue bonds for construction of steel bridge across Tar River at Louisburg, and for other purposes.

To change boundary between Buncombe and Madison counties.

To amend chapter 410, laws of 1891, relating to the obstruction of Swift creek, Edgecombe county.

To supply public documents to the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts.

To correct State grant No. 736, of Macon county.

To appoint H. B. Harriss, H. B. Thompson, W. F. Chenault and Daniel Roseboro justices of the peace of Cleveland township, Rowan county.

To amend the charter of High Point.

To incorporate the Fruitland Institute, in Henderson county.

To authorize the mayor and commissioners of the town of Graham to issue bonds for system of water works.

To amend chapter 83, public laws of 1891.

To amend chapter 621, laws of 1899, by adding Miss Willie E. Copeland's name to list of teachers to be paid.

To authorize commissioners of Jackson county to levy a special tax.

To amend the charter of Weldon.

To authorize Waynesville to use certain funds now on hand from sale of graded school bonds for the purpose of constructing water works and sewerage.

To amend chapter 189, public laws of 1899.

To amend the charter of Dover, Gaston county.

To authorize the board school directors of Jackson county to pay certain school claims.

To amend chapter 265, public laws of 1899, regarding levy of special tax in Graham county.

To authorize the commissioners of Iredell county to lease, hire out and work their convict force on public and private property.

To amend chapter 4, private laws of 1891, consolidating and revising the charter of the town of Salem.

To change line between Wentworth and New Bethel townships, in Rockingham county.

To incorporate the town of Rose Hill, Duplin county.

To allow High Point to issue bonds for \$50,000.

To amend the charter of Cherryville.

To amend chapter 114, public laws of 1895.

To correct State grant No. 1875.

To authorize mayor and board of aldermen of Waynesville to issue bonds for water works and sewerage.

To prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of certain churches in Martin and Pitt counties.

To appoint certain persons in Rutherford county justices of the peace.

To appoint R. S. Williams justices of the peace of Oak Ridge township, Guilford county.

To protect fish in Haywood county.

To appoint W. S. Uzzell justice of the peace for Mosely Hall township, Lenoir county.

To repeal chapter 103, private laws of 1897.

To appoint A. L. Lyman a justice of the peace in New Light township, Wake county.

To appoint J. L. Philpott a magistrate in Palmyra township, Halifax county.

For the relief of sheriffs and tax collectors.

To authorize Marion, N. C., to establish water works and sewerage and issue bonds therefor.

Concerning the Asheville and Spartanburg Railroad Company and authorizing that company to buy or lease or be leased by any railroad in the State of South Carolina, to consolidate or be consolidated with any railroad company owning or operating a railway or railways in South Carolina.

To change the boundary between Cherry Lane and Gaps

Civil townships, Alleghany county.

To incorporate East Spencer, Rowan county.

To prevent the sale and manufacture of liquor within three miles of Mary-Stewart school-house in Harnett county.

To prevent the felling of timbers or bush in Meadowsfork of Spring creek, or any of its tributaries in Madison county.

For relief of clerk of Superior Court of Robeson county.

To exempt train dispatchers from jury duty.

To amend chapter 28, laws of 1899.

To repeal section 21, chapter 440, public laws of 1899, with regard to fishing in certain waters in New Hanover county.

To erect and keep in repair certain fences around stock law districts in Macon county.

To prohibit the killing of deer in Montgomery county.

To extend the time to compromise, commute and settle the State debt.

For the relief of Laura B. Daniel, of Nash county.

To amend chapter 152, private laws of 1899.

To prevent the killing of birds in McDowell county.

To prevent hunting on any lands in Alleghany county without the written consent of the owner.

To appoint justices of the peace in several townships in Caswell county.

**The President's Power.**

It is the habit of the new school of politics to hoot at the idea that we are drifting toward imperialism, but there are tendencies which are too plain to be ignored and which must be seriously considered.

The New York World utters words of timely warning when it says:

"If Congress shall pass the Spooner bill, conferring upon the president 'all military, civil and judicial powers' for the government of the Philippines, Mr. McKinley will become possessed of more absolute power than any monarch in Europe."

"For two years he has waged a war of conquest and extermination without one word of express authorization by congress.

"He has exercised the treaty making power without the consent of the Senate in the agreement with the Sultan of Sulu, under which polygamy and slavery have continued to exist for more than a year in territory under the jurisdiction of the United States.

"Under the army bill just passed the president can and will increase the standing army from 35,000, its minimum, to 100,000, the maximum, at his sole discretion. He has also the appointment of 1,100 commissioned officers, and can give as large a proportion of these places as he desires to the sons or favorites of politicians lately taken from civil life, thus working injustice to the trained and deserving regular officers and endangering the welfare, if not the safety, of the army.

"On top of these extraordinary usurpations and grants of power comes the proposition to make Mr. McKinley by law, as for the absolute military, civil and judicial ruler of the Philippines. Under this broad grant of power the president could, unless restrained by the forthcoming decision of the supreme court, legislate, or rather proclaim laws, for 10,000,000 of people. He could tax them at will, and through his judges, decide their status and decree the limitations of their rights and liberties. He could bestow upon whomsoever he pleased franchises and privileges as to mines, forests and railroads worth millions of dollars. He could enforce his decrees with his army.

"Neither William of Germany nor Edward of England and India possesses even a shadow of the truly imperial power that has been vested in or is now proposed for William of Canton.

It will not do to merely say that William McKinley is a good man and true patriot. If he were this in ten times greater degree than he is he should not be clothed with the power which congress has permitted him to assume and which it now proposes to increase very greatly.

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## NORTH CAROLINA LEGISLATURE.

**The Impeachment of Justices Furches and R. M. Douglas—Great Excitement in the State.**

Raleigh, N. C., February 14.—There was a distinguished assemblage of not less than 100 members of the State when the resolution to impeach Justices Furches and R. M. Douglas of the Supreme Court, for high crimes and misdemeanors, came up to-day.

Mr. Allen presented the impeachment resolution.

Mr. Ebbas, Republican, presented the minority report declaring there are no grounds for impeachment.

Judge Connor presented an individual resolution censuring the Judges.

The main charge is ordering by mandamus the payment of eight hundred dollars from the State Treasury to Shell Fish Commissioner White after the Legislature had refused to do so, and passed an act forbidding payment of any money to him.

Both Judges are Republicans and the Democrats claim that this is only one of some twenty partisan decisions. They are charged with having violated the law and Constitution in four cases.

The charges have created great excitement in the State and a long and bitter fight is expected. Able speeches were made to-day on both sides.

## DEWEET ENTERS CAPE COLONY.

**Attacked by the British and Driven East of the Town With Loss.**

London, February 14.—The Evening News to-day prints a dispatch from Cape Town, dated Thursday, February 14th, which says:

"The Government here is advised that General Christian Dewet and former President Steyn entered Cape Colony and occupied Philipstown. The British attacked them yesterday and drove them out of the town with loss."

Cape Town, February 14.—A Boer commando crossed the Orange river yesterday in the Philipstown district. It is reported that Dewet was in command.

Van Wyksvlei was occupied Monday by three hundred Boers who were retreating from the district of Philipstown.

The Boers are reported in force twenty-four miles west of Carnarvon.

A Boer company of sixty-five wagons and forty-five men, following a dispatch from Lord Kitchener:

"Pretoria, February 14.—Our troops are now engaged with Christian Dewet's force in the district of Philipstown, which we hold. Dewet having crossed the Orange river at Zand Drift, apparently moving in the direction of the Cape. His efforts to break back having so far been frustrated.

"The Innholders charged the enemy, who left five killed and six wounded on the ground. Ten Boers were captured, and there was a large capture of wagons, cattle and other supplies. Two were killed and five wounded."

Cape Town, February 14.—Fighting is reported to have taken place at the Aberdeen on Friday and Saturday last, the Boers being worsted.

## STEAMER COMANCHE ON FIRE.

**The Flames Controlled After a Hard Fight—Passengers Panic-tic.**

Charleston, S. C., February 14.—Twelve hours after the Clyde steamer Comanche left New York and when she was off Fenwick Island at 3 o'clock Wednesday morning smoke was discovered issuing from the skylight of the engine room and speedily burst into flames. The alarm was sounded, and after two hours' hard work the fire was controlled, but not until after eight of ten persons had been slightly burned and burned. The damage to the ship consisted in the burning of the engine room, where the fire mysteriously originated, and a part of the woodwork of contiguous staterooms. During the excitement there were a number of deaths, there were 181, 121 of them first-class, were panic-stricken. Officers and crew behaved with great bravery. The Comanche sailed hence for Jacksonville at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

## REFUSED TO CONDEMN SENATOR MCLAURIN.

Columbia, S. C., February 14.—The House of Representatives to-day, debate having been shut off, tabled Mr. McMaster's resolution condemning Senator McLauren for aligning himself with the Republican administration in its foreign policy and on the ship subsidy. To-day, by a almost identical vote—157 to 104—the House refused to take the matter up after Mr. Tucker had made a bitter denunciation of McLauren.

To-night Mr. McLaughlin offered another resolution, commending Senator Filman and condemning Senator McLauren. The original language was offered by Mr. Cosgrove. The House in a general uproar adjourned without declaring its policy on either of the resolutions.

A number of members held aloof, taking the position that the Legislature has no right to criticize the men whom it has elected.

## THE VICKERS-MAXIM-CRAMP DEAL.

New York, February 14.—The Times to-morrow will say: Negotiations took place to a consolidation of the Vickers Sons and Maxim Company, Limited, of England, the Cramp Ship and Engine Building Company, of Philadelphia, and the Midvale Steel Company, of Nicetown, have been satisfactorily concluded. The capital of the new company will be \$22,000,000, divided as follows: \$10,000,000 in bonds, \$10,000,000 in 6 per cent. preferred stock and \$2,000,000 in common stock. The New York underwriters will be the Morgan Trust Company, while the London underwriters will be the London and Lancashire & Company. The original capital to carry out the project is being furnished by English financiers and the Vickers Company will, it is said, under the consolidation, be the controlling concern.

## CASTORIA.

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