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### THE LEGISLATURE:

The Penitentiary is the bete noir of our State and has been so since Russel became Governor. Early in the "Savage" administration of the present "nondescript" administration of the State government it be came the scandal of the State. The committee appointed to exam ine the condition and management of the Penitentiary farms have reported and they State that the condition has not improved under the superintendent Day, which leads us to beleive that all the appointments of Russell have an inherent taint of incompetency. The report of the sub-committee applies to the Boanoke Farms, where, it is stated, that the crops are ungathered and rotting in the fields.

The House has passed bills taking the control of the Atlantic & North Carolina Rail road out of the Governor's hands and creating a Board of Public Improvement, composed of nine members elected by the Legislature, instead of the pre sent board, composed of the Governor and two other mem-

seems that the committee noti- log palace in 1584. Stubbs of education forced out of a poor man Restart state at state a fied him of its meeting and re- Williamston is said to be the for another poor man to whom he is quested his attendance with handsomest man in the House. under no obligations, who is of an counsel. Avery and Day, who Some State papers call young alieu race and, at heart, hostile to represented the governor, were Henry Gilliam "the "redoubt- the man who is forced to educate present but asked for a contin- able," Gilliam which, according him. Is there any equity at the uance of the investigation, on to Worcester, means "formid- base of such an education. Is it not account of the absence of able," which by the same au-Douglas. It looks like Russel's thority, means "terrible, dread- who educates the alien. ful, terrific," which we regard

white feather. Senator Skinner has intro- as an equivocal compliment. duced a bill in the Senate to Mr. Boushall has introduced injustice to another poor man with change the manner of electing a bill changing the manner of officers in the town of Hert- electing the State librarian by ford, and also one to appoint the Legislature and appoint a additional Commissioners for board to consist of one profes- to break the social barrier that pro-Perquimans county.

A L Swinson, the enrolling the University, Wake Forest, his blood and family, then is it right, clerk of the house of the last Trinity and Davidson, to be just, or politic to perpetuate the Legislature, was discharged trustees of the State Library, from office by the Speaker of and to have the management the Legislature because he re- of it.

fused to appoint negro clerks to A bill to make foreign corwork with female white clerks. porations domestic corpora-He sent in a bill for loss of tions by filing a copy of their \$140 by being turned out of of- charters in the office of the Secfice. It was referred to a com- retary of State, and thereby bemittee who recommended that come a State corporation and the bill be allowed. Strange to have all the priviliges and say the House refused to allow franchises and incur all the liathe bill, notwithstanding the bilities of any State coporation, recommendation of the com- and without such compliance, it mittee. We are gratified to shall not have any legal privilsee that all the members from edges under the State laws.

THE SCHOOL FUND,

the first district voted in favor of allowing the bill. All the TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets fusion members and some Dem-All druggists refund money if it fails ocrats voted against it and the to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. bill was defeated. Q. on each tablet.

Senator Stubbs has introduced a bill to amend the constitution and authorize the General Assembly to divide the school fund equitably between the races, and authorize each race

on the contrary, an injustice to him If then education be no boon and

blessing to a negro, if it be an scant rations to be forced to educate him, and if then in addition to this the education thus procured tends sor from each of the colleges; tects the white man in the purity of

wrong and injustice.

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## NEWS FROM THE COUNTIES

nteresting Items from Various Parts of the District.

Providence Personals,

Miss Nannie Trafton, of Belcross, returned Wednesday from visiting Miss Ella Jennings.

Leslie Ballance, of Berkley, came Saturday to spend some time in this neighborhood.

F. T. Horton, who has been in Norfolk some time, is now at W. E. Woods'.

We are candid to confess that Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Overman, of the so called education of the negro South Norfolk, who have been visithas proven a failure, as we believe, ing their friends and relatives several weeks, have returned home.



Actually had to lock doors during the Holidays and only let cnstomers in as others would finish their shopping and move out. This we disliked to do, but the rush was so great we were forced to do it.

# this Mad Rush ... ... At The Racket Store?

The answer is simple enough ; and as the crowds would beat and bang for ; admittance we knew full well the reason. Their dollars were at stake and they knew if they gained admittance at the Racket Store some could be saved.

People have found out and are still finding out that we do all we claim to do. We began on the principle of Underselling and knew we were in position to under sell all without fear or favor, and have stuck to it from the start. Whenever we find that somebody else is selling the same article at our price, down goes our price on that article until we get it out of their reach-as our list of Sledge Hammers below will show and the beauty about these prices is that they are not made only for a special sale or special day or special week, but for every day of every week of the year (Sundays only excepted): Read them and profit thereby.

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