

LEGISLATURE ORGANIZES

THE OFFICERS OF BOTH THE HOUSES.

Walter elected Speaker of the House, the Democrats voting for Ray, of Macon-King, of Onslow, Principal Clerk of the Senate; Blackburn of Ashe, Reading Clerk; Halliburton of Burke, Doorkeeper-Satterfield of Person, Principal Clerk of the House; Chapin, of Catawba, Reading Clerk; Mays, of Pitt, Doorkeeper.

SENATE.

Raleigh, Jan. 9.—For several hours preceding the time appointed for the convening of the Senate the rotunda of the capitol was packed by a crowd of citizens, office-seekers and Democratic members awaiting the adjournment of the caucus held in the Senate's chamber.

At 12 o'clock Lieutenant Governor Doughton was seen coming up the stairs, followed by Chief Clerk W G Burkhead. On taking the chair the Lieutenant Governor announced that the hour for convening the Senate had arrived and upon the drop of the gavel requested the Senators holding certificates to come forward, present the same and take the oath of office.

Upon the announcement by the President that nominations were in order, the Senator from Onslow nominated Hill E King, of Onslow, for principal clerk. Mr. Abell, of Johnston, nominated W G Burkhead. There were no speeches of endorsement by either side. The clerk announced the vote as follows: King 42, Burkhead 5. The President then announced Mr. King duly elected. The election of a reading clerk being next in order the Senator from Cleveland nominated E Spencer Blackburn; the Senator from Johnston Wiley Rush, of Randolph. The vote stood Blackburn 42, Rush 5. The President then announced that Mr. Blackburn, having received the majority of the vote, was duly elected. The election of door-keepers was then gone into. The Senator from Haywood placed in nomination T N Halliburton, of Burke. The Senator from Mecklenburg nominated W V Clifton. The vote stood: Halliburton 42, Clifton 4. For assistant door-keeper, D M Matheson and Mr. Babo were nominated; the vote stood: Matheson 4, Babo 42. Engrossing clerk, A D K Wallace and H S Blair were nominated. The vote stood: Wallace 42, Blair 4. After declaring those elected who received the majorities they were requested to come forward and qualify, which they proceeded to do.

Lieutenant Governor Doughton then announced that the Senate was duly organized and was ready to proceed with business; that he hoped that cordial relations would exist, and that he would try to do his part to make it so, and that he hoped that such legislation would be had as would redound to the benefit of the State. On motion, a message was sent to the House to notify that body that the Senate was duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

On motion of the Senator from Warren, a committee of three on the part of the Senate to act with a like committee of the House was authorized to notify the Governor that the General Assembly was duly organized and ready to proceed with business. Upon its adoption the chair appointed Messrs Cook, of Warren; Abell, of Johnston, and White, of Perquimans.

The Senate, then, upon motion, adjourned till 11 o'clock tomorrow.

HOUSE.

At noon sharp, Principal Clerk J M Brown, of the last house, called the new House to order. In front of him sat Mr. Henry Clay Brown, formerly a clerk of the House, and acting as assistant clerk. Near him sat Associate Justice Walter Clark, who was to administer the oaths. Mr. Brown, acting under his authority, named Mr. Boyne door-keeper and notified members having certificates of election to occupy the seats near the speaker's desk. Rev. D H Tuttle, of Raleigh's Central M. E. church offered the opening prayer.

The gallery and lobby were packed with spectators. The members, nearly all of whom were in their respective seats, made a good appearance, and all listened attentively while Mr. Tuttle prayed that their work might all be without passion or prejudice and for the good of the "Old North State." His prayer was very earnest and when it ended some of the members said "amen."

Counties were then called in groups and the members came forward and presented their certificates and were sworn in in batches. After taking the oath the members signed the roll.

In the front seats were V S Lusk, of Buncombe; Council Wooten, of Lenoir; J F Payne, of Robeson; R B Peebles, of Northampton; James A Cheek, of Orange, and H G Ewart, of Henderson, Alfred M Saff, of Chatham, did not have his certificate and had to stand back until the rest were disposed of.

One thing noticeable was the number of Populist members who were members of the Legislature of 1891. Then they were Democrats. There are only four colored members in this Legislature and these are all in the House.

George Z French, before taking the oath, gave notice of a contest from Pender. It required exactly half an hour to sweat in the members.

Only two ladies had seats in the gallery. Usually on the opening day there are many, but no doubt the bad weather kept them away.

The clerk called the roll in order to ascertain if there was a quorum. Many new names were heard. It was found that 115 members were present. There was a little ripple of laughter when the name "Smith, of Jones," was called.

Motions were made that the members from Wilkes, Chatham, Craven, Macon and Harnett, who had forgotten to bring their credentials, be allowed to take the oath. They were accordingly all sworn in, and this made the list of 120 members complete.

As this roll was completed, Marion Butler came into the gallery and took a seat at its front. He smiled as he looked over the House.

At 1 o'clock Clerk Brown announced that the next business was the election of a Speaker, and nominations were called for. V S Lusk nominated Zeb Vance Walser. Mr. Lusk said he occupied a somewhat peculiar position, and that never in this State was a Legislature seen of political complexion like this one. He then spoke of the policy of fusion. In conclusion he placed in nomination for Speaker Z V Walser. A A Campbell seconded this nomination. R B Peebles nominated J Frank Ray, of Macon, and J H McKizie, of Rowan, seconded him. Upon a vote 73 went for Walser and 43 for Ray. Walser voted for Lusk. Walser was declared elected. He was escorted to the chair by Lusk, Ray and Smith, of Staunty, and read a brief speech, which was in good taste.

For principal clerk Lusk placed in nomination, as he stated in accordance with the action of the fusion caucus, S P Satterfield, of Person, and T L Robinson, of Anson, nominated J M Brown, principal clerk of the last House. The vote stood: Satterfield 73, Brown 43. For reading clerk Lusk nominated John W Chapin, of Beaufort, and Winborne nominated H A Latham. Mr. Onapian was elected.

Others officers elected are: J McDuffie, of Cumberland, E D Stanford and J R Hancock, of Lenoir, assistant clerks; E P Hauser, of Lenoir, engrossing clerk; A J Mays, of Pitt, doorkeeper, and A R Middleton, colored, of Duplin, assistant.

The Speaker appointed G Z French, A F Hileman and R B Peebles a committee to notify the Governor of the organization of the House.

The rules of the last house were adopted save the rule requiring a two-thirds majority.

SECOND DAY.

Raleigh, Jan. 10.—Two hours of the time of the House today was spent in listening to the Governor's message.

The Populists and Republicans then introduced bills upsetting past Democratic legislation, chiefly in election law and the county government system now in operation. The Senatorial fight grows warmer if anything, and it is now thought that the field is combined against Jeter Pritchard, who is considered Butler's man, according to his alleged bargain with O L Congressman-elect Richmond Pearson before election. Candidate Mott, who is considered by many probably the most assig-

ous of the candidates, says that the complexion of the fight may change when election time comes, and he said this with seeming assurance of effective opposition to develop against Pritchard.

Only one copy of the Governor's message was prepared and it will therefore be read to the Senate tomorrow. This was criticized by some.

One Republican member, introducing his bill in the House called it a bill "to secure a free ballot and a fair count." Another Republican called his bill "to find out whether the people of this State had a right to govern themselves."

A motion to adopt the rules of the last Senate until new rules could be adopted was defeated, and the Senate proceeded to business without rules. It is understood to mean that a resolution will be passed taking the appointment of committees out of the hands of the President of the Senate.

Senator Abell, Democrat, introduced a bill to make 5 per cent the legal rate of interest.

Senator Newborne, Populist, introduced a bill to repeal the charter of the State Farmer's Alliance and to restore the old charter which was amended by the last General Assembly. This bill passed and was sent to the House.

Senators Aycock and Smith, Democrats, who held certificates of election in the ninth district and whose seats were contested by Grant and Paddison, fusionists, were not present and the latter were declared duly elected Senators and were seated without opposition.

Raleigh, Jan. 10.—The fusionists in the Senate have decided to take steps which clearly show their animus. They have decided to take away from Lieutenant Governor Doughton, the presiding officer, the appointee of all the committees. The committee on rules, appointed today and composed of Senators Adams, Democrat; Rice, Republican, and Hamerick, Populist, met this afternoon. Rice and Hamerick, being a majority of the committee, voted to make a report giving to the Senate the appointment of all standing committees. Mr. Adams, justly indignant at this unparalleled course, will file a protest tomorrow. He tells me there is a caucus of Democrats tonight to consider this last new step of the fusionists.

The bill to repeal the election law introduced by G Z French in the House today, was drawn by D L Russell and is very long. Its salient features are as follows: One ballot and one box, which is claimed to be a new idea; all ballots to be preserved in a sealed box for one year after the election unless ordered produced by a judge in the case of contest; all canvassing boards, county and State, to be done away with and all election returns to be made by the poll-holders direct to the Superior Court clerk.

THIRD DAY.

Raleigh, Jan. 11.—The Senate met at 10 o'clock, Lieut. Gov. Doughton presiding. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Branson.

Senate bill No. 1, to restore 6 per cent, as the legal rate of interest, was put upon its second reading. Senator Cook moved its reference to the appropriate committee when appropriate committee. This was adopted.

The Senator from Lenoir offered a resolution that a committee of three, composed of Rice, Republican, Hamerick, Populist, and another, to be named by the President, be appointed to select all standing committees and other committees. This was adopted.

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Senator Newborne introduced a bill to repeal chapter 351, acts 1893, in regard to letting the public printing to the lowest bidder. Senator Adams moved to refer to the proper committee. This motion was defeated and the bill passed its second reading. Senator Dowd objected to its passage on the third reading. Senator Cook moved its immediate passage and this motion prevailed and it passed third reading. Newborne moved that it be sent to the House without engrossment. This was adopted.

Senator Rice, of New Hanover, then reported for the committee on rules. President Doughton appointed Senator allowed him to be on the committee to appoint the various standing committees. Senator Adams then moved to amend Senate Rule 3, to allow the

President to appoint committees, and to amend Rule 4 to allow the President to appoint a President pro tem. He made a strong talk, saying no change so radical in their character had ever been made, so far as he could learn, in the history of the State. It absolutely disrobes the President of his prerogatives. He declared that he did not believe the Senate had the constitutional right to do such a thing. The change he termed absolutely without precedent. He spoke of the condition existing in 1870, when the Democrats had the majority and the President of the Senate was a Republican. Then the Democrats did not take away any of the prerogatives of the President. The Senate adjourned till 11 tomorrow.

House.—At 11 o'clock, Speaker Walker called the House to order. Rev. J W Carter, of the First Baptist church, prayed.

Bills were introduced as follows: By Smith, of Gates, to carry out the constitutional requirement regarding public schools by making the tax 22 instead of 16 cents. By McClammy, to repeal New Hanover county's stock law, and for the relief of the Superior Court clerk of that county. By McCall, to incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Charlotte.

Ewart's bill to repeal county government was read and at his request 1,000 copies were ordered printed. Peebles offered a resolution that 5,000 copies of Governor Carr's message be printed, and it was adopted.

Williams, of Craven, offered a memorial in the Crews Lyon election contest from Granville county.

Mr. Mitchell, made a motion to call all papers in contested election at once into the committee on election in efficiency and to follow the provisions of the omnibus resolution as this would make this motion a question of privilege. Mr. Mitchell asked for the eyes and nose. It would be a violation of the long-established rules to adopt the resolution. French and Lusk, Republicans, backed up Peebles, and Farmer then withdrew his motion at the request of Chairman Ewart. The Democrats were ready to work and fight against this motion.

Mr. Hileman asked leave to take from the clerk's desk the bill which he introduced today, which is in regard to the charter of the Farmer's Alliance, and which repeals the act of 1893 and leaves the charter of the Alliance as it was before 1893. Mr. Payne said he wished to offer an amendment. Mr. French said the purpose of the "co-operators" was to pass this bill and to right what was a great wrong done to the common people of the State; that it was their purpose to right wrongs, and that they would be responsible for all done; that filibustering and factions opposition would be strenuously opposed. He declared that it was well to start fair; that the Democrats would be given an opportunity to have all sorts of privileges. He gave assurances that the officers of the Alliance would treat the stockholders fairly.

Mr. Payne said that he wanted to protect those persons who had given notice that they desired to withdraw their funds. Hileman said that the act of the last Legislature in regard to the Alliance was a most diabolical piece of work; that it was done to wreck the Alliance and cause a rush upon its funds. He said that all the Alliance asked was to have its charter restored as at first. Payne said that upon French's statement that the officers of the Alliance would treat all subscribers to the fund fairly, he would not offer an amendment. Peebles said he was prepared to vote for Hileman's bill; that he assured the Alliance in his county that he would vote to restore the charter as it was. Smith, of Gates, and McKenzie said that if the co-operators had any idea that the Democrats were organized to vote against the bill they were greatly mistaken; that there was no party opposition, and that they themselves would support the bill. The yeas and nays were demanded and the call was sustained. Hileman made a statement that only \$3,000 had been withdrawn from the fund. In explaining his vote Ray, Democrat, of Macon said that he was a member of the last House which voted to repeal; that he did not vote for the bill, but that he wanted to say that the misrepresentations of their action as to the matter were so gross that if they were equally distributed over the universe they would wreck the souls of the human race. He said the bill was passed at the instance of leading Alliance men, such as Gen. R B

Vance, who said that politicians had gotten into the Alliance and were prostituting it for political purposes. On these statements the Legislature acted. Ray said Hileman had said that it was understood that the subscribers to this fund should never withdraw this fund. But how was it "understood?" It certainly was not so stated in the charter of the Alliance. He denounced the assertion that the action of the last Legislature was diabolical. He said that for the two years time for withdrawal of funds was ample and he therefore voted for the bill today. The bill then passed its second and third readings, after Young, colored Republican, of Wake, had explained his vote, and incidentally attacked Gen. Vance as a Democratic partisan.

City and County Government.

Our city and county government necessarily form important parts in the machinery of government in this State. They absorb very much more of the taxes of the people than the State government with all its varied and important functions. No well-informed man can say that these governments, as a rule, have not been well managed. There may have been here and there a few exceptions, but a close scrutiny and a rigid examination will develop the fact that in all the history of the State, the city and county governments have never been more wisely and economically administered than for the past fifteen years. You should hesitate long and anxiously before you make any alteration in the system which has produced such results. It seems to me you are not satisfied that the present government will produce better results in efficiency and economy than the present government.

Mr. Albert Alexander, son of I. H. Alexander, of Harrisburg, is in the city. Mr. Alexander is just back from Texas, and is not fully decided whether to remain in old Calaveras or go West again.

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Was Taking His Pills. A wonderfully funny story is told by a certain physician in our city who was attending a young man, for whom the doctor prescribed pills. The doctor called on the young man at his home this morning and found his patient in the bath tub, where, on he exclaimed: "or Heaven's sake! Don't you know you are fixing to kill yourself?" At this the young man began trembling and got very nervous and excited, finally saying, "Why, doctor, didn't you tell me to take these pills in water?" The patient is much better.

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Mr. Cates A. Zitis is assisting Register Wedding in running the office. They keep good fires.

We are told that the water courses of the county are higher than they have been for years.

Mr. W W Robinson, of Poplar Tent, has moved to Mooresville and gone into the hotel business.

Master Baron Cook, of this city, has been appointed a page in the House of Representatives, and left this (Friday) morning for Raleigh.

A Mr. Chace, grand-son of the late Mr. J M Chace of No 5, died Tuesday night in south Rowan of consumption. He was but 23 years old.

By being elected to the State Senate, says the Charlotte News, Editor Dowd got a new suit of clothes. Rogers & Co., prevented them.

Rumer has it that Mr. Taylor Chace is dead, but no particulars can be learned. If Mr. Chace is yet alive and reads this notice, we hope he will not die from the untruthful rumor.

Mr. C E Alexander today bought Mr. Sims' interest in the firm of Sims & Alexander. Since Mr. Sims has become our sheriff, he finds it necessary to go out of business and give his attention to his official duties.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

THE CRIMES OF 1894.

In 1894, in this country, there were 4,912 suicides, an increase of nearly 500 over the year previous.

Last year 9,800 persons died by violence, 3,285 more than in 1893. Only 132 persons were hanged, and 91 of these were in the South, most of them being negroes.

There were 190 lynchings last year, 166 of them being in the South. The total is smaller than in 1893, which was smaller than that of the year before.

The embarrasments and defaultations in the United States during the last year amount to the largest total of any year since 1878. The aggregate is \$25,234,122, being 26 per cent greater than the \$19,929,692 reported for 1893, and 14 per cent greater than the \$22,154,900 reported for 1894, which was the largest since 1878 (all it surpassed last year.—Chicago Tribune.

The people of Mt. Pleasant have suffered the loss of a very good wagon fixer. The greatest loss of the town is one member of its Board of town commissioners. That body like ours needs all its members; and to suffer a vacancy makes the remaining work and responsibility very heavy upon the remaining members and the mayor.

By the way this is the first time ever heard of a town commissioner resigning or moving away, where he could not exercise the privileges and powers of his office.

The standard refers to the removal of Mr. Jesse Hathcock to Charlotte. Mr. Hathcock, he was a commissioner of Mt. Pleasant and his term did not expire until next May.

A reporter's attention was called to a group of men at Mr. M J Corl's stable this afternoon. There were six in number. In weight three of them nearly double the others. Messrs. Elias Krimminger, Col. James Long and Chap. Krimminger, were the jumbos. They are all whoppers. The three lightweight were Messrs. M J Corl, George F Barnhardt and Dr. Griffin. The contrast is as follows:

Elias Krimminger, 285, M J Corl, 145; Col. Jas. Long, 260, Geo. F Barnhardt, 153; Chap. Krimminger, 255, Dr. Griffin, 160; making a total of 1290, of which three furnish 800, even of it.

In conversation with Mr. John W Cook, the faithful keeper of the County Home, we learn that the general health of the inmates is unusually good. He has twenty-seven to look after, and out of this number, only three are sick. One Malinda Allman, who claims to be 94 years of age is real sick. Mr. Cook says everything is getting on nicely out there.

In several different papers the fact has been mentioned that charges were preferred against Dr. E J Buchanan, of Lexington, before the Rowan county Medical Society by Dr. Payne and others of Lexington.

The public is left to draw conclusions and often times conclude entirely too much; and for this reason the Standard here speaks of it.

Dr. Buchanan is a native of Rowan and belonged to the Medical Society of that county, but later located in Lexington, Davidson county. Here, it appears, he did not join the Society. He is charged with having in the point of charges for service and as to other minor matters.

The charges are not more serious than case, and it may be that Dr. Buchanan is perfectly innocent of doing any wrong professionally, and certainly innocent of any violation of civil law.

As before stated, we now speak of the fact that the public may not imagine a whole lot of evil against the Doctor, who is well and favorably known in Eastern Cabarrus and where he numbers his friends by the score. He won them, as we have to well know, by his behavior, perfect gentleman a moral, and studious man. This not only but of two years might those good people.

NEW MASONIC OFFICERS.

The Grand Lodge heard a Fine Address from Judge Clark.

Yesterday the Grand Lodge considered the proposition of Mr. B N Duke to give the Orphan Asylum \$5,000 if the Masons will raise a like sum this year. Over \$4,000 was raised by the lodge.

In the hall of the House of Representatives, Judge Walter Clark delivered the annual address to the Grand Lodge on "Masonry." The address was a fine effort and was highly enjoyed by a large audience. He was introduced by Grand Marshal E F Lamb, of Elizabeth City.

Last night the new officers of the Grand Lodge were elected. F M Mays, of Wilson, Grand Master; R J Nobil, of Salem, Deputy Grand Master; Walter E Moore, of Jackson, Grand Senior Warden; James A Leach, of Lexington, Grand Junior Warden; John G Drewery, Grand Secretary; William Simpson, Grand Treasurer; J M Carrin, of Oxford, Director of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, vice A H A Williams.

As a saving to the tax payers, a convenience to the courts, both Superior and Superior, and offer to the executive who is considering pardons, has frequently to refer to the bench notes in the case as the only protection to the State, I would recommend the establishment of the office of court stenographer.—Extract from Gov. Carr's message.

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HEART DISEASE.

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"For a long-time I had a terrible pain at my heart, which fluttered almost incessantly. I had no appetite and could not sleep. I would be compelled to sit up in bed and belch gas from my stomach until I thought every minute would be my last. There was a feeling of oppression about my heart, and I was afraid to draw a full breath. I could not sweep a room without resting. My husband induced me to try