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THE REFORM LEGISLATION

This Fusion affair we are having as Legislators is a gem. It's nice enough to make a circus of.

The bill that provided for letting out the printing to the lowest responsible bidder, has been repealed without allowing the usual manner of procedure to obtain. It has been legislated through. The printing is let out by a committee that is bound by no limits.

This is great; this is the Fusion idea of justice. Selah.

To say the climate the Legislature refuses to let it be known what the bids are in the hands of the Secretary of the State. They have been placed there by virtue of the law. Now that the law has been repealed, the Legislature wants the Secretary to return the sealed bids without opening them, and thus prevent the public knowing just how much business could be done for under the old law than by the new measure and matter.

We have tried to be perfectly fair in this matter. We fought the system before the Alliance condemned it and everybody wanted a change and the Democratic party, as it always will, answered the call of the people.

This call has been knocked in the head—

To let it out to a partisan at a price, entirely too big.

Reform!

THE AMENDMENTS.

In another column the Standard prints the proposed changes in the charter of Concord. Without giving the matter full consideration, the Standard is of the opinion now that one of them is proper and just. It does seem hard to require Dry, Mrs. Heinseman and others, who live way on the suburbs of the town to pay town taxes on the land which is used entirely for farming purposes, besides their being inside of the incorporate limits they have no more advantages than before the boundary was changed. We said months ago that the people ought to be relieved of paying town taxes on their land or else sidewalks should be constructed there and electric lights put up.

Quite a number of our people are in favor of the policeman being paid a salary and the fees be paid into the treasury.

The proposition to elect Commissioners by wards is a partisan measure without any benefits at all being derived. The Commissioners

are supposed to represent the interests of the whole town and, as such, the whole town should have the right to say whether he is a proper man or not

AS OTHERS SEE IT.

The January-Form has several pages devoted to North Carolina, from which the following is a brief extract:

"Few people realize that North Carolina is more than 500 miles in length, or that if New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware and New Jersey were all made into one State, it would lack over 5,000 square miles of being as large as North Carolina.

"Fifty nine per cent of its surface is forest, and it combines within its limits a greater variety of climate than any other State in the Union, except California, being semi-tropical along the sea, and high and mountainous in the western portion.

"It is rich in minerals as well as in timber, and has not only a competent State Board of Agriculture but a Geological survey of National fame which has through its able reports on the resources of North Carolina brought several million dollars into the State for its reclamation and has saved the citizens of that State many times what it has cost in its expensively procuring through its supports, many useless investments.

North Carolina is also rich in Agricultural resources and some of the best plantations in the South are in this noble commonwealth."

STARR AT THE STATE GOVERNMENT

The work goes on. The people will not be surprised at anything done by this Legislature. They will have the marks of their hoofs on the history of the State and future generations can help knowing that once upon a time a set of jackasses were in the saddle.

The representative from Wayne has introduced a bill to repeal the law paying pensions to wounded Confederate soldiers, yet the man (bes not a man, he's a heartless cuss) draws a pension from the Yankee side.

You see the animals. They shipped a negro in as doorkeeper in preference to a wounded Confederate soldier, and now this hair-brained, narrow-souled man from Wayne wants to obliterate the law that gives each wounded Confederate soldier a small pension.

He's a Populist—No Democrat is fiend enough to attempt such a low, selfish act.

God save the State!

A Bad Move.

A fusionist member has introduced in the North Carolina Legislature a bill to reduce the amount of the bonds required of county officials. The real reason for this is that in many counties the fusionist officials elected at the November election were unable to secure the required bond. This movement to reduce the bonds is in the wrong direction and will serve to encourage financial delinquency on the part of the officials. Under Democratic rule county credit in North Carolina has been re-established and maintained, and for the sake of the "loaves and fishes" the fusionist cannot afford to pass any act that will tend to destroy this credit. To do so is to invite speedy condemnation and ejection from power.—Baltimore Sun.

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