Doings of The Legislature

Mr. Manning Introduced Bill for Support of Reformatory. Senator Graham Hands Out Some Worm Talk.

Raleigh, N. C., March 2.—In the House today on motion of Representative Manning, the vote by which the passenger rate bill, reported yesterday from the conference committee and which passed on its readings, was reconsidered in order that the House might conform to the course pursued by the Senate in merely adopting the report instead of putting the bill through its readings.

This was opposed by Morton, Gallert and others.

However, the vote was reconsidered, the chair holding that this left the bill as a part of the report of the joint committee adopted by the prior vote yesterday.

The House discussed at general length the bill to appoint four additional commissioners for Sampson county.

Among the bills introduced in the House were:

Douglas, to amend the Watts act so as to prevent the manufacture of denatured alcohol.

Manning, to amend the Revisal as to removing the cloud on property title.

Manning, for the aid and support of the Stonewall Jackson Manual Training School and Reformatory.

Senator Graham arose to a personal privilege to ask exception to the remark of Senator Turner to the effect that Senator Graham was an object of pity in the matter of the part he had taken in the railroad passenger rate legislation.

He believed the people wanted two fares and no yelling mob or infernal lobbiest could deter him from his duty.

Whether he had the pity or the contempt of anybody made no difference to him, so long as he knew he was in the right. It had been said his course was to give them a stone when they asked bread but it was possible that some of his opponents might go back to their people and have stones hurled at them for railroad rates they had fixed.

Senator McLean arose, as he said, for the last time for a personal privilege, but he had been grossly misrepresented by the morning paper regarding his speech before a committee considering the new charter for Lumberton.

The report was a gross misrepresentation and if there was not a halt by this newspaper he would not trouble the Senate any more with personal privilege but would mash somebody's face.

He approached a representative of the morning paper in the press box and demanded that he take personal notice of this and govern himself accordingly.

The Holt bill to prevent unfair and unjust discriminations in freight rates and correct abuses in the freight congestion by railroad companies was taken up as a special order.

Senator Holt speaking to the bill offered an amendment that the rates now fixed shall not by any method of classification or otherwise be raised above what they now are on main lines on inter-State freight. He reviewed the discrimination to which North Carolina cities are subjected as compared with rates enjoyed by Virginia cities.

The pending bill would make it possible for merchants in one part of North Carolina to trade with merchants in other parts of the State and compete in some fair degree with the Virginia wholesale houses.

Raleigh, N. C., March 1.—The House of Representatives this afternoon adopted the 2¼ cent railroad passenger rate, agreed on by the conference committee, as a compromise between the bill passed by the Senate for 2½ and 2 cents and the House bill for 2 cents flat.

The Senate was notified of the action of the House and that body will pass upon the report tonight.

The bill to create Lee county out of a part of Moore and Chatham passed the House on final reading.

Among the bills introduced in the House were:

Murphy, to allow Rowan to condemn land for roads, as in Mecklenburg.

Loughinghouse, amend the Revisal as to torts.

Hankins, to allow a vote on a dispensary at Lexington.

Weaver, to incorporate the Blue Ridge Association of Christian Conference and Training.

The Senate passed the bill to put liquor out of Anson county and and Wadesboro by legislative enactment, there being saloons there now.

Strong opposition developed, as the majority of the people want saloons, Representative Lockhart having been elected on that platform.

The bill was sent to the House. Lockhart says he will defeat it.

Among the bills introduced in the Senate, were:

Buxton, relative to the East Bend Graded School, district of Yadkin.

Hicks, to provide a Confederate monument in Granville.

Among the bills which passed their final reading was one to amend the charter of Marion; to regulate the sale of liquor in Hickory; to require the Commissioner of Agriculture and members of the Board of Agriculture to be practical farmers; to make the general election day a holiday; to allow a more than annotated supreme court report during a year; for a compulsory school attendance in Wadsboro.

Raleigh, N. C., March 1.—The bill to establish the Stonewall Jackson Reformatory and Manual Training School, for North Carolina passed its final reading in the Senate this afternoon, after a discussion which consumed the greater part of the session.

It has previously passed the House.

The bill names Mrs. Stonewall Jackson and a number of other North Carolina ladies as trustees, provided that if the State later appropriates the funds toward the maintenance of the institution, the Governor can appoint the majority of directors or trustees for the control of the institution.

The bill is ordered enrolled for ratification.

Raleigh, N. C., March 4.—The House passed the Dilling child labor bill, regulating the employment of children in the factories. It was amended so as to include oyster canneries.

The bill prohibits children working under 12 years, and after this year none under 13 shall be employed except as apprentices, and then only after attending four months school each year.

None under 18 shall work more than 66 hours.

Representative Winbourn in a personal statement widrew the language he applied to the editor of The Evening Times Saturday night and declared that the editor had done the part of an honorable gentleman.

Mr. Manning explained that he had made the motion to include the roads with 60 miles trackage in the conference committee report to include the Atlantic and North Carolina road.

Among the bills passed were, to amend the charter of Walnut Cove; to amend the charter of the Presbyterian hospital, Charlotte; to incorporate the Winston Banking & Trust Co.

The Senate discussed at great length the immigration bill which was still pending at 3 o'clock.

Bills passed to allow bonds by Salisbury; to protect game in Stokes.

The House is holding afternoon and night sessions and passing a great many local bills.

WINS $35,000 ON ONE TURN.

Reno, March 1.—Jim May, well-known gambler, won $35,000 on a single play at the roulette wheel last night. Had the dealer allowed him to make his next play he would have won $1.225,000.

May had played faro all night, and was $10,000 to the bad when he walked to the wheel, and, rolling up a $1,0000 bill, placed it on the four spot. The dealer, supposing it was only $100, took off the limit and turned the wheel. The lucky number came. May then placed his marker for $35,000 on 17, but the dealer refused the bet.

A bystander placed $1 on 17, and the number came.

This is the largest winning ever made at a single play in Reno.

The venerable Senator Pettus, of Alabama, was a lieutenant in the Mexican War, he rode horseback in California with the "forty-niners" and was advanced from the rank of major to brigadier general in the Confederate army.

France's Supply Of Cotton

French Colonial Cotton Association Obtain Surprising Results as to Where Cotton May be Advantageously Grown

Paris, France, March 1.—The French Colonial Cotton Association which started three years ago by the French cotton manufacturers, with the object of exploring the French colonies, for the purpose of ascertaining where cotton could be advantageously grown has obtained some surprising results and seems to warrant their confidence that in a few years the Frnch colonies will be able to supply a considerable portion of the raw material consumed in France.

In round figures France bought over eighty million dollars worth of cotton last year, chiefly from the United States.

Of the seed sent to the colonies the best results were obtained with Mississippi, Louisiana and Sea Island.

Big Steamer Is Sinking

Steamer Dakota Now Lies Mile from Shore, Sinking Rapidly. Terror-Stricken Passengers Were Rescued.

Tokio, March 4.—The captain of the Japanese steamer Tokai, who was steaming abreast of the Dakota yesterday, reports that when sighted the steamer was at full speed, heading south, when she changed her course quick in order to avoid danger just at the moment she struck with her head and lower screw exposed.

The passengers were panic stricken, but were rescued by boats from the Tokai and from the land, which took them all ashore.

The Japanese steamer Omni has been sent to the rescue, but the wreck is unapproachable, and owing to the heavy seas it is impossible to establish connection with the land.

The Dakota lies one mile off the shore with her bow under water and she is still sinking.

Cargo Is Safe.

Seattle, Washington, Marsh 4.—According to advices received here from Yokohama by the purchasing agent of the Great Northern, the Dakota will be floated tomorrow.

Fiftieth Ordination Anniversary.

Hamilton, O., March 4.—The Rev. G. Z. Mechling, one of the oldest active ministers in Ohio and for 40 years pastor of the Congregational church of this city, will tomorrow celebrate the 50th anniversary of his ordination. Interesting exercises will be held, with addresses by the Rev. Washington Gladden and other promient churchmen.

AIMED AT ORIENTALS.

California Legislature Would Limit Their Holdings of Realty.

Sacramento, California, March 2.—The lower house of the State Legislature today passed a measures known as the anti-alien property holding bill. It is aimed at the Japanese and the Chinese property owners, and is intnded to prevent them from acquiring and owing property for longer than five years.

Assemblyman Drew stated that since January 1, one-third of the property transfers in 'Frisco had been to Japanese. The bill provides that any alien who does not become a citizen of the United States shall not hold title to lands in this state for more than five years. If within that time the alien does not become a citizen, the district attorney shall compel the sale of his lands or houses.

Japanese and Chinese are not specifically named, but as they cannot become citizens the bill precludes them from owning property for more than five years. The measure also provides that no contract, agreement or lease of real estate for longer than one year shall be made to any alien.

The impression is given out that if the bill reaches the governor he will sign it.

MYSTERIOUS MURDER.

Official Inquiry Into Murder of Actress and Bartender Only Deepens the Mystery.

Brunswick, Ga., March 2.—An official inquiry into the murder of Lillian Davenport, actress and A. R. Brown, a bartender, Wednesday night, has only deepened the mystery.

The coroner's jury rendered a verdict last night that the two came to their death from bullets fired by an unknown party.

R. L. Davenport, husband of the actress, who was held as a suspect, has been released.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 1.—Governor Folk has signed the bills passed by the Legislature providing for a 2-cent-a-mile railroad passenger rate and limiting the salaries of insurance companies, both those incorporated under the State laws and foreign companies doing business in Missouri. They will become laws 90 days aftert he adjournment of the

AETNA MILLS MEETING.

Stockholders Meet and Elect New Officers—Condition of Mill.

Union, S. C., March 1.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Aetna Cotton Mills was held at Spartanburg at the Spartan Inn Tuesday afternoon.

The report of President W. H. Sartor showed the mill to have had all machinery in full operation, and fine prospects for a good business during 1907.

The officers elected are: President, W. H. Sartor, who has been at the head of the mill since its organization, several years ago, and in that time has largely increased its capacity; treasurer, Mr. B. F. Arthur, president of the People's Bank of this city; secretary and assistant treasurer, William H. Tuttle, a mill man of wide experience who has been residing at Gastonia, N. C., but who will move in the near future; superintendent, Mr. John L. Shaw, who has held the position of superintendent of Aetna and other large manufacturing plants, and has considerable experience in the manufacturing of textile goods.

The Aetna Cotton Mills was organized in 1903 and has 21,000 spindles, 500 looms, with 150 operatives at work, and a population of about 500 people.

OLIVER MAY RETALIATE.

Washington, March 1.—William J. Oliver, of Knoxville, called at the offices of the Canal Commission and received a certified check submitted at the time the bid was submitted.

Oliver left without making any complaint or lodging any protest against the action of the President in rejecting his proposals. He intimated it was possible he would find some way of bringing legal action against the government to recompense him for the loss he has sustained in connection with preparing his bid.

APPOINTED TO THE NAVY.

Washington, D. C., March 1.—The appointment of O. B. Mahaffay, of Texas, John A. Cleveland, of Alabama and Treagett F. Killer, of New York, as second lieutenants in the army, is provided in a bill passed by the House.

They were dismissed from military academy for insurbordination in 1901, but, according to the committee report accompanying the bill, their subsequent career has been especially praiseworthy and their parents urged that the young men be set right by Congress.

Block Coal Miners in Session.

Brazil, Ind., March 5.—Members of the United States Mine Workers of District 8, embracing the block coal region of Indiana, began their tenth annual convention here today. No officers are to be elected by the convention, but a considerable quantity of routine business relating to the affairs of the organization and the mining conditions in the district is to be transacted.

A Billion Dollar Session.

Washington, D. C., March 4.—The session of Congress which came to an end at noon today has been one of the most extravagant since the foundation of the government. The appropriations of the session aggregate a billion dollars.

The growth of Federal expenditures during the past twenty years has been most remarkable. The gross appropriations by Congress in 1887 amounted to only $87,[illegible]. From this figure, which at that time was thought somewhat extravagant, the appropriations have crept up year by year until the high water mark of $320,184,624 was reached last year.

It has been only fifteen years since the first billion dollar Congress came into view—when the appropriations for two sessions of a Congress aggregated a billion dollars. Some conservative minded men felt then that the government was running to extravagance, but now the country has witnessed a billion dollar session—two billion dollar Congress, for it is pretty safe to predict that now the billion dollar stage has been reached for a single session, succeeding sessions will find it necessary to appropriate as much as has been appropriated at any preceeding session.

CANNOT SIEZE PAINTINGS.

Rome, March 5.—The art department has ascertained that the purchaser of the Vandyck portraits which formerly belonged to the Marquis Cattanea della Volta of Genoa, acted in good faith and that therefore the sale cannot be revoked nor can any demand for the return of the paintings be made.

The dealer, however, who sold them, and smuggled them out of the country may be prosecuted.

NEWSPAPER MAN DEAD.

Veteran Newspaper Man of Greenville Answers last Call.

Greenville, S. C., March 2.—Captain T. J. Bostick, died this morning. He was 72 years of age and was an old time printer and newspaper man.

Three years ago he returned from China, where he has a daughter in the mission field.

In the orient Captain Bostick, was a typesetter in a Hong Kong printing office and has told long here many amusing stories of his experiences in that country. Captain Bostick was universally esteemed in Greenville.

Wisconsin Teachers In Session.

Ashland, Wis., March 1.—Scores of teachers were here today to take part in the opening of the fifteenth annual convention of the North Wisconsin Teachers' Association. The two days' programme arranged for the gathering is full of good things in the way of papers, addresses and discussions covering every phase of educational work from kindergarten instruction to the higher branches of learning.

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Gastonia	Lv.	10 38 am	9 00 am	
Lincolnton	Lv.	11 56 am	10 45 am	
Newton	Lv.	12 28 pm	1 06 pm	
Hickory	Lv.	12 57 pm	2 20 pm	2 20 pm
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Lincolnton	Lv.	5 02 pm	9 00 am	
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