WITH THE LAW - MAKERS.

Bills General, Local, But All of Some Importance.

NO CIGARETTES TO MINORS

Bill to Incorporate Elizabeth College Passed -- To Prevent Discrimination in Jury Lists.

SENATE.

MONDAY, -Senate met at 4 o'clock p Among the bills were: Rollins-To protect motormen an street car conductors. Justice-To authorize Rutherford to

work convicts on public roads. Newsom-To increase revenue and to regulate insurance.

At the night session the bill appro-Raleigh, for a newbuilding was passed. The bill to pay judges of elections \$2 per day and 10 cts. per mile for carrying returns was adopted. The following substitute to this bill was adopted: "that county commissioners of different counties be authorized and empowered to pay judges of election, registrars and messengers so much per diem and mileage as they may think

bills and resolutions were: Alexander - A petition for the estab-

lishment of a normal school at Charlotte for the colored race; a petition that the appropriation to the firemen's association of \$2,500 be continued. Justice-A petition from citizens of Hendersonville in favor of prohibi-

Person-A bill to incorporate the auxiliary board of health; also to esboiler inspection for each county of the

Bills were disposed of as follows: To incorporate the Pigford Sanitarium for the treatment of consumptive negroes passed second and third reading. The bill to establish a reform school for the white and colored youthful criminals of the State, to be located in the city that will make the best offer of money lands, etc., was made a special order for Wednesday.

At the night session there were sev eral local bills lisposed of. The Senate's special order, the bill to reduce passenger and freight rates, failed to pass by a vote of 24 to 23.

WEDNESDAY Senate met at 11 o'clock. The bill to take the government of the penitentiary out of the hands of the present directors came over from the House and by a vote of 29 to 16 it was referred to the committee on penal institutions. Among the bills were: Justice - A bill to amend the charter of the town of Forest City, in Rutherford county. Person-A bill to prevent cohabita

tion between the races. Anderson-To change the line be tween Buncombe and Henderson coun-

Shore-To incorporate Boonville High School, Yadkin county. Alexander-To incorporate Elizabeth College; also to give the city of Charlotte further power in the collection of taxes, where a party is believed not to have made an honest return. Shaw -- A bill to abolish the circuit

criminal court of Robeson county. The bill favoring a reformatory for youthful criminals passed a second reading. The vote stood 41 to 8. Several other bills passed of more or less importance to the general public. At the night session among the bills disposed of was a bill to provide for a

dispensary at Louisburg. THURSDAY. - Senate met at 11 o'clock. Among the many new measures intro-

duced, were: A petition asking that provisions be made for the treatment of indigent inebriates; also a petition from citizens of Greensboro asking that railroads be required to carry bicycles as baggage; Randolph For the relief of consumptives at Southern Pines; Rollins-To provide for the representation of North 'arolina and the citizens thereof at the Nashville Exposition. This bill provides for the appointment of a board of managers composed of nine members, including the Governor and the Board of Agriculture. It also provides \$10. 000; Justice To amend the charter of the Commercial Bank of Rutherford county; Geddie-To amend section 4, chapter 15, laws of 1895, in relation to

voting on stock law. Bills disposed of: The law requiring certain notice before a prohibitory quor law can be passed was repealed; to establish a reform for young criminals in the State, vote, 36 to 10; to inorporate the town of Louisburg; for he establishment of graded schools in

High Point. Senators Grant, Whedbee, McCarthy, McCasky, Butler, Alexander and Abell were appointed a committee by the Senate to investigate the memorial of the president and directors of the North Carolina railroad ralative to the lease of said railroad to the Southern Rail-

FRIDAY. - Senate met at 10 o'clock. Among the bills were: Grant-bill to amend the election law of North Carona: to regulate the challenge of invors Maultsby-bill to revise chapter 31. section 131, private laws of 1891; also to regulate the sale of liquors in Columbus county; also to amend chapter 267, private laws of 1891; Parker, of

Alamance-bill for the protection of newspapers for the publication of news in good faith. Bills passed: To establish a dispensary for the town of Goldsboro and Wayne county; to incorporate the People's Benevolent Association; to in-

crease revenues and to regulate insurance-this is the bill which requires all fire insurance companies to make contracts through their commissioned agents in this State; to restore to the control of the State the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad. This bill gives the Governor power to appoint president and a majority of the directors; o amend chapter 152, laws of 1893. This is to place all railroads on an equal footing with those chartered prior o 1868; to extend the time to commute, compromise and settle the State debt. Re-committed to the judiciary commitee; to extend the time for the organi-

and dumb. This bill carries an appro- shall be worked in the county from priation of \$20,000; to provide for and promote the oyster industry in North

The bill to prescribe the terms upon which foreign railroad companies shall be allowed to operate railroads and transact business in the State, was referred to the special North Carolina Railroad committee. This is the famous "lease bill." Friday, Feb. 26th, is the day appointed for the special order. The bill to add Nash and Wilson counties to the Circuit Criminal Court

was passed. At the night session the following were among the bills that passed: To amend the act of 1895, relating to the

time of holding courts; commissioners can call extra terms. SATURDAY, Senate met at 10 o'clock. Among the resolutions introduced were one by Barker, a petition from prison-

ers, asking that the laws concerning pardons be changed. There were a good many bills introduced, and among them a bill to amend section 43 of The Code as follows: "In all cases in which any bill, draft, note or bond shall fall due, or the three days of grace expire Deaf. Dumb and Blind Institute at same shall be due, or the three days of grace expire on the day following such legal holiday or Sunday."

Bills passed: In relation to the electoral colleges; to amend section 1973, of The Code, in relation to Sunday trains; to allow express matter to be transported on Sunday, passed second and third readings; to incorporate Elizabeth College Company, for the educa-tion of white females, to be situated in Tuesday.—Senate was called to order at 11 o'clock. Among the petitions, bills and resolution roads in certain cases. This is the "fellow-servant bill." Every Senator was in favor of the bill and without any remarks the bill unanimously passed its second and third readings and now be comes a law. Among the above bills were a large batch to allow counties to levy special tax, etc.

By leave bills were introduced as below: Person, to prevent discrimina-tion in jury list. Butler, to improve the public school system in North Cartablish a board of steam locomotive and olina, and moved to print 300 copies. Adopted.

At the afternoon session bills passed To authorize deputy clerks of court to probate deeds. To repeal sections 1738 and 1739 of The Code by striking out the words; "May at his discretion and insert the word "shall." To better secure the enforcement of the criminal law. This gives the board of county commissioners power to employ local counsel to assist the solicitor in capital cases; to amend sections 1199 ane 1200 of The Code after striking out section 2 to establish the North Carolina Veterinary Association and to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and

Monday. - House met at 10 o'clock Among the new bills and resolutions Jones-To make the fee for weighing

cattle 15 cents. White-To amend the charter of Bur lington so the constable and street commissioners shall be elected by popular

Currie-To give the State the Illinois law for the protection of inebriates. Craven-To make it a misdemeanor to fail to remove obstructions to the passage of fish in streams within 30 days notice from the State Board of Agricul-

Parker of Wayne-To protect sheep by taxing male dogs 50 cents and feunless licensed, making it a misde-meanor to fail to list said dogs.

Lusk-To amend the Code, sec. 1285, by adding an additional cause for divorce. "If either the husband or wife shall be indicted and convicted of a felony and imprisoned therefor for life; this act to apply to cases now pending in the courts of this State; to provide that whenever any person is declared to be insane or incbriate the husband or wife of such shall be first entitled to the guardianship of his or her prop-

The Senate bill forbidding "gold contracts" was called up and after considerable debate was postponed until Friday. Houser favored the bill and Lusk opposed the consideration of it, and Cunningham, of Person, took a prominent part in the debate, making a strong argument in favor of silver. The following is a text of the bill:

"That any note, bill, bond, draft, check, exchange, contract, mortgage, public or private obligation, or pecuniary liability hereafter made or contracted, which may provide for its payment in a specific kind or kinds of legal tender money of the United States, may be paid or discharged in any kind of legal tender money of the United States, current at the time of its maturity or collection at its face value, such stipulation or agreement to the contrary not-

The bills that passed were principally local ones, allowing counties to levy special taxes, etc. The Speaker announced the follow ing as the committee (special) on the re-districting of the State into concressional districts: Brower, Dockery, Alexander, Whitener, McCrury, Aber-

nethy, Bryan, of Chatham. At the night session Dockery's bill to provide for the turning over of the penitentiary to the fusionists came up. It provides for a board of nine directors, the superintendent to be appointed by the Governor, all to serve four years.

Tuesday. - House met at 10 o'clock. Among the bills introduced were: Roberts-To prohibit the sale liquors within two miles of political speakings; this not to apply to cities and towns where there is a police force. White-To provide that if any person shall perform the marriage service who is not authorized he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon con-

viction shall be fined or imprisoned. Candler-To allow preachers to vote without 90 days' residence in county and 31 days' residence in township.

Hauser—To allow the people of La Grange to vote on the liquor question.

Means-To establish a dispensary in Bladen county. Bills passed third reading: To allow Greene county to levy a special tax; to allow Jackson county to levy a special tax; to allow Nash county to levy a special tax to pay debt; to allow Yancey to levy a special tax; to allow Perquimans to levy a special tax: to allow allow Nash to levy a stock law tax; to allow Caswell to levy a special tax; to incorporate Saratoga, Wilson county; at each legislative session to pass such to allow Nash to levy a road tax; to pro- a bill.) vide that in any county where there is The Senate bill to stimulate local zation of the Bank of Maxton; to pro- a law to work the convicts of the county, taxation for schools by directing the vide for a school building for the deaf the convict who has moved his case State Board of Education to use as

which he moved it. At noon the special order, the bill to annul the lease of the North Carolina' Railroad came up, and by a vote of 60 to 54 the House stood in favor of the annullment. Many speeches pro and con were made, and among those favoring the annullment were Schulken,

Pearson, Hartness, Sutton; opposing,

Blackburn, Murphy, McCrary and

At 7:30 the House met and at once took up the calendar. Bills were passed to incorporate the People's Mutual Benevolent Association; to amend the charter of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad, so that the presence of the State proxy shall be necessary to make a quorum; to revise and consolidate the charter of Morven; to regulate the service of process in criminal ac-tions. The bill placing the penitentiary in the hands of the Republicans, and the Agricultural and Mechanical College in the hands of the Populist bolt-

ers came up and was passed. WEDNESDAY. - House met at o'clock. Among the new bills were : Ormsby-To require sheriffs in sales of mortgaged land for taxes to give notice of such sale to mortgagee.

Dixon, of Green—To incorporate the

Snow Hill Railroad company.

Parker, of Perquimans—To divorce
the Agriultural and Mechanical College from the Agricultural Department and put it under the care of fourteen direc-

the Elizabeth College Company. Aiken-To allow the Agricultural Department to hold farmers' institutes at an expense of not over \$1,500. Meares-To entitle the widows of all Confederate soldiers to fourth-class

Craven-To ratify the incorporation of

Bryan, of Chatham-To give the Governor the appointment of the clerk of the railroad commission; to repeal the act giving the \$10,000 appropria-tion to the geological survey; to repeal the act of 1891 making an appropriation to the University; to protect coal

Graham-To locate and settle the line between North Carolina and Tennessee (between Graham and Cherokee and Tennessee) and to pay therefor \$300. Bills passed: For encouragement of

the Woman's exposition of the Carolinas at Charlotte; to allow the penitentiary directors to pass upon the value of stocks or bonds offered by counties as pay for convict labor. The bill to reduce railroad fare and telegraph and telephone rates and to elect Railroad Commissioners by popular vote was tabled by a vote of 61 to 45. A bill passed to subject to the quali-

fied voters of Chatham county the question of road tax. At the night session bills passed requiring railroads to give free transportation to railroad commissioners and their clerks, giving the commission jurisdiction of street railways, if the latter haul freight; to require convicts on the State farm in Anson to work roads not less than two nor more than six days annually; to put stock law elections under the control of the county commissioners (they are now controlled by State election supervisors, to incorporate Morven. THURSDAY. - House met at 10 o'clock.

There was an avalanche of new bills, and among them were: Brown-To amend the act of 1891 making a suit for violation of the fertilizer tax tag law void unless notice is not within 30 days given the Agriculturel department; Cunningham - To male dogs \$1, no dogs allowed to live | impose a \$10 penalty for killing mocking birds or robbing their nests; Crary-(resolution) on behalf of Sylvester Scovel, an American citizen under arrest in Cuba; Ward-To forbid ex-Confederate soldiers from receiving pensions while immates of the Soldiers Home; to require the attendance of all children between the ages of 8 and 14 at school; to require ra: lroads to carry bicycles as other baggage; Dockeryto designate holidays (legal) January January 19, February 22, May 10, May 20, May 30, July 4, 1st Monday in Sep tember, December 25, and all Saturday from 12 noon until 12 midnight; Currie-To make misconduct at religious worship a misdemeanor, punishable by \$50 fine or 30 days imprisonment; to allow Lumberton to vote on sewer bonds; Hileman to require cotton mills to pay their employes the second Saturday night following their employment, and making it unlawful to longer withhold their wages, the offence to be a misdemeanor, the penalty, fine or imprisonment; the bill to appropriate \$5,000 to the "Rolling Exposition, known as "North Carolina on Wheels, came up as a special order, but was re

referred to committee. The railroad commission bill was taken up and amended by striking out the provision providing for their free transportation by the, railroads and

passed. The fireman's appropriation bill wa tabled by a vote of 60 to 31. The senatorial investigation commit tee is allowed to March 2nd to report. The "clincher" was put on the bill to give Fayetteville a "police board"

after it passed third reading. The bill requiring county commissioners of each county to meet on the first Monday in June and revise the jury list passed.

At the night session the following bills passed: To prescribe a short term of an agricultural lien in this State; to incorporate Pigford Sanitarium at Southern Pines for consumptive negroes; to allow Rutherfordton to levy a special tax this year of 15 cents on the \$100 worth of property, for bridges and repairs; to amend the code so no insurance tax shall be levied on any fraternal benevolent organization which has insurance features, but not

for profit. FRIDAY.-House met at 10 o'clock. Among the committee reports was one, unfavorable, on the bill to reduce salaries and fees. There were an avalanche of new bills, mostly local ones, though. Bills passed amending the charter of Selma; to charter the Stone Mountain Railroad (this bill passed both Senate and House without a roll call, while a roll call was necessary); to keep in re-pair stock law fences in Robeson; to incorporate Redmond, Madison county; resolution in favor of Sylvester Scovel, an American newspaper correspondent. in prison in Cuba; for relief of sheriffs and tax collectors, allowing them to collect arrears of taxes since 1891 Transylvania to levy a special tax; to | (amendments poured in excepting such

much as \$20,000 in rural districts which for three successive years vote to tax themselves, the gifts to be in the sums of \$50, \$75 and \$100 a year. Dixon, of Cumberland, said this was an excellent bill, and it passed its read-

Bills passed to take Yance county out of the Eastern Criminal Circuit; to give the local boards of trustees of colored State normal schools entire charge of such schools, such boards to be appointed by the State Board of Education; to extend the corporate limits of

Maxton. The bill (by Bryan of Chatham) to repeal the appropriation to the State University was unfavorably reported. The House refused, upon a vote, to take up on the third reading the resolution to attend the Newbern fair.

Bills passed: To make the law fishing with gill nets in Albemarle Sound operative March 31st next; to incorporate Roanoke Rapids, Halifax county; appointing cotton weighers for Lilesville, Morven and Wadesboro; making appropriations for the State insane asy-

SATURDAY-House met at 10 o'clock. Cook, as chairman, made a report as follows: "The special committee to whom the memorial herewith reported and Senate resolution No. 532, House resolution No. 579, concerning the appointment of a special committee of inquiry as to fraud concerning the lease of the North Carolina Railroad were referred, beg leave to report that after having carefully considered the Senate resolution and memorial, they are of the opinion that the matters therein set forth properly belong to and are cognizable by the judiciary department and recommend that the House do not con-

Bills introduced: Person, of Wayne, to make it discretionary with the State Treasurer whether he will pay any annual appropriations monthly, quarter-ly or annually. By Candler, to provide a dispensary for Asheville; Currie, to prevent careless rafting of lumber in Lumber river; Hileman, to provide that the State Treasurer shall collect from all persons or corporations doing a banking business under State license a per cent. of the capital stock which has actually been paid in by the stockholders, and that he shall use this fund to pay guarantees against any loss to the State; banks which refuse for ten days to pay this 1 per cent, shall be closed and a re-

ceiver shall be appointed.

Bills passed: To allow persons owning \$100 worth of property to receive pensions; to prohibit the sale of cigarettes to minors, vote 66 to 28.

The text of the bill is as follows: That after the ratification of this act it shall be unlawful for any one to give or sell to any minor to use or smoke cigarettes, and minor found so smoking eigarettes shall be a competent witness to prove from whom he received such eigarettes, and the evidence so given shall not be used against said minor in any presecution against such minor for violation of this act. That any one who sells or gives to any minor any cigarettes or any minor found smoking cigarettes shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not more than \$10 or imprisoned not more than 30 days.

By leave Johnson introduced bill to provide for the inspection of the manner of conducting certain businesses and occupations in this State, and to ascertain and tabulate the nature and value of the goods and manufactured articles sold in North Carolina for other States. It provides that all persons doing in this State the business of selling pianos, organs, etc., having or claiming immunity from taxation by reason of inter-State commerce, shall make sworn statements as to their business, under penalty.

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS. The Proceedings Briefly Told From

Day to Day. SENATE. MONDAY. - In the Senate, the joint esolution introduced last week by Morgan to declare the Clayton-Bulwer treaty abrogated passed, and the Senate went into a secret legislative session, which lasted until nearly 4 o'clock. After the secret session was over the Senate bankruptcy bill was taken up, but no progress was made with it beyond having the Senate substitute read in full. Twenty-four private pension bills, with a lot of other miscellaneous bills, were passed. Among the bills passed was the Senate bill appropriating \$10, 000 for the investigation of the obstruction of the navigable waters of Florida. Louisiana and the South Atlantic and Gulf States by the aquatic plant known

as the water hyacinth. Tuesday. - Chandler, (Rep.) of New Hampshire, spoke for three hours in support of the resolution declaring it the sense of the Senate that the United States should not permanently acquiesce in the single gold standard. He attributed the fall of values to the progressive steps in the demonetization of silver, and quoted Sherman in 1876. He also predicted the Republican overthrow unless the administration is conducted along the lines of bimetallism. The bankruptcy bill was taken up, but no action was taken upon it.

WEDNESDAY-The Senate modified the immigration law, and it now goes to the President. It adds to the classes of excluded aliens all persons over 16 years of age who cannot read the English language or some other language, except that admissible immigrants may bring with them or send for inadmissible aliens in grandparents over 50 years of age, wives and minor children. It with spade and plow, work it cut with also prohibits from employment on the horse power and steam power, work it public works aliens who come regularly or habitually into the United States for the purpose of engaging in any mercan-tile trade or manual labor, and who have not made a declaration of their intention to become American citizens. The Secretary of the Treasury, however, may permit the entrance of aliens to persons coming here from Cuba, during the continuance of the present disturbances there.

THURSDAY. - The movement to post pone further consideration of the arbitration treaty until after March 5, was defeated in the Senate. To the surprise of all Vest came out in a speech strongly favoring the ratification of the treaty as amended. Sherman says that when the test comes, the necessary twothirds will be found voting for rataification. He expects the treaty to be dis-

posed of Friday.

Friday.—The session of the Senate only lasted for half an hour. Possibly the last of the "unreconstructed" rebels was pardoned in the person of Col. D. E. Simms, of Kentucky, the Senate pay a fine of \$1,000.

disabilities. Senator Daniels (Dem.), of Virginia, was designated as the reader of Washington's farewell address next Monday, an observance introduced by Hoar some years ago. At 12:30 p. m. the Senate proceeded to the consideration of executive business (the arbitration treaty) and adjourned at 8 p. m. without taking action.

SATURDAY-The Cretan uprising against Turkey was recognized and encouraged by the Senate in the unanimous adoption of a resolution offered by Cameron, extending sympathy to the government of Greece in its intervention to free the people of Crete "from the tyranny of foreign oppressors, and to restore peace with the blessing of Christian civilization to the distressed sland." The bill which passed the House at the last session to authorize the appointment of a labor commission was taken up, but was soon sidetracked by Allison, (Rep.) of Iowa, chairman of the committee on appropriations, by a motion to take up the Indian appropriation bill, which was agreed to, and there was a long debate then on the sectarian schools, which was laid aside without any action. During the con-sideration of the above bill the income tax case was brought in question. Allen said that Justice Shiras owes it to the country to say why he so suddenly changed front on that subject. The change was so radical and so extreme that that man will go into history under a cloud unless he explains to the country what motives influenced him to change his position on the income tax

MONDAY. - The House concurred in he amendments of the Senate to the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill. The bill now goes to the Presi-

dent. The Sunday civil bill was taken up and passed. Pearson (Rep.), of North Carolina, attacked the river and harbor items in this bill, but when the vote was declared it was shown that its opponents were not numerous enough to even secure a vote of yeas and nays. The Senate amendments to the agricultural appropriation bill were nonconcurred in and sent to conference. Bills which passed under suspension of the rules were: To supply the National Guards of the various States and Territories with Springfield rifles of 45 calibre; the Senate resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to furnish a naval or other ship to transport India certain supplies donated by the Western States. The night session was devoted to the consideration of private pension bills.

Tuesday. - Coffin (Reb.), of Mary land, moved to pass over the Presi dent's veto the bill to pension at \$30 a month the widow of Pete H. Allabach, a veteran of the Mexican war. The vote resulted: yeas, 115; nays, 79; two-thirds not voting in the affirmative, the bill failed to pass over the veto. A large batch of pension bills was then

WEDNESDAY. - The House affirmed its intention to abide by the policy of limiting pensions for widows of general officers to \$50 a month, and grading from that sum down for widows of officers of lower rank. Conference report on the executive, legislative and judicial appropriations bill was agreed to. Hop-kins, (Rep.) of Kentucky, failed to secure his seat which was contested on an illegal and fraudulent ballot in Clark THURSDAY .- The House voted down

the decision of the elections committee

in the case of Hopkins (Rep.) vs. Kendall (Dem.) from the Tenth district of Kentucky, thereby seating Hopkins. The case was contested over the emblem of the official ballot, which was the eagle. A coon had been substituted instead of the eagle, the chosen emblem of the Republican party in Kentucky. It was admitted that this was transpar ent fraud, and that it was done with intent to deceive, so the vote of the county must be thrown out, and the House sustained this view by a vote of 197 to 91. The general deficiency bill was redorted to the House from the committee on appropriations with notice that it would be called up Friday. The bill carries an appropriation of \$8,438,937. FRIDAY. - The House made but little progress, only one or two measures being brought up. One of the measures was that of the appropriations to supply deficiencies for the current year and

but the bill was not passed at 5 o'clock when the House adjourned. SATURDAY. - The House finished the discussion in committee of the whole of the general deficiency bill, with the exception of one paragraph. An innocent appearing paragraph appropriating some \$12,000 to refund amounts deducted from the salaries for absence, brought about a family row, but after a long discussion it was retained. Before adjournment it was decided not to observe Monday as Washington's birthdry, owing to time being too precious at this late period in the session.

prior years. Richardson (Den.) of

an item to pay special attorneys for de-

fending suits against the United States,

Tennessee, made a long discussion over

In a recent speech at Hampton Booker T. Washington, the noted Alabama negro, said: "As a race, I believe we are to work out our salvation, to an organization that contents itself work it out with pen and ink, work it with protesting when it had an opporout with square and compass, work it out with saw and hammer, work it out out on the farm, in the shop, schoolroom, sewing-room, the office, and in all of life's callings. As before the war the negro was bound to the white man by slavery, so now he must be bound to him by community of interest. Here at Hampton we have not alone the sign for the purpose of teaching new arts or of progress, but the reality. There is industries. And the act is not to apply | no position, however high, in science or letters or politics that I would withhold from my race, but I would have the foundation sure."

Bank Cashier Gets Ten Years.

John H. Hoffer, former cashier of the First National Bank of Lebanon, Pa. who was charged with embezzling \$100,000 of the bank's funds, was arcourt last week before Judge Butler. After a consultation with his attorneys the accused pleaded guilty and was

Work on the Details Rapidly Nearing Completion.

FIVE DOLLARS FOR TICKETS.

The Parade Will be Large and Well Organized in Two Grand Divisions, No Invitations Issued.

The arrangements for the inauguration of President-elect McKinley are rapidly nearing completion. About \$13,000 will be spent in decorating the big hall in the Pension Building for the inaugural ball. The president and Vice-President, with their families, will attend the ball and will be in charge of a reception committee, of which Major-General Nelson A. Miles is the chairman.

The cost of tickets to the ball has been fixed at \$5 for each person, and \$1 extra if supper is desired. No invitations to the ball are necessary and none are issued except to foreign Ministers. Tickets may be had by any one at the price named.

The ball will be held on Thursday night and five inaugural grand concerts will be given in the ball room on the following Friday.

The first concert will be given at terially controlled by speculation.

10:80 a. m., in honor of the United "Figures at this season do not controlled by speculation." States Army, represented by Gen. for much in cotton, though there is a Miles and staff. The Republican Glee large demand on account of the partial Club, of Columbus, O., will sing a closing of many mills, which has manumber of patriotic airs. At 2 p. m. a terially influenced the market Prices have been comparatively steady; mid-Walker and Ramsey, and at night the concert will be given in honor of the is not accurately represented by clear-States of the Union, represented by the | ing house exchanges, owing to the ex-Governors of the States and their tra holiday this year at some commer-

The concert Saturday alternoon win be in the honor of Congress, represent last year. The railroad companies be-ed by the President of the Senate and gin to show improvement, being 9.7 per the Speaker of the House. The last cent larger than last year, for the secconcert, Saturday night, will be in ond week of February. honor of the United States, and will consist of music by the Twenty-second voices. Admission to each concert will be 50 cents.

The probabilities are that the parade will be large. General Horace Porter, of New York, will act as Grand Marshal, and will have as his chief of that staff A. Noel Blakeman, of New York City; Col. H. C. Corbin, of the United States Army, as adjutant-general, and Capt. John A. Johnston, of the United States Army, as chief of aides, with Capt. William Edward Horton, of the D. C. N. G., as special aide and mili-

tary secretary. The parade will be organized in two grand divisions, one civic and the other military. General Grenville M. Dodge will be chief marshal of the first grand division, to be composed of military organizations. He will have as his chief of staff General Huidekoper, of New York, and Col. Joseph P. Sanger, of the United States Army, adjutant

general. The civic grand division will be com-manded by B. H. Warner, of the city of Washington, as chief marshal, and will be made up of civic clubs of all de-

scriptions. The parade will start from the east May and June...... 354 front of the capitol and will march west along Pennsylvania avenue, past the July and August 3 55 President's reviewing stand in front of the White House, to Washington Circle, returning on K street to Mount Vernon Square, where it will disband. It is expected that 50,000 people will be

TO BOYCOT THE CENTENNIAL. Ministers' Alliance Discusses Sale of

Beer and Wine. The Christian Ministers' Alliance, which has for some weeks been considerably agitated over the intention of the Tennessee centennial management to permit the sale of beer and wine in the centennial grounds, held an inter-

esting session last week.

A committee heretofore appointed to express the views of the alliance reported, expressing sympathy with the patriotic purpose of the centennial; delight that the gates will not be open on Sunday, but deploring the determination to sell beer and light wines, and

protesting against it. Rev. J. W. Cherry and B. F. Haynes presented a substitute regretting that the centennial authorities intended ignoring the sentiments and wishes of the hundreds of thousands of Christian people and ministers; regretting the necessity of withdrawing its support, but requesting the churches not to have exhibits on the grounds. The substitute was rejected-ayes, 17; noes, 26; and the original report was adopted.

Rev. J. W. Cherry then withdrew from membership of the alliance, say ing he could not conscientiously belong tunity to act; when the ministers had never before had fuch an opportunity to cripple and wound the liquor traffic.

Florida Woman Sues Ohioan Anna Loomis, whose home is at

Cainesville, Fla., has sued Charles H. Palmer, a wealthy retired business man of Cuyahoga Falls, O., for \$15,000 damages. She charges that on the 6th of last April, while Palmer was traveling in Florida, he promised to pay her \$10,000 if she would marry him. She consented and the marriage certificate bears date of April 26th. Palmer re-cently inherited a fortune from an English estate.

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WORLD OF TRADE.

Better Prices for Grains -- The Influences on the Cotton Market.

Messrs. R. G. Dun & Co. say: 'Slightly better prices for wheat, cotton, wool and iron and a money market well adapted to encourage liberal purchases against future improvement in business, have rendered the past week more hopeful than any other since early in November. The heavy excess of merchandise exports over imports in January, the continuance of exchange rates showing that Europe is still largely indebted to this country on current account, and the prospect that Congress will adjourn without any disturbing action, all have their favorable influence on the money market, and upon

further undertakings. "The sales of wools have sharply declined, amounting to 7,409,300 pounds for the week, against 9,157,900 for the previous week, but owing to the heavy transactions early in the month, the sales for thre weeks have been 30,-130,900 pounds, against 13,168,700 pounds last year. The large mills have acquired large supplies for the present, and at any advance of price they appear ready to drop out of the market. The demand for woolen goods does not seem to have expended materially, and no quotable change in prices has appeared during the week.

"The heavy exports in January, following the unprecedented excess of exports over imports of merchandise in the four previous months, are largely due to the fact that neither the wheat nor the cotton markets have been ma-

"Figures at this season do not count for much in cotton, though there is a Navy, represented by Rear Admirals dling uplands declining to 7 cents, but cial centres, but the daily average apears to be 3.4 per cent smaller

"Failures for the past week were 803 in the United States, against 280 Regiment Band and a chorus of 500 last year, and 58 in Canada against 66

last year.		
Chicago Grain a	nd Produ	ce.
CHICAGO, Saturday		
futures were as follows		-
Wheat	Onen	Close.
May	open.	76
July	207	78
Carlon bar	713	
September Corn:		71
January	24}	24
May	25%	25
July	261	26
Pork:	1 7 1 1 1	
May	8 00	- 7.90
July	8 12	8 13
Ribs:		
May	4 10	4.0
July	4 17	4 1
Lard:		7 . 7
May	4 02	4 0
July	4 13	4 1
Liverpool Cotto		
Liverpool, Saturda		
middling 3, 2-32d,	y - roue	quier
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February and March.	8 53	3 55
March and April	. 8 53	3.55
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NEW YORK, Saturday. - Tone steady;. middling 7td. Closing. February 6 86 April..... 6.93 June 7 06 7 03 July August 7 12 September..... 6 79 6 74

New York Cotton Futures.

June and July 3 55

October 6 68 Tobacco Market. WINSTON, N. C., Feb. 20, 1897. Breaks are very large. All strictly good ripe sorts and good wrappers, cutters and smokers continue to sell well, while the medium, common poor sorts are lower. Primings,..... \$ 150 to 200 Bright Fine Bright Good Bright
Fine Bright Lugs Common Lugs..... Medium..... 8 to to 10 00 Good Fine. 14 to 20 20 00 Cutters, Common ... 12 00 to 15 00 Good Extra Ripe Leafy Fillers 12 00 to 14 00 Common Wrappers..... Medium Good....

Southern Railway

Fine.... 40 00 to 50 00

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