

# Dobbin & Ferrall. Dobbin & Ferrall.

## SPRING IS COMING.

The Beautiful sunny weather of the past few days tell you that spring is coming. Each department in our big store is in readiness. New Silks, New Dress Goods, New Cotton Weaves, New Linens, New White Goods, New Embroideries, New Laces, New Dress Trimmings, New Dress Ornaments, New Gloves, New Small Wares, New Curtains, New Carpets, New Mattings, New Rugs, New Furnishings for men and women, New Spring Merchandise everywhere—ready for the first spring purchases.

### LYONS SILKS

#### For Spring

Soft makes of Black Silks promise to be extremely fashionable this spring. We are showing the latest weave and finish in Lyons Silks. Panné Velvet Satin, soft and flexible as chiffon, with the heft and depth of rich Lyons Velvet, 22 inch wide, \$1.50 a yard.

### DRESS GOODS

#### For Spring.

The New Dress Goods for spring represent a multitude of weaves, wide in scope and variety as they are beautiful in finish and design. The collection is exceedingly inviting and must appeal to every woman. Now is the time to make your selections. The best things are here. They are temptingly displayed. The variety will not be so great again—nor the prices so low.

#### The Choicest Weaves Crepe de Paris

Silk and wool, 45 inches, \$1.25 a yard. Black, Cream and all stylish colors.

#### Crepe de Chines,

Silk and wool, 45 inches, \$1.00 a yard. Black, Cream and all stylish colors.

#### French Voilles,

All wool, 45 inches, \$1.00 a yd. Black, Cream and all stylish colors.

#### French Shot Voilles,

All wool, 45 inches, \$1.25 a yd. Black, Cream and all stylish colors.

#### Flaked Voilles,

All wool, 45 inches, \$1.00 a yd. Black, Cream and all stylish colors.

#### French Twines, Melanges,

All wool, 45 inches, \$1.00 a yard. Black and white, blue and white, green and white, brown and white, gray and blue, &c.

#### French Eolines,

Silk and wool, 45 inches, \$1.50 a yard. Black, cream and all stylish colors.

### NEW DRESS

### TRIMMINGS

### AND ORNAMENTS

#### NEW PENDANTS, NEW APPLIQUE MEDALIONS.

Not in any previous season have we shown such a variety of stylish Dress Trimmings and accessories. This is to be a season in which Dress Trimmings will enter most largely in the making up of costumes. Even the simplest tailor-made suit may be trimmed. Our display of Dress Trimmings deserves the consideration of every dressmaker and every lady who anticipates a new spring dress.

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N. B.—Our Shoe Department is showing advance styles of Dress and Walking Boots for Ladies. Very stylish. \$3.50 and \$4 a pair.

### FOR A STATE EXHIBIT AT ST. LOUIS

#### The Raleigh Chamber of Commerce Takes a Hand in the Movement

The Raleigh Chamber of Commerce committee on manufactures has issued an important letter concerning the proposed state exhibit at the St. Louis World's Fair to be held next year. It follows:

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 12, 1903. To the Members of the General Assembly and to the People of the State of North Carolina, the Officials of the Cities and Towns, and the Officers and Members of all Trade Organizations within the State: The General Assembly now in session will be asked to make suitable provision for proper participation on the part of this state at the St. Louis World's Fair to be held next year. The reasons for this may be briefly summed up as follows: (1) This state has the finest all-the-year climate to be found on the eastern seaboard, and as such offers exceptional advantages to those in search of desirable residence. (2) It has the finest and most fertile

farmland, trucking, fruit-growing and grass-growing lands in the south, which are at present largely unoccupied. (3) It has the most valuable of both soft and hard wood timbers to be found in any state, which offer fine opportunities for profitable manufacture. (4) It has the most valuable, and largest deposits of iron, copper, silver, gold and economic minerals to be found in the south; it has magnificent quarries of granite, sandstone, gneiss and marble; valuable beds of kaolin, talc, clays, corundum and mica all awaiting development. (5) It has unsurpassed water powers awaiting development; it has great need of additional factories to convert the various crude resources of the state into merchantable articles, thus leaving the greatest possible profit in the hands of our own people. (6) It needs an influx of home-seekers and capital to aid its people in building up all of its interests which go to make a great state prosperous, and to develop these and other resources. For these reasons it is desirable that the good and worthy things which this state has to offer to the outside world be conspicuously displayed at St. Louis, where the most enlightened nations, the wealthiest people and those desiring to find new homes and profitable fields for investment will congregate next year. All of the southern states, from Maryland to Texas, will show what they have to offer, and as this

state has better climate, greater resources and richer opportunities, they should be presented in the most attractive and creditable manner. To all who are interested in the effort to push the state to the fore, and to encourage and promote its material interests, this appeal is made. Urge upon the members of the Legislature the importance of furthering this plan of advertising the state; hold up their hands in the matter by writing your views, as by no other means can the wishes of the people be made manifest to those whose time is wholly occupied with the public business of the state. The governor recommended an appropriation in his wise message to the Legislature; let our good people second his lead and urge up on the representatives of your respective counties, by letter, your patriotic sympathies, with every measure intended for the financial and material betterment of our people. Write today. Let us all pull together for the upbuilding of the dear old state. FRANK T. WARD, President. GEORGE ALLEN, Secretary.

Wilson's Tobacco Trade  
Wilson, N. C., Feb. 14.—Special.—There were over two hundred thousand pounds of tobacco sold in Wilson yesterday, making the sales for this season up to date, amount to 21,287,152 pounds. The sales for last season were a little over 14,000,000 pounds. We are not surprised at this great increase, for live, wide awake, hustling tobacco men have made Wilson the finest tobacco market in the whole country, and farmers have recognized this fact, and are enjoying the advantages which Wilson so unstintingly gives. And right here we will mention that work on the new tobacco warehouse on Barnes street has begun, and it will be one of the largest buildings in the state. It will be run by Calvin Woodard, Frank Lane and those two popular and well known auctioneers Davis and Harrison. All four of these men are full of vim and push, and these sterling qualities will win success.

### Suit for \$50,000

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 14.—Special.—A suit for \$50,000 was instituted here today by Col. John A. Harringer, in behalf of J. P. Somers against the Southern Railway Company. Somers, while conductor of a train, was injured last summer near Beraha, a station between here and Reidsville. His right arm was severed at the shoulder and his left arm at the elbow. Negotiations have been pending for a compromise ever since, but, Capt. Somers finally declined the last offer and brought suit.

## Long List of Bills Passed by Senate

### The Busiest Saturday of the Session—State Board of Examiners Murdered—Bills that Failed—Confederate Soldiers' Widows' Pensions—Various and Sundry Measures

Contrary to expectation, it was a busy day in the Senate—a three-hour session, during which a large number of bills were disposed of under the rapid-transit methods of the presiding officer, Lieut. Gov. Turner, and when the Senate adjourned, a few minutes before 2 o'clock, the calendar had been cleared. Meets at noon Monday.

There was very little debate and no set speeches at all. The only discussion to speak of arose when Senate bill No. 54 (introduced by Senator Mann and designed to amend the present pension law) was reached. It was on the calendar with an unfavorable report.

Senator Mann explained its provisions, and suggested that it was a good bill, and notwithstanding the recommendation of the committee that it do not pass, he thought it ought to pass. It would increase the pension of widows of Confederate soldiers owning less than \$500 worth of property and slightly increase that of those owning not exceeding \$500 worth of property.

Senator London took issue with Senator Mann and opposed the bill. He would be glad to see the pension of these classes of pensioners increased and would heartily support this bill, if that would be the only effect of its passage.

But the fact is: We now have and will have during the next two years and thereafter just a certain amount of money appropriated and available for pensions. If we increase the pension of the class provided for in the Mann bill it will necessarily and unavoidably have the effect of decreasing the amount paid to other pensioners, and they the most needy class of all.

For instance, those who last year received \$14.50 would get only about \$10 with the same total appropriation, if this bill was made a part of the pension law.

"Still, I do not desire to be forced to the necessity of moving to table the bill at this juncture. The general substitute pension bill will come before the Senate in a few days—probably Monday—and I would suggest that Senator Mann have the consideration of his bill postponed till then, when he could move to amend the general bill by adding the provisions of his present bill."

Senator Mann accepted the suggestion, and further consideration of the measure was postponed for the time being.

Senator Norris of Wake introduced two bills of local interest. One of these (S. B. 638) provides for a change in the corporate limits of Wake Forest. The other (S. B. 639) is in reference to the support of the institution for the Deaf and Dumb. He also sent up two petitions from certain citizens of Wake county asking that selling be prohibited in Little river, Mark's Creek township, and for the incorporation of Bailey church and the prohibition of sale or manufacture of spirituous liquors within three miles thereof.

The bill appointing M. N. Amis of Raleigh a justice of the peace passed its final reading and was sent to the House.

The bill to induce a better attendance of children on the public schools of the state was made a special order for next Wednesday.

The Senate bill abolishing the special committee to examine the public institutions of the state and report to the Legislature (created by the last General Assembly) passed its final reading and was sent to the House.

In speaking on this measure Senator Glenn (present chairman of Senate committee on Asylums for the Insane) stated that, although a member of the last Senate, he did not know that a bill providing for the creation of this board of examiners had been passed, and that he was not made aware of it until some time after the adjournment of that session of the General Assembly.

He referred to the "expenses" of the committee, incurred in submitting their first report, amounting to about \$2,000, and resented the action and language of the committee in making an attack on the management of one of the state institutions located in his town. (Reference was had to the negro A. and M. College at Greensboro.)

Senator Glenn added that this committee was not only expensive and unnecessary, but that it conflicted with his duties and those of the other chairmen and members of committees that had to do with these state institutions, and with the directorates of the latter.

There seemed to be no one present to shed a tear over the death of the examining committee. But it is dead, and the Senate could kill it.

Rev. M. M. McFarland of Raleigh offered the customary prayer, after Lieut. Gov. Turner had called the Senate to order at 11 o'clock.

Without being read the journal of Friday's proceedings was approved, and subsequently the Senate unanimously granted the request of Senator Woodard of Wilson that his remarks delivered Friday (when he arose to a question of personal privilege to reply to an editorial in the News and Observer)

be incorporated in and printed as a part of the Senate Journal.

A half-dozen petitions were presented and read. In addition to the two noted in the introduction to this report, were two favoring temperance legislation from citizens of Stanly and Harnett counties, one against stock law in Ashe county, and one whose mission nobly succeeded in discovering.

**New Bills**

The following new bills were introduced and referred to the appropriate committees.

By Senator Webb—S. B. 623—Relating to special proceedings; referred to judicial committee. Also (by request) S. B. 624: To establish a dispensary at Canton, Haywood county; propositions and grievances.

By Senator Spence—S. B. 625—To amend chapter 340, private acts 1899, chartering the town of Pine Bluff; counties, cities and towns.

By Senator Godwin—S. B. 626—To raise revenue for town of Clinton; C. C. & T.

By Senator Webb—S. B. 627—To authorize Buncombe county to issue bonds to build a county home, or "poor-house."

By Senator Godwin—S. B. 628—For the relief of certain widows of Confederate soldiers; pensions.

By Senators Milton—S. B. 629—To pay Polly Fink a pension; pensions.

By Senator Hicks—S. B. 630—To incorporate town of Teachey in Duplin county; calendar.

By Senator Baldwin—S. B. 631—To amend the act revising the charter of Salem; C. C. & T.

By Senator Thayer—S. B. 632—To prevent depredations of domestic fowls in Montgomery and Stanly counties.

By Senator Griffith—S. B. 633—Authorizing construction of a bridge across Ivey Ford in Yancey county; calendar.

By Senator Spence—S. B. 634—To prohibit sale of liquor within five miles of Friendship church. Also (S. B. 635) to prohibit sale of liquor within three miles of Johnson's Grove church; propositions and grievances.

By Senator McMullin—S. B. 635—To amend section 178 of the Code; judiciary.

By Senator Reinhardt—S. B. 636—To amend the act establishing the state corporation commission; judiciary.

By Senator Norris—S. B. 637 and 638, noted above.

**Passed Final Reading**

The following Senate and House bills passed second and third readings. The House bills so passed were, of course, ordered to be enrolled for ratification (unless amended by the Senate) and the Senate bills were sent to the House for concurrence, generally without engrossment:

House bill, incorporating the town of Rhodell.

Senate bill abolishing state board of examiners of public institutions.

Senate bill, to incorporate the North Carolina Mining, Manufacturing and Development Company of Thomasville.

Senate bill, to amend charter of Asheville.

House bill, to correct state grant No. 470.

Senate bill, to amend law regulating notaries' fees.

Senate bill, to confirm certain charter privileges and rights in the Suffolk and Carolina Railway Company.

Senate bill, for better drainage of land in Lincoln.

Senate bill, to amend pension law was tabled.

House bill, to prevent public drunkenness in Macon.

House bill, to shorten time of notice of publication.

House bill, to amend chapter 524 laws of 1901 so as to eliminate the oath primary elections except in case of challenge, applying only to Mecklenburg county.

Senate bill, allowing M. N. Amis to practice law and be a justice of the peace.

Senate bill, to amend the Code, section 3901 with reference to measures.

Senate bill, to amend chapter 750 laws of 1901.

House bill, to incorporate the Bank of Martin, was amended and passed.

House bill, to incorporate the Raleigh and Eastern Railroad was amended regarding the rate clause then passed (second reading).

House bill, to ratify and affirm the incorporation of the Carolina and Tennessee Southern Railway Company.

House bill, to amend chapter 15 laws 1881.

Senate bill, to form a school district from Cumberland and Robeson.

House bills, to relieve Annie B. Whitelder, Miss Julia B. Howard, Miss Ella Chandler and Mrs. Stanford Rotter.

Senate bill, regulating hunting in Halifax and Warren.

House bill, to repeal acts of 1887 regarding collection of taxes in Caswell.

Senate bill, regulating local option election in Broad.

House bill, for paying school claims in Davie.

House bills, to relieve Miss Mary Jane Watkins, Miss Mattinette Rector and Miss Nannie Tanner.

Senate bill, to regulate the sale of liquor in township No. 1 of Edgecombe.

Senate bill, to regulate sale of malt in Cabarrus.

House bill, to protect deer in McDowell.

House bill, amending an act regulating hunting and fishing in Currituck.

House bill, to prohibit the manufacture, sale and shipping of liquor in Cumberland.

House bill, regarding the distribution of the Peabody fund.

Senate bill, authorizing Madison to issue bonds.

Senate bill, allowing Whiteville to issue bonds.

Senate bill, to authorize Edenton to issue bonds.

Senate bill, authorizing Pitt to levy a special tax.

House bill, to amend chapter 215 private acts of 1889.

The child labor bill will come up in the Senate next Wednesday.

The bill to establish a dispensary at Toisnot was postponed till Tuesday.

**Bills that Failed**

The various committees have been fighting clothes on, and quite a number of bills were unfavorably reported yesterday and consequently promptly turned up their toes to the daisies when some senator moved to "table" them. Among these, together with some others of no consequence, were the following: The bill to regulate contested elections; to establish a standard keeper in Vance county; to allow rehearing in criminal cases in civil cases, tabled; to validate the election of justices of the peace in Alleghany; to allow removal of cases from mayor's court as cases before justices of the peace are now removed.

**Other Matters**

Several messages from the House were received, notifying the Senate of the passage by that body of certain bills, but these are all reported in the House proceedings, to be found elsewhere.

Senator Godwin withdrew the bill providing for a change in the present system of county government of Sampson county by request of the chairman of the Democratic county committee.

A number of bills were reported as properly enrolled.

The bills reported by the various committees and placed on the calendar, were all reached and disposed of during the day, and so are, of course, enumerated above.

When the Senate meets Monday it will be 12 o'clock noon.

**A DESERVED COMPLIMENT**

**A Recent Publication by Mr. Amis Noticed in a Book Review**

In the review department of the bi-monthly publication of the Southern History Association, of Washington, D. C., issued in January, there appears a very complimentary notice of "Historical Raleigh," recently published by Moses N. Amis, Esq., of the Raleigh bar. The book has been heretofore noticed in The Post. It has been read, by nearly everybody in the city, and has been the subject of many compliments to the author. Not the least compliment to the work is that a ready sale for the whole edition was found soon after it was issued from the press.

The review referred to says, among other things, that Mr. Amis has gathered reminiscences from many sources and has added descriptive, biographical, educational, industrial religious and genealogical sketches with the object of acquainting the reader with the life of the people of Raleigh in the olden time, rather than to undertake the narrative of such events as ordinarily claim the attention of the historian. Such local work, when well done, is among the most valuable contributions of one generation to the history of its own times, for it furnishes to the next the surest materials on which the history of culture can be based.

**VISIT TO LUCAMA**

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 14.—Special.—Lucama may have been one of the dark corners of the county, but it is not so now, for a recent visit there revealed the fact that a live, diffused educational movement is breaking and dispelling the clouds of darkness, and causing the bright sunlight of improvement to spread its invigorating and wholesome beams over that entire section. Mr. Lafayette Lucas, a progressive, wide awake, public-spirited and liberal minded citizen of the place, is the leading spirit in this laudable movement, and it is through his zealous and untiring efforts, aided by others that they have a flourishing and well equipped school, under the excellent management of Prof. G. R. Strickland, a fine and efficient instructor, aided by polished and refined and cultured ladies.

Our visit there was a delightful revelation, and was most highly enjoyed, and long will we remember the charming hospitality we enjoyed in the comfortable home of our good friend Lafayette Lucas and his good wife, who is a model housekeeper and spreads a most bountiful repast. And we also had the pleasure of meeting the lovely and fascinating bride of the day, and handsome Albert Lucas, and his not least, those little jewels of sparkling brilliancy, Eva and Grace Lucas, two of the sweetest and loveliest and prettiest maidens that ever gladdened a home circle.

**New Daily at Wilson**

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 14.—Special.—Wilson is to have a new evening newspaper, and it will make its appearance next Tuesday afternoon. It will be known as the Daily Times, and will be published by the P. D. Gold & Son Printing Company. We suppose that John D. Gold, the able editor of the Wilson Times, will have charge of the editorial department, and if so it will be ably edited, for Mr. Gold is a strong, forceful and polished writer, a learned and scholarly gentleman, and thoroughly posted on all political and current issues of the day. His father, the Elder P. D. Gold is one of the best and wisest men we ever knew, and all of the emanations of his well stored mind are golden nuggets of richest wisdom, and these will add to the excellence and attractiveness of the new daily.