

TO DECAPITATE SWINSON

A Resolution Introduced to Abolish His Office.

ABOUT STATE BANKS

Bill to Make Stockholders Individually Liable—Also to Pay Josiah Turner for Public Printing With Interest.

The house met at 10 o'clock, Rev. Dr. Branson offered prayer.

Among the bills and resolutions introduced were the following:

By Murphy, to amend section 1255 of the Code, so that materials furnished a corporation to keep it going shall not have priority over a previously recorded mortgage, although they do not add to the plant nor enhance its value. By Hancock, resolution, to abolish the office of enrolling clerk and provide for the direct election of clerks in the enrolling clerks office. By Ormesly, to give county commissioners more time for meetings. By Murphy, to make bastardy a misdemeanor. By Chapin, to incorporate the Harnet central railway company from Sprout Springs to a point on the Fayetteville and Wilson short cut of the Atlantic Coast Line. By Sutton, of Cumberland, to amend the charter of Fayetteville by creating a public board composed of E. P. Powers, A. E. Dixon, W. P. Wemyss, G. A. P. Wilkerson and W. F. Radford, to take office the first Monday in May and serve two years and all officials shall be elected by this board. By Parker, of Person, to make it a misdemeanor to practice law before passing an examination and receiving license. By Holmes, resolution, to pay Josiah Turner balance due him for public printing and interest due. By Walters, to pay D. E. Patrick balance of his salary as professor of Latin at the University, amounting to \$1,700. Hancock asked that resolution to oust enrolling clerk Swinson be placed on the calendar. McKenzie and others objected. Adopted.

Bill to pay special veniremen in capital cases \$1 per day, came over from the senate, the latter body having added several counties which was objectionable to the house. McKenzie made a motion that the house refuse to concur in the amendments, and that a conference committee of 3 be appointed. The speaker named McKenzie, Cook and Parker of Perquimans as the committee of conference.

By leave Johnson introduced the following bills: To require all bankers or officers and directors of railroads and state banks or other corporations created or chartered by the legislature to take an official action, the state treasurer to prepare the form of oath, and send the blank forms to each officer on or before Jan. 1 of each year; bill to make chapter 494, acts 1893, discretionary with the state treasurer, instead of mandatory. This is the act which creates banks of deposit for the public moneys, by providing that he shall distribute the deposits of the public moneys in proportion to the capital stock of the banks. Also bill to regulate the liability of stockholders in banks chartered by the state, thus providing that "the stockholders of every bank now operating or which may operate under state laws shall be held individually responsible equally and ratably and not one for another for all contracts, debts and agreements of such association to the extent of the amount of their stock therein at the par value thereof in addition to the amount invested in such share; and any provision in any charter giving exemption for such liability is hereby repealed. The total liabilities to any bank of any person or corporation for money borrowed shall not be one tenth part of the actually paid in capital stock. But the discount of bills of exchange drawn in good faith against actually existing values and the discount of commercial or business paper actually owned by the person negotiating the same shall not be considered as money borrowed.

Young introduced a bill providing that the superintendent of public instruction shall ascertain the entire amount of money now appropriated in aid of the colored state normal schools and he shall divide this sum equally among the several schools and the state treasurer shall pay this proportionate amount.

Grubbs introduced a bill amending the Code in regard to restoration to

citizenship by providing that "the petitioner may elect to file his petition in the superior court of the county where the indictment was found upon which the connection took place, or in the county wherein he is an actual and bona fide resident at the time of filing his petition, which application shall be heard by the judge at term."

Brower introduced a resolution raising a special committee to which shall be referred all bills relative to congressional districts.

COOLER TOMORROW.

Fair Weather Predicted Tonight and Sunday—Rivers Rising.

The weather prediction for Raleigh is fair tonight, and tomorrow cooler. There will be severe gales on the coast today and tonight. The temperature this morning was 54.

The storm has advanced rapidly from the Mississippi valley to North Carolina, causing heavy rain in the east from Florida to Virginia. The largest amounts were 3.10 inches at Tampa, 3.24 at Augusta and 2.10 at Charlotte. The storm spreads out northward towards the Lake region, and is advancing into the high area over New England. The barometer is low also in the extreme west. Clearing weather prevails in the South.

NEW PHARMACISTS.

Eight Applicants Stood a Successful Examination.

Of the twelve applicants who stood the examination before the State Board of Pharmacy to practice pharmacy in the State, only eight were successful.

Below are the names of the eight young men who have been licensed to practice pharmacy in the State:

John A. Mitchener of Raleigh; Robert P. Hackney of Durham; A. Brantley York of Mebane; Alexander McGeachy of Fayetteville; William E. Gwaltney of Wake Forest; J. A. Mackelthan of Fayetteville; Caleb H. Richmond of Reidsville; S. Fulton Cole of Carthage.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

New York, Feb. 6. Market quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 30 Broad street, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C., over their special wire:

MONTHS.	OPENING.	HIGH-EST.	LOW-EST.	CLOSING.
January	6 95	6 95	6 95	6 95
February	6 99	6 99	6 99	6 99
March	7 04	7 04	7 04	7 04
April	7 10	7 10	7 10	7 10
May	7 17	7 17	7 17	7 17
June	7 22	7 22	7 22	7 22
July	7 26	7 26	7 26	7 26
August	7 28	7 28	7 28	7 28
Sept'mbr.	6 89	6 89	6 89	6 89
October	6 77	6 77	6 77	6 77
November	6 85	6 85	6 85	6 85
December	6 88	6 88	6 88	6 88

Closed barely steady; sales 48,400 bales.

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange today:

New York Stock Market.

Sugar	1144
American Tobacco	73
Burlington and Quincy	74 1/2
Chicago Gas	77 1/2
American Spirits	134
General Electric	354
Louisville and Nashville	504
Manhattan	894
Rock Island	894
Southern Preferred	28 1/2
St. Paul	76
Tennessee Coal and Iron	—
Western Union	—

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:

Wheat—May, 77; July 72 1/2.
Corn—May, 24; July, 25 1/2.
Oats—May 17 1/2; July 18 1/2.
Pork—May, 7 62; July 7 77.
Lard—May, 3 80; July 3 87.
Clear Rib Sides—May 3 90; July 3 97.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

February	3 58
February-March	3 58
March-April	3 58
April-May	3 59
May-June	3 60
June-July	3 60
July-August	3 61

Closed quiet but steady; sales 6,000 bales.

This afternoon the committee that has in charge the bill to annul the North Carolina Railroad lease, will meet and hear argument. Judge Avery, who drew the bill, will make an argument in favor of it. Capt. S. B. Alexander, president of the road, and attorney of the Southern Railway, will also appear before the committee.

J. L. GRAHAM ARRESTED

Supt. Mebane's Chief Clerk Charged With

HOUSE BURNING

Stoutly Denies the Allegation and Says it is Political Persecution—So Says Supt. Mebane—Graham Taken to Newton.

J. L. Graham, chief clerk in the office of C. M. Mebane, superintendent of public instruction of the state of North Carolina, was placed under arrest at the superintendent's office on the second floor of the supreme court building this morning at ten o'clock.

The arrest was made by Sheriff Jones of Wake on a warrant sworn out in Cabarrus county charging Mr. Graham with willfully and maliciously burning the dwelling in which he lived in Newton in March of last year.

The young man was non-plussed when the papers were first served upon him. He however attributed the action to political persecution and has since conducted himself in a creditable manner, answering freely all questions put him and explaining the matter to the satisfaction of his friends.

The action is brought by a Wilmington insurance company, which refuses to pay a claim of Mr. Graham's for the destruction of his property during the fire.

Mr. Graham was placed in the custody of Deputy Sheriff Rivers, who remained with him during the morning at the superintendent's office.

Mr. Graham was seen by a Press-Visitor reporter and he talked freely and frankly of the affair. Starting back to its inception, Mr. Graham said:

"On the fifth of March of last year my wife and myself went to Rowan county on a visit to my mother. We left our house, which is situated in the town of Newton, about 6 o'clock in the afternoon. Two hours afterwards the house took fire and was burned. I was notified next morning by a telegram and returned home at once, reaching Newton the night of the sixth. Very little of my property was saved and the dwelling, which was the Presbyterian parsonage, was destroyed.

"The house was valued at about \$600. I carried insurance on my personal and house hold effects, which was valued at over \$800, in two companies. I had a policy in the Phoenix, of Hartford for \$200, and another in the Carolina, of Wilmington, for \$500."

"I took out the policy in the Carolina September, a year ago, when I went to house keeping and in the Phoenix a month later. The Phoenix has paid me \$131, the amount that I claimed. But the Carolina company has refused to make settlement. The only excuse made was that my claim was not properly made out. My claim, which was for \$333, was returned to me. I had a complete list of the property destroyed. In alleging that my claim was not properly made out the company said that the affidavit was not prepared by the magistrate who lived nearest me and that it was not dated. The magistrate who made out the affidavit was mayor of the town and testified to my good character. Mr. Kenyon, the nearest notary who is president of the Catawba bank testified to my good character. The claim was returned to the company, but I have never received a reply. I have been pressing the claim in court and it is to be heard the 15th of this month."

"All I have to say is that this is a malicious, political persecution. I have no fears as to the outcome when the case is heard. This action is taken to bring prejudice to bear on my case for damages. Nothing was said of this until I changed my politics about the time of the fire. Certain democrats are the instigators of it. I want a speedy hearing and desire that the case be settled at once. If it is not I shall have it brought before a justice of the supreme court."

That was the young man's statement of his case. Mr. Graham is a good looking young man, 24 years of age. Of course he is annoyed but displayed no unusual concern. He is an Odd Fellow and Mason and comes of one of the best families in Rowan. He married into the family of Mr. Jas. Brown, a prominent cot-

ton manufacturer. Superintendent Mebane endorsed what Mr. Graham said. He is sure that it is political persecution. Mr. Mebane says that Mr. Graham had the highest endorsements of all the people in his section for the clerkship. He lived next door to Mr. Graham and fought the fire which destroyed his home.

Mr. Graham was carried to Newton this evening in custody of Sheriff Rivers. He will stop at the hotel there. Mr. Graham will try and get a hearing of the case tonight.

A special to the Charlotte Observer says Charlotte detectives worked up the case.

THE EUCHRE CLUB.

Charmingly Entertained Last Evening by Miss Lillie Hicks.

The Raleigh Euchre Club was most delightfully entertained last evening by Miss Lillie Hicks at Park Place on Blount Street. The Euchre Club has enlivened the winter in Raleigh social circles with a series of most enjoyable entertainments and it was the universal verdict of all the guests last evening that the occasion was one of the most brilliant, successful and thoroughly delightful of the season. The attendance was large, the playing was spirited, and interest was at the highest tension throughout. The game of progressive euchre was played with approved method and fine skill was evinced by many of the players, the contest growing very animated toward the close.

To Miss Hicks, the charming and accomplished hostess, will belong the distinction of having surprised her guests with a most unique and pleasing innovation. When the players seated themselves at their respective tables they found their score cards before them decorated with beautiful hand-painted carnations, which were so true to life that at first glance they gave one the impression of the real living fragrant flower. This was the handiwork of the fair hostess herself and was executed with such dainty skill and artistic taste as to command the admiration of all the guests, who eagerly preserved them as valued souvenirs of the happy occasion.

The lady's prize was won by Miss Janie Andrews and the gentleman by Mr. Perrin Busbee. The former was a superb cluster of rich crimson carnations and the latter a pretty silver hat mark. The prizes were presented to the winners by Mr. Greek O. Andrews. One of the most pleasant features of the evening was the delightful refreshments which were tempting and delicious and which were highly enjoyed by the party.

It was near the midnight hour before the guests said reluctant adieu. Rarely has a more brilliant and happy party ever assembled in a Raleigh drawing room, and the departing guests were profuse in their expressions of congratulation and pleasure to the fair hostess who had afforded them an evening of such perfect enjoyment.

The following were those present: Misses Lillie Hicks, Janie Andrews, Florie Jones, Sophie Busbee, Myra Pearce, L. McAden, L. Basbee, Lillie Hoke, Tempe Hamilton, Crudup, Dortch, Grimes, Nannie Jones, Kate Haywood, Mary Turner, Snow, Holladay, and Messrs A. B. Andrews, Jr., George Kuehne, Perrin Busbee, J. M. Ayer, Irwin Jones, Watkins Roberts, Greek O. Andrews, F. P. Haywood, Robert Gatling, T. Palmer Jerman, Ed Battle, Sam Hindsdale, Thos. Ashe, James Busbee, W. H. King, Thos. Bush, A. H. Thompson, R. L. Gray, Armistead Coward, Henry McKee, James O. Litchford and Howell.

Oratorical Contest Last Evening.

The Leazer literary society held its oratorical contest at the A. and M. College last evening. A large audience was present, including many legislators.

The subjects and speakers were as follows:

Opening Address—W. J. McLendon, of Anson.
Representative of Charter Class—S. M. Young, of Wake.
Free Cuba—Clyde Kendall, of Anson.

Influence of the Past—W. A. G. Clark, of Wake.

Carlyle's Message to Mankind—S. G. Kennedy, of Lenoir.
The Modern Engineer—N. G. Stansell, of Robeson.

The four last speakers were the contestants for the medal. The judges were Hon. B. F. Dixon, Mr. Waliser and Senator S. F. Shaw.

Mr. S. G. Kennedy was awarded the medal.

THE "JUMPERS" JOIN

Hileman and the Others with the Minority.

THE COLLECTOR

Of the Eastern District Will be E. C. Duncan—Democrats Open Permanent Headquarters Here—Pritchard and Not Coming.

The "jumpers," Speaker Hileman, Person and Whitaker, formally joined the minority caucus last night, which was held in Hileman's room. Permanent Democratic headquarters have been opened in the Law building. Secretary John Thompson is holding the fort.

Mr. H. A. Gudger is authority for the statement that Senator Pritchard has no intention of coming to Raleigh at present.

Mr. E. C. Duncan, the representative from Beaufort, will be the collector of the eastern district to succeed Mr. F. M. Simmons. Mr. Duncan has never spoken of the matter, but the fact has leaked out. Mr. Duncan is one of the strongest republicans in the east and one of Senator Pritchard's closest friends. We are glad to record the announcement that Mr. Duncan will become a citizen of Raleigh. He is a splendid fellow.

J. M. Mewborne will be the commissioner of agriculture unless all signs fail and the will of the minority populists is perverted.

Senators Barker and Wakefield enter a flat denial to the statement that Reinhardt delivered their votes to Pritchard in order to secure the penitentiary for himself. Both gentlemen declare that they agreed to vote for Pritchard during the campaign.

ALDERMEN MEET.

Street Car Company Must Act—To Collect Back Taxes.

The Board of Aldermen met last night in regular monthly session. The meeting was a most important one and many matters of public interest were acted upon.

The admirable report of the street committee which was printed in yesterday's Press-Visitor was adopted.

The street car company will have to rebuild in 60 days or their franchise be forfeited. It is stated that a number of parties outside the city have made inquiries about the possibility of securing the street car franchise.

Alderman Boushall submitted the report of the light committee, stating that since the city is not properly lighted, and as the contract for street lights expires in May, sealed bids had been advertised for, to be received on or before February 5, 1897, to provide seventy arc electric lights of 1,200 candle power to burn all night, and only two replies have been received, therefore the committee recommend that the mayor appoint a committee of five, who, with the aid of the city attorney, shall give out a contract by February 12, 1897, for the lights above mentioned. This recommendation was adopted.

There has been a great laxity among many of our citizens in the payment of taxes for many years. There is at least \$25,000 in back tax due the city. It is stated that several persons owe more than a thousand dollars in back taxes and that they are able to pay. Mayor Russ was authorized to prepare a bill and have it passed by the Legislature enabling the city to collect back taxes for the ten years from 1885 to 1895. If the bill passes a special tax collector will be appointed to make collection of all arrearages.

An ordinance was passed requiring the city tax collector to settle with the city in the same manner as a sheriff or tax collector settles with a board of county commissioners. The tax collector will in the future be held responsible for the tax list and must settle accordingly.

Senate to Vote on Free Silver Daily.

Maj. Grant is a student of politics, if anything. A great deal of time is killed in the Senate daily and the Major has been reflecting on the subject. The Wayne Senator thinks he has found a solution for the evil and his friends tell him he has. It is proposed that a set of free silver resolutions be introduced in the Senate every morning immediately after prayer and let them be acted upon. The Major sees light ahead of that motion.

ODD FELLOWS' COLUMN.

They Continue to Thrive—Membership Increasing Rapidly.

The "grip" seems to catch on to them, these days, and "grippe" it is.

Two applications for initiation were placed on file in No. 64 Thursday night.

The Lily has been chosen as the flower of the Rebekah Lodge.

We are sorry to chronicle the illness of Grand Treasurer Jones and hope it is only of short duration.

We are glad to know that nearly all the sick here are much better and most of them are well.

To know one person who is positively to be trusted will do more for a man's moral nature—yes, for his spiritual nature—than all the sermons he has ever heard or ever can hear.

If a brother injures you and you pursue him, where is your Odd Fellowship? If a brother commits an error or has a fault and you proclaim it from the housetops, where is your Odd Fellowship?

Every man should belong to some fraternal order, for in this fast age fraternal co-operation has become a necessity. You cannot afford to live alone. There is none larger, better nor stronger than the Odd Fellows.

Two new members were initiated into Ruth Lodge at their meeting last night and four applications were presented. A movement was put on foot to organize a degree staff and Bro. E. S. Cheek was elected chairman of the team.

The grand secretary instituted Deep River Lodge No. 189, at Randleman on January 28th with 25 charter members. J. W. Allen was made N. G.; Dr. L. L. Sapp, V. G.; E. A. Wiles, Rec. Sec.; Ferd Ingold, Fin. Sec.; N. N. Newlin, Treasurer.

Grand Representative Lumsden instituted Deborah, No. 18 Rebekah lodge at Henrietta, on January 30th with a large charter list of both brothers and sisters. Maggie Smith is N. G.; Miss Hattie Henson, V. G.; Miss Susie Wallace, Secretary and Miss Lou Fortune, Treasurer.

It is the wish of Seaton Gales Lodge, No. 64, that every member of that lodge, as well as every member of the other two lodges, who feel an interest in staff work, will meet with them on Thursday evening next.

Mother, where is your boy tonight? Are there any mothers in the city whose tearful eyes and anxious look betray their anxiety to answer the above question? We fear there are many. Once a good mother was talking to this writer and remarked, "I am never uneasy about my boy if I know he is at the lodge."

No mother need be the least anxious about her boy when she feels sure that he is learning lessons of wisdom, of morality and sobriety, and is associating with men who are trying to build up, not tear down his moral character. How many mothers overlook these facts and discourage their boys from connecting themselves with our order.

The outlook for the order in this State, we are glad to say, is daily brightening. A few months ago it was gloomy indeed. To have looked over the field at that time and formed a conclusion from appearances would have caused the strongest faith to waver. It seemed at that time that work as we might nothing in the way of advancement could be accomplished. It looked frequently that only a few of the old faithful ones would soon be left and they 'Feel like one who treads alone some banquet hall deserted.' But since the murky clouds of political excitement are being dissipated, the ray of sunshine begins to break through and we can almost feel the warmth of fraternity again. The correspondence of the Grand Secretary's office is a wonderful barometer in this line; only a few months ago no enquiries were made in regard to the order. It was seldom that any one could be induced to say anything of an encouraging nature, but now the barometer indicates a decided change, and the old veteran who takes daily observations smiles his approval and steps out with greater boerancy in the performance of his arduous duties. May the prospect continue to brighten.

A Collector Wanted.

The Press-Visitor wants a first class subscription collector at once. A grown man preferred with experience and references. Apply at this office Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Put-Pourri of the News Plastered on Paper—Points and People Pertinently Picked and Pithily Put in Print.

Bishop Cheshire will officiate at Christ church tomorrow.

Wm. G. Hill Lodge, No. 218, A. F. and A. M., will have their regular meeting Monday night.

Gen. Ray Stone lectured before a large audience in the Hall of the House of Representatives last evening.

Read Woolcott and Son's new ad. and go and see bargains they are offering. They are always in the lead in attractive bargains at best prices.

Marshal Mott and some other republicans are red hot because of the tardiness of the conference committees in reaching an agreement as to the division of offices.

A book of steam boiler inspection report blanks was found this morning between the city and the Insane Asylum and left at the Press-Visitor office. The owner can get it by calling.

Rev. P. H. Fleming of Burlington, will preach at the Christian church tomorrow night 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to hear him.

We are glad to announce that Rev. E. C. Glenn, pastor of Central M. E. church, has so far recovered from his sickness as to be able to fill his pulpit tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock and 7:30 p. m. His subject for the morning hour will be, "Life through death."

Monroe Johnson, the Mecklenburg burglar, will be hanged in Charlotte Monday. Mr. Walter R. Henry appeared before the governor today and made a final appeal in behalf of the condemned man, but the governor refused to commute the death sentence and the law must take its course.

The Knoxville Tribune remarks: "The end of all building and loan associations appears to be in sight. The original purpose of institutions of this character was sound and commendable, but so many of them have departed from it to such an extent they have grown unpopular."

SEABOARDS SCHEDULE

Vestibuled Trains to Meet in Raleigh at 2:10 in the Morning.

The change of schedule on the Seaboard goes into effect tomorrow. No. 38, northbound local, will arrive at 11:30 a. m. and leave at 11:35 a. m.; No. 41, southbound local will arrive at 3:34 p. m. and leave at 3:40 p. m.; No. 402, northbound vestibule will arrive at 2:11 a. m. and leave at 2:16 a. m.; No. 403, southbound vestibule will arrive at 2:16 a. m. and leave at 2:21 a. m. The southbound vestibule has been changed from 6 a. m. to 2:21 a. m., arriving in Atlanta at 3:50 p. m., making all southbound and westbound connections out of Atlanta.

All persons going south or west had better consult this schedule before buying tickets, as it is now the quickest time that can be made to all southern and western points.

Further information can be obtained of Mr. H. S. Leard, soliciting passenger agent, 238 Fayetteville street.

THE HELENIAN

The University Boys Dedicate their Annual to Col. J. S. Cunningham.

The boys of the University have paid Col. John S. Cunningham, Person county's popular representative in the house, a handsome and well bestowed compliment. The students decided unanimously to dedicate the Helenian to Col. Cunningham. The University Helenian, an always handsome publication will be more attractive and larger than ever this year. The publication will be ornamented with handsome cuts.

We congratulate Col. Cunningham and the University. It is a difficult matter to get 400 boys to agree on anything, but we can see very readily why it was possible for them to center upon Col. Cunningham.