

CALLS FOR UNION LABOR

Bill to Let Public Printing to Guy V. Barnes.

THE RIGHT LINE

All introduced by Senator Butler—Pro-vides that Printing be Done in Raleigh—No "Lowest Bid-der" Feature.

The senate met at 12 o'clock m. Lieutenant Governor Reynolds presiding. Prayer by Rev. Dr. W. C. Norman of this city.

Bills and resolutions introduced as follows:

By Uley, to authorize the collection of back taxes due the city of Raleigh; by Uley, to amend the charter of town of Apex in Wake county; by Person, a bill to lessen the maintenance of prisoners; by Butler, a bill to regulate the public printing.

Bills passed to provide for printing the laws of 1897; to amend the charter of the town of Durham and to issue bonds; to provide for exchange of criminal court circuits and to employ stenographers. Passed 2nd and 3rd reading.

By leave, Mr. Moxley introduced bill for relief of women and children in cotton mills.

Adjourned until tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

The following is the bill introduced this morning by Senator Butler, by request:

A bill entitled "An act to regulate the State Printing."

SECTION 1. That chapter 20, Acts of '95, entitled "An act providing for the letting of the public printing to the lowest responsible bidder, and for other purposes," be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. That the joint committee on printing are directed and instructed on the part of the State to make, execute and deliver a contract with Guy V. Barnes for the public printing at such rates as they think to be in the interest of the State, and not exceeding those of contract of 1893.

SECTION 3. That the secretary of state furnish to the public printer, on his requisition and receipt for the same, such printing paper as may be necessary in executing the public printing.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of the public printer to have the laws, documents, journals, and all state printing, printed and bound with the utmost expedition, and the work shall be done in the city of Raleigh, and with union labor.

SECTION 5. The public printer shall keep a stock book showing all paper and material received from the state, what part thereof has been used, and the balance on hand. This stock book shall be open to the inspection of any state officer. Each job shall be numbered, and each bill rendered shall show the number of rems, impressions, volumes bound, and other items charged on each job.

SECTION 6. The public printer shall make a report to the general assembly, showing in tabulated form the amount of work and for what department done.

SECTION 7. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act is hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

The house met at 10. Only a few bills were introduced: By Brower, to provide for furnishing the laws to the railway commission; by Wilson, to allow the people of Gaston county to vote on the removal of the court house from Dallas to Gastonia; by Burgess, to pay road overseers for putting up road and sign posts; by Burgess, to prohibit the shipment of white shad out of the state between April 15 and Jan. 1, the penalty being \$50 fine or 30 days imprisonment; by White, of Albemarle, to add that county to the provisions of chapter 230, acts 1889; by Johnson, to provide for the appointment of additional county commissioners upon petition of 12 electors (half to be free holders) and statement that the county affairs are being improperly managed; by Lusk, to amend the charter of Asheville

so that the people will elect all officers.

Resolution by Creech that the house adjourn at two p m in memory of George Washington.

To allow Charlotte to issue \$300,000 in bonds to pay for water works.

To forbid ex-Confederate soldiers who are inmates of the soldiers home from receiving pensions while therein, and giving them the option as between remaining in the home or receiving pension. (Bill recommended by the joint committee on pensions.) To incorporate Stone Mountain railway.

Planix on behalf of the engrossing committee presented the bill making appropriations to the insane asylums, saying it was in such a shape as not to make sense, owing to amendments. The chairman of the finance committee and the engrossing committee was directed by the speaker to make the bill read properly and as intended.

Bill passed to allow Johnston county to levy special tax. The speaker announced the following as enrolling clerks to begin February 22: J. R. White, of Bertie, James C. White, of Randolph, W. H. Quick, W. F. Young, James Blythe. The house confirmed the appointments.

When the resolution to distribute 350 copies of the Colonial Records came up there was a protest by Harris, of Hyde. Hancock said if it were not corrected there would have to be a reprint of the records at a cost of thousands of dollars. It was contended that the ratification could not be stopped, so the speaker signed. Hancock had a supplemental resolution which he said he would introduce.

SPLENDID RACING

At the Newbern Fair—Some of the Entries—Begins Today.

The Newbern fair opens today. Many Raleigh people will be present during the week, including the majority of the members of the legislature. The fair is one of the most interesting and attractive given in the state, and it is always a pleasure to visit the delightful old city of Newbern.

The races begin on Tuesday and they promise to furnish the closest contests between a higher class of horses than have heretofore been seen at the Newbern track, which is a third-of-a-mile one.

For the 2:50 class, trotting, fourteen entries have been received; for the 2:35 trot, seven; for the 2:25 trot, eleven; for the 2:30 trot, thirteen; for the 2:20 trot and pace mixed, eight; for the 2:40 trot, twelve, and for the 2:30 trot, twelve.

The running races, one of which will take place on each of the four days of the meeting, filled well also, attracting some very fair horses.

Among those who will be likely to start in the 2:20 trot and pace, which closed with eight entries, are Miss Thompson, 2:20; Julia May, 2:26; Prince Albert; Baron Wood, 2:26; Lucy Ashby, 2:23; the fast mare, Eufaula C., by Pamlette Prince and the black gelding Trim. The 2:25 class, trotting, attracted, in addition to several of those named, Kitty B., 2:24; Jno Pancoast, Myrtle Peck and Bird Eye, 2:25—the latter, the best three year old of last season, owned in North Carolina. The Newbern fair and race-meeting is well worth seeing, and visitors will gather from many sections to witness the exhibits of fish oysters and game which are such attractive features.

A Cotton States Edition.

The American Wool and Cotton Reporter for the second Thursday of each month will be a special Cotton States number, and will contain much matter devoted to cotton culture and textile manufacturing in the southern states, in addition to the regular features which have made the Reporter the strongest and most widely circulated textile journal in the world. The Reporter has enjoyed a growing circulation in the southern states for several years past, and now proposes to open a southern office at some convenient point, and asks the cooperation of southern manufacturers and merchants in presenting so strong a display of advertisements of raw cotton and southern fabrics in the Cotton States edition that distributors and consumers in other sections may bestow increased attention upon the products of the southern states.

At the Soldiers' Home on the 20th instant, Lewis Browning of Company J, First North Carolina Regiment, who had long suffered from the effects of three severe wounds.

LIBERTY FOR DELAMAR

Celebrated Insurance Swindler Pardoned.

IS SLOWLY DYING.

Pardon Recommended to the Governor by Well Known Persons—County Physician States That he Would Die if Longer Confined.

Governor Russell today granted a pardon to Dr. T. B. Delamar, one of the celebrated Beaufort county insurance swindlers, who was convicted of conspiracy at the October term of Carteret superior court and sentenced to two years imprisonment. Governor Russell gives Dr. Delamar his liberty because he is in ill health and his malady is pronounced a hopeless one.

The case is fresh in the minds of the people. Dr. Delamar who is a physician, was one of the leading citizens in Beaufort, Hewith several other equally well known citizens of the town conspired to defraud leading insurance companies and to accomplish this, palmed off several persons as dead.

The governor in granting Dr. Delamar a pardon gives the following reason:

"The pardon in this case was recommended by Hon T J Jarvis Judge O H Allen, two hundred citizens of Carteret county, representatives Duncan and Hancock, and other gentlemen; and it appearing by the certificate of Dr Duffy, chairman of the state board of charities, and Dr Robert S Primrose, acting superintendent of health of Craven county, that the applicant for pardon is in ill-health, slowly dying, in Craven county jail, and that further confinement would soon bring about his death, this pardon is granted."

KILLED HIS COMPANION.

Man Found Dead on S. A. L. Track this Side of Southern Pines.

Some time Saturday, a stranger of good appearance and fairly well dressed, was foully murdered three miles this side of Southern Pines.

The murdered man was first discovered by Capt. Williams of the Seaboard Air Line, who was running into Raleigh. Capt. Williams was in the observatory of the caboose and observed a prostrate form lying near the railroad track on a small embankment. The man's skull was broken to pieces and a piece of railway with which the atrocious deed had been committed was lying near by. Capt. Williams said the body presented a frightful appearance. The conductor threw out a note to the first section master, who was at work a short distance, informing him of the murder. Conductor Williams, while telling at the next station of what he had seen, was informed by an old colored man named Johnson, that he had seen two men at the point described during the morning. They were sitting on the ground.

It is presumed that the murdered man met death at the hands of his companion. Both are supposed to have been tramping.

It was learned today from parties from Southern Pines that the dead man's throat was cut from ear to ear.

BAILEY RESIGNS

Throws the Epitaph Aside and is No Longer Major.

Bailey, of North Carolina today gave up his military honors, which he has possessed for a very brief time. Before officially parting with his title this morning Major Bailey addressed the following letter to Adjutant General Cowles: "I hereby tender my resignation as assistant adjutant general of the State Guard. The same to take effect immediately."

Gen. Cowles received the document during the morning and the resignation was accepted. Mr. Bailey's successor has not been named.

Mr. Bailey's resignation was the result of discord in the guard. Mr. Bailey protested against the appointment of Mr. S. S. Batchelor as commissary general. Mr. Batchelor was however issued his commission Saturday.

THE STATE NORMAL

Some Interesting Facts About the School at Greensboro.

The Greensboro Record says: "Here are some facts worth reading, taken from President Melver's report of the board of directors, just published. That is a great work being done at this institution. People in this section realize it more fully, of course, than those at a distance, unless it be those interested almost altogether in educational work."

"Under the head of statistics, obtained from the registration cards, this deduction is made:

"1. That during the year years about 33 per cent. of the students fray their own expenses without help from parents.

"2. That 67 per cent. would not have attended any other North Carolina college.

"3. That about 80 per cent. received their previous training partially or entirely in the public schools.

"The total number of matriculants will at the end of the fifth year, reach nearly 1,200.

"The patronage of the institution has been what its best friends desired for it. Confined to no class as to wealth, locality, social position, or previous educational opportunity, it has been thoroughly representative of our good old State. To the efforts of the students the success of the institution is largely due. They have suffered many inconveniences during these first years, and have borne them with cheerfulness because they knew that the board of directors was providing for their comfort and their education as liberally as its means would justify."

PERSONAL

Mr. E. S. Martin, of Wilmington, is here.

Mr. F. L. Fuller, of Durham, is in the city.

Mr. George Allen has gone to Newbern.

Mr. Clifford Carroll left Saturday for Newbern.

Mr. A. J. Crampton, of Charlotte, is in the Park.

Dr Chas E Taylor of Wake Forest is in the city.

Prof M O S Noble, of Wilmington is in the city.

Mrs. F. I. Holloway is visiting in Lynchburg, Va.

Mr. H. R. House, of Fayetteville, is at the Park.

Mr C W Johnston, of Chapel Hill, is here.

Mr C B Aycock, of Goldsboro, is in the city.

Mr J S Manning, of Durham, is at the Yarboro.

Messrs W C Maxwell and S E Linton are here.

B H Dula of Lenoir was in the city yesterday.

Dr. J F Miller, of Goldsboro arrived in the city today.

Judge Spencer B Adams arrived in the city yesterday.

Chainman A E Holton, of Winston arrived in the city yesterday.

Mr. J. A. Oates, editor of the Fayetteville Baptist is in the city.

Dr McIver, President of the State Normal school is in the city.

Capt S B Alexander, of Charlotte, arrived in the city this morning.

Maj Chas E Davis, U. S. A., of Asheville, is registered at the Yarboro.

Mrs. J. R. Holder left this morning for the Newbern fair and to visit friends.

A A McKeithan, D A McMillan, A J Deal and J A Bowes of Fayetteville are in the city.

The society of the Cincinnati met this evening in the adjutant general's office. There was not a very large attendance.

We regret to note that Mrs. Judge Davis has been stricken with paralysis, and is very ill at Oxford.

Mr. Riggan is offering some attractive novelties and bargains. Don't forget to see his new advertisement today.

MAY MOVE ON HAVANA

Bunce's Squadron Ordered in Readiness.

CRICES AT HAND.

Foul Murder of Dr. Ruiz, an American Citizen, Officially Confirmed—Peremptory Demand Will be Made on Spain.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.—The foul murder of Dr. Ruiz, an American citizen, by Spanish soldiers may force decisive measures by the administration relative to Cuba. The administration has wired Consul General Fee for additional information about the outrage. A peremptory demand will be made on the Spanish government. Simultaneously Admiral Bunce will be ordered to hold his fleet in readiness for immediate departure to Havana.

Kry West, Feb. 22.—General Lee attended the autopsy of the body of Gen. Ruiz. He personally investigated the wounds and found the reports in no way exaggerated.

The Universalist Services. Rev. Q. H. Shinn, D. D., of St. Louis, general missionary of the Universalist church for the United States, held two services yesterday in Metropolitan hall, 3:30 and 8 p m. He had large audiences, and the subjects discussed awakened a general interest. Many questions were asked and inquirers were glad to learn of the Universalist's interpretation of christian religion. Some said, "If that is Universalism, then I am a Universalist." Dr. Shinn emphasized the certainty of punishment, said Universalists believe there is no scheme which any guilty soul will be exempted from the penalty which is his due. But punishment is to cure, therefore must have an end. He believed in final victory for God and not final defeat. There is no evening that Omnipotent Love will not subdue. The forces of good are stronger than the forces of evil, and will ultimately prevail. Full, complete salvation is likeliest to Christ, and that is not reached here by the best and noblest Christians. The highest heaven conceivable, in the true sense of that word is likeness to Christ. In a word, Universalism is this: God wants to make all his bad children good and he can. He has the means and he has the time. The time probation theory is fatal to all, if moral perfection is ever to be reached. Endless suffering could only be administered by a malignant being. God will not eternally quarantine, he will cure.

Dr. Shinn has been prevailed upon to stay over and hold a conversational meeting tonight at the residence of Hon. O. J. Carroll. All are invited, 7:30 tonight.

Railroad Commissioner.

It is announced that Mr. Walton, of Burke, has withdrawn from the contest for railroad commissioner, and Col. Edwards withdrew several days ago. The number of aspirants is growing less every day, and the friends of each candidate are claiming victory.

Mason.

Hiram Lodge No. 40 A F & A M will meet in regular communication Monday evening February 15th, 1897, at 7 o'clock. A full attendance of the membership is requested to attend. Brethren of other lodges cordially invited to be present.

By order of S. W. Walker, W. M., E. B. Thomas, Secretary.

Too Many Married People.

N. C. Christian Advocate. The bill taxing bachelors has been taken seriously by many all over the state. In our opinion, the greatest objection to the bill is that it would increase the number of marriages. There are already too many married people in the state and elsewhere. It is to be hoped that some bachelors may continue to enjoy the state of "single blessedness."

Washington's Birthday.

This, the anniversary of Washington's birthday, was observed in Raleigh.

Being a national holiday all the banks in the city were closed. The Federal departments here were closed for the day, and the post-office a part of the day.

Ladies' Hospital Aid Association.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Hospital Aid Association will be held at the home of Mrs. Herbert Battle corner Wilmington and Edenton streets tomorrow at 4:30 p. m. By order of the president, Mrs. Walter Montgomery.

Mrs. F. A. Olds, Secretary.

SPRING BEAUTIES

A Brilliant Display of Them Today at the Tuckers.

Nowhere, except Raleigh, can there be found such an extensive and up-to-date establishment as that of W. H. & R. S. Tucker & Co. Those who have traveled the country far and wide have yielded the palm to this magnificent house as being the most progressive, enterprising and superb concern in the country south of Washington. It is rarely the case that any one can walk into any similar place of business in New York, Baltimore or Washington, and find a more artistic display of goods, and one which shows finer taste in selection. There may be a larger display elsewhere, but none which is more artistic and attractive, and which embraces a more comprehensive selection.

Today was opening day at Tuckers, and their spacious and elegant store was thronged with callers from morning till evening. The ladies turned out en masse, and exclamations of admiration and delight were heard on every side. The feature was foreign and domestic organdies and these were arranged and displayed in the most artistic manner, with floral decorations by Mr. Bartel Wise. These flowers were beautiful roses and carnations, and their blending with the pretty colors in the elegant fabrics was most delightful in effect. It was a stroke of attractive enterprise never before seen in Raleigh and elicited the most enthusiastic admiration for all. The store was a perfect garden of flowers and one would suppose on entering that a section of Thorley's beautiful establishment had been transferred there. The exhibit of pretty and attractive fabrics for the spring was unsurpassed and Tucker's store was the center of attraction throughout the day. It was a brilliant throng which gathered there and a brilliant sight which met their eyes.

MAY BE RANSOM.

Talked of as the Successor of Seymour—The Mexican Minister in the City.

Hon Mat W Ransom, minister to Mexico, accompanied by his son George, arrived in the city yesterday from Mexico. General Ransom remained in the city only a few hours going from here to his home in Northampton county. Minister Ransom was summoned from Mexico to the bed side of his wife, who has been very ill, but is now much improved.

In connection with Minister Ransom's return to the United States, it is reported that he will be appointed to the judgeship made vacant by the death of Judge Seymour. It is not believed that President Cleveland would appoint any one else.

It is hardly probable that any democrat, save Minister Ransom could get the approval of the United States senate.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

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

Mr. Richard Busbee is here on a visit from the University.

Mrs. J. R. Holder left this morning to attend the Newbern fair.

Mrs. Walter H. McDaniels and Miss Henrietta N. Hastings, of Lowell, Mass., are registered at the Yarboro.

Wm. G. Hill Lodge, No. 218, A. F. & A. M., will have their regular meeting Monday evening, February 22, at 1:30 o'clock.

All American markets are closed today. Liverpool cotton futures opened 1-64 down, improved slowly and closed at Saturday's closing prices. Spot sales 10,000, dull.

Mr. Sam Heller returned to the city Saturday after an absence of several months for a brief visit. Mr. Heller is now traveling for a large shoe house, and we are glad to know its meeting with success.

Military commissions have been issued to Starke S. Batchelor, of Raleigh, as commissary general, George E. Butler, of Clinton, and H. F. Brown, of Tuckahoe, assistant adjutant generals.

A new section has been put in the revenue act. It imposes a tax on legacies and inheritances as follows: Those in a direct line 2-3 or 1 per cent, and to those collaterally (save for charitable uses) 1 1/2 per cent. No administrator or executor is to be permitted to file final account until such tax is paid.

Your attention is called to the new advertisement of Raleigh's big department store Woolcott & Son. They sell everything for cash and their prices will astonish you. Read their advertisement. Their grocery department is worth a visit and will whet your appetite to smell their good coffee.

Mr. W. E. Jones left for New York this morning for his spring stock. He will be joined at Baltimore by Miss Dunnock, his milliner, who will accompany him to New York and spend a week in selecting the latest and best things for his millinery department. Miss Dunnock was with Mr. Jones the past season, and he has secured her for the coming season.

Dr. Leak announced to his congregation yesterday morning that "his letter" inviting him to be one of McKinley's escorts was the genuine article, and that he would go to Canton next week. Rev. Leak did not say who the letter was from, and he also said that he could not exhibit it as it contained other matters. We expect to be able to present our readers with an account of the reverend gentleman's trip to Canton (?)

Seaboard engine, No. 540, which started the Atlanta Express to Weldon yesterday morning met with a serious accident near Crabtree creek. One of the driving rods snapped, knocking the cylinder head out and breaking up the side of the engine very badly. The knocking of the cylinder head out caused an explosion which was heard for some distance. The train was brought back to the round house and another engine secured.

Senator Scales Conducts the Service.

The prayer meeting service held Sunday evening by the Westminster League of the Presbyterian church was one of unusual interest. The service was conducted by Hon. Alfred M. Scales, who was formerly a member of the Presbyterian church of this city, and his many friends here availed themselves of the opportunity of hearing his excellent address. His subject was, "Our Troubles, and How to Get Rid of Them," and he drew from Scripture lessons simple and helpful, that will long be remembered by those present.

Mr. W. J. Rogers, of Valdosta Georgia, a brother of Dr. J. R. Rogers is here on a visit. Mr. Rogers is a native of Wake county and has met with success in his adopted home. He is engaged in naval store and lumber business.