

MAY ADJOURN TUESDAY

Resolution to this Effect Passed the House.

THE REVENUE AND MACHINERY ACTS PASS FINAL READING WITH FEW AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Cook's Protest Against the News and Observer—The \$100,000 School Fund and the Regular Educational Bills Passed.

The House convened yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. The devotional services were conducted by Representative [Name].

The regular calendar work was taken up at 10:30. The bill to amend the act to dispose of the time for the tax on the land of Clay county to settle his estate.

Mr. Johnson moved to reconsider the bill which the Mrs. Pattie D. B. [Name] introduced and to table that motion.

On motion of Mr. Hauser, the bill which was introduced to run at large in certain sections of the year, in a portion of Mossy Hill township, in Union county, was taken from the table and passed second reading.

Mr. Sutton of Cumberland, sent forward a resolution that the General Assembly adjourn sine die on Tuesday at 12 m. He followed up his resolution with the statement that the sixty days' adjournment prescribed by the Constitution expired on Saturday and the physical condition of the members would not admit of a more protracted stay.

Mr. Lusk said he was here to transact the business of the people if he had to stay until next July. Mr. Hancock offered an amendment that the Assembly adjourn on Wednesday at 12 m. The amendment was also voted down, and the original motion to adjourn Tuesday, the 5th, at 12 m. prevailed.

Mr. Cook of Warren arose to a question of personal privilege, saying that the News and Observer quoted him as charging that the Wake Forest College students were guilty of perjury. This, he said, was false; he had charged no such thing. He first thought the charge was quoted from Mr. Duffy, but after he took his seat discovered that the statement was made by the News and Observer reporter. Instead, he therefore arose again and exonerated Mr. Duffy. He expressed the highest regard for the students and would by no means cast such a reflection upon them. Mr. Duffy also explained his position in regard to the matter. He had said that the action of the House in refusing to confirm their votes had a tendency to declare them perjured.

On motion of Mr. Johnson section 52 of the Revenue Act, which had been struck out in a committee of the whole on Monday, was re-inserted, and the act passed the third reading by a vote of 64 to 27.

The discussion of the 52nd section was quite animated. The section imposed a tax of \$50 upon all drummers representing other than manufacturing firms, travelling in the State.

The section was opposed by Mr. McCrary, who contended that such a law would be a serious blow upon many business houses. However, he voted for the act on the third reading with the understanding that an opportunity to fight the clause would be afforded during its passage in the Senate.

The machinery act was put upon its third reading, which was by sections. When section 13 was reached, Mr. Lusk offered an amendment "that any person or company, owning a hunting or shooting privilege on any real estate, shall pay a tax in proportion to the amount paid for such a privilege." The amendment was opposed by Messrs. Blackburn and Umstead. However, pending the disposition of this matter, the section of a Railroad Commissioner and State Librarian arrived, and this matter was taken up. Mr. Hancock (Rep.), in a few well chosen sentences, placed in nomination Dr. D. H. Abbott, (Rep.), of Eastern North Carolina.

The nomination was seconded by Mr. Parker of Perquimans (minority Populist).

Mr. Nelson, for the Democratic side of the House, placed in nomination Mr. Eugene C. Beddingfield, the present incumbent. Mr. Duffy seconded Mr. Beddingfield's nomination. Mr. Ward (majority Populist) nominated Mr. Jno. Graham, of Warren county. Mr. Johnson seconded the nomination.

Dr. Dixon, addressing the chair, said that he would gladly support Mr. Beddingfield for Railroad Commissioner, but he was already committed to Col. Cook.

Col. Lusk expressed surprise that Democrats should want any pie. He thought that they should allow the Republicans to have just a little bit of pie.

Mr. Cook of Warren stated that he knew Mr. Graham intimately and did not believe that the presentation of Mr. Graham's name was with his knowledge. He thought the action was calculated to do his friend a great injustice and serious injury to the educational institution which he was conducting.

Mr. Hodges (minority Populist) made a stirring speech in advocacy of the election of Dr. Abbott, of Pamlico. He said he was a Populist who believed in fair play and the Populists and Republicans had made an agreement regarding the division of offices, which required that the Republicans should have the Railroad Commission. Messrs. Cook, Abernathy, Dixon of Cleveland, and Ward were appointed tellers. Mr. White of Alamance stated, in explaining his vote, that notwithstanding certain very unjust treatment, which he had received at the hands of certain Republican leaders, he would cast his vote for Dr. Abbott. He had always been a Republican and would prove his loyalty. There were demands from the Democratic side of the House that Mr. Jones (Democrat), of Allegheny, be required to vote. A motion was made to excuse him; but Mr. Jones declared that he did not want to be excused. He voted for Hon. R. A. Doughton, of

Allegheny. This was greeted with a great outburst of laughter and rounds of cheers from the Republican side of the House. The vote was announced as follows: Dr. Abbott, 69; E. C. Beddingfield, 27; Jno. Graham, 20; Hon. R. A. Doughton, 1.

Mr. Hodges (minority Populist) arose to nominate Mr. R. A. Cobb, of Burke county, for the office of State Librarian. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Cook (Republican). Mr. Johnson (majority Populist) nominated E. A. Cole, of Moore county. Mr. Blackburn seconded the nomination of Mr. Cole, as did Col. Lusk of Buncombe.

Mr. Martness nominated the present incumbent, Mr. J. C. Ellington, whom he declared to be eminently qualified for the office. He could put his hands upon any book in the library on a minute's notice. Col. Lusk said he was going to vote for the Populist nominee; that the liberty and best interests of North Carolina depended largely upon the co-operation existing between the Republicans and Populists. He had known Mr. Cobb from his earliest boyhood and knew him to be a Populist true and tried, well qualified for the position for which he was nominated.

The roll call vote for State Librarian then proceeded, resulting as follows: Mr. Cobb, 69; Mr. Cole, 21; Mr. Ellington, 25. The tellers then retired to confer with the Senate tellers. When they returned they announced Dr. Abbott's election as Railroad Commissioner and Mr. Cobb's election as State Librarian. The vote for Railroad Commissioner was as follows: Dr. Abbott, 96; E. C. Beddingfield, 34; John Graham, 25; R. A. Doughton, 1. For State Librarian: R. A. Cobb, 95; E. A. Cole, 37; J. C. Ellington, 32.

The reading of the machinery act was then resumed and Col. Lusk's amendment as to hunting grounds was voted down. Section 14 was amended by Mr. Dockery as follows: "Provided that this section shall not be construed so as to impose a double tax upon such corporations."

The reading proceeded without incident until section 69 was reached, which prescribes the rules and evidence to be observed in making sheriff's deeds in cases of sale for taxes. Col. Lusk offered an amendment to strike out "and it shall be conclusive evidence of the following facts," in sub-section 7. The amendment was adopted.

The reading of the remainder of the act was continued to the conclusion with the proposed amendment. It was 3 o'clock when the reading was concluded and a motion to take a recess until 4 o'clock prevailed. The vote upon the passage of the bill on the third reading was deferred until that time.

AFTERNOON SESSION. The House was called to order for the afternoon session at 4 o'clock. Business was enacted as follows: Bill to allow W. G. Lewis, a justice of the peace at Statesville, to practice law. Passed.

By consent, Mr. Adams introduced a bill to pay the expenses of James H. Young in the contested election case of Broughton vs. Young. The amount involved is \$500.

Bill to allow Cumberland county to construct a sewerage system for the county jail. Passed.

The consideration of the machinery act was resumed as left off at the adjournment of the morning session. Mr. Johnson moved to reconsider the vote by which Col. Lusk's amendment to section 59, changing the word "conclusive" to "presumptive." The motion was sustained. Col. Lusk came upon the floor and renewed his fight for retention of the amendment. The vote resulted in the adoption of the amendment a second time. The machinery act then passed the third reading by a vote of 55 to 16.

Bill to authorize the city of Raleigh to levy a special school tax. Passed third reading.

SPECIAL ORDER. Mr. Dockery called up the special order, being the bill to revise and improve the public school system of North Carolina. The bill was put upon the second reading, which was in full, and required about 30 minutes. The bill passed the second reading by a vote of 48 to 16.

On the third reading Mr. Dockery offered several unimportant amendments which were adopted. The bill then passed the third reading with few dissenting votes.

Mr. Blackburn lodged a motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill passed.

On motion of Mr. Sutton of New Hanover the House voted to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill to amend the charter of the city of Wilmington.

Bill to allow school districts, in Person county, to levy a special tax. Passed second reading.

Mr. Hancock introduced a resolution providing that the House and Senate go into the election of trustees for the State University today at 12 m. The resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate.

Bill to encourage local taxation for public school purposes, appropriating \$100,000 from the State Treasury, was put upon the third reading, having passed the second on Monday. An amendment was offered to provide that \$85,000 be paid out of the special funds for school purposes and \$15,000 out of the general funds in the State Treasury, making in all \$100,000, the amount called for by the bill.

Messrs. Pinnix and Blackburn made vigorous speeches in opposition to the amendment. Mr. Blackburn said he had voted for all the appropriations to the University and State Normal and Industrial College with the understanding that this \$100,000 should come from the general State Treasury, and now he wanted the friends of higher education to come up to the scratch and vote down the amendment. Mr. Pinnix insisted that the appropriation should come from the general funds. It would not be fair to take the money which already belonged to the poor children and offer it to them as a subterfuge for the aid promised them. The amendment was withdrawn and the previous question, being the passage of the bill upon the third reading was called, and resulted in the passage of the bill. It was ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Representative Ferrell made a motion that Mrs. Pattie D. B. Arrington be allowed one hour, from 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock, tonight. The motion prevailed, but notice was lodged of a motion to reconsider the vote by which it passed.

At the request of Mr. Umstead, the bill to amend the charter of the town of Durham was put upon its readings and passed.

The House took a recess at 6:35 until 7:30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION. The House was called to order for the evening session at 8:05 o'clock. A special order had been previously passed at 6 o'clock, and this was taken up immediately after the reading of committee reports and brief messages from the Senate. The bill was that to provide for the State Guards, appropri-

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Mr. Candler called up the omnibus church incorporation bill and asked that it be put upon its readings. It is the bill prepared by the committee on Propositions and Grievances to include all the bills introduced prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicants in various distances of churches in North Carolina. The bill incorporates about three hundred churches. It is quite lengthy and objection was made to the reading. Pending the examination of the bill by various members, regular business was resumed.

Mr. Cook called up the bill repealing section 5, chapter 135, public laws of 1885, creating two additional county commissioners. The baneful operation of the law was depicted by a number of Representatives, both Republicans and Democrats. Mr. Cook declared the bill to be exceedingly objectionable. Mr. Blackburn also spoke in favor of the passage of the bill. The only opposition speech was made by Mr. Duffy (Democrat), who indulged in a lengthy speech of an ironic and sarcastic character. The previous question was called by Mr. Johnson and the bill passed.

Mr. Duffy introduced a bill providing for additional county commissioners was put upon its readings. The bill provides that when twelve electors shall make affidavit that they have carefully examined the books and records of the county commissioners and find that they have willfully or through incompetency mismanaged the county's affairs or misappropriated funds the Judge shall appoint two additional commissioners. This bill passed second and third readings.

The Louisiana dispensary bill was put upon the second reading. Mr. Blackburn offered an amendment that the question be submitted to a vote of the citizens interested. The amendment was voted down, and the bill passed. It was ordered enrolled for ratification.

Bill to create a State Board of Equalization was put upon its readings. Col. Lusk spoke in advocacy of the bill. He was its author. The Railroad Commission is to constitute the Board under the provisions of the bill, and no extra pay is to be paid them. Their business is to equalize the taxation of real estate and other property. Mr. McCrary said the bill was a good one and, if enacted into law, a monument should be erected to its introducer twice as high as the Washington monument. It was stated that the bill provides a clerk for the Board at a salary of \$600. Mr. Lusk quoted the State Auditor as saying that the bill would increase the revenue of the State at least \$15,000, without any increase of tax levy. The bill passed.

The omnibus bill, prohibiting the sale of liquors near churches in various counties, was put upon the third and final reading and passed.

House adjourned until 9 o'clock today.

SENATE. (Continued from Fourth Page.) To provide Bibles for prisoners in jails. To increase the salary of chief clerk in the auditor's office. To prohibit hiring convicts in competition with free labor. Relating to the practice of medicine. To amend chapter 267, laws of 1895. To provide for an additional term of the Superior court of McDowell county. To protect the lives of prisoners. To remove the disabilities of Henry Sloan. To establish boards of locomotive and boiler inspectors. To authorize the acceptance of certain bonds. The following passed second and third readings: To amend chapter 112, private laws of 1892. To amend chapter 245, laws of 1895. To provide for having the State represented at the Tennessee exposition. To amend a State grant. To clear the channel of Beraja creek. To regulate the sale of spirituous and malt liquors in Columbus county. To incorporate Tillery Baptist church in Halifax county. To regulate the oyster industry in New Hanover county. To amend section 43 of the code. To amend chapter 138, private laws of 1891. To repeal chapter 292, private laws of 1891. To amend the stock law of Craven county. To amend chapter 83, private laws of 1891. To lay off a road in Wilkes county. The following passed second reading: For the relief of consumptives at Southern Pines. To prohibit printing and circulating obscene books. To amend chapter 355, laws of 1887 relating to working convicts on public roads. Bill to provide for an election in Duplin county upon the question removing the court house passed second and third readings. The following were tabled: To protect mortemans and conductors. To amend the local option law so far as it relates to Southport. To prevent the pollution of streams by sawdust. To regulate challenges to jurors. To protect owners of beer and soda-water bottles. To protect public schools. To lessen the expense of keeping prisoners. To regulate the sale of second-hand clothing. In relation to women and children working in cotton mills. Adjourned to ten o'clock this morning.

To amend chapter 155, Laws of 1887. To amend chapter 255, Laws of 1895.

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