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LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

THEN the revenue bill was under V. V consideration in the House, Mr. Holman offered an amendment to Section 37 by adding that a tax of 25 cents be placed upon each share of the capital stock of the R. & G. R. R. Co. from 1867 to 1889, inclusive, and also in the future. Mr. Leazer made a strong speech in favor of the amendment. He stated that less than \$23,000 tax was paid on \$50,000,000 of this kind of property in the State. The amendment was adopted by a unanimous vote. When it reached the Senate, Mr. Payne made a strong legal argument in its favor and was opposed by other Senators. If the Statement made by Mr. Leazer be true, and no doubt it is, then it is a powerful argument for the absolute hecessity of a Railroad Commission.

Farmers and other classes of our citizens cannot (if they would) deprive the State of its just dues in the way of taxes. They must pay. They cannot dodge. But according to Mr. Leazer there is \$50,000,000 of railroad values, which should pay its just proportion of the taxes, but which is not reached. The right kind of a Railroad Commission could and would

unearth it, and it will yet be done. The bill for the sale of the Governor's Mansion, which passed the Senate, was tabled in the House,

Mr. Doughton introduced a bill to prevent discriminations in freights against the A. & N. C. R. R. which

has become a law. A majority report of the Senate committee on the penitentiary recom-B. R. and the Broad Creek Canal have each 150 of the convicts. The minority report presented by Senators Baily and Twitty. recommended that the convicts, be not given to these enterprises. After striking out \$75,000 September 1st, 1889, at the rate of \$125 each, per annum, the majority report was adopted by a vote of 27 ayes to 12 noes.

The bill introduced by Mr. Anderson to abolish the Bureau of Labor Statistics was re-committed to the committee. The bill to consolidate the Board of Agriculture and the your ultimate triumph, I am, Board of Trustees of our Agricultural College passed the House but is still in the hands of the Agricultural Compension the old soldiers, as reported to the Senate, levies a tax of 4 cents on the \$100 worth of property and 17, 12 cents on the poll. It was amended by the following vote:

of Pitt.—Total 34.

Thomas, Warters-Total 9.

ally for the North Carolina Asylum tors.

at Raleigh; \$85,000 for 1889 and \$90,000 for 1890 for the Western Insane Asylum: \$40,000 for 1889 and \$35,000 for 1890 for the Colored

Asylum at Goldsboro. Mr. Beddingfield's bill requiring the payment of a poll tax as a prerequisite to voting was tabled.

A vast number of bills of a local character were acted on and many of them passed during the week.

The Assembly has attended closely, as a rule, to its work. It has proven itself to be, in the main, a sensible, conservative body, and in no one thing, perhaps, more than refraining from attempting too much legislation. Of one thing it cannot be chargedthat it wantoniy wasted the public money. It has been economical and watchful of the public interests in the expenditure of money and in levying

STATE IT FAIRLY.

"Prof. J. F. Crowell, President of the Commission. THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER and State Chronicle, have since felt called upon to give him a lecture on good behavior rather, and have advised him to stick to his college North Carolina sufficiently long to express an opinion on matters of State policy: Granting the Professor was a hasty and more indiscrete and discourteous in their manner of dealing with him and his communication. What we saw was rather with ill grace. There is quite a difference in game of bluff and an argument. Better that they had adopted the latter and answered his argument. It appears after all that the Senate agreed with the Professors and killed the bill which he was opposing."

We clip the above from the Statesville Christian Advocate of the 6th inst. We do not believe that the Advocate would do us an intentional injustice. We therefore cannot believe that its editor read our article in reply to in the above clipping so far as they apply to THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER, are utterly unfounded. Our article was as free from the proscription and discourtesy ascribed to it by the Advocate as was the intention and motives which prompted it. We accorded to President Crowell the unquestioned right to express his views as a citizen of our State on this as on any other public question, and we endeavored to meet him fairly and squarely in the field of legitimate argument, just as we would have done with any other citizen. of our State. We trust the Advocate will do us justice.

A WORD FROM MISSISSIPPI.

N esteemed friend living in Misa sissippi and writing us a business letter concludes in the following language, for which he has our grate-

"I am a subscriber to THE PRO GRESSIVE FARMER, and I feel that I would be derelict in duty, especially as the opportunity is so favorable, did I fail to add my testimony to the aid to said fund, to take effect March worth of your paper. I believe it is 31st, 1889. doing a commendable, a grand work, for a noble and deserving people. The mended \$75,000 for the support of ability displayed, the zeal exhibited the convicts, and that the W. N. C. and the earnestness evinced in its columns can hardly fail to be productive of great good; nor can I, for a moment, doubt that it meets the appreciation of the noble people of the grand Old North State. I am a native of North Carolina (Gates county) and and inserting \$40,000, and requiring feel a deep and lively interest in her that all convicts shall be paid for after | prosperity-in the success and happi ness of her people. I rejoice to know that her citizens take interest in the Alliance and that the organization is spreading to her utmost borders. I hope to live to see the day when her emancipation shall be complete. Bid. ding you God speed in the great work you are doing, and with full faith in

Truly and fraternally yours, J. H. B."

ANT.

THE letters, communications, resoby making it 3 cents on property and in our exchanges, which are crowding ance of North Carolina," and by that hereby incorporated may prescribe a Honorable party service will certainly 9 cents on the poll and was adopted our table, in reference to the defeat of name they and their successors shall uniform plan for the organization of not be esteemed by me a disqualificathe Railroad Commission bill, would, we and may have continual succession Ayes-Messrs. Abbott, Aycock, imagine, be exceedingly interesting if and a common seal which they may Bailey, Bennett, Blair, Briggs, Brock, not pleasant reading to those gentlemen alter or change at will, and shall be Campbell, Crawford, Emery, Farthing, who voted against that great and im- capable of suing and being sued, Green, Hughes. Kerr, King, Leeper, portant measure. The Tarboro South pleading and being impleaded and LeGrand, Lineback, Little, Long, erner says: "It can safely be said that contracting and being contracted with Means, Moore, Payne, Pou, Reid, the bill was killed by the railroad and of acquiring, holding and convey-Robinson, Sills, Smith, Toms, Turner, lobby and attorneys who are members ing real and personal property and tion, assume the liabilities and con- revolution, is hurtful and evanescent of Catawba, Turner, of Iredell, Twitty, of the Senate." And further: "In shall also have power to elect such Williams, of Cumberland, Williams, the next election the people will have officers as may be necessary for the eral plan and purposes of the associa- The example of permitting individuals, to look after their Senate." The David conduct of its business, and to adopt tions respectively known as the County corporations or communities to nullify Noes-Messrs. Banks, Barber, Falke. son Dispatch says: "No two men were such rules and regulations and by-laws Alliances, laws because they cross some selfish ner, Hampton, Lucas, Lusk, Rice, ever more thoroughly committed to as may be proper for the government and in such case the said Connty Alli. or local interests or prejudices is full the support of a measure than the of the corporation; that the said cor- ances and Subordinate Alliances as of danger, not only to the nation at A bill to change the number of representatives of that county were to poration shall have and possess all now existing and organized under their large, but much more to those who directors of the penitentiary from nine a Railroad Commission," but we have corporate powers, rights and privileges Constitution, by-laws, rules and reguto five, with an allowance of \$500 not room to notice specifically the now conferred upon corporations by the lations shall be corporate bodies and each, passed the House. Mr. Hood fruitless complaints of our people. general laws of this State as may be invested with the corporate powers, unjust advantage over others. They only five charter members, now numintroduced a bill to elect these by They will be heard in the future. necessary, appropriate or convenient rights and privileges herein granted to will, presently, themselves be comthe Legislature instead of giving We will have some excellent read- to the exercise of the powers and en- County and Subordinate Alliances, their appointment to the Governor. | ing for our patrons as soon as we | joyment of the rights and privileges | subject to the supervision and control | tion, and those who would use the law The appropriation bill for the In. can find space for the admirable given by this act, and to the anduct of the Farmers' State Alliance. sane Asylums passed its third read speeches made in advocacy of this and management of its busines affairs. SEC. 10. That any three or more it to others. ing. It provides for \$52,500 annu- just measure by several of our Sena-

SHALL WE STRIKE OUT ON NEW LINES?

farm of Mr. W. G. Upchurch, of this ganized. city, and purchased one of his blooded the News and Observer on the question We note also that one of the work, holding that he has not been in do more to render them independent chanical pursuits. and prosperous than all the organizalittle hasty, those journals were equally foundation of the success of the Alli-

THE ADVANCE IN FERTILIZERS.

UR readers know that we have

Take ammoniated matter, for instance. Dried red blood cost last year \$2 to costs this year \$1.50 per ton more than last year; muriate potash \$8 per ton more than last year; sacks cost last season, making a total increase in \$3 to \$4 per ton more than last vear. We do not doubt the correctness of the above figures, but still the ques tion remains, why this advance in the ingredients?

THIS LOOKS LIKE BUSINESS.

UTCHMAN ALLIANCE, No. 18, Wake county, met recently, and after a free and full discussion of our situation as an order, adopted, unanimously, the following resolutions and requested their publication in THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER:

Resolved, That being impressed with the absolute necessity of raising our Business Agency Fund, and being inspired with the probability that it will be done at an early day, we do hereby agree to invest 50 per cent. of the net proceeds of our quarterly dues as an

Resolved, That we ask the co-operation of all the Sub-Alliances of Wake county, and that they communicate to our County Secretary before our next | County Alliances. regula: county meeting.

Resolved, That we request our County Alliance to ask the co-operation of all the Alliances of our State

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE NORTH CAROLINA FARM-ERS' ALLIANCE.

PASSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 1889.]

An act to incorporate the Farmers'

and Sub-Alliances The General Assembly of North Car-

mittee of the Senate. The bill to INTERESTING, IF NOT PLEAS- T. Ivey, John S. Johnston, D. Reid and carried on by the other Alliances, * * Our naturalization laws should neighborhood are members. Have sociated with them be and they are tion and such Constitution and by laws into the character and good disposi. upon the Legislature, and declared hereby incorporated under the name as may be suited to said purpose; pro. tion of persons applying for citizen-I lutions and editorial expressions and style of the "Farmers' State Alli- vided that the Farmers' State Alliance ship more careful and searching. * *

and carry on by itself or by and associate with them any three or more through its duly appointed agents, persons for the purpose of establishmanagers and servants a mercantile or ing and conducting any mercantile or THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER manufacturing business in all branches; manufacturing business or enterprise notes with supreme pleasure the to erect, manage and operate ware or for the purpose of establishing and evident advance in the industry of houses, stockyards, grain elevators conducting any business of the nature stock raising in our State. Gradually, and packing establishments; to manu- and character authorized to be estabbut surely, the conviction is growing facture guano and other fertilizers and lished and conducted by the corporathat with our climate, the adaptability generally to conduct and carry on such tion created by this act and the perof our soils to the successful cultiva; enterprises and transact such business sons so united and associated for the tion of cereals and the grasses and as may be necessary or advisable for purpose aforesaid shall be a body business. our accessibility to the great markets its profit or advancement, or that may politic and corporate, with such corof the world, North Carolina should contribute to the accomplishment of porate powers, rights and privileges become a great stock growing State. the general design and purpose for as are by this act granted to the cor-It is a gratifying fact and worthy of which it is created and for which an porations created thereby, and which note, that a gentleman from New association now existing in this State may be necessary or adapted to the York State, a farmer and breeder of and known as "The Farmers' State prosecution of such business or enterblooded stock, recently visited the Alliance of North Carolina" was or prise; provided that the said persons

Jersey bulls and shipped it to his New created may adopt the Constitution rior Court of the county in which the York farm. This gentleman pro and by laws, rules and regulations of corporation is to have its principal nounced Mr. Upchurch's herd the the said association known as the place of business articles of agreefinest he had ever seen. Mr. Up Farmers' State Alliance of North Car. ment, as provided for in chapter 19 of church, during the past few days, olina, and by consent of the said asso. the act of 1885; that upon the filing shipped to purchasers in the counties ciation may become its own successor, of such articles the same proceedings of Sampson, Franklin and Wilson, acquire its rights and privileges, as shall be had as are provided for in Trinity College, wrote an article to and Wilmington, in this State. sume its liabilities and continue to de section 678, 679 and 680 of the Code. velop and execute its general plans and of a Railroad Commission before the Alliances in Rowan county has re- purposes, with the right to change, tary and Treasurer or other chief offi-Legislature, opposing establishing solved to go into the business of rais modify, enlarge and extend the same | cer of the said several. Alliances now ing, mules, horses and thoroughbred so as to promote the interest of the existing in this State, with the execucattle in the place of so much cotton. members of the corporation, and the tive committee of each, may immedi-When our Alliance brethren in the welfare and prosperity of the farmers ately accept and adopt this act of in-South shall make up their minds to and laborers of the State and all per- corporation and thereupon they shall make their farms self-sustaining, it will sons engaged in agricultural or me- severally be invested with the corpo

tions if deemed advisable.

sought earnestly to obtain the SEC. 5. That the said corporation facts as to the advance in the prices shall, by its proper officers, agents, of fertilizers. We have published all managers and servants exercise genthat we could procure. We had the eral control and supervision over the pleasure of an interview with repre. Subordinate Alliances of the State sentatives of the manufacturers of hereinafter created and incorporated, some of the leading brands last week, and may prescribe how the said Subfrom whom we got the following ordinate Alliances shall be represented figures as to the cost of ingredients: in the membership, conventions and meetings of the said corporation.

SEC. 6. That each County Alliance \$2.25 per unit; this year it costs which has been or may hereafter be President Crowell. For its remarks \$2.75. Phosphates (South Carolina) organized is declared to be a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Farmers' Alliance of the particular county in which such 35 to 40 cents for 10 sacks more than Alliance is located, and under the said name and style it shall have and misammoniated fertilizers of high grade sess all the rights, powers and privileges herein granted to the Farmers' State Alliance of North Carolina which may be necessary to devel and execute its plan and purposes which shall not be inconsistent or conflict with those granted to the s Farmers' State Alliance of North C olina but shall in all respects be su ordinate and subservient thereto.

SEC. 7. That each County Alliance may establish, conduct and prosecute such mercantile and manufacturing business and such other enterprises as will promote the interests and welfare of the said Alliance and its members in the county in which it is located, and it may adopt such a Constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations and provide for such a form of organization as may be suited to its wants and necessities; provided that the plans of organization in the several counties shall be as nearly uniform as possible, and for this purpose the Farmers' State Alliance, if it is deemed necessary, may prescribe a general and uniform plan for the organization of the

SEC. 8. That the Subordinate Alliances which are now or may hereafter be organized in the several counties of the State are hereby created bodies politic and corporate, under such name | No. 1, when collections are completed. and style as is now or may hereafter be prescribed by the Farmers' State Alliance, and under such name and style they shall severally have and enjoy the powers, rights and privileges conferred by this act upon the Farmers' State Alliance and the County Alliances, and which may be neces. sary and appropriate to develop and for any section of our country. Parker and such others as may be as and may adopt such plan of organiza- be so amended as to make the inquiry said Alliances under and by which tion for public office, but it will in no they may be formed and governed.

and Subordinate Alliances, the incor- Let us exalt patriotism and moderate poration of which is provided for in our party contentions. * * A party this act, may succeed to the rights and success that is achieved by unfair privileges, adopt the present organiza. methods, by practices that partake of tinue to develop and execute the gen. even from a party standpoint. * * *

SEC. 2. That the said corporation is members of any one of the Alliances authorized and empowered to conduct hereby incorporated may unite and

so united and associated shall first file SEC. 3. That the corporation hereby in the office of the Clerk of the Supe-

SEC. 11. That the President, Secrerate powers, rights and privileges con-SEC. 4. That the said corporation ferred by this act under their present tions that could be devised by the may use and adopt such means and plan and organization, provided that brain of man. This lies at the very measures as may be necessary to raise the failure or refusal of any one or more funds for its purposes, and to conduct of the said Alliances to accept this charits financial operations, and especially ter or act shall not affect or prejudice may impose fines and penalties and those which do accept, nor prevent dues and collect the same, levy assess- them from becoming incorporated ments and provide for stock subscrip- under this act and enjoying the rights and privileges therein conferred

SEC. 12. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

PINE FIBRE BAGGING.

The Acme Manufacturing Company have received all the machinery necessary for the manufacture of pine fibre bagging, and it is now being adjusted and placed in position at the factory. By the 15th inst, at the farthest, everything will be ready and the manufacture of the bagging will begin on an extensive scale. A number of dred. capitalists from the North will then visit the factory to examine thoroughly into the process. They will remain a week or ten days and if convinced that it is a success, steps will be immediately taken to build and equip factories throughout the pine regions of the Southern States; and if this plan is carried out quite a number will be in operation in time for the next cotton season.

The Acme Company are so thoroughly satisfied of the success of their invention that they entertain no doubt of their ability to enlist the cordial on April 4th next to form some coco-operation of the capitalists. This operative plan for providing themwill be very gratifying both to the members and the friends of that corporation. - Wilmington Star.

BUSINESS AGENCY FUND.

Roll of Honor No. 2.

Oak Ridge, Wake county, No. 24, has ontributed \$120, and should have been ncluded in Roll No. 1.

ROLL NO. 2. No. 1, Roanoke Martin Co., No. 819, \$116.00 No. 2, Picnic Grove Dur'm " Maple Sw'p Edg'be 'No. 3, Derita Mecklenb'g 4. Newt'n Gr've Samp Cocoa Edgecombe 6, Mt. Pisgah Chath'm 7, Hopewell Meck'b'g ' . 8, Whitaker's Edg'be ". 9, Brink'ville Halifax " No. 10, Ashpole Robeson "Moulton " All of these report more to collect, and

some of them will surpass No. 1 on Roll W. A. GRAHAM, Trustee. Machpelah, N. C., March 1, '89.

FROM PEESIDENT HARRISON'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

I have altogether rejected the suggestion of a special executive policy State Alliance of North Carolina execute the plan and purposes of their If our great corporations would more organization and they may conduct scrupulously observe their legal limiand carry or within their respective tations and duties they would have less localities such business and enterprises | cause to complain of unlawful limita-Section 1. That S. B. Alexander, as are of the same nature as those tions of their rights or of violent in-L. L. Polk, J. D. Allen, Elias Carr, authorized by this act to be conducted terference with their operations. * the best farmers in the immediate

> case be allowed to serve as a shield of SEC. 9. That the County Alliances official negligence or delinquency. * use this pernicious expedient to escape their just obligations, or to obtain an pelled to appeal to the law for protec-

> > 1,644 Alliances to date.

ALLIANCE NOTES.

Members of the Alliance, when writing to us, will greatly favor us if they will always give the No. of their Alliance. We have given the sixth and seventh pages of our paper to the exclusive use of the Alliance. Use them, brethren, For all official orders, rulings, notices, &c., the brethren will examine these pages.]

The Alabama State Alliance Exchange has been located at Birming. ham and announces itself ready for

-A correspondent writing from Haw River, says: "The Alliance is growing rapidly in Alamance county. I think the membership has more than doubled itself in the past two months."

-Alliance brethren wishing to purchase corn are referred to Bro. Jno. Roderick, Business Agent of Mt. Pleasant Alliance, Morganton, N. C., who has about 1200 bushels to sell for his brethren.

-The Secretaries of all the Sub-Alliances in Franklin county will greatly oblige the County Secretary by sending in their quarterly reports on or before April the first, and not wait until the county meeting.

-P. M. Rhyne, Deputy Organizer, reports having organized Union Alliance in Gaston county, January 19th, 188, with R. N. Wilson, President and Jas. T. Glenn, Secretary. Gaston county now has twenty-one Alliances all in fine working order.

-Morning Sun Alliance, No. 451, has decided to hold a picnic, on Easter Monday, the 22d of April, 1889, at which all Alliance men are invited to be present. A number of excellent speakers have been invited to be present and a pleasant day is anticipated.

-Secretary W. H. Worsely reports Rocky Mount Alliance, No. 1080, in a good condition. At the last meeting the lodge resolved not to pay more than ten per cent. difference between time and cash prices. Heretofore they have paid as high as 57 per cent.

-Secretary Jones, of Blount's Creek lodge, No. 1,322, Beaufort county, says his Alliance was organized on the 14th day of last November and now numbers 46 members. and he believes, before another harvest has come it will number one hun-

-Our State Agent, Bro. W. A. Darden, wrote to the Acme Manufacturing Company of Wilmington, in regard to the manufacture of pine straw bagging the coming season, and in reply was informed that the company expected to put up enough factories to supply the whole demand.

-President L. F. Livingston, of the Georgia State Alliance has issued a call to the officers of the State Alliance and delegates from County Alliances in the State to meet in Atlanta selves with cotton bagging for the next.season.

-Corresponding Secretary Horton of Smith Creek Alliance, No 351, gives us encouraging news. They have dispensed with the "middle men" and are buying direct from factories and are making large savings. This Alliance has recently purchased a hall as a permanent place in which to hold its meetings.

-Le Coute Pear Alliance, in Ga., proposes to pay out sixty dollars in premiums on special crops to its members this year as follows: For the best acre of corn, \$10; best acre of cotton, \$10; best acre of hay, \$10; best half acre of cane, \$10; best half acre of potatoes, \$10; and for the most money made on an acre, \$10.

-The Fort Valley, Ga., Alliance offers to members of said Alliance premiums on crops produced without commercial fertilizers as follows: For argest yield of corn on one acre, \$2; largest yield of seed cotton on one acre, \$2; largest yield of sweet potatoes on one acre, \$2; largest yield of hay on one acre, \$2; and for the largest yield of syrup, any variety, on one-quarter acre, \$2.

-Hightower's Alliance, Caswell county, was organized last May and now has a membership of 47. All endorsed the State Alliance demands against high-priced fertilizers. J. S. Warren, having withdrawn from the order, has been succeeded as Secretary by Bro. G. S. Walker.

-Correspondent G. L. Aycock of Ferrell's Bridge, No. 1161, Franklin county, writes: "We are very poor people and can scarcely make buckle and tongue meet from the effects of the credit system and the extortionate prices charged for our supplies bought on time, but glory and honor be to the Alliance, which is causing a reaction in the mercantile circles, which have enabled us to get supplies on much more reasonable terms than heretofore."

-Poplar Branch Alliance, No. 1,250, of Currituck county, which bers sixty-eight good and true men. Bro. D. W. Lindsay, who writes us, says the brotherhood has been greatly as a defense must not deny that use of benefited by the efforts of the Sub and County Business Agents who have succeeded in getting reductions on almost all classes of goods. Outsiders,