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FACTS ABOUT McKINLEY'S CABINET.

JOHN SHERMAN of Ohio, the new Secretary of State, is seventy-four years in Congress of Mr. Bailey of Texas for old, and has been in public life for al- Speaker, means of course that Mr. most half a century. He has been in Bailey will be the leader of the Demothe nation's Congress both as Representative and Senator. He was Secretary of the Treasury under President Hayes.

LYMAN J. GAGE, of Illinois, the Secretary of the Treasury, is sixty-one years old, and has been prominent in many of the interests of Chicago, having been one of the leading spirits in securing the great World's Fair for that city in 1893. He was born in New York, but went to Chicago when 19 CONGRESS IN EXTRA SESSION. years old and began life as a night watchman.

Russell A. Alger, of Michigan, the Secretary of War, is sixty years old. and is a native of Ohio but went West in his early life because of ill health. He served in the Federal army from that State as a colonel of a Michigan cavalry. He has made that State his home since the war, and has figured considerably in political life during the past twenty years. He made his fortune in the lumber business.

JOHN D. LONG, of Massachusetts, the Secretary of the Navy, 1s fitty-eight years old and was born in Maine. He entered politics at the age of 36, was governor of his State and has served three terms as a Representative in Con-

JOSEPH E. MCKENNA, of California, Secretary of the Interior, is fifty-four years old. He was born in Philadelparents to the Pacific coast. He was a member of the Forty-ninth Congress and was chosen for the Fifty-first and Fifty-second Congress but resigned to accept the Circuit Court judgeship under President Harrison, which he held until his appointment in the new Cab-

JAMES F. WILSON, of Iowa, Secretary of Agriculture, is sixty-two years old, is a Scotchman by birth, having come to this country at the age of sixteen. proud of it. He was a member of the cotton broker. Forty-eighth Congress, and was said to be a fine parliamentarian. Though his education was only academic, he has by close application all his life, fitted himself for a high and responsible po-

JOHN J. McCook, of New York, the Attorney General, is fifty-three years old. He has not been much known in political life and comes into the new Cabinet practically unknown to the

Postmaster General, is sixty-four years old, and is a native of Connecticut. At an early age he went with his father to turer and the son became one too. Although strictly a business man, for many years he has been prominent in political affairs, state and national. His business capacity will doubtless responsible position for the Government. .

All considered. President McKinley seems to have selected a good Cabinet. men, for the most part, of considerable experience; and there is good reason to hope and believe that their advice to the President concerning the best interest of the nation will be wholesome

SEVENTY-TWO THOUSAND.

The estimated cost of the late Legislature to the State is \$72,000, about the same amount that the Legislature of 1895 cost the State. This is the per diem of the members, clerks, pages, &c., &c. It does not of course include the various appropriations made by the body. It has been stated, we believe, that the cost, appropriations and all was about half million dollars.

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IT IS NOT HENRY.

The judgeship for the criminal court district which includes Halifax county, did not fall to Walter Henry. Thos H. Sutton, of Fayetteville. was appointed to the place. This was a great and bitter disappointment to Mr. Henry, no doubt. Nothing green gathered on the other side of the fence yet.

BAILY THE LEADER.

The nominations by the Democrats crats in the house. He has many admirers and is a candid and able man.

DR. MUNROE DECLINES.

Dr. Munroe of Davidson College was offered the superintendency of the insane asylum at Morganton in the place of Dr. Murphy; but Dr. Munroe declines. He is said to be a Democrat anyway.

Pursuant to the call of the President Congress convened in extra session Monday.

The President sent a short message deficit in the treasury, recounting the fact that for three years and eight months ending March 1, 1897, there is a total deficit in the treasury of \$186, 072,580.44. To meet this the President recommends that Congress immediately pass such tariff laws as will, in his language, "provide sufficient revenue to faithfully administer the gov ernment, without contracting further debt, or continued disturbances of our

SEVEN AND TWENTY-SIX.

In the late Legislature there were seven Democratic Senators and twentygood looking on paper. But they were

sketch of each of the Demeratic members. What they do at home was referred to as follows:

"Of the thirty-four Democratic members of the Legislature, thirteen are lawyers, fourteen farmers, two preachers, one a Methodist and the other a Baptist, three doctors, one teacher, He has been a farmer all his life and is three merchants, one banker and one

new members, twenty-nine of them are married and twenty-eight of these have

OUR YOUTHFUL CONGRESSMAN

While Mr. W. W. Kitchin represents in Congress the Fifth district, the good JAMES A. GARY, of Maryland, the people of that section owe much to Scotland Neck for their talented but lonesome Democratic Representative. So THE COMMONWEALTH claims him Maryland. His father was a manufac- from Scotland Neck, though his recent home has been in Roxboro; for it has only been a few years since he was school-boy here in Scotland Neck.

The Washington correspondent to the Richmond Dispatch Tuesday, wrote serve him in good stead in his now of the North Carolina Congressmen as

The North Carolina members were present. The oath was administered to them and the Ohio members at the same time. In the grouping, White, of the Second North Carolina Congressional District, the only colored man in the House, was conspicuous. He form ed a centrepiece between the two State delegations, and on either side of him stood the venerable Grosvenor, of Ohio. the administration leader in the House. one Democrat in the North Carolina end of the line was W. W. Kitchin, of looking son of ex-Congressman "Buck" Kitchin, for many years a noted politician and agitator in that State. He has just turned 30, has a boyish look, and comes here with some reputation as a speaker. All the North Carolina members were lucky in getting excelent seats except Mr. Pearson, who is seated in the noted "Cherokee strip."

Ex-President Cleveland was at Washington, N. C., last week. He was out hunting, shooting, recreating and get-ting well of his rheumatism. He says incorporate North Carolina land and he will not connect himself with any timber company; to allow Monroe to law firm at all but expects to live at his mansion in Princeton, New Jersey, a silow Durham to issue improvement quiet and easy life. He will not appear bonds, and buy water works: to allow

LATE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

News & Observer.

GENERAL LAWS. Appropriating \$5,000 additional to University; \$12,500 to State Normal Raleigh, and same amount to the one Wilbanks. at Greenstoro. To regulate procuring of bodies for dessection. To create a short form of agricultural lien. To locate line between North Carolina and Tennessee. To fix time of holding courts in 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 10th district. To increase and regulate revenue. To increase power of railway commission. To exempt ail fraternal benevolent associations from tax. To proyide for new building at deaf-mute school at Morganton; for school for white blind at Raleigh and for negro deaf-mute and blind at Raleigh. To Guilford, Alleghany, Mitchell, Caswell, teachers training school. To require gomery, Pamlico, Anson. railways, &c., chartered by the legislature to take an official oath. To create a separate board of trustees for the A. therfordton. and M. College at Raleigh. To prevent the introduction of the dan Jose fruit scale and other fruit and crop pests. To provide for an exhibit at the Tennquarterly or semi-annually. To prewhich treated solely and directly of the hibiting muting of policies in companies not licensed in this State by agents Sampson. who are licensed (Georgia law adopted.) To require railway companies to redeem unused mileage tickets. To appropriate \$50,000 from general fund to encourage local taxation by district or townships for public schools. To fix fire insurance rates on farm risks (not to exceed those in Virginia.) To fur-

on public roads between July 15 and and Savings. March 1. Forbidding adulteration of spirits turpentine with kerosene. To make an itemized statement of account, properly verified, evidence of its correctness. To give \$1,000 additional to negro orphans asylum at Oxford. To give \$500 to Elizabeth City colored normal and industrial school. To require old county commissioners to meet first Monday in June and revise the jury lists. To give the Governor's stx Democratic Representatives. Last council power to make contracts for phia, but in early life moved with his Sunday's News & Observer printed the the public printing. To fix the pay of News with the public printing. To fix the pay of News with the public printing forty acres register of deeds for recording election pictures of them all, and they were returns. To make embezzlement of funds by guardians or administrators embezzlement. To exempt undertakers Incorporating, the U derwriters of too lonesome to to anything for much who are funeral directors from jury Goldsboro, Commonwealth, Newbern duty. To prevent public drunkenness The News & Observer gave a short justices of the peace. To reduce fees To fix the time for the qualification of on crop liens registration. To make land grants valid even when not registered as now by created counties. To repeal assignment act of 1895. To appropriate \$30,000 of State board of education fund to stimulate local taxation for schools in rural district. To resolve to State control of Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad. To give deputy clerks of court power to probate deeds and conveyances. To allow express matter to be carried on Sunday trains. To promote the oyster industry. "Thirty-two of them are native North- The fellow servant act, making railways Carolinians, thirty are natives of the liable for employes' injuries. To amend counties they represented, one was a the charter of the Atlantic and North Springs, Lumberton and Lumber Rivnative of South Carolina, one a Virgin- for settlement of the State debt. To Carolina Railroad. To extend the time er, Cape Fear and Northern, Moore and Laces at two thirds regular prices. ian, nine of them had served in for- provide for additional county commismer Legislatures, and twenty-five were sioners. To make changes in 7th and Carolina and Western.

8th Congressional district. To prescribe style of barbed wire fences along highways. To forbid State banks having under \$100,000 capital from lending over one tenth of their capital to one person or corporation; also to make stockholders' liable. To allow tramps

and yagrants to be sent to the roads

To pay special venire in capital cases

of coal miners by State labor commis-

sioner. To allow county commissioners

to elect and pay salary of superintend-

(does not apply to all counties.) To prevent minors from entering bar and billiard rooms and bowling alleys. To public roads or on chain gangs. To acts. The "omnibus" liquor bill; proalso portrait of Vance. To protect of order. coal miners and provide for inspection

ent of health. SCHOOL LAWS. To establish graded school at Moncoe, to incorparate Mt. Moriah academy, to incorporate Hyatt academy. To amend school law for Littleton. To incorporate Hodges school in Davie. graded schools Hickory. To allow graduates of Asheville Female Normal school to teach in public schools without examination, to incorporate Homing Collegiate Institute. To incorpor- It stands the highest for its wonderful ate trustees of St. Mary's school at Raleigh; graded school at Washington, and Colonet Harry Skinner, the Populist leader in North Carolina. The Chapel Hill; ta allow Raleigh townspecial tax in Wake Forest township; Whittsett institute; graded schools at cents and one dollar. You may have ship to yote on \$50,000 school bonds; the Fifth District. He is the youthful- Normal defining duties of local boards of colored and normal schools; to incorporate Elizabeth Female College at Charlotte.

> INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT LAWS. Amending charter Wadesboro cotton mill; to allow Chaste and Chowan Railroad to hold 100,000 acres of land, amending charter Roanoke navigation and water power company; incorporating James Parker lumber company; to allow Charlotte to issue \$250,000 water AND GENERAL MARBLE AND cord to vote on improvement bonds; to

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THE LAWS PASSED BY THE hugh lumber company; to incorporate Asheville electric company; to incorporate Falls of Yadkin power company; to incorporate Atlantic development company.

TOWNS INCORPORATED. Roanoke Rapids, Oak Ridge, Redman, Dudley, Whitier, Winterville, and Industrial College; \$4,000 more to Maysville, Farmers', Collettsville, Hamcolored Normal schools; \$5,000 to Agri- let, Robbinsville, Boyette, Hardin Cotcultural and Mechanical College at ton Mills, Star, Bridge Water, Tillery,

CITY AND TOWN CHARTERS AMENDED. Asheville, Elizabeth City, Southern Pines, Spring Hope, Clyde. Pollocksville, Selma, Ruffin, Winston, Concord, Mt. Airy, Durham, Enfield, Wilmington, Newbern, Monroe, Victoria, Jacksonville, Inanda, Lilesville, Berryville, Burlington, Monroe, Columbus, Salisbury, Carthage, Matthews, Liles Mill, Levington, Hale.

SPECIAL TAX BY COUNTIES. Rutherford, Brunswick, Yancey, Nash,

provide for maintenance of three hos- Cumberland, Jackson, Washington, pitals for msane. To give new charters | Madison, Transylvania, Caldwell, Perto the hospitals for the insane and to quimans, Haywood, Davie, Beaufort, take control of them and of the pen- Wilkes, Halifax, Sampson, Craven, Tyritentiary from the Democrats. To pro- rell, Duplin, Robeson, Watauga, Swain, tect school entertainments from row- Edgecombe, Harnett, Hyde, Cherokee, dles. To appropriate \$5,000 for colored Franklin, Richmond, McDowell, Mont- 2 25 tt

DISPENSARIES.

Bladen county, Maxton, Cumber-land county, Louisburg township, Ru-ROAD TAX LAWS.

For Alamarce, Wilkes, Macon, Rock-

ingham, Yancey, Green, Wilson, Wayne, essee centennial. To allow sheriffs to Raleigh and road district increased collect arrears of taxes. To allow State Caldwell, Charlotte township, Chatham, treasurer to pay out appropriations Hertford township (Moore county), Whiteoak township (Bladen county.) ent "overhead" fire insurance by pro- Guilford, Haywood, Jackson, Nash,

BANKS CHARTERED.

Savings of Person, Bank of Pitt county, Bank of Littleton, Bank of Maxton, Cabarrus Savings, Bank of Greenville, Levi Bank of Rutherford, Rocky Mount, Commercial of McDowell, Bank of Brevard, Bank of Rannish 250 convicts and surveyors to the dolph, Chatham, Moore and Harnett Winston-Salem South-bound Railroad. (at Sanford,) Mutual Aid and Banking To allow State convicts to be worked Company of Newbern, American Trust

STOCK LAW. To turn stock loose three months in the year in Halifax county. RAILWAY CHARTERS REPEALED.

Goldsboro and Morenead.

FISHERY LAWS. foreigners who use seines in the sounds. said county in Book 58 on page 289, To prohibit use of certain nets in Alexcept that part thereof which has bemarle Sound and its tributaries. To been allotted to said Mike Hardy as a Neuse river.

INSURANCE COMPANIES CHARTERED. Farmers' Mutual, exempted from tax. Mutual Fire.

INSURANCE CHARTERS AMENDED. Carolina Mutual Fire, Southern Stock

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Company, Carolina, Chimney Rock

and Tennessee, Carolina Southern Railway and Lumber Company, Lumber River. Harnett Central. RAILWAY CHARTERS AMENDED. Favetteville and Atbemarle, Marienbad county and Norfolk, Cashie and Chow-

TOWN CHARTERS REPEALED. Teachey's West Asheville, Ruffin.

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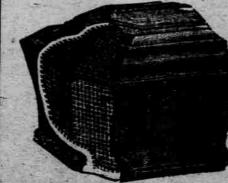
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