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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Senate Repeals Dead Body Law.

INSURANCE DEBATE

Bill to Reduce Homestead Exemption—House Passes Resolution to Allow Monument to Worth Bagley in Cap of Square.

The Senate met at 10. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Marshall.

Petitions were presented to place the names of Everett Dobson and Mike Byrd on the pension list.

Committee on elections reported in favor of Senator Franks, of the 31st district holding his seat.

Committees reported bills as follows: To validate the power of town constables, applying to Hertford county; to amend chap. 2188 of the laws of 1897, as a substitute for Senate bill 18; to repeal chap. 331, laws of 1897.

A bill from the House with reference to unfurling the State flag. A bill to amend sec. 163 of the Code, also to amend 64 of the Code.

Introduction of bills: To amend chap. 522, laws of 1891; a bill to amend chap. 168, laws of 1897; to repeal chap. 159, laws of 1895; to repeal chap. 189, laws of 1897.

Senator Murray, to abolish the chain-gang system in Madison county.

The calendar was then taken up. A bill to authorize the town of Lenoir to issue bonds for public improvements, a bill to repeal chap. 360, of the laws of 1897, controlling the road system in Mecklenburg, a bill to authorize the city of Charlotte to issue bonds for water works and sewerage, were passed.

A bill to investigate the Agricultural departments and charitable institutions of the State passed second reading.

A bill to repeal section 1906 of the Code, passed third reading.

A bill repealing the act providing for procuring and distributing of dead bodies. Senator Wilson stated that he had received a letter from the President of the University asking that action on this bill be deferred for a few days, as he and several other representatives of institutions would meet in a few days and offer a substitute or amendment. Senator Glenn contended that the bill should go upon its immediate passage, that it was right that the former law regarding disposition of dead bodies should be repealed now.

Senator Speight said the bill should be deferred for consideration since it was extremely difficult for our institutions to procure dead bodies for dissection and he thought an acceptable substitute should be offered for the bill. But the Senate was pledged to support the bill, said Senator Glenn, it was one of the keynotes of the campaign, and as for himself he found that his promise in his speeches, to see that the bodies of the poor unfortunate should not be given to the surgeon's knife, did more good for his party than all his arguments. He favored the immediate passage of the bill. Strong arguments were made by Senators Hicks, Speight, Justice, Travis and Cooke, earnestly requesting that there be no delay. They believed it was greatly to be deprecated that there should be in force any law that would inflict such hurt to the families of poor unfortunates. Senator Wilson then withdrew his request for postponement and the bill passed.

Senator Fuller (colored) rising to explain his vote, humorously said that he voted for the bill because the majority in the Senate had been good to him. He did not wish to deprive them of campaign thunder.

A bill to repeal chap. 269, laws of 1895, with the amendment that it shall not apply to taxes levied prior to 1897 passed its final reading.

A resolution to appoint a joint committee on judicial districts was passed.

A bill to change certain school districts in Chatham county, after argument by Senators Brown and Jerome was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A bill regarding tax on horse dealers was sent to the Finance Committee.

Senators Glenn, Travis and Speight were appointed a joint committee on judicial districts.

On motion of Senator Osborne the report of the Committee on Senator Franks' contested seat was taken up, but a vote was postponed on request of the Senate rules printed.

The Senate then adjourned.

The House met at 10. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Eugene Daniel.

The tellers for the election of an enrolling clerk reported that E. B. Norvell received a majority of the votes. Norvell was sworn in by Speaker Connor.

A favorable report was made on the resolution appointing a committee to ask the Governor for his reasons for removing J. W. Wilson and S. Otho Wilson as railway commissioners also all the evidence in that matter.

Resolutions were introduced as follows: By Holman, directing the State treasurer to pay off the employees of

the penitentiary for October, November and December, 1898, and set apart \$5,000 for this purpose. By Williams of Dare, instructing Senators and Representatives to secure an appropriation for a beacon in Pamlico Sound.

Bills were introduced as follows: By Leatherwood, to give Swain county the Supreme court reports from Vol. 1 to Vol. 85. By Williams to incorporate the African Aid and Burial Society of North Carolina. By Houshall to incorporate St. Luke's Circle of King's Daughters of Raleigh. By Ransom, to establish school districts in Hunterville township, Mecklenburg county. By Ray, of Macon, to abolish the Cumberland county dispensary at Fayetteville.

By Noble, to repeal all laws regulating election in North Carolina. By Garrett, to amend chap. 378, acts of 1897, by allowing judges of election in Graham and Rockingham counties to be paid. By Reinhart, to amend the road law of Lincoln, and to put Mrs. Francis Center on the pension roll. By Wright, to amend chap. 135, acts 1897. By Houshall, to provide for revising and digesting public statutes. By Houser, to prohibit hunting on any lands in Gaston save by owner's consent. By Lowery, to amend the constitution by reducing the homestead to \$250 personal property and \$500 real property. By Smith, to equalize pay of State's witnesses, sheriffs and clerks. By Hartsell to amend sec. 21 of the Code so that a will may be created upon certificate that the executor cannot give bond. By Gattis, to incorporate the Bank of Orange.

The committee on propositions and grievances was announced as follows: Ray, of Macon, chairman; Allen, of Columbus, Austin, Bunch, Henderson, Davis of Haywood, Henderson, Stevens, Johnson, of Sampson; Holland, Hamblill, Preston, Williams of Yadkin.

Bill was taken up to repeal chap. 193 public laws of 1897, requiring fire insurance companies not to charge a higher rate of insurance on farm property than is charged in Virginia. Gilliam said there was no State rate of insurance in Virginia. Foushee said John S. Cunningham introduced the bill in 1897, and that he believed it had done good and protected the farmer. Holman said the legislature ought to go slow in this matter. Justice said the committee had reported the bill favorably because the act of 1897 did not specify any rate. He said a bill could be drawn which would fix the rate. It was stated that the Southern Tariff Association, one of the greatest trusts in the country, fixes the rates in Virginia as well as in North Carolina. Foushee said Col. Cunningham knew what he was doing; that he found the charge in Virginia was 1/2 per cent less than in North Carolina. Rountree said he thought the act of 1897 was unconstitutional. Gattis thought the present law a good one. Gilliam said it was impossible to enforce it. Many members joined in the discussion for or against the pending bill. Finally it was re-referred to the committee.

Bills passed incorporating the Southern Conservatory of Music and amending the Anson county road law, so roads will be worked by convict labor, increasing to five the number of commissioners of Edgecombe county; to pay special veniremen in Lincoln county; to amend the charter of St. Mary's school, Raleigh; to repeal chap. 216, private laws 1895, in regard to a turnpike between Buncombe and Hoke; to allow Lenoir to issue bonds in aid of public improvements.

A resolution was adopted giving the Bagley Monument Association leave to place a monument or statue in memory of Worth Bagley in the capitol square; also a resolution asking the government to erect beacon lights at Hatteras and in Pamlico sound in the cape channel.

The following was announced as the special committee on judicial districts: Justice, chairman; Rountree, Allen, Stubbs and Craige.

At 1 o'clock the House adjourned until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

Noble and Nichols are added to education committee; Wall to that on counties, cities and towns; Welch to that on insane; Williams, of Iredell, to that on salaries and fees; Williams, of Yadkin, to that on insane.

THE GOVERNOR'S GUARD TO BE REORGANIZED.

The acting Adjutant General of the North Carolina State Guard has expressed a desire to have the old Raleigh Company or Governor's Guards, reorganized. To this end there will be a meeting held next Saturday night, January 14th, in Rescue Hall, for the purpose of organizing this company and electing officers. At this meeting the petitions, etc., will be signed and the enlistment roll prepared.

It is earnestly desired that every young man in Raleigh attend this meeting, whether wishing to enlist or not. The social and material benefits of membership in this organization will be fully appreciated by those who join now. Officers of good character and thorough proficiency in tactics will be chosen, and Company "B," as it will be called, placed on a secure footing at the outset. There are 12 offices to be filled, and none but good men will be selected. By order

COMMITTEE.

Mr. A. Berwanger, of Washington, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs.

CONGRESS.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—In the Senate today after routine business Senator Allen spoke briefly on the anti-expansion resolution and was followed by Senator Forsaker, of Ohio.

The nomination of Choate, of New York, as Ambassador to England was sent to the Senate today.

Senator Bacon, of Georgia, introduced an anti-expansion resolution that the Philippines ought to be free.

Senator Allen, of Nebraska, introduced a resolution declaring any aggressive action of the army or navy against the Philippines was unwarranted on the part of the executive.

General Wood had a long conference with the President today.

In the House the resignation of Congressman Pitney, of New Jersey, was announced.

The House non-concurred in the Senate amendments to the District appropriation bill. A conference was asked. The consideration of the Alaska bill was then resumed.

FOUR KILLED.

Correspondence of The Morning Post.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 11.—Mary Miller, Thomas Miller, Albert Wilson and Walter Brown, were killed, being run down while walking on a track in front of the Pennsylvania express. Owing to a freight wreck the express was running on the wrong track. The whistle gave warning, but the victims supposed that it was on the west bound track, where the train was accustomed to run and they did not heed it.

ACCUSES THE COURT.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor.

PARIS, Jan. 11.—Beaupaire continues a wordy campaign against the Court of Cassation. He asks an investigation of his former associates. He says they are prejudiced in the Dreyfus case. That the court was for the accused captain before the evidence had been taken.

THIRD NOT COMING.

The last report from Macon states that the efforts of the inhabitants of that city not to have the two negro regiments mustered there proved unsuccessful. The plan now proposed is to muster out two companies a day at intervals of three days. The people of Raleigh feel relieved that the Third regiment will not be brought here.

SAGASTA.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor.

MADRID, Jan. 11.—It is practically certain that Sagasta will face the Cortes. The cabinet is practically unchanged.

SUPERIOR COURT.

No important cases came before the Superior Court this morning. Ben Turner was acquitted of abandonment, Jas. Hake not guilty of slander, Simon Yelkowsky was fined \$10 and costs for removing a land mark, and a few other minor cases were disposed of.

BOLD ROBBERY.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Jan. 11.—During the absence of Gus Eakins from his home at Sweetwater last night a masked man appeared at the door with a revolver and forced his wife to deliver to him \$5,000 which was in the house.

SIXTY-NINTH NEW YORK GOES.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 11.—Secretary of War today wired to Huntsville, Ala., instructions for disbanding the Sixty-ninth New York Regiment.

CHOATE FOR AMBASSADOR.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Choate's nomination as Ambassador to England will go to the Senate today or tomorrow.

TO PROSECUTE SWINDLERS.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

ALBANY, Jan. 11.—Governor Roosevelt today appointed John Milburn, of Buffalo, special counsel to prosecute all persons implicated in the alleged canal improvement irregularities.

RIVERS AND HARBORS.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The river and harbor committee today began work in executive session on the forthcoming river and harbor bill. Good progress is being made. But the tentative decision from day to day will not be announced until the bill is completed. First definite action was to consider favorably a provision for more promptness in relieving harbors of wrecks and dipnets.

USED WITCHCRAFT

Woman Made Her Living on Negroes Superstition

SENT TO COURT

Mary Jackson Claimed that She Could Cure All Kinds of Ills By Magic and Thus Raked in Cash

Mary E. Jackson is a slim, raw-boned colored woman, with a downcast look. She appeared as a persecuted Filipino as she sat in the court room of Justice Marcom. Mary had been arrested upon a warrant issued by Justice Roberts upon a complaint of a colored citizen named Addison Alston, of House's Creek township, whose silver dollars she had gotten by a way unlawful.

Mary is a hustler when it comes to getting shekels from the ignorant ones of her race, and pretends to look into the future and tell her patron all about it. She pretends to be endowed with a power to heal the hurts and cure the ills of any colored brother or sister. She practices the art of Voodooism, and casts spells over husbands so their wives can rule them, and puts spells on young men so they will not be away from home after dark, and in "tricks" that are vain and ways that are dark. Mary E. is peculiar.

Mary ascertains where there is a sick person in a colored family in the rural districts and sends word that that person will die; that the doctors are killing the patient; that there is nothing the matter with the party except they need some "love of the earth," of which she alone knows, and that she can restore them to health and happiness. Of course the ignorant will believe in what she says and send for her. Then it is Mary works her spell of capturing the unwary one's duars. She tells them she must have a piece of paper money on which she can write a word and make a mark, and the victim gets her a one dollar bill. This Mary writes on and makes a mark on it, then lays it on a mantle or chair on top of a table and tells her victim to look at it and walk backward out of the room. When the victim is gone out his dollar bill has gone down into Mary's pocket, mark and all.

Then she prepares a decoction of roots and leaves, favors it with cinnamon, which the sick one must drink at intervals. She prepares another bottle with bugs, beetles, caterpillars, spiders and other things in alcohol and water to be kept about the sick person, though not to be shaken or taken.

It now becomes necessary for Mary to be near her patient for about a week, and she takes up her abode in the home of her victim. During the day when the head of the family is off at his work she gets in her Voodoo work on the wife by making her believe she can put a spell on her so that she can rule her husband, and of course gets all the small change the wife can raise. At night she interests the head of the family, if he has sons, in a spell she can put on the boys, that will keep them at home nights. This costs extra of course.

When Mary has had this victim she gets an urgent call to come to some one who is in trouble and she moves on to a fresh victim.

Yesterday Mary was bound over to the Superior Court by Justice Marcom to answer a charge of practicing the profession of a doctor without license, and when Solicitor Fou gets hold of the case there will certainly be some fun in court.

THE TREATY OF PEACE.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The Senate foreign relations committee today unanimously ordered a favorable report to the Senate on the treaty of peace with Spain.

DINGLEY'S CONDITION.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Congressman Dingley resided well last night. No change is apparent this morning, but the physicians fear a collapse at any time.

WARM IN ENGLAND.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—The mild weather has set the birds to nesting. Such weather has not been experienced in years.

FORTY BELOW ZERO.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

SARATOGA, Jan. 11.—The thermometer hovered about forty degrees below zero and schools are closed on account of the cold.

COLD IN NEW YORK.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—The coldest day of the New Year. The thermometer is three and a half above zero at eight o'clock morning.

SNOW TONIGHT.

Weather Bureau Says Snow, Probably Followed by Rain.

The weather forecast for Raleigh and vicinity says, snow tonight and Thursday, probably changing to rain.

The forecast for North Carolina issued at Washington: Rain or snow tonight. Rain Thursday, warmer in the interior. Brisk north to east winds.

The high area over the northeast section of the country has increased in force and the old wave has spread South and southwestward with a considerable fall in temperature everywhere east of the Mississippi, except on the immediate Gulf coast. Threatening weather with rain or sleet continues over the southern States between the Mississippi and the Atlantic. The heaviest rains occurred at Atlanta, Savannah, and Montgomery. The new storm in the extreme northwest is causing warmer weather with southerly winds.

THE SEABOARD DEAL.

Mr. John Skelton Williams, president of the Georgia and Alabama Railway, has stated that the Seaboard deal cannot be consummated until the settlement of the injunction proceedings instituted by Mr. Thomas P. Ryan to stop the transfer of stock to the syndicate. A hearing is expected to be held tomorrow.

J. W. Middledorf, D. E. Coklin, W. A. Marburg, E. L. Barlett, H. C. McGowan and Norman Stump, of Baltimore, who are said to be in the syndicate to which has purchased the Seaboard Air Line, passed through Raleigh yesterday morning over the Seaboard Air Line, for the South. After a pleasure trip the party will make an inspection tour of the Seaboard system.

SENT TO JAIL.

Ed. Brinkley, colored, was sent to jail in default of fine and costs for an assault and battery upon Frank Egerton. Frank went to visit Indiana Banks, a local black dandy, resident of the Bowery, and Ed. was already Indiana's guest and told Frank to vamoose, which Frank was slow at doing, when Ed. Flung many rocks at him, one of which struck him. Red Eliza, a witness, said it just halted rocks about there, and she really thought Frank would be killed.

NATIONAL CEMETERIES.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 11.—Gov. Hastings has received word from Judge Advocate General Lieber of the United States army, which decides that soldiers in the war with Spain may be buried in the National Cemetery at Gettysburg.

COLD WAVE.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The cold wave covers a large area of country within the west slight rise and in the east a drop. Copious rains fell in the Tennessee valley and snow in the Lake regions.

THE TONE OF THE MARKETS.

NEW YORK COTTON.

| Months. Open | Close. |
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| January | 5 71 |
| February | 5 69 |
| March | 5 71 |
| April | 5 74 |
| May | 5 78 |
| June | 5 80 |
| July | 5 82 |
| August | 5 86 |
| September | 5 89 |
| October | 5 79 |
| November | 5 80 |
| December | 5 83 |

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

The following were the closing quotations:

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| American Tobacco | 146 1/2 |
| Sugar | 126 |
| American Spirits (pref.) | 38 1/2 |
| Burlington and Quincy | 126 |
| Con Gas | 192 |
| Chesapeake & Ohio | 27 |
| Deleware L & W | — |
| Jersey Central | 98 |
| Louisville & Nashville | 66 |
| Manhattan | 106 |
| Missouri Pacific | 44 |
| Northwestern | 144 |
| Rock Island | 114 |
| Southern Preferred | 45 1/2 |
| U. S. Lumber | 72 |
| Western Union | 94 |
| St. Paul | 123 |
| New York Central | 124 |

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKET.

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

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| Wheat—May 71; July 69. |
| Corn—May 37; July 37 1/2. |
| Oats—May 27; July 26. |
| Pork—Jan. 9.92; May 10.22. |
| Lard—Jan. 5.57; May 5.80. |
| Clear Rib Sides—Jan. 4.73; May 5.02. |

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

The following were the closing quotations of the Liverpool cotton market today:

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| American middling, low middling | 3 06 |
| January | 3 06 |
| February | 3 06 |
| March and April | 3 07 |

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Familiar Faces in the Passing Throng

SHORT STATEMENTS

Movement of People You Know—Gleanings in and About the City—Snatches of Today's Street Gossip.

S. Berwanger, left this morning for his home.

Jim Booker will be hanged one week from today.

There seems to be a dearth of houses for rent in Raleigh now.

Mrs. Ernest Martin and children went to Franklinton today.

Mr. A. E. Page has purchased the Morrison place and will live there.

Side-Tracked is the next attraction at the Academy of Music, January 15th, is the date.

Mrs. H. R. Robertson of New York, is the guest of Mrs. F. O. Moring, on Blount street.

Miss Katharine Gaillard, of St. Augustine, Fla., is visiting Mrs. William Shaw West, on Bloodworth street.

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church will meet in their parlor tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Miss Zettie Zachary returned today from Burlington, where she has been on a visit two weeks' visit to friends and relatives.

The Grand Lodge of M. S. M. which convened in this city last night was in session again this morning. The time was devoted to routine business.

Tonight at 9 o'clock at Central M. E. Church Rev. Mr. Glenn, pastor, will unite in marriage Mr. Harry M. Brown and Miss Adelaide C. Blackledge.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather and the darkness of the street the prayer meeting will not be held at the Presbyterian church tonight.

The stockholders of the Raleigh Cotton mill met today and elected directors and officers for the year. The directors have declared a 4 per cent semi-annual dividend, payable January 15th.

Dr. F. M. Jordan, of Hookerton, has purchased the lot on the corner of Peace and Wilmington streets and will erect a dwelling there, in which he and his family will reside when they move to Raleigh shortly.

Joseph Alston, colored, was sent on to Superior Court this morning by Judge Roberts, to answer a charge of failing and neglecting to provide adequate support for his wife and children. In default of \$50 bond he was committed to jail.

Don't forget that tomorrow evening 7 o'clock, and the lecture room at Central Methodist church is the place where Miss Kelly will give her recital. It is for a good cause that you are asked to spend the evening in pleasure of a high order. Admission 25c, children 15c.

Effie Green, a negro woman, will be arraigned before Mayor Powell at 5 o'clock this afternoon. She was arrested by officer Walters when he found that she was compelling her ten year old child to stand out in the rain and sleet naked last night as punishment for disobedience.

Messrs. B. W. Upchurch & Co. have now annexed to their store on Hargett street the store formerly occupied by E. R. Pool on Wilmington street. Thus their store now forms an L with entrances on Hargett and Wilmington streets. This is an evidence of the prosperity of this enterprising grocery establishment.

Mr. Benjamin G. Terrell and Miss Blanch Jones, of Kader, were married at the residence of the bride's brother, Mr. J. Wayland Jones, on South West street, this afternoon at two o'clock, by Justice of the Peace S. M. Rowland. The contracting parties have many warm friends in Raleigh.

On the third page of this issue will be found an incident in Sousa's career. Sousa and his incomparable band will be heard at the Academy of Music January 25th, for one night only! Out of town people desiring to have seats reserved can write to Manager Rivars, who will reserve any number of seats. Prices \$1.50 and \$1.00.

Mr. Henry W. Bagley, who has held a position in the Providence Journal bureau at Washington, D. C., is in the city for a few days visiting his mother, Mrs. W. H. Bagley. He will leave Friday for Havana, where he will enter upon his duties as confidential clerk to Col. Tasker H. Bliss, collector of customs for the Island of Cuba, to which position he has been appointed by the Secretary of War.