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25 CENTS A MONT

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Bill to Reduce Defendant's Challenges Tabled

RALEIGH STORAGE CO.

Bill to Give Each Member of First North Carolina Regiment in Cuba a Medal—No Bible Kissing.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock, and prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Carter. Petitions from the citizens of Fair Bluff township to prevent the sale of ardent spirits in Tucker's township; and from the citizens of Columbus to incorporate the township of Hillsboro, were filed with the committee.

The following bills were introduced: By Senator Stanback, to amend chapter 41, Laws of 1897, relating to special tax in Montgomery county. By Senator McIntyre, to amend Senate bill 354, relating to fish in Albemarle sound; to incorporate the Carolina and Northern Railroad Company; for the relief of Mollie V. Britt; for the relief of Annette G. Hooper. By Senator Whitaker, to prohibit hunting in Wake and Johnston counties without permission of the owners of the land. By Senator Ward, to repeal chapter 57, Laws of 1895, relating to the election of justices of the peace; to further white government in the counties of North Carolina by re-enacting chapter 17 of the Code, with reference to the election of commissioners and magistrates. By Senator Justice, to prohibit public drunkenness. By Senator Travis, to provide extra commissioners for Warren county; to repeal chapter 324, Laws of 1897, relating to the working of the public roads in Halifax county. By Senator Travis (by request), to amend section 2162 of the Code; to repeal chapter 541, Laws of 1891, and to amend section 447 of the Code; to incorporate the Great Falls Manufacturing and Improvement Company; to amend chapter 380, Laws of 1888, relating to drainage.

Senator Jones, from the Fourteenth district, was administered the official oath by Judge Clark, and President (pro tem.) Smith was also sworn in, as he explained that during the absence of Lieutenant Governor Reynolds it was necessary that he should ratify some bills.

The Calendar was taken up, and the following bills passed final readings: To amend the charter of Gastonia; to amend and consolidate the charter of Greenville; to amend chapter 340, Laws of 1895, as to the charter of Jonesboro; to amend section 35 of the Code, in regard to internal improvements; to repeal chapter 150, Laws of 1897, as to the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Company; to amend chapter 122, Laws of 1897, relating to the same company; to re-enact chapter 73, Laws of 1889, authorizing the incorporation of the Bank of Madison; to alter the dividing line between Whitehouse and Britt townships, in Robeson county; to pay Mrs. R. B. Fuel \$21.06; to allow the city of Greensboro to issue bonds; to increase the number of commissioners in Northampton county; to re-enact, amend and extend the charter of the Atlantic and Yanceyville Railway; to incorporate Thompson Institute; to protect the Fries Electric and Powers Plant of Forsyth county; to amend chapter 250, Laws of 1893, relating to the North Carolina Savings Bank; to revise the jury list of New Hanover county; to amend chapter 108, Laws of 1895, allowing the commissioners of the town of Mooreville to elect officers in case of vacancy; to amend chapter 65, Laws of 1895, relating to the town of Greenville; to repeal chapter 491, Laws of 1893, in regard to impounding stock in Edgecombe county; to amend Senate Bill No. 235, and to repeal chapter 51, Laws of 1895, in regard to fishing in Albemarle sound.

A joint resolution providing for the election of the directors of the State's prison on Friday, February 3, 1899, at 12 m., passed third reading.

By leave, Senator Black introduced a bill to adjust certain claims against the University by Senator Justice (by request), a bill was introduced regarding the bonds of warehousemen.

The Senate adjourned at 12 m.

HOUSE.

The House met at 10 o'clock, and Rev. E. C. Glenn offered prayer.

The following bills were introduced: By Giles, to give each member of the First North Carolina Regiment who is serving in Cuba a medal. By Hoy, to incorporate Lattimore, Cleveland county. By Brown, to change Stanley county from the Eleventh to the Eighth Judicial district. By Leak, to incorporate the Fee Dee News Transit Company (a telephone company). By Davis, for relief of sureties of J. H. Abell, ex-collector at Waynesville; also to prevent obstruction of Jonathan's creek. By Willard, to add Gabriel Holmes and Duncan McEachorn, as commissioners of New Hanover; also to re-fund \$150,000 of Wilmington's

bonds due in 1912, \$100,000 due in 1915 and \$150,000 due in 1919, by the issue of four-per-cent. bonds. By Patterson, to amend the charter of Maxton. By Boushall, to incorporate the Raleigh Storage Warehouse Company of Raleigh, capital \$10,000; Claude B. Barbee, John Gatling and W. W. Robards, stockholders. By Moore, to provide for road building in Jackson. By Harrison, to elect a cotton weigher for Enfield. By Moore, to allow Jackson county to settle with the sureties of J. E. McLain and R. F. Allison; also to incorporate the Sylva Training School, and to incorporate the town of Pylor. By Petree, to amend the law regarding hunting in Stokes.

The Calendar was taken up. A joint resolution was adopted to go into election of twelve directors of the penitentiary next Friday.

The following bills passed: To add P. P. Meroney and W. A. Houck as commissioners of Rowan county. To appoint a joint committee to investigate the Agricultural and Mechanical College for negroes at Greensboro. To incorporate the town of Manteo. To re-establish Mt. Airy township, Surry county. To pay expenses of J. A. Franks, contestee for Senate seat from Thirty-fourth district. To amend the law regarding election of a cotton weigher for Salisbury, so that he will have no fee for cotton which is sold by farmers to the mills and which he does not weigh.

There was some discussion of a bill to repeal the act of 1897, allowing counties to pay special veniremen. Several members, among them Nicholson of Beaufort, said they approved the measure. Nicholson moved to table, and this action was taken, despite a favorable committee report.

Bills passed to allow McDowell county to issue bonds to settle its outstanding and bonded debts; to allow Durham county to issue bonds for public schools (the people to vote on the question); to restore the old name of Ayden to the town of Harriston, Pitt county.

A bill came up in regard to the number of challenges in capital cases. Ray of Macon said it was of great importance, as it proposed to change a law which stood for a century. Ray wanted the Judiciary Committee to report on the bill one way or the other. Moore offered a substitute, and said it had been agreed that he should present it. He urged that the matter be not again referred, but that it be acted on. The bill amends sections 1199 and 1200 of the Code. The substitute reduces the number of defendant's challenges from twenty-three to twelve, and increases the number of the State's challenges from four to eight, and further provides that in all capital cases the prosecuting officers on behalf of the State shall not have the right to stand aside any per cent. of the jury without first showing cause, as now provided by law. Julian urged that the bill be tabled. He said he certainly did not want Rowan county included in the provisions of the bill. Hartsell moved to table the bill and the substitute too, and to the table they went.

Bills passed final reading giving Jackson, Northampton county, a dispensary; to allow the various divisions of the Atlantic Coast Line in North Carolina to change names to the "Atlantic Coast Line Railway of North Carolina"; and making them domestic corporations of North Carolina. (It so changes the name of the Wilmington and Weldon; then ratifies the consolidation of the Richmond and Petersburg, and the Petersburg, and incorporates the Atlantic Coast Line Company of Virginia.)

Mr. Oliver presented a petition from people of the northern part of Robeson, protesting against its being in the proposed county of Scotland. (A large delegation was in the capitol from Robeson county, some favoring the placing of Robeson territory in the new county; others willing to have Scotland county created, but not to give it any Robeson territory.)

By leave, Craig introduced four following bills, all by request: To place the offence of cruelty to animals within the jurisdiction of magistrates; to allow clerks of court under certain circumstances to pay out money to minors who are wards of the law; to prevent the necessity of kissing the Bible when taking the oath; to amend the law in reference to service of summons by publication.

Bills passed to allow the town of Lexington to issue bonds for a graded school and other purposes; Senate bill, to make cruelty in other State and abandonment for one year another cause for divorce, the law to apply to cases which occurred prior to January 1, 1899, was referred, owing to an error in date.

Bills passed to elect a cotton-weigher for Charlotte; to declare the South-eastern Railway company duly incorporated and to enlarge its charter (it is to be from Ashtole to Hub); to allow the commissioners of Craven county to fill vacancies not due to death in county offices, justices of the peace to fill vacancies in the board of county commissioners (Gattie said it was one of the many bills designed to put Craven county in the hands of the white people); to extend the corporate limits of the town of Hickory; to amend chapter 147, Public Laws 1897, regarding powers of sale, mortgages and deeds of trust, devolving duties upon executors and administrators of trustees or mortgagees and validating their acts; to change township lines of Toe river, Roaring creek and Linville, in Mitchell county; to allow Nash county to levy special tax in stock-law territory.

WASHINGTON LETTER

Many Anti-Imperialistic Speeches This Week.

THE HULL BILL

Senator on the Election of Senators by Popular Vote—General Miles and Secretary Alger.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Anti-Imperialistic sentiment will have full swing in the Senate this week, as nearly every Senator who opposes and who has not already spoken against imperialism has given notice of intention to speak. The treaty of peace will be voted upon February 6, and the chances favor its ratification, because nothing would be gained by rejecting it. A motion to reconsider would be made by one of its friends, and it would require a majority to table it. That majority its opponents have not. So, if it were rejected February 6, all Mr. McKinley would have to do would be to call an extra session of the Senate, in March, when it would be promptly ratified.

Within the last week Mr. McKinley has been personally harshly criticised in both House and Senate, and in each body one of his critics was a Republican. In the House, Representatives Jerry Simpson and Johnson of Indiana jumped on him for bowing to public opinion, right or wrong; and in the Senate, Senators Gorman and Hoar gave him fits for declining to furnish the Senate with copies of the instructions given to the Peace Commissioners.

The attempt of the Republicans to get Democratic support for the Hull bill, which will be voted upon tomorrow, by amending it so as to make any increase of the regular army above 50,000 discretionary with the President, was not a success. It made no real change. The Democrats proved by their votes for the first war appropriation that they were not afraid to trust the President, but that did not change the principle of the party against the concentration of authority in the hands of one man. Such concentration does no harm as long as the right man exercises the authority, but who can say when the wrong man will come along? The change was not made for effect in the House, where partisanship will put the bill through, but in the Senate, where its fate will be very much in doubt, unless the support of Senators, who are now inclined to oppose it, can be secured. The substitute was so palpable that Representative Loud of California, a Republican, made a hot speech against it, plainly telling his party associates that they could not hope to catch suckers with such a bare hook.

General Miles is still piling up evidence, official and unofficial, that the best furnished our soldiers in Cuba and Porto Rico was unfit to eat. He has already about convinced everybody, except the members of the administration, and of the War Investigating Commission, that his charge was true, but they seem determined to stick to it that the beef was good.

Secretary Alger put another slight upon General Miles in connection with the finding of the Eagan court-martial. The army regulations provide that the finding of a court-martial shall be forwarded to the Secretary of War through the commanding general of the army, but Alger instructed the Judge Advocate to ignore Miles and hand the finding to him directly, and it was done. While nobody outside the court and officials can swear what the verdict was, everybody is certain that it was "Guilty," and that the sentence was dismissal from the army. In handling this verdict, Mr. McKinley would better be careful or he will sign his own political death warrant. The people have decided that Eagan should be punished, and if Mr. McKinley exercises his authority to shield him, he will find that he may have the punishment to bear himself.

Senator Butler, in presenting a resolution of the North Carolina Legislature for the election of Senators, by vote of the people, called attention to this being the twenty-fourth Legislature to adopt such a resolution, and said that a constitutional amendment ought to be at once adopted, citing the several existing deadlocks and scandals in legislatures as an argument in its favor.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's father, on South McDowell street, Miss Laura E. Brockwell and Mr. W. C. Creel were married Saturday evening. The ceremony was solemnized by Rev. Dr. M. Marshall, of Christ Church. Mr. and Mrs. Creel have the best wishes of their many friends.

QUAY'S FIGHT.

No Change Probable Until After His Trial, February 20th.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. HARRISBURG, Jan. 30.—It is believed that there will be no change in the Senatorial vote until after Quay's trial, February 20th. The lines are so closely drawn that it is hopeless to expect a break under existing circumstances. Senator Quay and his lieutenants declare, with every show of confidence, that he will be re-elected, but the facts seem antagonistic. A quorum today would be greatly to Quay's advantage, but the Democrats and anti-Quay Republicans will not participate for fear of some trick.

No quorum was present today, and the vote stood: Quay, 35; Jenks, 4.

TOOK HIS WIFE'S NAME.

By Cable to The Times-Visitor. LONDON, Jan. 30.—It is announced that the Queen has granted license, at the desire of Leander J. McCormick, of Chicago, to Frederick E. Goodhart, of Hallow Castle, Tonbridge, to assume the name McCormick. It is said to be the first occasion that a Britisher has added his wife's name to his own.

SIMON BUILDING BURNED.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. PITTSBURGH, Jan. 30.—The Simon building, occupied by the New York Biscuit Company, was destroyed by fire this morning. Loss, \$100,000. Cold hampered the firemen, disabling some apparatus.

FIRE IN CHICAGO.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. CHICAGO, Jan. 30.—The mahogany yards of Rayner, Morgan & Fulton, and Austin's box factory were burned this morning. Loss, \$25,000. The Smith boarding house adjoining was destroyed and twenty-five lodgers in scant attire escaped to the streets, where the thermometer stands at zero. Ten firemen were compelled to jump to the street and one was severely hurt.

METHOD FOR REVISION.

By Cable to The Times-Visitor. PARIS, Jan. 30.—The Chamber of Deputies, by a vote of 346 to 189, adopted the government's proposal to submit to a special committee from the Chamber a bill providing cases of trial for revision shall be brought before the united sections of the court of cassation. The report of Mazau Firs, president of the court of cassation, on Beaupre charges, will be read before the committee.

SENATE TODAY.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The United States Senate has adopted a resolution calling on the Secretary of War for information regarding the proportion of sickness and deaths among the American troops in the Philippines. The Senate has taken up the Indian appropriation bill.

EWART'S NOMINATION.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The Senate Judiciary Committee has taken up for consideration the nomination of Hamilton Ewart as judge of the Western district of North Carolina.

MYRON REED DEAD.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. DENVER, Jan. 30.—Rev. Myron W. Reed, one of the greatest preachers of the West, is dead. He was mentioned as a successor to Henry Ward Beecher and was president of the Debs Co-operative Commonwealth.

EAGAN IN CIVILIAN DRESS.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The record of the court-martial of General Eagan was transmitted this morning to Judge Advocate General Lieber for review. After the Secretary read it he sent it to Lieber, who announced this morning that he expected to take three days to examine it. Eagan came to the War Department today in civilian dress.

"GUILT IS EVIDENT."

The Boston Herald Fined \$500 for Using the Above Head.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. BOSTON, Jan. 30.—Judge Bond today fined The Boston Herald \$500 in contempt proceedings. The Herald having Thursday made a report of the trial in the Mulvey and Scallans cases "Guilt is Evident." As a consequence of this headline the case was taken from the jury.

JOURNALIST ARRESTED.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. DRESDEN, Jan. 30.—A man named Reif, formerly a journalist, of New York, who he eloped with a young woman, was arrested here on the charges of stealing diamonds, valued at \$30,000.

OFFICE CLOSED.

W. A. Porterfield & Co. Goes Under Today.

No market quotations were received here today. This was due to the fact that W. A. Porterfield & Co., of Washington went under this morning and the office here was closed by an attachment issued by Justice Marcom with Mr. E. H. Lee as plaintiff.

Porterfield had a number of branch offices in this State. Among other places they had offices at Raleigh, Durham, Greensboro, Charlotte, Winston, Tarboro, Rocky Mount and other points.

GOT IT IN THE NECK.

Judge Roberts says he got it in the neck one night last week. A young man came in his office and requested the Judge to be at a certain house the next night promptly at 7 o'clock to marry him. There was much style about the young man and the Judge scented a nice fee. The next evening Judge Roberts got shaved, put on his black Prince Albert, had his shoes shined and went to the appointed place. After waiting in a room for half or three-quarters of an hour a young man came in and told the Judge he could go to another room, which he did, and after waiting a quarter of an hour more the couple entered and the Judge married them, and after congratulating the bride presented her a certificate of her marriage. After waiting a few moments the Judge excused himself and found his way out of the house and took his book back to his office. When asked if he had realized that nice fee, his reply was: "Yes, I got it in the neck. Why, the fellow did not even thank me or show me out of the house. I am sorry for the girl I married him to."

LEE THE HYPNOTIST.

He Will Begin a Week's Engagement Tonight.

Mr. Lee, the hypnotist, who, with his company, will begin an engagement for the entire week at the Academy of Music, will have a committee of newspaper and business men drive from the theatre over a circuitous route to some spot agreed upon by the committee and hide a needle. After hiding the needle, they will drive back to the Academy of Music over a different route, where another committee has been guarding Mr. Lee and his assistants. Mr. Lee will hypnotize one of his assistants, blindfold him, have him mount the carriage box and drive over the same route that the committee did, making the same turns, driving on the same streets, find the needle and drive back to the Academy of Music.

Other features of tomorrow night's programme will be the "Typical Cake Walk," "Country School Teacher," "Human Bridge" and Lee's beautiful "Cataleptic Statues."

Ladies Free.—Monday night every paid ticket reserved before 6 o'clock p. m., at King's Drug Store, will admit one lady free.

CONGRESS.

To Vote on the Hull Bill Tomorrow Afternoon.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Before resuming debate on the army reorganization bill today the House agreed that if its consideration under the five-minute rule was continued today the session tomorrow until five o'clock will be devoted to general debate, which will give each side an opportunity to close, and the bill was then taken up in committee of whole for amendment.

Marsh of Illinois offered an amendment fixing the minimum number of troop, company, battery, to make an aggregate of 50,000, giving the President power to increase to 100,000. Hay of Virginia offered an amendment to provide only sixty men to a company, infantry or cavalry, giving the President power to increase to 145 and 190 respectively in case of war.

SAFE ROBBERY.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. FORT WORTH, Jan. 30.—Three robbers blew open the safe in the Keely Plough Company's store at Longview last night and a large sum of money was secured. Joe Carroll, of Joplin, Mo., one of the robbers was captured and another was seriously wounded.

STILL IN HARBOR.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. SAN DIEGO, Jan. 30.—The Philadelphia is still at harbor and will not start for Samoa before Tuesday. The engineers from the last have not yet arrived.

WHOLE FAMILY PERISHED.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. TOLEDO, Jan. 30.—The Robson family, composed of father, mother, daughter, son and hired man, lived on one of the islands of the Bass group. The boy died and the whole family started to take his body to Canada in a boat. Since the body of the mother has been found on the Canadian shore. All the family are believed to have perished.

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.

Mr. W. J. Ellington returned last night from Troy, N. C.

Mayor Powell fined Ransom Hicks \$3.25 for being disorderly Saturday night.

The Rescue Circle will meet at Mrs. James McKimmon's (tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock).

Miss Jennie Joyner, of Franklinton, who has spent several days with Miss Mary Green, on Hillsboro street, returned home today.

Oconeechee Tribe, No. 18, J. O. A. R. M., will meet at 7 o'clock sharp this evening. By order—Sachem, George L. Tonnoffski, Chief of Records.

Miss Minnie Barber, one of the popular salesladies at Lyon Racket Store, is very ill of pneumonia at her grandfather's, "Squire M. B. Barbee, No. 429 S. Wilmington street.

Three little negro boys, Will Dock, Tom Hawkins and Dempsey Leach, were before Mayor Powell today, charged with the larceny of coal. They were put under \$25 bond each.

Prof. Gray R. King of Rockingham, is in the city today to appear before the legislative committee this afternoon in opposition to the proposed county of Scotland.

Next Friday evening in the First Baptist church an organ recital will be given under the auspices of the Church Improvement Society. No admission fee will be charged, but a collection will be taken.

The Virginia Life Insurance Company has purchased the business of the Immediate Benefit Life Insurance Company of Baltimore for this district. The Virginia is collecting all the claims of the Immediate since January 20th.

Mr. W. C. Brickman, who has been connected with the Immediate Benefit Life Insurance Company of Baltimore, has accepted a position as superintendent of thrift department of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.

Rev. Daniel Earl, of Canada, preached both morning and evening at the Edenton Street Methodist church yesterday. His subject in the morning was the "Kingdom of Heaven." He is an entertaining speaker and presents the truth clearly and simply.

Mr. T. W. Branch, Deputy Supreme Agent of the Royal Arcanum, will deliver a lecture to the members and their friends at their hall Monday night, January 30, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. A full attendance is desired. Come out and hear him and be enlightened as to the benefits of this grand order.

ANNIVERSARY OF CHARLES' EXECUTION.

By Cable to The Times-Visitor. LONDON, Jan. 30.—The anniversary of the execution of King Charles I. was observed today by the Legation and Jacobite Leagues in London and the Provinces. Wreaths and floral decorations were deposited at the foot of the statue in White Hall. Prominent among the decorations was a shield surmounted by "Immortelles," the gift of American Jacobites, attached to which was a white silk ribbon with inscribed thereon "America remembers her martyred King."

NEW YORKERS RETURN.

By Telegraph to The Times-Visitor. NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Great preparations are made to receive the 69th New York Regiment returning from Alabama. Decorations along the route are profuse. Large crowds have waited since early this morning. The regiment was delayed and will not arrive till after three o'clock.

ATTENTION, PYTHIANS!

You are respectfully invited to visit Centre Lodge, No. 3, this evening. There will probably be work in the first degree. Brethren of sister lodges and visiting Knights are especially invited.

LADIES' HOSPITAL AID ASSOCIATION.

There will be a meeting of the Association at Mrs. F. A. Olds', 222 W. Hargett street, tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon at 4 o'clock.

MRS. W. A. MONTGOMERY, President.

MRS. F. A. OLDS, Secretary.