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NO INSANE IN PENITENTIARY

Senate Seems Determined to Keep Insane From Felon's Cell

CROP LIEN BILL Tabled

The Winston Bill to Allow Counties to Use Convicts on County Farms and Public Roads Passed the House.

SENATE.

The Senate was called to order at 10 o'clock, and prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Barry.

Bills were introduced as follows: By Justice, to amend chapter 400, laws of 1897, relative to a dispensary at Rutherfordton, by Skinner, to pay the expenses of Kerley and Southern in the contested election case, by Coole, to repeal chapter 125, laws of 1895, to abolish tax collectors in Nash county, by Jones, to repeal chapter 146, laws of 1893, to define the fees of clerks and justices of the peace for issuing process, by Williams, to protect stock running at large in Cumberland county, by James, to amend chapter 342, of the Code, allowing clerks to issue restraining orders, by Brown, to repeal chapter 64, laws of 1895, amending the charter of Columbus, with regard to drainage, by Fields, to appoint E. M. Taylor a justice of the peace of Mt. Airy Township, by Jerome, a bill entitled an act supplemental to an act to unite the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina Railroad Company.

The following bills passed final reading: To amend section 1398 of the Code, relative to the drainage of low lands; to amend the stock law of Henderson county; to amend chapter 399, laws of 1891, allowing directors of the Deaf and Dumb school at Morganton to elect officers in case of vacancy, provided that not more than one director shall come from one county; to authorize the commissioners of Craven county to set aside a sinking fund to pay the bridge debt of that county; a bill entitled an act supplemental to an act to unite the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina Railroad Company; to domesticate foreign corporations. This is Craigie's bill and passed unanimously.

Senator Osborne (by leave) introduced a bill to amend chapter 49 of the Code of 1885, and Senator McIntyre (also by leave) introduced a bill regarding disposition of the insane and inebriate among the Croatian Indians. A bill to amend the charter of the East Tennessee and Western North Carolina Railway Company passed final reading, as did a bill to repeal section 1333 of the Code. This section prohibits the buying and selling of pretended rights or titles.

At 12:30 the Senate resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the consideration of the bill to amend, consolidate and codify the insane laws of North Carolina. The first section brought under discussion was 66 of the printed bill. This section provides "that the criminal insane shall be cared for and treated in the wards of the penitentiary, which have heretofore been assigned for that purpose . . . and the said wards shall be known as the Department of the Criminal Insane, and the board of directors of the penitentiary is given full control and management of said department."

Senator Daniels opposed this provision. Nothing, in his opinion, could eliminate the stigma of being confined in the penitentiary; call it by what pretext or name you may. Mason also opposed the provision, and said that he could understand cases where it might be dangerous and hurtful in effect. Suppose, he said, that one pronounced criminally insane is confined in the penitentiary. He suddenly loses his homicidal propensities altogether, what provision is made for him, asked Mason? Is he still to be kept in the penitentiary?

Senator Brown spoke with his usual deliberate frankness. He said: "My candid opinion is that the main object of this provision is to get the Insane Asylum clear of troublesome patients. I am opposed to it. Take the convicts from the Central Prison of the penitentiary, if you like, and send them to the farms where they rightfully belong; and then it will be all right to create the Central Prison as an institution for the criminal insane. But as the matter now stands we should strike out the provision altogether."

Senator Fields urged that the criminal and dangerous insane be allowed to remain in the hospitals—provide more room for them there if it is needed, he said.

Senator Coole agreed; and said that no matter if a man becomes as dangerous and as desperate as a lion he should not be sent to a felon's cell. We know not when the hand of God may bring this matter home to us, and how could we bear such a stigma upon one of our relatives. Increase taxation, if

necessary, he said, but keep the insane in the asylums provided for them."

Senator Glenn said that he had just been consulting with the committee appointed to act in this matter, and that the committee was patiently waiting for some suggestion that would help it out of the dilemma. The committee had found that the penitentiary could be arranged for the reception of the criminally insane at a cost of something like \$1,000; but that he would be glad to support an amendment appropriating \$50,000 or \$60,000, if necessary, for building a new and separate institution for the criminal insane.

Senator Daniels said that now was not the time for the consideration of appropriations; that question would come later and he would support it. There are, he said, rooms in the hospital at Morganton for drunkards, but under the provisions of the bill as it stands our mothers, wives and daughters may be put on the same footing as the lowest prostitute on God's earth.

Senator Hicks said that he understood that there were not more than four or five criminal insane in the State, and why not build a small building near the Central Hospital for the protection of these.

It was stated by Senator Speight that too much attention had been given to the dangerously insane and not enough thought to the innocent, harmless and unfortunate who, as was shown by well known cases, were constantly in danger from being confined in the same building as the former. Consider, he said, the safety of the 800 insane at Morganton, the 400 at Raleigh and the 400 at Goldsboro.

Finally Senators Hicks, Travis, Speight and Daniels were appointed a sub-committee to draft an amendment for section 66 and submit it to the committee of the whole.

Senator Daniels offered an amendment to strike out the word dangerous wherever it occurs in sections 65 to 72, which was adopted. The effect of this amendment is that when persons who are not dangerously insane are confined in an asylum and become dangerous, they are removed from the institution. The committee rose at 1:45.

By leave, Senator Coole introduced a bill for the protection of fish and game in certain parts of Buncombe county.

The Senate adjourned at 2 o'clock.

HOUSE.

The House met at 10 o'clock, and Rev. W. C. Norman offered prayer.

A resolution was favorably reported considering that the State arsenal reconsidering that the State arsenal be removed from capital square.

Bills were introduced as follows: By Carroll, to make one term of Alameda county a civil term, by Moore, to amend the Code regarding Supreme court library, by Maurey, to prevent distemper and other infectious diseases among cattle, also to amend chapter 61, private laws of '93, by Boggs, to regulate the holding of courts in Catawba; also to change name of Berryville to West Hickory, by Brown, of Stanley to amend charter of Albemarle, by McLean, of Harnett, to repeal chapter 553, private acts of 1895, by Leatherwood, to amend chapter 15, private laws of '95, by Thompson, of Onslow, to prevent obstruction of Harrison's Creek, Onslow county, by Hart, for relief of Henry Dougherty, of Edgecombe, by McIntosh, to allow Alexander county to levy special tax to build court house and jail; also to relieve Alexander from payment of bonds held by State Treasury, by Pritchard, to permit persons who sell whiskey in any local option territory, by Trotman, for relief of sheriff of Gates, by Craig to regulate fraternal benevolent societies, orders and associations, by Thompson, of Davidson, for relief of G. W. Mountcastle, by Lowry, for better drainage of Forsyth lowlands, by Welch, to establish public landing at the foot of all roads leading to and crossing navigable stream, by Whitfield, to put H. H. Nichols on pension lists, by Curtis, to protect sub-contractors and others, by Mitchell to amend charter of Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company, by Council, to amend chapter 221, private acts of 1891, by Williams, of Dare to amend chapter 57, private acts 1897, by Leatherwood, to put H. P. Brenton on pension roll, by Williams, of Iredell, to improve roads in Coddle Creek township, by Leak, to allow Anson county to levy special tax, by Wall, to put on the pension roll Jesse Banner, M. C. Copell, S. M. Ingram and Solomon McLean, by Winston, to amend section 181 of the Code, relative to the service of summons on infants in absence of guardian ad litem; also to abolish the office of coroner in Northampton county, by Oliver, to incorporate Union City, Robeson county.

The Calendar was taken up. Bill to equalize payment of State witnesses, sheriffs and clerks was tabled.

Bills passed final reading to give New Hanover the road law and to allow its people to vote on the tax; to amend charter of Elizabeth City; to amend the law regarding probates and the examination of married women, by simplifying the probate laws regarding proof in recording and probating deeds and other papers, being a complete revision of the chapter of the Code; to repeal chapter 66, volume 2, of the Code, and enact new work districts; to appoint Joseph R. Heas a J. P. for No. 1 township, Madison county; 13 fusionists voting no.)

By leave Robinson introduced a bill to give Cumberland county additional terms of Superior court, and Hartzell, a bill for relief of John A. Sims.

Bills passed: To amend chapter 257, acts of '96 by excepting Beaufort county; (resolution) to raise a joint committee on election of justices of the peace.

Bill introduced by Winston to provide for working convicts on the county (Continued on 4th page.)

SUGGESTION.

It is hoped that there may be a full representation of the Democratic voters at the meeting to be held at the Metropolitan Hall tonight. It has occurred to me that there are those who are disposed to criticize the motives of the constructors of the proposed charter which is to be discussed at this meeting, and to impute to them intentions which are not borne out by the facts. As soon as the Democratic caucus had agreed upon the essential features of the bill, the public were immediately informed of the same through the medium of the daily press. Let us concede to the Democratic aldermen of our city who have done so much in the past few years to beautify and advance its material interests, sincerity of purpose that has actuated them in their past record, and believe them to have devised this charter with a desire to continue the up-building of our city. If you disagree with them attend the meeting with your mind prepared to discuss and to hear others discuss the subject free from bias and with an honest purpose to evolve the best charter that wisdom can suggest. Bear in mind that those who framed the charter are in no sense benefitted by a single feature of the same. But it devolving upon them to construct it they did it with a sole desire of meeting the necessities of our city government as it was suggested to them by their years of experience as city fathers.

A CARD.

Editor Times-Visitor:

The new city charter, as it now stands gives us a Trial Justice and a City Engineer, with salaries and fees attached running up to something like \$3,000 per annum.

Now Mr. Editor, if one will read between the lines of the new charter and study it very closely, they will see that somebody wants to be Mayor, providing the new charter is adopted, but they do not want it as it now stands, for the reason that they have large private business interests to attend to, and acting as Mayor without a Trial Justice would consume too much of their time. But the people of Raleigh are not ready yet a while to create an honorary office with autocratic power and salary attached, just to satisfy the ambition of some particular political favorite.

RAIN AGAIN.

The forecast of the weather bureau for Raleigh and vicinity: Rain tonight and Friday, warmer.

A storm has appeared over Texas which is causing cloudy, threatening weather throughout the South. Light rains have occurred at many points as far east as Augusta, and on the north side of the storm, snow is falling at Dodge City, Kansas City, Oklahoma and Chicago.

The temperature has moderated considerably in the Mississippi valley and East, but the cold weather continues in the extreme Northwest with temperatures below zero still over Nebraska, the Dakotas and Minnesota. The lowest is 22 below zero at Bismarck.

A CARD.

Mr. Editor: Tonight the proposed city charter must stand upon its merits before the people. Many of its features I heartily approve. Among other things the more power and responsibility you place in the mayor's hands the better. If you have a business to be managed cannot the best result be obtained by giving one man abundant power and making him directly responsible to you for its use?

However, I am opposed to the \$2 "household tax" and making a salaried office as police justice why not relieve the mayor of trial duties by simply turning this work over to some magistrate for the fees? This would save \$600 a year. If a police justice with power to try civil cases is created it will cut down the sheriff's fees, the constables, and greatly damage the magistrates' business and do the city no good.

TAX PAYER.

LECTURE BY MR. W. S. PRIMROSE.

The Westminster League of Young People of the Presbyterian Church, have induced Mr. W. S. Primrose to favor them with a lecture on Friday evening, February 20th. Mr. Primrose is a graceful and pleasing speaker. He has chosen a subject that will not only be interesting but exceedingly instructive: "Red Men of North Carolina, Their Habits and Manner of Living."

Mr. Primrose in early life became interested in our North Carolina Indians, and besides studying their history, manners and customs he made a collection of their pottery, implements and curios, which is perhaps, with one exception the best selected and most valuable collection of Indian relics in the State. Mr. Primrose's lecture will be illustrated with specimens of stone and clay implements, selected from his valuable collection.

This lecture is the second of the course of lectures to be held in the Presbyterian Sunday school building, and the public are cordially invited to be present as the guests of the Westminster League. No charge whatever will be made.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Familiar Faces in the Passing Throng

SHORT STATEMENTS

Movement of People You Know—Glenn in and About the City—Street Goings.

Regular monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen on Friday night.

Miss Mattie Glenn is visiting Mrs. John D. Briggs.

Mr. M. P. Uzzle went down to Franklinton today.

The Board of County Commissioners meet next Monday.

Miss Mattie Eliza Roberts, daughter of Judge Roberts, is very ill at her home on South Wilmington street, No. 422.

Today is "ground hog day." The old legend is such familiar knowledge that merely a reminder of it here is deemed sufficient.

There are some very poor people who are in need of wood this cold snap. Raleigh should have a well organized relief association with a fund always on hand to meet such emergencies.

There will be a missionary rally service in Central Methodist church next Sunday night at which Mr. N. B. Broughton will deliver an address. Let the public take notice and attend.

Large posters announcing the date of the Eastern Carolina Fish, Oyster and Game and Industrial Exposition at Newbern, Monday, February 20, 1899, to continue for the week, adorn the bill boards of Raleigh.

Among the visitors in the city today are Messrs. W. M. Sanders of Smithfield, J. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, S. P. Satterfield, of Roxboro, J. W. Poe and W. D. Newton, of Durham, Jas. Norfleet, Col. G. E. Webb, Maj. T. J. Brown, S. E. Cooper, of Wilson, and B. H. Griffin, of Goldsboro.

MASS MEETING.

All Democrats of Raleigh Will Meet Tonight.

Tonight at 8 o'clock the Democrats of Raleigh will meet in Metropolitan Hall in pursuance to a call issued by the Mayor to consider the new city charter. A warm time is expected. The chair will be friends and opponents, and they will be there.

PARLOR MEETING AT THE MAX-SION.

The members of the W. C. T. U. and other ladies are cordially invited to meet Mrs. Isabella Lake, one of the National Workers in the department of "Mothers and Sisters' work, Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

HELP THE NEEDY.

During the month of January many of the poor of the city have been supplied with wood, but the money now is about exhausted. There are many now in need. Any money sent to Jno. T. Pullen will be applied for the relief of those in great need.

LEE THE TALK OF THE CITY.

Prof. Lee, the hypnotist continues to be the marvel of the town. Seldom has an entertainment caused more street talk next day than did his exhibition last night.

Lee, the hypnotist, is the prevailing sensation. Large and enthusiastic audiences greet him at every performance and his time during the day is fully occupied by private parties.

Two very remarkable feats were performed yesterday by Prof. Lee, which set the town talking. At the performance last night a committee, consisting of Mr. E. H. Lee, Mr. Ashby Baker, Mr. E. Baker, Mr. Bud Hinton and representatives of the city papers, addressed a note to a gentleman in the audience, placed it in a postoffice box and hid the key under one of a row of tobacco boxes in the drug store of Mr. Jas. I. Johnson. The note which was addressed to Mr. Char. E. Johnson, and concealed in the postoffice box of Mr. E. H. Lee, was known to no person outside of the committee. The party then returned to the hall, where one of Mr. Lee's assistants had been blindfolded and placed in a hypnotic state. He was told to go with the committee, find the key, open the box and deliver the note to the gentleman whose address it bore. Without the slightest hesitation the hypnotist did as he was told in three minutes time. He did not know where the committee had hid the key; he did not know Mr. Lee's box, nor did he know that it contained the note; and more he did not know Mr. Johnson and had never seen him, though he walked directly to him who dismissed Specker Saturday night, upon entering the hall.

A simple tester to ascertain the condition of eggs is formed of a wedge-shaped box of paper with a round hole in one side, in which the egg is inserted, with an eye opening at the base of the box, through which the user looks on a reflecting plate to see the egg.

A combined cradle and baby carriage has been patented, having the body portion suspended on pivots at the front and rear of the frame, with a locking attachment for the wheels and cradle, which unlocks one as the other is locked.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 2.—Quay, 103; Jenks, 79; Dalsell, 15, others scattering.

PHILIPPINE CRISIS APPROACHES.

Americans Seize Telegraph Offices—Two Guns in Position—Filipinos Make Formal Demands.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor.

HONG KONG, Feb. 2.—The Filipino members of the joint commission at Manila have formally demanded the launch which has been seized by the Americans and have also demanded they be permitted to fly the Philippine flag in the Philippine waters. General Otis is reported to be favorable to granting the demand but Admiral Dewey refused, not wishing to put himself in a position in which he would be obliged to employ searchlights to discover the movements of the Filipinos. The use of the Philippine flag however, is permitted on shore and several of these flags are now flying from native's houses.

A dozen natives have been arrested for secretly manufacturing "bolos" (native weapons) at Manila.

TO OUST MILES.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

NEW YORK, FEB. 2.—THE ADVERTISER HAS A WASHINGTON SPECIAL WHICH SAYS: "PAPERS HAVE BEEN PREPARED RELIEVING MILES OF THE COMMAND OF THE ARMY AND TRANSFERRING IT TO OTIS DEPARTMENT. IT IS EXPECTED THE PRESIDENT WILL SIGN THE PAPERS WITHOUT DELAY."

NOTE MONDAY.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

Washington, Feb. 2.—If nothing occurs to upset the programme of the advocates of the peace treaty, the Sullivan resolution will be brought to a vote today. The way will thus be cleared for ratifying the treaty Monday. The resolution will be changed by the elimination of its joint character. It will not go to the house, but be merely an expression of opinion by the Senate on what the policy of the United States in the Philippines may or may not be.

Senator Spooner addressed the Senate on the various anti-annexation resolutions. He found no objection to the treaty on constitutional grounds.

Senators Hale, Perkins and Faulkner were appointed a conference committee on the diplomatic consular appropriation bill.

Senator Tillman offered a resolution asking the president to inform the Senate whether franchises and concessions has been granted by any municipality in Cuba and Porto Rico since occupation by the United States.

KIPLING ARRIVES.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Rudyard Kipling arrived on the Majestic, accompanied by his family. Kipling gave the reporters sixteen shillings worth of words in saying: "Nothing to say."

THIRD INFANTRY LEAVES.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—The Third Infantry boarded the transport Sherman this morning. The government provided two open excursion barges for transportation of the regiment. The men were exposed to the wind and cutting cold.

ENGINE BLEW UP.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

HORNELLVILLE, Feb. 2.—An Erie engine blew up at Cameron yesterday. Engineer Solomon and brakeman McCormick were badly scalded. Fireman Chamberlain is reported fatally injured.

AVALANCHES.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

DENVER, Col., Feb. 2.—The report from Aspen that a number of men were buried in a snow slide is untrue. The avalanche buried horses but the men escaped.

All the transcontinental roads through Colorado are tied up by the snow. The East bound trains to Salt Lake City are stalled at Glenwood Springs, and are unable to proceed on snow tracks. The West bound trains are blocked at Eagle Pass. Train No. 1, on the Denver Rio Grande ran into a snowslide near Shoshone and the baggage car jumped the mall car and the mall clerk and baggage master were severely injured.

QUAY VOTE.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

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By Cable to the Times-Visitor.

MANILA, Feb. 2.—The Americans have seized the Filipino telegraph office connecting all parts of the island of Luzon. The operators were arrested since it was discovered that they were transmitting General Otis' secret orders to the Philippine government at Manila. How these orders were obtained is a mystery.

Two guns of the Utah Artillery have been placed in position on Santa Mesa Hill, overlooking the waterworks. There is evidence now that the Filipinos intend to begin hostilities, but it is practically certain that they will resist if the Americans force matters.

The radical independence element now dominates the government of Manila, since the killing of the Filipino officer, Belmonte, by an American guard.

The American officers do not venture outside of Manila. Foreigners are not permitted to travel in the interior without passes signed by Aguinaldo.

OPPOSITION TO PRITCHARD'S BILL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Considerable opposition is developing among Southern Representatives to Senator Pritchard's bill for national care of Confederate graves. The House resumed consideration of the river and harbor bill.

ADMIRAL DEWEY.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The Senate naval committee reported the resolutions to revise the grade of admiral in the interest of Dewey. The resolutions were amended to extend the date of his retirement for ten years.

MAIL CLERK SUES RAILROADS.

The Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company and the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Company are made defendants in an action for damages filed today by William H. Harrison, of Raleigh, N. C., a clerk in the railway mail service. It is alleged by the plaintiff that on May 16, 1898, he was thrown to the floor of the car in which he was at work by a collision with a switching train, and that he thereby sustained great injury. He asks damages in the sum of \$10,000.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC ALL NEXT WEEK.

To the Lovers of Music.

For all next week I have booked Rentford's Musical Comedy Company, the Jolly Pathfinders, in "The Lightning Express," at the opera house. The company has its band and orchestra, the best ever heard in the city. Weather permitting the band will give an open air concert in front of King's drug store at 11:30 a. m. Monday, and Director A. D. McKee has kindly forwarded the musical program to be rendered. It is as follows:

March—Morris Guards, Chautauay. Overture—Poet and Peasant, Fr. Von Suppe.

Polish Dance No. 1, Scherzuka, Waltz—Danube Waters, Franoriel.

In the evening beginning at 7:30 in front of the opera house the band will give the following concert:

March—Battery Park, Thayer. Overture—"Martha," Flotow. Characteristic Piece—Dance of the Mermaids, Abel.

Waltz—Ensemble Seductor, Rosa's. In addition to this delightful treat, one of the most exquisite of musical comedies built upon thoroughly legitimate lines, funny inherently, replete with the most catchy, enjoyable specialties, will be presented. Prices are 10, 20 and 30 cents. Ladies free Monday and Tuesday nights.

Secure your reserved seats at once, and avoid rush at the door. Ladies' tickets are limited to 300, so be sure you take advantage of free ticket.

DELEGATION FROM WILMINGTON

A large delegation arrived this morning from Wilmington on a special train in the interest of Mr. Frank McNeill's candidacy for railroad commissioner also to look after the Wilmington charter bill. Mr. McNeill is a prominent lawyer of Wilmington.

Among the members of the delegation were Congressman Jno. D. Bellamy, Geo. L. Martan, E. G. Parmele, R. W. Wallace, D. McEachern, R. M. Westcott, S. L. Mackenzie, L. Hauser, Sol. Bear, Jas. Kyle, W. B. Cowper, J. A. Baylor, Thos. C. James, Roger Moore, Benjamin Bell, J. C. Stevenson, A. Smith, T. D. Meares, R. W. Hicks and G. J. Boney.

The party will return to Wilmington tonight.