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SOLDIERS' HOME GETS $5,000 MORE

Senate Defeated Bill Giving University $10,000 for Sewerage.

Directors of A. & M. College Elected—Two Railway Commissioners Chosen—Changes in Congressional Districts—Members of the New Agricultural Board Chosen.

SENATE.

The Senate met at 9:30, and prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Bain.

Among the bills which passed final reading were: To provide for election of commissioners of Johnson county, to appoint 3 commissioners to represent North Carolina at the Paris Exposition in 1900; to authorize school districts to pay for listing school taxes; to permit the citizens of Morganton to vote for a dispensary; to provide for the support and maintenance of the State Guard; to incorporate the Raleigh Warehouse Co; to provide for a cotton seed weigher at Franklinton; to incorporate the Black Diamond Railway Company; to repeal chapter 157, laws of 1895, regarding justices of the peace; to incorporate the Roxboro cotton mill; to incorporate the Wilson Savings Bank; to incorporate the Salisbury Savings Bank; to permit judgment by default at Durham criminal court; to provide for short form of agricultural lien in Johnston, Iredell and Columbus counties; relative to the board of agriculture and removing the power of erecting a building; to change the courts of Lenoir county; to appoint additional magistrates for Lenoir county; to incorporate the town of Forestville; to provide for a dispensary for Bethel, with amendment that it be submitted to a vote of the people; to amend the charter of Burlington; to allow Orange county to levy tax to pay floating debt; to incorporate Bellhaven, Beaufort county; to incorporate the order of Druids in Wilmington; to incorporate the United Benefit Association of Wilmington; to amend the charter of Apex; to incorporate the Pungo and Matamuskeet Railway Co.; to incorporate the Asheville Savings Bank; to incorporate Saratoga in Wilson; to incorporate Alexis in Gaston; to provide for highways through public roads in Durham; to increase the number of commissioners of Lincoln county; to incorporate the Merchants' and Farmers' Bank in Durham.

Senator Justice offered two amendments to the bill which passed and were sent to the House for concurrence. These repeal chapter 320, laws of 1891, and provide that in fixing any rate or tariff for a railroad the railroad commission shall take into consideration the general condition of the road, its gross earnings, cost of all circumstances connected with road-being, in effect the provisions of [illegible]

The bill to provide for the manner of the registration of voters in municipal elections passed third reading.

A bill to extend the time for opening sludging was tabled and the "[illegible]" put upon it.

The bill to provide $10,000 annual appropriation for a sewerage system and water works at the State University came up as a special order.

Senator Smith stated that the committee that had visited the University found that it needed badly a good sewerage system to prevent [illegible] health and comfort, and that the amount asked for was less than [illegible] by any other University for the same purpose.

Senator Justice said that a part of the general appropriation for the University might be used for the purpose mentioned. He thought there had evidently been mismanagement, and that the money [illegible] of the University is insufficient.

Senator Glenn said that the money was absolutely necessary for the institution that he knew the conditions there.

Senator Brown said that he was a member of the legislature in 1893, when $20,000 was voted for the University for the same purpose specified in the bill under consideration and yet nothing whatever, apparently, had been done with the money. He was opposed to the continual demands of this institution. The Senator offered an amendment that the appropriation be $5,000 instead of $10,000.

Senator Williams said, earnestly, that he was sure that if the Senator had visited Chapel Hill with him they could not object to the $10,000 appropriation.

Senator Cooley made a strong speech against the appropriation of any thing to the State University, and termed the donation "a luxury and not a necessity." "Why," asked he, "should these boys" die of fever any more than their fathers did. Why can't they drink branch water, too?" It would be all right, he declared, to give this money to the poor "cracked-heel" boys—but did not believe in squandering it in luxurious purposes.

Senator Skinner said the bill had passed the scrutiny of the watch-dogs of the treasury, Holman and Abbott. The money is absolutely needed.

Senator Justice offered an amendment that the annual appropriation of the University be reduced to $20,000 for the next two years.

Senator Daniels thought that the appropriations of the University should be kept on a level with those of 1897.

It was declared by Senator Hicks that the people of the State were opposed to appropriations to the University.

Senator Osborne believed the appropriation a necessity.

Senator Wilson for the committee urged the appropriation. Brown withdrew his amendment.

The vote was taken upon Justice's amendment, which provides that the $10,000 be given, but that the annual appropriation be decreased to $20,000 for the next two years. This amendment was carried by a vote of 23 to 21.

A scene of confusion followed and Justice finally consented to allow the whole bill to be withdrawn.

The following trustees of the A. and M. College were nominated and confirmed: Frank Wood, Edenton, 1st district; J. B. Stoke, Windson, 2 district; W. J. Peel, Raleigh, 4th district; D. A. Tompkins, Charlotte, 6th district; E. Y. Webb, Shelby, 7th district; W. C. Fields, Sparta, 8th district; J. Frank Ray, Macon county, at largebgkqjkqj Ray, Macon county, 9th district.

At large—W. S. Primrose, Raleigh; W. H. Rogan, High Point; David Clark, Charlotte; T. B. Twitty Rutherfordton; A. Leazar, Mooresville; H. E. Bonitz, Wilmington; R. S. Smith, Albemarle; H. E. Fries, Salem; and P. J. Sinckdige, Marion.

Senator Speight nominated the following as members of the board of agriculture: J. B. Grimes, 1st district; S. L. Hart, W. D. Smith, R. H. Jones, Jno. S. Cunningham, A. L. McCullom, W. A. Graham, L. Y. Waugh, W. N. Dill. At large: J. R. Coffield, W. R. Capehart, J. A. Stevens, J. C. Bunch, G. F. Wesson. These were confirmed.

The penitentiary bond bill passed.

Frank McNeill, of Wilmington and S. L. Rogers, of Macon were elected Railway Commissioners.

The Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

The House met at 10 o'clock. Only one new bill was introduced, a local one.

Bills passed: To allow judges to appoint stenographers in special cases. To repeal the public school tax, chapter 427, acts of 1897. To appoint additional justices of the peace for Johnston and Surry. To amend the law as to the geological survey. To protect game in New Hanover. To incorporate Monroe. Regulating Pocosin [illegible] To incorporate [illegible] courts in Montgomery and Chatham. To amend charter of Lincolnton. To incorporate Kinston and Jacksonville Railway. To allow 25 State convicts to build a road in Washington county. To repeal chapter 61 requiring the Governor to appoint three directors of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal. To amend the [illegible] laws to drainage of lowlands. To encourage the use of wide-tired vehicles on roads in a number of counties by permitting to their owners and paid tax or of half the required labor on roads. (It applies to Mecklenburg, Alamance, Orange (Chapel Hill township only), Buncombe, Edgecombe, Gaston, Forsyth, Lincoln, Moore, New Hanover, Rowan, Wilson and Durham.)

Overman introduced a bill to allow the State's prison to hire to the counties of Buncombe, Jackson and Rowan, upon application such able-bodied convicts as may be disposable, the counties named to pay all expenses.

Alamance, Catawba, Graham, Forsyth, Haywood, Pender, Davidson, Lincoln and Granville were added.

Holman asked if it was good policy to take any only the able-bodied convicts.

Overman said that during the past 2 years the penitentiary had cost the State $110,000 and that he wished all the counties would thus take convicts and employ them, so as to take all from the penitentiary and save the State from a great charge. He accepted the various amendments and the bill passed.

Bill to give Hertford county a criminal court caused some debate.

Snipes, of Hertford, said it had split the Democrats in Hertford and that the court had proved an expense.

Carroll opposed [illegible] that the people of the county did not want this court; that there was no necessity for it, and that the object was to put in as solicitor the man who had promoted the bill.

Gilliam ridiculed Snipes, and said the Democrats of Hertford had in mass-meeting endorsed the court and also Senator Cowper for solicitor, an also B. B. Winborne for Judge. He said the split of the Democrats was because this legislature had not gone far enough in ousting fusionists.

Winston said that since the abolition of the old criminal court in Hertford it was difficult to get to the civic calendar.

Justice took ground against the bill.

Gattis said he understood that the bill was to provide a place for a man as clerk.

Curtis wanted no bill passed which gave office to a member who helped pass a bill. The bill failed to pass.

Bills repealing the railway commission act and establishing the corporation commission came over from the Senate, with amendments making the railway commission expire April 4 and the corporation commission take office April 5. These amendments were concurred in.

Bill to codify and make uniform the laws regarding negotiable instruments came up.

Boushall said it was a codification of the laws revised by S. F. Mordecai and James E. Shepherd, and examined by Representative Rountree. It makes the commercial law plain and uniform.

Rountree said he had not read the bill carefully, but that it made only minor changes; that James E. Shepherd and the able and careful S. F. Mordecai had carefully examined it; that the bill was drawn by a committee of 3 eminent lawyers of the American Bar Ass[illegible], and was a codification [illegible] the laws regarding negotiable instruments. The bill does not do away with the 3 days of grace; that provision having been stricken out.

Justice favored the bill, saying was well considered.

Boushall said there was no conflict between the bill and the North Carolina law as it now exists. He said 18 States had this codification.

Overman said that after these statements he authorized the bill to be reported favorably.

Allen, of Wayne, opposed the bill.

Wilson, of Transylvania, said the farmers did not understand the bill and moved to table it. This was lost, 27 to 38.

On motion of Thompson, of Onslow, moved postponement until Monday. This was lost. Bill passed 2d reading.

It then went over until Monday, Ray objecting to 3rd reading.

The congressional district bill came up. It repeals chapter 307, acts of 1897, and transfers Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston and Mitchell to the 8th district, and Davie and Yadkin to the [illegible] district.

Overman [illegible] up an amendment to strike out Cleveland. This was adopted.

Hampton, Republican, said he opposed the bill because it made [illegible] the 8th Republican. [illegible]

Cowles said he was [illegible] was in the bill.

Pearsall, Republican, said the matter which Mr. Cowles mentioned in that district would not be [illegible]

As a special order the House took up the bill in relation to appropriations by the Sol[illegible] House of $[illegible] on [illegible] appropriation, and [illegible] table the bill, the [illegible] passed.

McLean made a speech in which he spoke in terms of [illegible] of the [illegible] and [illegible] appeal [illegible] to [illegible]. He said [illegible] $15,000 [illegible] given to the Home for [illegible] and $[illegible] for new buildings [illegible] bank.

Williams, of Iredell, said [illegible] committee had acted [illegible] consideration and had increased $8,500 appropriation to $[illegible], but declined to appropriate $10,000 [illegible] for dormitories. He added that [illegible] 2,[illegible] pensioners in the [illegible] soldiers, as he had 7 families in the city and that fear of them never [illegible] [illegible]

McLean made a plea for the $10,000 for new buildings, saying he [illegible] it as a right and not as a charity.

McLean spoke eloquently in behalf of the bill. He was heartily applauded by the ladies in the galleries.

Thompson, of Onslow, opposed the appropriation.

Lockhart spoke for the bill and Cathey made grand plea for the old soldiers and was enthusiastically applauded.

McLean said this $10,000 was for [illegible]

CONGRESS ADJOURNED.

Schley 2 Numbers Ahead of Sampson

ALL NIGHT SESSION

This Congress Surpassed All Predecessors in the Number of Bills Passed—Armor Plate Question.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—The Senate this morning confirmed the naval numbers ahead of Sampson.

Conferees reached an agreement on the remaining appropriation bills. The naval price for armor plate was fixed at $305 per ton. Tillman's amendment for an armor plate factory was knocked out.

The House took a recess at half past nine till ten thirty.

The Fifty-fifth Congress came to an end at noon after a chaotic all night session. When day broke tired and haggard faces were seen in both Houses. Few members had had any sleep. At ten today the President went to the capitol and saw the last House legislative session through. The present House passed 1,635 bills and resolutions against 1,200 by the Fifty-fourth 951 by the Fifty-third and 892 by the Fifty-second.

The river and harbor bill was sent to the President.

The President nominated Walton Evans, of Kentuck Judge of the District Court, and William R. Merriam of Minnesota, censor. Both were confirmed.

The House adjourned at 12:25, members joined singing "My Country." Before the House adjourned complimentary resolutions were passed. Bailey spoke in favor of them.

The Senate adjourned at 12:08. Hawaii cable amendment was lost. Navy appropriation bill is now a law. It carries in it the original House provisions for three battleships, three armored cruisers and six protected cruisers, intead of six in all as it passed the Senate.

FATHER GRIFFIN

New Pastor of the Church of Sacred Heart Arrives

Rev. Father Griffin who has been appointed to succeed the late Rev. Father Pronderguest as pastor of the Catholic church arrived in the city last evening. Father Griffin is a native of Baltimore. He and the late Father Prendergast were students together at St. Vincent's in Pennsylvania, and both came to North Carolina, one within a year of the other, to make the vows which made them a priest of God forever.

Father Griffin was ordained by Bishop Hall about [illegible] years ago and since then has [illegible] Greenville [illegible]. And well has he [illegible] his [illegible] making friends all wherever he has gone and [illegible] over duty call [illegible]

Services tomorrow at the Church of the Sacred Heart as follows: [illegible] 10 a. m. [illegible]

At 7:30 P. M. [illegible] Griffin.

DEWEY GRATEFUL

He Cables His Thanks to His Countrymen

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REBELS ROUTED

Enemy's Position at Gaudelope Shelled

SLIGHT AMERICAN LOSS

Dewey Raised the Flag of Admiral Over the Olympia—The Enemy Anticipates a General Attack.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor.

MANILA, March 4.—The enemy is evidently expecting an American advance to the north, when the transports now on the way, arrive and are strengthening their trenches in front of Caloocan with barbed wire.

At daybreak Gen. Wheaton's outposts discovered a large body of rebels attempting to cross the river for the purpose of reinforcing the enemy at Gaudaloupe. A gunboat advanced under a heavy fire and poured shot into the jungle on both sides of the river. She shelled the enemy's position at Gaudaloupe effectually, but temporarily scattering the rebels. The enemy's loss was heavy. A private in Gen. Otis' battery C, Third artillery, was killed and two privates on the gunboat wounded.

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The Baltimore arrived having on board the civil members of the United States Philippine commission.

Admiral Dewey raised the flag of admiral over the Olympia this morning. It was saluted by guns from the forts, the British cruiser, Narcissus, the German cruisers Kaiserine and Augusta and American ships in the port.

$500 BONDS

Negroes Charged With Robbing Lumsden's store sent to Jail.

The police of this city did a clean piece of work in ferriting out and apprehending the negroes who robbed the store of Mr. J. C. S. Lumsden on the night of February 2nd. Henderson, John, Wiley and Annie Williams were arraigned before Mayor Powell this morning on the charge of larceny and concealing. Col. T. M. Argo conducted the prosecution, while D. P. Lane represented the defendants. Officers Conrad, Beasley, Mullen, and Rogers all had a hand in discovering the robbers.

Messrs. J. C. S. Lumsden, J. J. Bernard and William Allen were examined and identified various pistols and knives found on John and Henderson Williams and in the house of Wiley Williams, their father. Both of the negroes contented that the articles were given them by their brother Haywood Williams, who was here during February. Haywood, they said, had served a term in the Durham work [illegible] John and Henderson's bonds [illegible] each.

[illegible] Wiley's bond was also placed [illegible] it was shown that he [illegible] some of the stolen [illegible] office [illegible]

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Owing to the rain Friday night the entertainment of the Lecture Literary society of the A. and M. College was put off to Monday night, March 6, 1899. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Chas. A. C. Spin, formerly of the Raleigh Marble Works, has returned here and is associated with Messrs. Cooper Bros.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Familiar Faces in the Passing Throng

SHORT STATEMENTS

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

Local politics will soon be ripe and there will be some lively pulling in the next two months.

Mrs. Grace McPheeters, of Glasgow, who has been visiting Maj. and Mrs. McPheeters returned to her home in Lexington, Va., yesterday.

The Senate last evening passed a bill appropriating $5,000 for a bronze statue of the late Senator Zebulon B. Vance. We only wish it could have been $10,000 instead of five.

Rev. J. D. Hufham, D. D., generally known as leader of the Baptist host of North Carolina, arrived in our city this afternoon and will preach at the Baptist Tabernacle tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Rev. N. W. Tracy, of Kentucky, will preach at the Pilot Baptist church tomorrow at 11:30 a. m. Those who attend this service will hear a good sermon. Mr. Tracy is an able speaker, and should be greeted by a large congregation.

The Democratic caucus last night nominated Messrs. Franklin McNeill, of New Hanover, Samuel L. Rogers, of Macon, and Eugene C. Beddingfield, of Wake, and for Commissioner of Agriculture Samuel L. Patterson, of Caldwell.

At Metropolitan Hall tonight Dr. N. W. Tracy, a noted temperance evangelist from Kentucky, will begin his illustrated lecture serials. He comes highly recommended and a large crowd should turn out to hear him. These lectures (most entertainingly illustrated) were to have begun last evening, but on account of the heavy rain that began just before the hour set, the Doctor decided to postpone the opening lecture until tonight.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Rev. J. McK. Pittinger, D. D., Rector: Third Sunday in Lent. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; divine service and sermon at 11 a. m and 7:30 p. m.

Lenten Services—Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 5 p. m.; Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10 a. m. and Wednesday at 8 p. m. Seats are all free. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Rev. M. M. Marshall, D. D., rector. Third Sunday in Lent.

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Divine service and Holy Communion 11 a. m. Evening Prayer 5 p. m.

Daily [illegible] in Lent: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 5 p. m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays [illegible] p. m. Free seats. Strangers cordially invited.

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[illegible] Wyndham [illegible] the chorus of the [illegible] Where our people [illegible] the [illegible] and paved the way for future successful visits of this organization. This is going to be the last chance the playgoers will have to see "Under the Red Robe." Reserved seats, $1.00 and 75 cents; gallery, 25 cents.