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Bills General, Local, But All of Some Importance.

ARBITRATION TREATY INDORSED

North Carolina Railroad Directors Protest and Demand an Investigation -- Swinson Oustad.

SENATE.

Mospay.—Senate met at 4 p. m. Among the bills and resolutions introduced were:

McCasky—To repeal all laws allowing grace on notes and drafts.

Clark—To regulate the transportation of biggelses.

ti, a of bicycles.
Grant-A resolution in favor the ar hitration treaty now pending in the United States Senate. Under suspen-sion of the rules it was taken up and

Butler (by request)—A memorial from the President of the North Caro-lina Railroad and the directors, emlina Railroad and the directors, emphatically denying the truth of the statement of Mr. Hoffman in his letter to Governor Russell in regard to the lease of the North Carolina Railroad, It requested that a joint committee be appointed with power to summon witnesses to investigate the whole matter. A joint resolution to appoint such committee was adopted.

Bill to require seats to be provided.

mittee was adopted.

Bill to require seats to be provided for female clerks was tabled.

Bill passed for the better protection of the traveling public from baggage-smashers and other employees; to prevent public drunkenness; (this applies only to Buncombe, Transylvania and Henderson counties.)

At the night session the bill providing that the fare on railroads be, first class, 2 cents per mile; second class, 1½ cents, and a corresponding low rate on freight came up. A substitute was offered making the rate 2½ cents and 2 cents. Ou motion of Mr. Smathers, the whole matter was referred to the committee on corporations. corporations.

Bills passed: To amend the Code re

Bills passed: To amend the Code re-lating to chattel mortgages by provid-ing for sale after 10 days' no.ice. (This only applies to perishable goods and live stock.); to allow an agent to make sale of land under mortgage but not to make a deed; to allow disabled Con-federates on the pension list to own land or anything in value of \$500; to prohibit timber and other obstructions a Yadkin river; to incorporate the Levy Bank of Rutherfordton.

The bill to prohibit the sale of spir-

ituous liquors within 200 feet of any church in the State was tabled. Tuespay,—Senate met at 12 o'clock.

Among the new bills were: Walker—To improve the public schools of North Carolina.

of North Carolina.

Person—To prevent the hiring of convicts in competition with free labor; also to pension all ex-slaves who did service in the Confederacy.

Earnhardt—To regulate the fees of students and registers of deeds in this State; also to regulate the practice of medical in North Carolina.

Scales To incorporate the Grand

Scales To incorporate the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias of the domain of North Carolina,

Patterson — To appoint a cotton weigher for the town of Laurinburg.

Clark arose to a question of personal privilege—that of the statement made by Swinson, enrolling clerk, to the newspaper correspondents—and he moved that a committee of three be appointed by the President to investigate the charges made by Swinson. Adopted, and Clark, McCarthy, and Parker, of Alamance, were appointed as the com-mittee, the said charges being that \$1,500 had been paid out during the rst 80 days of the Legislature, when 86 would have been sufficient to pay for the work done, the cause of the expenditure of so much money being that he had had forced on him more clerks than he needed, and if the work had been done outside, as heretofore, \$1,494 would have been saved. Not content with this, the officers and the General Assembly were trying to force upon him two additional (negro) clerks. Last night (Monday) the House passed a bill to abolish the office of enrolling clerk. This was done to oust Swinson because he would not appoint two ne-gro clerks at an additional expense to

Resolution asking the treasurer to furnish information as to whether the penitentiary is self supporting; adopted. A bill was introduced to give certain dead bodies to medical colleges, but after some deb ate it went over to Wed

WEDNESDAY. Senate met at o'clock. Parker, of Randolph, pre-sented a petition from citizens of High Point asking that the present lease of the North Carolina Railroad be not interfered with; Clark, from citizens of Littleton, against a dispensary.

Clark, for the committee appointed to investigate the statements made by A. L. Swinson, enrolling clerk, sent forward his report. After the report was read Parker, of Alamance, on mo-tion, referred the matter to the same committee with instructions to employ a competent stenographer, and that al-the evidence be taken and reported to

the Senate Thursday.

Among the bills and resolutions in-troduced were:

Butler—Bill to revise and improve the public school system of North Car-olina, and on motion of Butler 500 comes were ordered printed. Ashburn-Bill to regulate the sale of

Ray-Bill to protect creditors and innocent persons where property is mortgaged in other States.

mortgaged in other States.

Clark—Resolution that the special committee (Swinson committee) be vested with power to summons witnesses and employ such assistance as is necessary. Adopted.

Clark—A bill for a dispensary for the town of Littleton.

town of Littleton.

Hardison - Bill to provide for the treatment and cure of inebriates. Bill for the procuring and distribution of dead bodies, for the advancement of medical science was re-committed to the committee to draft a new bill on ac-

count of so many amendments being offered. A petition was read from the North

Carolina Teachers' Association asking for a reformatory for youthful crimi-There were several bills and resolutions

introduced, but were mostly of a local nature. Among the third reading bills were: To prevent the fishing with nets in Albemarle sound and streams emptying therein; to amend chapter inptying therein; to amend chapter 156, laws of 1895, so as to add the county of Cumberland to the Eastern criminal circuit. This bill creates a new office of judge, and the bill gives the Governor the power to appoint until the next election, when a judge for the said court shall be elected.

Resolution to advance the cause of good roads—that a committee be appointed to visit Charlotte and examine the roads around said city and the county of Mecklenburg. Adopted. The committee will leave Raleigh Friday night and examinine the roads the next leave (Saturday)

day (Saturday).
At the night session the bill to prohibit the use of free passes of State offi-cers passed second readings.

The bill to oust Swinson as enrolling clork passed second and third read-

FRIDAY. - Senate met at 11 o'clock.

FRIDAY.—Senate met at 11 o'clock. Alexander introduced a resolution endorsing the Woman's Exposition at Charlotte. Among the bills on third reading were: To authorize Richmond county to issue bonds to pay outstanding debts; to incorporate the Winston-Salem Southbound Railroad; to levy special tax for working public roads in Guilford county; bill to change the Department of Agriculture and the A. and M. College.

The free pass and fare bills were made special orders.

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Butler's bill to amend chapter 320 Acts of 1881, to provide for the general supervision of railroad, steamboat, ex-press, telegraph and telephone companies doing business in the State, was made a special order for the 16th. The bill to license foreign corpora-

tions, companies or associations was passed over.

The Senate met in night session at 8 o'clock. The calendar was taken up. Bill passed to facilitate the trial of civil actions, providing that no persons shall play or engage in any inter-collegiate or other football game in which such violence is used or required from the nature of the game as to endanger life, limb or health, was tabled. Bills passed requiring the registration of the names of partners, providing that firms hav-ing silent partners shall let their names be known; giving Yadkin two weeks sprins term of court instead of one week; resolutions for the encourage-ment of fairs. Hyman introduced a bill to provide for woman suffrage in North Carolina.

SATURDAY. — Senate met at 11 o'clock. Among the bills were: Ray—Bill relating to Rocky Mount Agriculture and Mechanical Associa-

Hyat-A bill to provide an additional term of court for McDowell

Shaw A bill to establish a normal school in Robeson county.

Person—To protect the lives of pris-

oners or accused persons.

The following bills passed second and third readings: To amond chapter 93 Private Laws of 1893, relating to convicts; to amend chapter 127, Laws 1895, concerning the payment of scrip,

Bills that passed their third reading: To incorporate Roanoke Rapids Com-pany, Halifax county; to stimulte taxes in the rural districts; to authorize Richmond county to issue bonds to pay indebedtness; to amend the charter of the Asheboro and Montgomery Railroad Company.

HOUSE.

Monday.—House met at 10 o'clock. Among the bills introduced were: Cox—To require owners of personal

property to list at its full value.

Rawls—To amend the landlord and tenant act, chap. 40, the Code, by striking out in line 2 of sec. 1754 the words 'or oral.

Sutte of Cumberland-To declare bicycles to be baggage (accompanied by a petition signed by hundreds of bicyc-Purgason-to make it a misdemeanor

to give or sell intoxicating liquors to an babitual drunkard. Several bills passed to allow several counties of the State to extend the time

of holding court, to levy special tax, to amend the stock law, etc. Cox, by leave, introduced a resolution that all private pension bills be re-tained and acted on so as to be incorporated in an omnibus bill. It was

Sutton's bill empowering the Governor in extraordinary cases to convene special courts for the trial of capital cases and to also convene the Supreme Court to hear cases, was taken up. It was so amended as to provide that the courts shall be convened only at the re-quest of the sheriff and the chairman of the county commissioners of the county The bill then passed as amended

Bill passed incorporating the Bank of Brevard (on motion of Schulken an amendment was adopted making the charter 30 years.)
Bill to amend The Code regarding

pauper suits was tabled The bill regarding the giving of guar-dians' and administrators' bonds in se-curity companies, allowing them to include in their charges against estates expenses amounting to not over one-half of I per cent. for the giving of such

bonds passed.

By leave, Grubbs introduced a bill o enlarge the jurisdiction of magistrates. At the night session a resolution introduced by Hancock to Abolish the

office of enrolling clerk and oust Swin-son, came up and caused a hot debate between Populists and Republicans, the Democrats stood hands off. The resolution was adopted and Swinson

Resolut on requesting the North Carolina Senators to secure a ratifica-By leave, Parker introduced a bill to

prevent minors from entering bar rooms and billiard rooms.

Tuesday.—House met at 10 o'clock.

Among the bills introduced were:

White-To repeal the act of 1885 to es tablish a true meridian in the various counties of the State for the correct retracing of surveys.

Eddins—To require deeds in trust and mortgages to be cancelled of record within ten days after they have been

Currie-To extend the corporate lim-

Leak-To revise the charter of Mor-Dockery-To amend the law regard-

ng of analyses of fertilizers.

The bill to make it indictable to in-

terrupt a public speaker came up and caused a lively debate, and after several amendments was offered the bill passed to a third reading.

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The calendar was then taken up and among the bills passed were:
Altering times of holding Superior Courts in Mecklenburg, Gaston and Stanly counties, making those in Mecklenburg secord Monday after first Monday in March, fourth Monday after first Monday in September (each two weeks); sixth Monday before first Monday in March and thirteenth Monday after first Monday in March (each one week.)

Monday in March (each one week.)

The resolution placing in the hands
of the Governor \$1,000 to be applied to
the erection of a statue of Geo. Peabody
in Statuary Hall at Washington was in-

definitely postponed.

WEDNESDAY. — House met at 10 o'clock. Among the new bills were: Hartness-To provide that in case of suit for damages brought against a person resident of another State, who has property in this State, it can be at-

McCrary—To create a short form of agricultural liens in North Carolina, allowing the creditor to sell enough of the property at public auction, after 20 days notice, to recover the debt and in-

terest.

Lusk—To amend the act of 1895 establishing a criminal circuit to be composed of the counties of Buncombe. Madison, Haywood and Henderson, by striking out the word "criminal;" that the judge in addition to his present jurisdiction, shall have also as to all civil actions and special pleadings and all civil business originating or pending in any of these counties concurrent equal jurisdiction, power and authority with the Superior Court judges; that there shall be two extra terms of Buncombe court, of two weeks each, beginning on court, of two weeks each, beginning on the third Monday in June and the first Monday in October, these to be civil terms and to be presided over by the circuit judge as provided in this bill; that in compliance with request of commissioners of any of these counties to hold a special term, the judge to recoive \$500 more annually.

Lusk -To restore the rules of evidence in the making of sales of real es-

tate for taxes as they were prior to 1883. Cook made a report for the special committee on the bill regarding the lease of the North Carolina Railroad, offering a substitute for the original bill, asking that it be adopted for the bill; asking that it be printed, and that it be made the special order for next Friday. Blackburn protested that this Friday. Blackburn protested that this was too short a time. It was stated that the House would be light Friday, owing to the absence of committees. Cook then moved that the bill be made the special order for noon next Tuesday. It was so ordered,

The bill of Hancock to place the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad in the hands of the Governor passed the House after considerable debate pro and con.

and con.

Crumpler introduced a bill to revise the public school system. Several other bills were introduced

y leave, as follows: McCrary—To create a school district on the line between Davidson and

on the line between Davidson and Randolph.
Lyle—To provide for working public roads by taxation.
Thursday.—House met at 10 o'clock.
Among the bills introduced were:
Currie—To extend the time for the organization of the Lumber River Railroad Company; to extend the time for the organization of the Bank of Lum-

berton; Allen—To incorporate Worth-ville, Randolph county. The "fellow-servants" bill introduced and prevents any waiver of such right

to damages. Bill passed prohibiting bird hunting in Mecklenburg, Carteret, Beaufort, Rockingham, Union and Haywood with owners' consent, the penalty being \$5; to allow ex-Sheriff Grant, of Davidson, to collect arrears of taxes.

Senate bill to allow pensions to persons who hold over \$500 in property was referred to the pension committee.

Bills passed to incorporate the Levy Bank, of Rutherfordton; to permit fish bala, or Rutherfordion, to permit his to be caught in any manner in Colum-bus county, Lake Waccamaw excepted. The bill appropriating \$5,000 to "North Carolina on Wheels" was ordered printed. It was formallly re-corted

ported. At the night session the Senate reso lution to investigate charges of fraud in the matter of the last lease of the North Carolina Railroad came up. Blackburn moved to table and attacked the resolution, but withdrew his motion and the resolution was referred to the special committee on the lease of the road.

The resolution requesting the committee appointed to investigate the charges of bribery in the senatorial contest to report by February 13, came up, but it was shown that the report could not be made on that date, so the resolution then passed and the date was fixed as the 16th for the report.

FRIDAY-House met at 10 o'clock Among the bills and resolutions were Pearson - Creating a commission com posed of Governor Russell Julian Carr and W. A. Hoke to procure a suitable design, with all necessary specifications, for a monument in Raleigh, upon a site, chosen, in memory of Z. B. Vance; that the commission may cooperate with the Vance Memorial Assop ciation; that a report be made to the next legislature; that \$1,000 be appropriated for necessary expenses.

Eddins-To extent the time for

he organization of the North Carolina Slate Company, in Stanly county. Aiken-To reduce the tonnage tax on

fertilizers to 20 cents per ton. Ward-To reduce the salaries and fees of all public officers, save those fixed by law, 25 per cent. Harris of Hyde-To provide for the

taking of depositions, etc., in the con-tests for seats in the legislature, and that no member shall vote until the matter as to title to seat is decided. McBryde-To provide that in cases of the mariage of women under 21 the marriage shall have the same force and effect in law as if the woman so

marrying were 21 years of age.

Crewe, contestee, from Granville, retains his seat in the House.

Bill passed to protect fish in Neuseriver, and the House took up the report

ment for the criminal insane is recontinued at the penitentiary; it is recommended that Durham and Robeson be transferred to the Raleigh asylum; for the Morganton asylum \$100,000 is recommended; for the Raleigh asylum \$63,450, and \$40,000 for the purchase of 100 acres of land; that \$43,000 be allowed the Goldsbero asylum and \$1,250 for purchase of \$100 acres of land and \$2,000 for electric light plant; that at each asylum a person be given police power to arrest tramps or persons whe violate the rules. The bill covers these recommendations.

At the night session the bill to require the vaccination of all children over two years old was tabled; the bill to put the election of county physician in the hands of the commissioners passed; the anti-foot ball bill was tabled; a bill passed making it unlawful

bled; a bill passed making it unlawful to remove any minerals from the lands of another without the permission of the owner; resolution instructing the Senators and Representatives in Congress to endeavor to secure the repeal of the civil service law; a bill to incor-porate the Coleman Mfg. Company at Concord and to employ colored labor

SATURDAY.—House met at 10 o'clock. Among the bills introduced were: Morton—To tax cigarettes 15 cents a

package.

James—To protect deer and turkeys in Peuder. Ward—To declare ordained minis-lers and justices of the peace public

McBride-To amend the charter of

The bill to provide for and promote the oyster industry of the State passed second and third readings.

Jones, Miller, Maxwell, Byrd, Lehman, Wimbish, Spruill and Carroll were appointed and confirmed as assistant encolling clarks.

ant enrolling clerks.

Bills passed: To repeal chapter 297

acts 1895, so far an Pender is concerned; this being the act allowing a county to vote a tax of 20 cents on the \$100 for oublic schools; providing that in all ac-ions brought by heirs-at-law or minor children defendants in action to plead my defence which might have been pleaded by an executor, or in other words, to plead the statute of limitation in case an executor or administra-tor failed to make that plea for them; to allow Sunday trains to carry express matter of all kinds; to allow all justices of the peace, notaries, clerks of Supe-rior and Inferior Courts power to take and certify acknowledgement of all grantors and the private examination of married women (Onslow and Iredell excepted); creating a new township in Mc Dowell; to give the judge of the West-ern Criminal Circuit Court the same power as a civil judge and striking out the word "criminal" in the designation of said court and allowing the judge to

hold special terms, at \$100 each.

By leave, Sutton—Bill to protect public water supplies by requiring all companies selling water to take precautions to protect the supply from contamination and that in cases where the supply comes from small lakes or streams not over fifteen miles long, a sanitary in-spection shall be made weekly or oftener if the board of health advises, failures to do this being punishable by \$25 fine.

LIST OF NEW LAWS

Made by the Law-Makers at Raleigh, Up to February 10th.

Up to February 10th the following bills were enrolled and ratified, and are now laws: To allow Edgecombe to The "fellow-servants" bill introduced by Hartness passed second and third readings. It gives any employe of a railroad the right to sue for damages and prevents any waiver of such visits. evy a special tax: to amend the charter special tax; to allow Richmond county to levy a special tax; to allow Mont-gomery to levy a special tax; to allow Wantauga to levy a special tax; to re-peal act of 1895 establishing dividing line between Alamance and Chatham and let the people vote on that question; to extend time of holding February term of Guilford court; to protect iron bridges in Macon county; to make land grants valid even when not registered in newly formed counties; resolution to raise a commit-tee to look into reduction of salaries; to remove obstructions in Big Dutch creek, Cabarrus county; to establish new township in Surry; to give Me Dowell a county treasurer; to amend the charter of the Southern Stock Mu tual Insurance Company; to require persons fishing with nets and seines to pay \$2,500 for licenses; resolution to raise a joint committee to investigate charges of bribery in the Senatorial contest; to repeal act of 1895 relating to assignments; resolution to adjourn in memory of R. E. Lee; to allow the Cashie and Chowan Lumber and Railroad Company to hold 100,000 acres of land; to allow ex-Sheriff Teague, Swain to collect arrears of taxes;

for the relief of Clerk Watson, of Craven Superior Court; to relieve ex-Tax Collector Elmore, of Bryson City; resolution looking to reduction of salaries; to repeal act regarding ranging of stock in Graham county; to abolish extra term of Washington Superior Court; to incorporate town of Milbanks, Wilson county; for the relief of ex-Sheriff Woods, of Yancey; to extend the time for collecting taxes in Asheville; to extend the lecting taxes in Asheville; to extend the time for organization of the Drummers.

Deposit Bank and to change the name to incorporate the Stone Mountain to incorporate the Stone Mountain Railroad Company; to fix the pay of registers of deeds for recording elec-tion returns; to amend The Code as to probate of deeds; to amend the charter of the Rosnoke Navigation and Water of the Roanoke Navigation and Water Power Company; to make guardians, administrators and executors who misappropriate their funds liable to indictment for embezzlement; to allow Robeson to levy a special tax; to relieve Treasurer D. W. Powell, of Columbus county and his sureties; to amen't the Bank of Granville; to agreed the charter of the Carolina Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

In a case in court a New York woman alleged as one of her complaints against her bushand that he could not be kept from washing the dishes and doing the other work about the house contrary to her wishes. Her protests of the committee on insane asylums, made by Sutton, of Cumberland, the report being attached to a bill to provide for the maintenance of the three asylums. The report says that at Morganton cottages are needed, but they are not recommenped just now; that there are 26 criminal insane; a departangered him to such an extent that he assaulted her, and he was put under bonds to keep the peace. From this it would appear that the New York man would make an ideal helpmeet for a woman who devotes her time to poliFIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

The Proceedings Briefly Told From Day to Day. SENATE.

Monday.—The session of the Senate was practically field behind closed doors, the question under consideration being the Anglo-American arbitration being the Anglo-American arbitration treaty. The bill creating a new judicial district in Texas was taken up and considered, but the matter went over for further consideration. In accordance with his notice, Sherman moved an executive session a few minutes after 1 o'clock, at the conclusion of the morning business and the doors were closed for the consideration of the arbitration treaty with Great Britan. At this innertreaty with Great Britan. At this junction there was an endless debate on the line of holding closed or opened doors on the matter of public debate which finally resulted in an overwhelming vote to not hold open session for debate on the subject, and the consideration of the treaty was then begun and lasted until 5:25 p. m.

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TUESDAX.—Senate spent most of the day wrestling with the arbitration treaty behind closed doors. There was considerable discussion about the publicity of the work of the session being reported in the newspapers when everything was done behind closed doors. It was hoped that the talkative Senators would cease giving closed doors. It was hoped that the talkative Senators would cease giving away the executive secrets. The timber culture law was called up and passed. A joint resolution was offered and referred looking to the payment of some \$17,000 to employes of the government printing office for the leave of absence which they have not had since 1887.

Wednesday.—Before the Senate left its chamber to perticipate with the

its chamber to participate with the House in the election of President and Vice-President, Tillman's bill "ampli-fying and classifying" the existing law as to right of the authorities to seize intoxicating liquors brought into the State. Tillman explained his bill, but State. Tillman explained his bill, but there was great opposition to it from all sides. After the Senate returned to its chamber the Nicaraguan canal bill came up as the unfinished business and Morgan (Dem.), of Alabama, withdrew it, giving notice, however, that he would introduce it at the extra session, and would ness it to a vote. The bank. would introduce it at the extra session, and would pass it to a vote. The bank-ruptcy bill came up, but went over until Thursday. The agricultural appropriation bill was taken up and pasted after a lively discussion, in which Vest (Dem.), of Missouri, held up to ridicule the Secretary of Agriculture.

Thursday—The Senate passed the diplomatic and consular appropriation.

diplomatic and consular appropriation bill, carrying an aggregate of \$1,695,308, after some caustic remarks by Morgan on an item of \$10,000 for a minister plenopotentiary to the States of Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Salvador. An agreement was reached to have the vote on the conference report on the immi-gration bill taken Wednesday. At 1 o'clock the Senate went into executive session on the arbitration treaty and continued to sit with closed doors until

FRIDAY.—The open session of the Senate only lasted an hour, and in that time a joint resolution to have the West Point cadets in the inaugural parade was provided for by the passage of the joint resolution appropriating \$5,000 for that purpose. The Nicarauguan canal project was brought up again by a joint resolution, Morgau, (Dem.) of Tennessee, announcing his purpose of adapted in the case. Hill dressing the Senate upon it. Hill offered a resolution in behalf of Sylvester Scovel, the American newspaper correspondent recently arrested in Cuba. After the open session the doors were closed and the consideration of the arbitration treaty was resumed in exec-

ntive session. SATURDAY. - The Senate without question or a moments consideration passed a joint resolution to have a naval vessel placed at the disposal of the San Francisco chamber of commerce to transport wheat and corn contributed by California, Oregon and other States for the relief of the panic-stricken poor of India. Instead of a naval vessel, the Secretary of the Navy may charter a suitable American steamship. The necessary appropriation is provided. Morgan endeavored to address the Senate for the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, but the chairman o the committee on foreign relations, Sherman, however, insisted on a motion to proceed to executive business and a majority of the Senate sided with him. And so, at 12.20, the Senate re-sumed business behind closed doors in the consideration of the arbitration treaty.

HOUSE.

MONDAY. - The copy of the returns of the votes of the several States for Presidential electors, which the law directs shall be sent to the Speaker, were laid before the House and will remain on the table until the official canvass of the vote is made on Wednesday.

Talbert, Democrat, of South Carolina, endeavored to get before the House a concurrent resolution of the Legisla ture of his State favoring Cuban recog nition, but objection was made to its reading and printing it in the Record. Mr. Talbert was compelled to content himself with a reference of the resolu-

tion to the committee on foreign affairs. Tuesday.—The house passed two pension bills over the Presidents veto They were for the benefit of widows of soldiers who had re-married and lost their second husbands. After a brief debate the conference report on the im migration bill was agreed to by a vote of 217 to 37. This makes the third distinct proposition on that subject that the House has passed. Under the call of committees the bill imposing a pen-alty for the unauthorized or misleading use of the word "copyright" was pas-

WEDNESDAY. - The House joined with the Squate in witnessing the count of the electoral vote for President and Vice-President of the United States, for the term beginning March 4, 1897, thereby declaring McKinley and Ho-bart elected. Prior to the assembling of the joint convention the fortification and postoffic appropriation bills were reported and placed on the calendar. There is an increase in the allowance for free delivery service and also for letter carriers in new free delivery

THURSDAY. - The House had a three Thursday.—The House had a three-hours' spat over a bill allowing Arizona to sell some gold bonds. The placing of a semi-colon in the place of a comma was the cause; but finally the semi-colon was stricken out and a comma put in, and the bill passed. Bartlett (Dem.), of Georgia, presented the unanimous report of elections committee No.1. ment the contest of Thos. E. tee No I, upon the contest of Thos. E. watson vs. J. C. Black, from the Tenth

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district of Georgia, in favor of Black CAPE FEAR & YADKIN VALLEY RY. district of Georgia, in favor of Black and stated that he would call it up at the first opportunity. The bill making appropriations (a total of 89,253,325) for fortifications for the year ending June 30, 1898, was considered and passed. The postoffice appropriations bill was taken up in committee of the whole, and discussed for an hone without ac-

discussed for an hour without ac FRIDAY, -The House passed the post office appropriation bill, with all the amendments save one. Bromwell, (Rep.), of Ohio, made an unsuccessful attempt to cut off the item of \$196,000 for special mail facilities between Boston and New Orleans—the Southern fast mail. Talbert, (Dem.), of South Carolina, offered an amendment increasing from \$50,000 to \$100,000 the item for experimental and free delivery, but

it was defeated by a vote of 29 to 102.
SATURDAY.—The sundry civil appropriation bill was before the House for general debate. It was used as a basis for an attack by the Democrats on the vast appropriations made by this Convertible. gress, which Sayers and Dockery esti-mated would aggregate \$1,045,000,000. The latter paid a high tribute to Speaker Reed and acquitted him of all respon sibility for the large appropriations. The relative merits of the McKinley and Wilson bills as revenue producers were attacked and defended, the income tax decision and Justice Shiras' change of position came in for a share of attention and Dearmond, of Missouri, concluded the day with a brilliant plea for

struggling Cuba. Something More. "So Claude has given up courting that Jones girl? Was it anything less than a Gatling gun that discouraged

was a parrot."-Detroit Free

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