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Bills General, Local, But All of Some Importance.

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Of the North Carolina Railroad Fails by a Vote of 26 to 24-Tax Rate

SENATE.

Mosday.—Senate met at 12 o'clock. There were a large batch of new bills and resolutions introduced, but all were of a local nature, principally. Among the bills passed were:

To incorporate the town of Clyde, in Haywood county; to provide for working the public roads of Halifax county; to establish a system for working the public roads of Vance county; to authorize Madison to levy a special tax; to levy a special tax in school district No. 1, in Wake Forest township; to allow direcusboro to issue bonds: to allow Brunswick county to levy a special tax; to provide for printing the laws of 1997; to allow Duplin county to levy a special tax; to allow Nash county to levy a special tax; to allow Anson county to levy a special ta

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Sy leave Mayo introduced a bill for the relief of women and children in cot-

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Tuesday.—Senate met at 10 o'clock. Among the new measures were:

Person, a bill for the protection of employes. Lyon, a bill to amend chapter 186, private laws of 1891, relating to public roads. Utley, a bill to provide for the additional equipment, repairs, and support of the University of North Carolina and the Normal and Industrial School. This carries an appropriation of \$3,000 for the University and \$12,500 to the Normal and Industrial School. To amend and consolidate the acts incorporating the town of Morvin, in Anson county. To amend the charter of the town of Forest City, in Entherford county. Passed second reading. To amend the charter of the town of Southren Pines. Passed second reading. To encourage horticulture and to aid in the Horticultural department. Passed second and third readings. For procuring and distributing the bodies of dead human beings for the promotion of medical science. Mr. Abel offered amendment: "That this bill shall not apply to those who die in the Home for the Aged and Infirm." Amendment fatopted. On third reading Mr. Ray demanded the roll call, which was sustained. The bill massed, aves 30, noes demanded the roll call, which was sus-tained. The bill passed, ayes 30, noes 12. To provide for the additional equipment, repairs and support of the University of North Carolina. Carries an

appropriation of \$5,000 annually besides what is now appropriated.

Atwater was opposed to appropriating the additional \$5,000, and on second reading demanded the roll call, which was sustained. The bill passed second and third readings. The vote on secoud reading was ayes 30, noes 10. To provide for the additional equip-

ment, repairs and support of the Nor-mal and Industrial School. This bill mal and Industrial School.

carries an appropriation annually of \$12,500 additional to that already appropriation will be a total of \$12,000 additional to that already appropriated. This will be a total of \$25,000, the same that the University of North Carolina gets. The bill passed second and third readings without a dissenting vote.

To incorporate the colored grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias of North Carolina. Passed second and third readings. To incorporate the town of Redmond, in Madision county. Passed second reading.

The President of the Senate appoint-The President of the Senate appainted the following as a committee on election of trustees of the University of North Carolina; Messrs. Rollins, Ramsey, Shaw, Butier, Scales and Anthony.

To change the name of the Criminal Circuit Court of Buncombe, Madison, Haywood and Henderson counties to "Circuit Court." The bill allows the index to practice law also.

judge to practice law also. Passed sec-ond reading. To amend section 2499, of The Code, relating to the restoration of citizenship. Passed second and third

At the afternoon session bills passed to protect the birds in Randolph and Davidson; to amend the act to incorporate the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad and the North Carolina & Western Pailroad

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the interest of public schools in North Carolina; More, (by request) to require license to carry concealed weapons.

Among the new bills: To amend chapter 194, Laws of 1895, relating to the improvement of public rords; to extend the time to compromise, commute and settle the State debt, strikes out 1882 and inserts 1809; to embrace McDowell county in the Criminal Circuit Court; to prohibit the working of females on the streets and roads of Vance county and town of Hender on; for the relief of the Croetau Normal School in Robeson county; to amend the charter of Selma, Johnson county, allowing the town to tax druggists for selling liquors.

At the afternoon session the follow-ing were among the new bills that passed: To abolish the Circuit Criminal Court of Robeson; to embrace McDow-ell county in the Western Criminal Cirell county in the Western Criminal Circuit. The bill to regulate the sale of animal food, making it a misdemeanor for any one to sell any fowl, estile or swine that has died from sickness or were sack when killed, was tabled. The present law makes it indictable in the Euperior Court to sell any animal food that is unfit for food.

By leave Person introduced a bill to assist in the maintenance of Pigford Sanitarium, for the treatment of negro consumptives.

Thursdar.—Senate met at 11 o'clock.
Among the bills that passed were: To amend the act incorporating the town of Morvin, in Anson county; to amend

the charter of the town of Forest City in Rutherford county; to incorporate the town of Redmond in Medison the town of Redmond in Madison county; to allow Madison county to issue bonds and levy a special tax; to amend the charter of Southern Pines; to allow Transylvania county to levy a special tax, passed second reading; to aid in the construction of the Winston-Salem Southbound railroad; to protect treditors and innocent purchasers of personal property mortgaged in other States, to regular the appointment of cotton weigners in the city of Raleigh; to authorize the late of the General Assembly; to incorporate Palmersville embly; to incorporate Palmersville Academy in Stanly county; to prevent hunting on the lands in Yadkin county

without permission.

By leave Butler introduced bills to protect employees, passengers, ship-pers of railroads, and to elect the raiload commissioners by a vote of the

At the afternoon session bills passed to repeal chapter 81, laws of 1887, in so far as it applies to Anson county; to amend chapter 64, private laws of 1883, by striking out Thomasville and insert Greenaboro; to amend chapter 310, private laws of 1891, by striking out Thomasville and inserting Salisbury; to revise and improve the public school

Bills were i troduced to allow women to vote in local option elections; to incorporate the Lumber Eiver company and the town of Haly in Columbus county. Among the bills disposed of

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To allow Chatham county to issue bonds and levy a special tax. To allow Transylvania county to levy a special tax. Passed. To establish a graded school for Greenvillo, Pitt county. Passed. To authorize the commissioners of Madison county to build a bridge over Ivey creek. To allow the town of Monroe to issue bonds to build waterwork. Passed second reading. To authorize the town of Monroe to hold an election to vote on issuing bonds. Passed second reading.

The North Carolina Railroad bill being a special order, relative to the lease, it was taken up and Grant's substitute bill passed whereby the lease stands.

bill passed whereby the lease stands. The speeches were long, and when the vote was taken resulted: Yeas 26, noes

At the night session the following hills were passed: To fix the time of holding courts in the fifth district; to establish the dispensary of Waxbaw; to amend the charter of the Commercial Bank of Rutherfordton; to repeal the Bank of Rutherfordton; to repeal the act requiring all persons who sell seed cotton in Anson county to go before a magistrate and have it registered, so as to detect theft; to establish a dispensary for Rutherfordton; to permit the establishment of public libraries; to establish a dispensary for Bladen county. Passed. To provide a dispensary for Littleton. To regulate fees of sheriffs. Littleton. To regulate fees of sheriffs and tax collectors in Rowan; to create public roads in Caswell; to permit the

SATURDAY. —Senate met at 13 o'clock. among the many new measures intro-

duced were: Clark—To provide for a code commislina. Anthony—Bill to place Mrs. R. Lucinda Hoyle, of Gaston county, on the pension roll. Bamsey—To amend the charter of the town of Salisbury; also to amend chapter 274 of the code; also to cheapen and hasten proceedings in court. Mitchell-To regulate the pay of mechanics, laborers and other hired help. Scales-To change the name of the Normal and Industrial School to the Normal and Industrial College. Alexander—To establish the normal school for the colored race, near

The bill to allow free passes to State officials and to regulate massenger rates failed to pass. Ayes 23, Noes 23, The President voted no, breaking the tie. At the afternoon session the following were among the bills to pass:

To authorize the town of Concord ssue bonds. To authorize Monroe to Concord, and of Salisbury. For the re-lief of speriffs and tax collectors. (This is not a general law, but applies only to a few counties.) To amend and re-enact the law relating to the Marion & Asheville turnpike. To change the name of the Normal and Industrial School at Greensboro to "College." To incorporate the Lumber River Railroad company. To regulate the sale of liquor in Cumberland and to establish a dispensary.

### HOUSE.

Mondar.—The House met at 10 o'clock. Only a few bills were introduced, and the following were among them: Wilson-To allow the people of Gas

Wilson—To allow the people of Gas-ten county to vote on the removal of the court house from Dallas to Gastonia. Bills passed: To allow Concord to issue bonds upon a vote of the majority of the people. Besolution by Cruch) that the House adjourn at 2 p. m. in memory of George Washington; to in corporate the town of Redmond Madison county; to allow the city of Charlotte to issue \$80,000 in bonds to pay for water-works; to allow Robeson county to levy an in-creased tax; to forbid ex-Confederate diers' who ar inmates of the Sol diers' Home from receiving pensions while therein, and giving them the option as between remaining in the Home tion as between remaining in the Home or receiving pension; to amend the road laws in Ashe and to provide that Watauga's roads be kept up as they were prior to the adoption of the Mecklenburg road aw in 1895; to allow Rutherford to employ convicts on the public roads or on the streets; to allow Caldwell county to lary special tax to pay debt; to allow Monroe to issue \$30,000 in bonds for water-works. Among the above bills there were a large batch to allow different counties to lary specto allow different counties to levy spec

to allow different counties to levy special tax, etc.

Tuesday.—House met at 10 o'clock.
Among the new bills were:

Green—To establish a criminal circuit composed of Mitchell, Yancey. MeDowell, Ashe and Watauga counties, to have all the jurisdiction vested in the Superior Courts so far as crimes are concerned, the judge to be elected by the people; salary \$1,600 and \$300 for expenses; the collector to be similarly elected and receive the usual feeg. Mr. Lusk (resolution)—That after March I no bills or resolutions be introduced. Green—To subunit to the popular vote at the next general election the question of State aid to higher education.

Mr. Nelson—To preserve and protect deep in Galdwell, Yancey, Burke, Modern in State Mormal and Industrial School.

Dowell and Mitchell counties. Mr. Hancock—To reduce bonds of sheriffs 60 per cent of the assessed taxes. Candler—To prevent destruction of fish in Buncomba, Henderson, Butherford and Transylvania, allowing them to be caught with hock only. Cathey—To promote public education, by providing that if the courts from the 99-year lease of the North Carolina Railroad and it be leased for a greater sum than the present one, the excess shall be appropriated to the State Board of Education among the various counties among tion smong the various counties among

basis.

Bills passed: To amend the charter of Lexington; to amend the act creating the Western Criminal Circuit Court by providing that whenever the commissioners of any county in the district shall request the judge to call an extra term he shall call it and receive the compensation of a Superior court judge from the county, also to provide that the Governor may order the judge to hold a special term whenever it is, in his judgment, necessary; to embrace McDowell county in the Western Criminal circuit; to charter the Snow Hill Railroad, with \$100,000 capital.

The bill to change the charter of Wilmington was defeated amid the most intense excitement. The bill was Russell's own measure, and its defeat is taken as

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tense excitement. The bill was Russell's own measure, and its defeat is taken as a direct slap at the Governor. A number of Western Republicans voted against the bill.

The anti-gold contract bill was defeated. Governor Russell sent a message to the Legislature announcing thirty vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the State University.

The House by a vote of 63 to 88 puts New Berne in the hands of the negroes.

Wednesday. — House met at 10 o'clock. Among the new bills were: Ward—To reduce the pay of legislators to 33 a day. Brower—To allow Mt. Airy to levy special license taxes. Young—To make \$4,000 appropriation (additional) out of the general fund for the seven colored State normal schools. Dockery—To allow Clerk Long, of Richmond Superior Court, to be absent from his office on certain days. Currie—To protect Lumberton's artesian wells. Blackburn—To change the time of holding courts in the tenth district. Bills passed: For the relief of Z. F. Long, clerk of Richmond county; to provide that Beaufort, Columbus and Lenoir counties "may" instead of "shall" publish the county financial statements; to change the court house from Dallas to Gastonia; to allow the sheriff of Surry to collect taxes before March 15th; to authorize the Governor or the penitentiary directors to have the streets around the Capitol Square or the penitentiary directors to have the streets around the Capitol Square paved by convict labor; to incorporate Central Institute at Columbus, Polk county; to amend the charter of Laurincounty; to amend the charter of Laurin-burg; to allow Laurinburg to issue \$20,-000 in bonds for water works, street improvements, etc.; to prohibit taking of clams from the waters of Brunswick county between April 15th and Novem-ber 15th; (resolution) that no bills be introduced on or after March 1; To amend the law regarding issues of fact in trials; to protect fish in Newbe-gun creek, Pasquotauk county; to amend the road law in Ashe and Wa-tauga; to incorporate the Bank of Ran-dolph; to amend the charter of Mt. Airy; to provide for the inspection of Airy; to provide for the inspection of coal mines and the safety of miners therein; to change the time of holding courts in the tenth district; to repeal the charter of Mars Hill, Madison

By leave Cook introduced a bill to reonire the constitutions of North Carolina and the United States to be read in all the public schools. At the night session the bill to charter the Winston-Salem Southbound railroad came up, but was laid over until Thurs-

Bills passed: To allow Forest City, Bills passed: To allow Forest City, Rutherford county, to issue \$4,000 in bonds for improvements, and to levy a tax: to repeal the Cabarrus road law so far as it applies to townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 11 and 12; that provisions of chapter 142, acts of 1898 are not to be in any way affected; to allow the people of Forsyth to vote on the question of a special tax for a court house, not over 20 cents on \$100; to prohibit the taking of fish in Buncombe, Rutherford, Transylvania and Henderson counties, save with hooks; Henderson counties, save with hooks; to prohibit fast riding or driving across any bridges in Buncombe; to require all public school teachers to read sloud to their pupils twice during each ses-sion the constitution of the United States and of North Carolina; to ratify the charter of the Elizabeth College Company, of Charlotte; to allow the commissioners of Maxton to increase tax levy from 50 cents to \$1.

By leave, Person, of Wayne, intro-duced a bill to amend chapter \$1, acts

of 1895, fixing the maximum schedule of charges for selling leaf tobacco by all warehousemen in the State, as follows:
'In section 1, line 4, strike out 15 and insert 5; in line 5 strike out 25 and inseat 10; in line 6 strike out 10 and insert and in line 8 strike out 10 and insert

Among the bills introduced were: Wilson-To allow Gastonia to vote a donation to Gaston county to erect a court house and jail at Gastonia. Hauser—'l' o provide for election of railroad commisprovide for election of railroad commissioners by the people, and give the commission the right to prevent the reduction of wages of any railroad employe whose annual wages are less than \$2,000, the penalty being \$20 for each case; and also providing that no railroad shall charge over 2) cents per mile for first-class and 3 cents for second class fare between any two points in this State. class and 2 cents for second class fare between any two points in this State, under penalty of \$100; this to apply to roads classed as "standard" by the commission. Duffy—To protect turpentine workers by fining any person \$50 droadniterates spirits of turpentine with kerosene oil (or 30 days imprisonment, or both). Bryan—To protect land owners in Chatham, by forbidding people in stock law territory to graze stock outside.

ELKIN, N. C., THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1897.

The bill to charter the Winston-Salem South-bound Railroad was taken up. McCrary's amendment to force it to go through the town of Lexington was overwhelmingly voted down and the bill passed second reading.

At the night session the House passed the following bills: To fix "Newbern" as the proper way of spelling the name of that city; to make properly verified statements of account prima facic evidence of its correctness; to work Union county's public roads by taxation; to allow Lumberton to issue bonds; to submit to the voters of Anson the question of the road tax; to allow Charlotte to issue bonds; to provide for the erection of a school building for the North Carolina School for Danf and Dumb, carrying \$20,000 appropriation; the North Carolina School for Deaf and Dumb, carrying \$20,000 appropriation; passed second reading and was recommitted to the finance committee; to allow Gastonia to vote a donation to Gaston county, not to exceed \$15,000, to aid in building a court house and jall; to incorporate the trustees of St. Mary's School at Raleigh; to incorporate the Carolina, Chimney Rock & Teanessee Railroad Company to be operared by ateam or electricity from Rutherfordton via Hendersonville to the Tennessee line.

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Faiday.—House met at 10 o'clock. There were only a few new bills introduced. Among them were: To establish graded school at Washington; James, to provide for the purchase of the battle ground of Moore's Creek for \$200; Murphy, to amend the charter of Salisbury by allowing a special tax of 25 cents on the \$100; McCrary, for the relief of the town of Lexington and Cotton Grove, in Davidson county; Green, to establish an independent school district composed of parts of Burke, Mitchell and McDowell; Allen, to incorporate Diamond Star Lodge, I. O. O. F., at Asheboro; Hancock, to create the office of prosecuting attorney for the Eastern Criminal Circuit Court, to get same pay as solicitors, to be appointed by the Governor and to serve four years; Lusk, to allow county commissioners to elect an auditor,

The House went into committee of the whole on the revenue and machinery act. The rate of taxes was fixed as follows: Poll, \$1.35; general tax, 21 2-8; pension tax, \$1-8; schools, 20.

There was a lively debate on the question of taxing the sale of horses and mules. Finally it was agreed to tax all persons or firms who keep either private or auction stables a tax of \$25 to the State and \$10 to the county.

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At the night session bills passed to in-corporate the Carolina, Chimney Rock & Tennessee Failroad Company; to amend the carter of the Moore County & Western Railroad; to incorporate the North Carolina Land and Timber Company; to incorporate the grand lodge, Knights of Pythias; to prevent minors from entering and losting in barrooms, bowling alleys and billiard rooms passed. The owners of such places are passed. The owners of such places are made guilty of a misdemeanor, with \$50 penalty, if they allow minors to enter such places after notice from parents or guardians. The bill to incorporate the American Trust and Savings Bank at

Charlotte passed.

Satundar.—House met at 10 o'clock.

Among the new bills: Wilson—To extend corporate limits of Gastonia. Chil-To allow the State Medical sicians. To allow the State Medical Board of Examiners to grant license to physicians who have practiced ten years. Lusk-To prevent carrying concealed weapons by detective agencies. To adjourn sine die March 6th. Cunningham-To regulate fire insurance companies. White, of Randoluh-To incorporate Asheboro Lodge, K. of P. Person—To allow Wilson county to issue bonds. White, of Bandolph—To exempt the Golden Chain, order of Damon and Heptasophs, from insurance tax. Luck—To provide for election of superintendent of health by the people. Bills passed: To incorporate the Wake County Live Stock and Poultry A so istion, giving it the right to have cock fights at any place they please; this being done by a provision in the bill, which suspends the provisions of chapter 12, vol. 2 of the Code, so far as it prevents crucky to animals: to make it discretionary with the State Treasurer as to making deposits in certain banks;

to require all bankers or officers and directors of railroads and State banks or other corporations created or chartered by the Legislature to take an official oath; make the stockholders of any benk chartered by the State individually responsible, equally and ratably and not one for another for all contracts, debts and agreements of such association to the extent of the amount of their stock therein at the par value thereof, in addition to the amount invested in such share and all creuplions in any bank charter are repealed, and to forbid any bank from lending any one person over one tenth of its capital; to give factory employees in Chatham

checks wherever they wish.

The supplemental Halifax county fence law bill was taken up and dis-cussed, but finally tabled, thereby allowing stock to ran at large. By a vot of 78 to 23 the House allows Buncombe county to vote on fastening a dispensa-

ry on Asheville.
At the afternoon session the following bills passed: To provide that the collection of arrears of taxes shall cease June 2d next. To locate the line be-tween this State and Tennessee. To declare null and void the bonds voted by Lexington town and township and Cotton Grove township, Davidson county, to the Roanoke Southern Rail-road. To change the line between Henderson and McDowell. To forbid any fire insurance companies not incorpor ated under the laws of this State to write policies in North Carolina save through regularly appointed and li-

A heathen burying ground, with giant skeletons, was recently dug up in Mitterndorf in the Austrian Salakammergut, Many of the bodles were 6 feet ? inches tall. They were all buried with the feet to the east, each inclosed in a circle of stones, with a stone under the head. Large earrings and finger rings were found on them, and one skeleton held a knife in its hand. No signs of Christian burlal were discovered.

Magistrate-Do you mean to say such a physical wreck as he is gave you that black eye? Complaining Wife-Sure, your honor, he wasn't a physical wreck till after he give me the black eye.

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS. The Proceedings Briefly Told From Day to Day. SENATE.

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Mondar.—In the Sanate Washington's farewell address was read in the presence of a large audience by Daniel, (Dem.) of Virginia. The principal part of the day was occupied in the consideration of the Indian appropriation bill. The Loud bill, to amend the postal laws, was reported back from the postoffice committee with amendments, including one for one-cent letter postage. The bill and report were antagonized by two Populist Senators—Butler, of North Carolina, and Stewart, of Novada.

Tuesday.—The entire day of the Senate was practically consumed in a discussion of an amendment in the Indian appropriation bill for the opening to settlers of the Uncompaghre Indian reservation in Utah, containing over two million screes. After considerable discussion the amendment was modified, agreed to and passed. The Alaskan boundary treaty which was signed by Secretary Olney and Sir Julian Pauncefote Jan. 80th last, was laid before the Senate in executive aid before the Senate in executive session. Without being read it was resession. Without being read it was re-ferred to the committee on foreign re-lations. The Vice-President laid be-for the Senate a report from the Secre-tary of State as to the persons claiming to be American citizens, who were captured on board the Competitor. Beferred to the committee on foreign

WEDNESDAY-The Senate discusses Cuba awhile. Allen (Pop.) wanted to send battleships without delay in a res-slution which was objected to and laid slution which was objected to and laid over until Thursday. Hill and Morgan offered another resolution on the same subject. It is as follows in part: "That the Secretary of State be and is hereby requested to transmit to the Senate either in open or secret session, as he may prefer, all the correspondence and reports of the Consul General at Havana." Morgan proposed the dence and roports of the Consul General at Havana." Morgan proposed the release of Julio Sanguilly, an American imprisoned in Cuba in a strong resolution. The Indian appropriation bill was taken up and debated without any further action.

Thursday.—There was a heated debate in the Senate on Sanguilly, the American citizen who is imprisoned in a Cuban fortress. Paniel took the lead

American citizen who is imprisoned in a Cuban fortress. Paniel took the lead and referred to Spain's insult to Consul Lee and to the United States. Hale and Hoar took sides in this particular case with Spain, Hale saying the Senators who are so ardent in Sanguilly's cause really want war. It is also claimed that his naturalization papers were fraudulently obtained, and that he is not American citizen It is now thought that the Cuban crisis is near at hand. The House bill to amend the act as to The House bill to amend the act as to receivers of national banks was passed, receivers of national banks was passed, and the Senate adjourned until Friday with the understanding that the Cuban resolution will be again called up.

The President sent to the Senate the following nomination: W. W. Clark, of North Carolina, to be United States district judge for the eastern district of North Carolina.

North Carolina. FRIDAY.—The Senate had the Indian appropriation bill before it, but that fact did not prevent Cuba and the Sanguilly case from being fought over even in a more angry and excited man-ner than Thursday. The Sanguilly resolution having been sent to the calendar two other resolutions as to fered and considerable comment pro and con was indulged in, some getting mad and others getting witty. Finally the Cuban question was permitted to subside and the actual consideration of

the appropriation bill was resumed. SATURDAY.—The Senate passed the postoffice appropriation bill, which appropriates \$85,885,388. It was also decided that a committee of two chairmen of the postoffice committees in the Senate and House, the Postmaster-General and two citizens be appointed by the President to inquire into the atleged abuses in the postal service, in-oluding second-class mail matter; the extension of free delivery in the rural region, the reduction of the cost of railroad transportation, the adoption of one-cent letter postage and other like questions. A number of private bills were passed, and then Quay endeavored to obtain unanimous consent for the consideration of a bill forbidding the consideration of a bill forbidding the sale of liquors in the capitol. During the debate of the postoffice appropriation bill Butler, of North Carolina, and Tillman, of South Carolina, locked horns for awhile; Butler argued against the bill and Tillman defended it. The Sunday civil bill, along with other matters, were taken up, but were not considered.

MONDAY.—In the House the deficiency bill was passed. Boutelle, chairman of the naval committee, succeeded in getting up the naval appropriation bill, and the other matters were not of much

interest to the general public.

Tusspay—The chief occupation of
the bouse was to denounce the civil service law. It came about by the consideration of the bill to amend the revised statutes so as to give the governors o statutes so as to give the governors of territories the power to remove, as well as appoint, certain territorial offices. It was participated in by a dozen mem-bers, nearly all of whom condemned and criticised the civil service law. The bill that started the debate was passed. The remainder of the day's session was spent in the consideration of the naval appropriation bill, which was passed just as received from the committee on

Wednesday. — A message was received from the President transmitting the report of the joint commission appointed under the agreement of the United States and Great Britain in 1882, on the fisheries of the waters continguous to the United States and Canada. A resolution recommended by the committee on accounts, authorizing the preparation of a digest of election cases decided in the Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth congresses to cost\$2,500 to be prepared by the clerks of the committee on elections, was discussed and referred

pared by the clerks of the committee on elections, was discussed and referred to the committee on printing. The appearance of Wm. J. Bryan upon the floor of the House was the most noticable event of the day's session.

Thussbay.—By a vote of 144 to 46, the House passed the bill of Johnson (Rep.), of Indiana, anthorizing national banks to take cut circulation to the par value of the bonds deposited to secure it, an increase of 16 per cent. over the limit now allowed. Conference reports upon the agricultural appropriation bill and upon the bill for the relief of settlers upon the Sioux reservation in South Dakota, were presented and

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