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## THE GRIED OF OFFICE.

FUSIONISTS WRANGLING OVER WHO SHALL HAVE THE FAT OFFICES.

A Lively Contest Over the University Appropriation: Winston and Durham Say Naught Words to Each Other: Death of Rev. Robert Burwell.

**ARGUS BUREAU,**  
RALEIGH, March 5, 1895.

Last night the Republicans and the Populists held separate caucuses over spoils. When spoils are the bone of contention there is always likely to be a fight and caucuses last night were no exception to the rule. In the Republican caucus a motion was made by Moody to demand the Railroad Commissioner but, this was immediately voted down. Then French made a motion that they should have the code commissioners. This was carried. It seems that Grant and Moody had made an agreement with the Governor that he should appoint three persons, from the Populists and Republicans to fill vacancies on the boards of the Asylums at Goldsboro, Raleigh and Morganton. It was proposed yesterday that there should be six more appointed, so as to give the fusionists control. Moody wanted this done, but the caucus would not agree, reminding him that he and Grant were not running the party or the caucuses. Moody left the hall, mad all over and shouting out, "you won't get the Code Commissioners."

In the Populist caucus things were not serene. It was decided first to allow the Republicans only the clerk of the Code Commissioners and then not to allow them anything. It was said that, putting a money valuation on the offices the Republicans had the best of the bargain by some \$120,000.

The Populists want for Code Commissioners Whitaker and Guthrie, the Republicans, Douglas and Spence Blackburn.

Yesterday afternoon the educational committee and heard the side of the opponents of State aid to higher educational institutions. Senator Fortune's bill first came up and was nicely downed, only two members of the committee voting for it. His bill took away all appropriation.

W. W. Jones, Esq., spoke against the University. Dr. Winston, during his speech saying that his statements were absolutely false. Dr. Winston then spoke for two hours, but was often interrupted by Durham. He and Durham finally became involved in a personal argument, throwing the lie in each others faces repeatedly. The committee finally adjourned to meet this afternoon, when Durham will be heard.

Rumor has it that Senator Grant's very conservative actions lately are brought about by the fact that he will be an aspirant for Congressman two years hence.

A new bill, the Shaffer bill modified, for changing the charter of the city of Raleigh has been drafted and an attempt will be made to rush it through.

John Briggs and Anderson Betts, composing the Briggs' Building and Manufacturing company, made a surrender to creditors. There will be considerable loss on account of it. It was made to satisfy a mortgage of \$6,000, held by Mrs. Holleman. Claims amounting to \$800 have been filed up to this writing.

At 4:30 o'clock this morning Rev. Robert Burwell died at the home of his daughter here, of bronchitis. He was in his 92nd year and was a much respected citizen. He was the father of ex-Judge Armstead Burwell, of Charlotte. The funeral was held here this afternoon and the remains will be taken to Charlotte to morrow morning for burial.

Mr. P. D. Ruffin, General Freight Agent of the Norfolk and Western Railroad, argued a case before the Railroad commission today. Cooper Bros., marble dealers, charge the railroad with over-charging for freight.

The Legislature will hardly adjourn on Monday, as was hoped. The Populists, many of them, want to leave then but the number of bills on the calendar is immense.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Yesterday's Proceedings in the Legislature

RALEIGH, Mar. 5.  
SENATE.

Bills introduced:  
To define fraternal beneficiary societies.

To increase the number of directors of the penitentiary. \*  
To allow oyster dredging by natives under license, which was tabled yesterday was taken from the table, and passed 23 to 4. It was stated that it would yield \$50,000 to the State.

To allow the people of Richmond county to vote on the creation of Scotland county passed final reading.

The bill to provide for county adoption of school books was taken up. Grant offered a substitute providing for State adoption. This was lost 9 to 32, and the bill passed.

Bills passed amending charter of Asheville.

To abolish August term of Johnson Superior court.

To incorporate Morganton & Shelby railway.

To incorporate the Peoples' Fire Insurance company.

To amend charter of Concord.

To change county seat of Rutherford from Rutherfordton to Forest City.

HOUSE.

In the House a resolution adopted and sent by Marion Robert's post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Asheville, was read commending the Senate for passing the Confederate monument bill and urging the House to pass it.

Bills were introduced to amend the charter of Raleigh, providing for a police board which is to appoint all officers save mayor, who is to be elected.

Bills passed incorporating the Sanford, Lillington and Eastern Railway.

To incorporate the South Atlantic Endowment Company, of North Carolina.

To incorporate the Atlantic, Yanceyville and Reidsville Railway.

To incorporate the Carolina and Northwestern Railway.

The bill to extend the charter of the New York, Norfolk and Charleston Railway was tabled.

The bill to change the present system of county government passed just as it came from the Senate, by a strict party vote of 74 to 20, Democrats voting nay.

There was quite a sensation on a vote on an amendment by Ray, Democrat, providing that the people should elect magistrates. This was lost, ayes 12, noes 73. The bill passed its final reading and becomes a law to-morrow.

The next bill taken up was the Senate bill providing for the election of 3 additional magistrates by the people at the next election. This, too, passed by a strict party vote of 72 to 31.

## Negro Exodus.

MEMPHIS, March 5.—The first movement of Southern negroes to Africa will begin Thursday next under the auspices of the International Migration Society of this city, when a special train will leave Memphis for Savannah, via Birmingham and Atlanta. Three hundred negroes from Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia have arranged to go.

## Coming to North Carolina.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—The President will leave Washington for North Carolina on the light-house tender Violet, with Secretary Carlisle and a few friends, in all probability at once. He has made no announcement of the hour of his departure, but the Violet has reached the wharf here, and Congress, with the exception of a few office-seeking members, is out of the way, so there is nothing to keep the President. No one would be surprised if he is on his way down the river to-morrow, as the Violet is coalled and provisioned, and the ducking season has almost reached its end.

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## University Notes.

CHAPEL HILL, March 5, 1895.

The seventh debate between the Dialectic and Philanthropic Societies occurred on Saturday evening in the Philanthropic Hall. The query was: Resolved that the good of the American people demands rigidly organized political parties. The Philanthropic Society, which had the affirmative side, was represented by V. A. Batchelor, '98, and J. O. Carr, '95, the Dialectic Society, which had the negative, by J. E. Little, '98, and J. C. Eller, '98.

The committee to decide the debate consisted of Prof. C. H. Wing, of Boston, Dr. Manning and Prof. Alderman. It was the best inter society debate for several years, the speeches were all well written, and delivered in manners much above the average. The committee decided unanimously in favor of the affirmative. The Philanthropic Society has won four of these debates, and the Dialectic three.

The *White and Blue*, one of the college papers, has retired in favor of the other weekly—the *Tar Heel*, and four of the editors of the former paper have been put on the staff of the latter. All of the *White and Blue's* accounts, subscriptions and advertisements will be turned over to the *Tar Heel*, and a much better paper will be published than ever before.

Prof. C. H. Wing, of Boston, who has been a professor in Cornell University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has arrived on the Hill with his wife. They have taken board here, and will remain several weeks.

The fine weather of last week brought the candidates for the base-ball team out on the field for the first time, Tuesday afternoon. All of the practices from now on will be out-of-doors, under the direction of Captain Oldham. The first game will probably be played on the 23rd of this month. The prospects for a good team are encouraging.

## As to the Late Lamented.

The Fifty-third Congress has not fulfilled the Biblical theory of the destiny of man. Its last state was not worse than its first; on the contrary, it was very much better. As a matter of fact the work of the Congress, now that it is completed and of record, is far more satisfactory than the country had anticipated.

Some omissions and neglects there have been, no doubt. We should have liked to see financial legislation in the interest of the Nation's credit, legislation calculated to put our great railways on a more healthy basis—legislation, in a word, as to several other matters relating to the common welfare and prosperity.

But, upon the whole, the outcome has been more satisfactory than seemed probably a week ago, and we feel that congratulations to the country and thanks to Congress are in order.

It would, of course, be absurd to deny or even to pretend to ignore the fact that these two years of Democratic ascendancy—the first since 1860—have not rebounded to the party's credit or strengthened its hold upon public respect and confidence. On the contrary, the record is discouraging from a purely partisan point of view. The party has not developed those qualities of coherency and strength which are indispensable to leadership and without which successful government is impossible. It has developed nothing so much as schisms, cross-purposes, and discord. One House of Congress opposed the other in the matter of the tariff as bitterly as ever the Republicans opposed the Democracy on that or any other issue. The party leaders were hopelessly divided as to silver and inharmonious to the point of embecility with reference to financial legislation. Congress permitted an impudent and impotent lobby of naval officers to defeat the bill to reorganize the Navy—a measure strongly approved by the administration and formulated, after patient investigation and laborious application, by a joint committee composed of members selected from

its own body. Congress refused to enact a railroad pooling law, and in the matter of the Pacific railroad debt deliberately left the government confronted with a dilemma which offers no alternative of safety or satisfaction.

Still, as we have said, the term of the Fifty-third Congress has left a record of achievement much more creditable than we had any reason to expect when that body reassembled last December. It has at least not starved the government or utterly impoverished every great national work of development and expansion. The new Navy is not to be crippled in its youth by a withdrawal of all sustenance, nor has the parrot cry of "economy" accomplished in other directions the harm it might have done. At the eleventh hour there seems to have been a revival of courage and of conscience, and the Fifty-third Congress, though it died, did not pass into eternity without the hope of forgiveness and salvation.

## Pikeville Letter.

PIKEVILLE, N. C., March 5.

Dear Argus:—Our tobacco farmers have been very busy during the past week preparing their plant beds.

The fine weather last week reminded us that it is about time for our friend Mr. K. B. Smith to try the river to see if the fish will bite.

Miss Ella Vail, of the Salem section, was in town last week lending additional charms to the beautiful home of Miss Rena Massey.

Mrs. Elizabeth Evans, whom we reported sick last week, is gradually improving we are glad to learn.

We are sorry to learn of the death of Mr. John Fort, brother of our esteemed friend Mr. W. B. Fort, which occurred at his home near Eureka Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Robert Severance, of Wilmington, was in town Sunday, the guest of Mr. W. E. Ham.

Mr. "Ad" Smith and sister, Miss Emily, returned home yesterday from a pleasant visit to friends in the Eureka section.

J. F. H.

## Mount Olive Locals.

MT. OLIVE, March 5, 1895.

Miss Mamie Davis, of Faison, who has been visiting her brother, Mr. W. G. Davis, returned to her home Sunday.

Miss Annie Hatch, of Newton Grove, N. C., is here visiting her mother, Mrs. A. E. Hatch.

Miss Maude Broadhurst, a very charming young lady, who has been teaching school at South Washington, N. C., has returned home.

Miss Annie Fields, of Kinston, N. C., a young lady of many attractions, is visiting Miss Katie Southerland.

Mrs. E. B. Fonvielle, of Onslow county, is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Hatch.

Master Bruce English, who had an attack of la grippe last week, is himself again. Bruce is a son of our clever postmaster, Mr. J. A. English, who has the praise of being the best postmaster our town has ever had.

The colored school house, by the name of Shady Grove, near Mr. C. F. R. Kornegay's was destroyed by fire last Thursday night the 25th inst. Origin of the fire not known.

Mr. Robert Stallings, of Mocksville, N. C., is here visiting his aunt, Mrs. W. T. Oates.

Rev. P. McIntyre, of Faison's, preached an interesting sermon in the Presbyterian church here Sunday to a large audience.

Mayor D. M. McIntyre has had our streets put in a nice condition.

Miss Minnie Fonvielle, of Duplin county, is visiting here.

Mr. Ed. Grady, of Salisbury, N. C., who lived here in '91 and '92, has decided there's no place like Mount Olive and has come back to merchandise.

Mr. W. S. Byrd and Miss Rachel Albritton, both of Faison township, Duplin county, were married last Wednesday. May they ever be prosperous.

Mr. C. B. Hatch has bought 1,200 dozen eggs in the last four weeks. He is the egg king here.

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