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Both Doing Their Parts.

A passer-by at Broad and Lombard streets in Philadelphia once heard the following dialogue between a laborer who was digging in a sewer and a stout, beaming lady with a capacious market basket on her arm. "Ah, good mornin' Pat," said she, leaning over and looking into the pit. "And what are you doin'?" "Good mornin', Bridget," he replied, looking up. "I'm a-earnin' alimony for yees. And what are you doin'?" "Sure, I'm a-spendin' it," replied Bridget airily, as she trotted off.—February Lippincott's.

All Who Would Enjoy

good health, with its blessings, must understand, quite clearly, that it involves the question of right living with all the term implies. With proper knowledge of what is best, each hour of recreation, of enjoyment, of contemplation and of effort may be made to contribute to living aright. Then the use of medicines may be dispensed with to advantage, but under ordinary conditions in many instances a simple, wholesome remedy may be invaluable if taken at the proper time and the California Fig Syrup Co. holds that it is alike important to present the subject truthfully and to supply the one perfect laxative to those desiring it.

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Dog Saved Boy on Bobsled.

At South Norwalk, Conn., when little George Plunkett, nicknamed "Buster," was abandoned on a railroad crossing Tuesday afternoon, directly in the path of the Pittsfield express, Irish, a neighbor's big dog, grabbed the rope of the sled in his teeth and easily did what was impossible for the strength of the child. He pulled the sled and "Buster" from under the pilot of the locomotive just in time. The train was stopped, and when the crew ran back they found the big dog affectionately lapping the tears from the lad's face. Irish is owned by John Davis, while "Buster" is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Plunkett of River street. The passengers on the train, mostly wealthy New York men, on their way to Lenox, made up a purse for the lad.

Parasitic Diseases Can Be Exterminated.

Pasteur says: "It is in the power of man to cause all parasitic diseases to disappear from the world." Knopf, of New York, says: "To combat consumption as a disease of the masses successfully, requires the combined action of a wise government, well trained physicians, and an intelligent people." This disease is certainly known to be curable and we should not therefore, in any way delude or deceive the victim. The public must be aroused, apathy is the greatest factor in the dissemination of infectious diseases.

DIDN'T KNOW Coffee Was the Cause.

Many daily habits, particularly of eating and drinking, are formed by following our elders.

In this way ill health is often fastened upon children. A Ga. lady says: "I had been allowed to drink coffee ever since I can remember, but even as a child I had a weak stomach which frequently refused to retain food."

"The taste of coffee was in my mouth all the time and was, as I found out later, the cause of the stomach rebelling against food."

"I now see that it was only from following the example of my elders that I formed and continued the miserable habit of drinking coffee. My digestion remained poor, nerves unstrung, frequent headache, and yet I did not suspect the true cause."

"Another trouble was a bad, muddy complexion, for which I spent time and money for creams, massaging, etc., without any results."

"After I was married I was asked to try Postum, and would you believe it, I, an old coffee toper, took to Postum from the very first. We made it right—according to directions on the pkg. and it had a most delicate flavor, and I at once quit coffee, with the happiest results."

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BRIEF CULLINGS OF NORTH STATE NEWS

News of Interest Gleaned From All Sections of the State and Arranged For Busy Readers

INAUGURATION OF GOVERNORS

Does Not Assume His Duties Until Several Days After Term Begins—Administration of the Oath—Where the Inaugurations Have Taken Place.

Richard H. Battle, in North Carolina Education.

It is singular that practically a Governor-elect in this State is never the actual Governor for several days after the Constitution says his term is to begin. Article III, section 1, provides that the term of the Governor and the other executive officers shall commence the first day of January next after their election and continue until their successors are elected and qualified; and section 3 says the returns of election "shall be sealed up and transmitted to the seat of government by the returning officer, directed to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall open and publish the same in the presence of both houses of the General Assembly." Article II, section 2, provides that the General Assembly shall meet biennially on the first Wednesday after the first Monday in January, after their election. So, it cannot officially be known who is the Governor-elect until the Legislature shall have met and the Speaker of the House has opened and published the returns of election. The result is, that the new Governor cannot be inaugurated until about the 10th or 15th of January.

Of course, the difficulty might be met by the calling of the Legislature to meet in special session some time between the day of election (the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November) and the first of January following; but as this would be an expensive and inconvenient expedient, the out-going Governor holds over a few days.

How it Came About.

The reason this state of things exists is, that under the old constitution which was replaced by that of 1868, the General Assembly met on the third Wednesday in November, and the returns of election were received and published before the 1st of January succeeding; and the provision about the commencement of the term of office was copied from the old Constitution.

So now, the out-going Governor holds over until some day agreed on, about a week after the meeting of the General Assembly, when the returns of election having been opened and published, everything can be in readiness for the inauguration of the new Executive.

The Oath of Office—Where and by Whom Administered.

As a condition precedent, or precedent, or preliminary to the Governor's assuming the office, it is required that he shall, in the presence of the members of both branches of the General Assembly, or before any justice of the Supreme Court, take an oath or affirmation that he "shall support the Constitutions of the United States and the State of North Carolina, and that he will faithfully perform the duties appertaining to the office of Governor." etc.

As the exact day for the inauguration is not fixed, so the place is nearly always held in the presence of the members of both branches of the Legislature, and the oath administered by the Chief Justice or an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. It might, however, be administered in the presence of the General Assembly by a justice of the peace for Wake county. I think this has been done when there happened to be no Justice of the Supreme Court present in the city.

Where Some Notable Inaugural Ceremonies Were Held.

Before the war of 1861 to 1865, the inauguration ceremonies, including

the delivery of the inaugural address were uniformly held in the hall of the House of Representatives, then called the "Commons Hall." It was then the largest auditorium in the city. Special provision having been made for the inauguration and term of office of the Governor elected in August, 1862, Col. Zeb. B. Vance was inaugurated and delivered his brief but stirring inaugural address on September 8th, following the election, on a platform erected in the shade of the big oaks near the southwest corner of the Capitol. After his election for a second term in 1864, he was inaugurated in the Commons Hall; and in that Hall Governors Worth, Holden, Caldwell and Brogden were inaugurated. When Vance was to be installed Governor for a third term, the Democratic hosts were here in such numbers that in the Capitol one-fourth of them could not witness the ceremonies and hear the address of "the great tribune of the people" returned to serve them, after twelve years of official banishment, and resort was had to Tucker Hall, a commodious auditorium over what is now Dobbin & Ferrall's store. If I mistake not, Governor Jarvis, his successor, was inaugurated in the same Hall. My recollection is that Governor Seales was inaugurated in Metropolitan Hall, and Governor Fowle and Carr in Stronach's Tobacco Warehouse on South Wilmington street, and that Governor Holt, who filled Governor Fowle's unexpired term, was inaugurated in the hall of the House of Representatives, and Governor Russell in Metropolitan Hall. The weather being propitious, Governor Aycock was inaugurated and delivered his address on a platform at the east front of the Capitol, and Governor Glenn in the Academy of Music. Tuesday, January 12th being a mild day, Governor Kitchin was inaugurated as was Governor Aycock, on a large platform at the east portico of the Capitol.

Inaugurations of Half a Century Ago.

When the population of Raleigh was only a fourth of what it is now, or less, as it was before 1860, and the convenience of transportation from different parts of the State was much less than now, those who wished to attend the inauguration ceremonies could be fairly well accommodated in the hall of the House of Representatives though the galleries were generally well filled by fair and fashionable ladies of the State and the lobbies crowded by men, who did not have the opportunity to witness public entertainments as the men of this generation have.

Politics ran pretty high between Democrats and Whigs in the ante-bellum days, though the issues between the parties now seem insignificant. The ladies participated in the interest. The majority of the city and town people were Whigs, and the wives and daughters of that day generally took pride in the dignified appearance and elegant manners of Whig office-holders. One of them, more notable than others, was seated or standing in the gallery when a Democratic Governor-elect was being inaugurated in place of one of the old regime. He was not as portly or courtly as the out-going Governor and his predecessors for several terms and the good lady craning her neck to see, inquired of a neighbor: "Which is Governor Blank?" And when he was pointed out, she said in accents of disgust: "Sure thing! He is small potatoes and few in the hill!" Unfortunately the excellent wife of Governor Blank was in hearing of the compliment; but of this the partisan lady was inadvertent, and Mrs. Blank's dignity was such that she did not show a ruffled temper. She knew that she had cause to be proud of her husband, whatever a Whig belle might think of his appearance. However, the loyalty of our people to their officers was great in those days, and before very long Governor and Mrs. Blank were courteously and hospitably treated; and Governor Blank's private secretary, an elegant and handsome young man, who afterwards rose to high distinction, became a lion in the fashionable society of our Capital city.

Killed by His Cousin.

Cliffside, Special.—Saturday afternoon Boss Scruggs, son of Elbert Scruggs, fatally shot Fletcher Scruggs, son of Marion Scruggs. These young men were cousins, aged respectively 21 and 19 years. Boss told Fletcher if he said it again he would shoot him. Fletcher repeated the words and was immediately shot by Boss, who used a 32-calibre pistol. The bullet taking effect in his right side just below the ribs. The young man died about 10 p. m. without making a statement, as far as can be learned. Boss says that "he didn't know it was loaded."

DOINGS OF THE LAWMAKERS

Doings of the State Legislature Condensed—Interesting Items from Day to Day.

In the Senate Wednesday there was another long discussion of game laws, the specific bill under discussion and finally passed being that to permit non-residents to hunt on lands of their father or sons in this State without paying the Audubon tax. An amendment was adopted striking out a clause that would allow a non-resident guest of a landowner to hunt tax free.

Bills passed were of local and private nature.

In the House also bills passed were not of general interest. The bill for the maintenance and support of the Stonewall Jackson Training and Industrial School was introduced by Julian, carrying \$15,000 for 1909 and \$20,000 for 1910 for maintenance and \$20,000 annually thereafter, and an additional \$10,000 each year for 1909 and 1910 for administration building and other necessary buildings.

Mr. Harrison by request presented the bill appropriating for the school for the deaf and dumb at Morgantown \$50,000 annually for maintenance, \$40,000 for erecting and equipping a printing plant, \$3,000 for painting and repairs, and \$800 for a hearing aid, for ear, throat and

A bill appropriating for the State Industrial College was introduced by Julian, carrying \$100,000 annually for 1909 and \$50,000 for 1910 in addition for erecting and equipping an infirmary and increasing the dormitory capacity.

Mr. Aycock also offered a bill for the protection of employees of common carriers as to contributory negligence and liability. It is modeled after the Federal law as to liability of employer for acts of employees.

Another bill that would affect State prohibition was offered in the House and the Senate. It would permit the people of Johnston county to manufacture and sell cider, wine and brandy made from fruit grown on their own land.

Among the bills offered Thursday were:

Spence: Amend Revisal relating to the validity of grants, Sec. 1699.

Jones: For the maintenance and equipment of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts.

Fry: Repeal Chap. 44, Private Laws Special Session 1908, relating to the powers of the building committee of the Cullowhee Normal Institute and a substitute therefor.

Hawkins: A memorial from the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly regarding the importance of providing a fireproof State library building.

Ormond: Petition from citizens for the repeal of the constitutional exemption of real and personal property.

A message was received from the Governor transmitting the names of those members of the board of trustees of the University of North Carolina whose terms expire before 1911, the vacancies to be filled by the present General Assembly. The report was referred to the committee on the University of North Carolina.

The following bills passed final reading: Increase the salary of the assistant State librarian from \$600 to \$900 a year.

Amend the charter of the United Brethren, Salem.

Amend charter of the Masonic Temple Association, Charlotte, so it can borrow money to erect a splendid new temple.

The following petitions and memorials were offered in the House:

Koonce: From soldiers and citizens of Onslow that James Saunders, colored, be placed on the pension roll. He served at Fort Fisher and is the first negro for whom a Confederate pension was ever asked, so it was stated on the floor.

Some new bills introduced were as follows:

Morgan: Define the duties of railroad companies and their agents.

Cotton: Tax business of selling or giving away coupons for premiums in connection with the sale of cigarettes or tobacco.

Davis: To tax dogs.

Perry, of Bladen: For betterment of public schools and training children for life work.

Governor Kitchin transmitted to the House the list of vacancies on the board of trustees of the University to occur November 30th, 1909.

The discussion was long and spirited on the bill to increase the salary of the commissioner of Labor and Printing. Several amendments were voted down.

general interest.

Senator Peele, out of order, introduced a bill incorporating the John Charles McNeill Memorial Society.

On motion of Senator Martin the bill for the drainage of wet, swamp and overflowed lands was made a special order for next Thursday.

Senator Manning introduced a bill, out of order, amending Revisal 1199, service of summons, and Senator Barringer a bill providing for the purchase of Ashe's history of North Carolina for the rural schools.

The Senate concurred in House amendment fixing the salary of the Labor Commissioner at \$2,000 without a word of discussion.

A bill introduced by Representative Tunington calls for the creation of what might be called an automatic system of recorders' courts for the counties, to be adopted and dropped whenever the county sees fit on account of congested calendars or any other reason, the court to sit every Monday at the county seat, presided over by a lawyer elected by the county commissioners for one year, to have jurisdiction over all criminal cases to grade of felony and civil cases involving under \$1,000, with of course, appeal to the Superior Court. The plan is not unlike that of the old inferior courts, with the civil jurisdiction added.

Alou: the most interesting part of the day's work was in special committee at which Commissioner Young complained of injustice by the late report of his office affairs.

Senate bills were passed on final reading Saturday as follows:

H. B. to amend Revisal 5313 as to establishing State boundaries, giving Governor authority to sue directly in the Supreme Court of the United States in disputes over boundary between North Carolina and Tennessee.

Incorporate the Public Service Company, of Greensboro, which takes over three corporations and will construct an electric railway from Greensboro to High Point.

Klutz: Perpetuate the memory of the great North Carolinian, Daniel Boone.

Jones: Amend Revisal 1980, exemptions from jury duty.

The following are among the bills appeared in the House on Saturday:

McCrary: Create a historical commission to perpetuate life history of Daniel Boone.

Taylor: Authorize commissioners of Brunswick county to offer a reward for capture of J. C. Walker.

McLeod: Provide for organization of County of North Robeson from territory of Robeson county.

Butler (by request): Repeal Sec. 1699, Revisal and Ch. 499, Laws 1903, perfecting land grants by new entries.

Graham: For relief of Billy Patterson, a free person of color, who served in the Twelfth and Twenty-third Regiments and was drafted for work on breastworks by Confederate government.

Poole: Repeal Ch. 638, Laws 1907, relative to game.

Mr. Taylor's bill authorizing the county commissioners of Brunswick to offer a reward not exceeding \$400 for the capture of J. C. Walker was passed on immediate readings.

The following bills passed third readings.

Amend Revisal 1043 as to sale of property under mortgage, restricting section to personal property.

Joint resolution to memorialize Congress to aid in constructing post roads and highways in North Carolina.

Amend Revisal 3093, widow's year's support, so as to include child unborn at death of husband.

Authorize payment of deposits in bank made in trust and for the relief of persons for whom such deposits are made. (Bank may pay deposit on death of trustee to persons to be benefited.)

Empower banks to pay deposits made in names of two persons.

Amend Revisal 1747 so as to extend time for registering grants.

Amend Ch. 732, Laws of 1907, increasing salary of assistant librarians of Supreme Court, as amended by committee, from \$15 to \$20 a month.

Amend Revisal, Sec. 8, Ch. 87, by abolishing the crop pest commission and putting its duties in hands of board of agriculture.

Regulate registration and sale of concerted commercial feeding stuffs. (This is the law recommended by the convention of Commissioners of Agriculture for the Southern States.)

Validate deeds and instruments heretofore executed by corporations (such as land development companies.)

Fixing liabilities of bank to depositor in case of forged or raised check. (Depositor must notify bank of fraud within three months after receiving canceled check.)

Cold Wave a Blessing to Georgia.

Savannah, Ga., Special.—A dozen reports received from as many towns throughout south Georgia assert that the present cold weather came at the right time to prevent the killing of the fruit crop later on. "It is instead of being a curse a veritable Godsend" is the wording of several reports.

Fruit growers all seem satisfied with the outlook for a good fruit crop, though the low temperature records of more than two years' standing have been broken in several places.



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