

STATE NEWS.

The Murray trial at Durham was interrupted by the illness of two of the jurors.

The Craven County farmers have agreed to reduce cotton acreage at least 25 per cent.

Wilmington is the fifth cotton port of the world. She exports seven times as much as Charleston.

A substantial new school house near Monroe was burned a few nights ago. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The Wachovia Loan and Trust Company is arranging to erect a handsome building at High Point for its branch bank at that place.

An Asheville distiller claims that he furnished 600 gallons of whiskey for certain county politicians in the last election. Of course they had to get it somewhere.

Two supposed blind tigers have been captured in Charlotte. On examination it was found that they were only blind in one eye, and they will be severely punished.

Notice is given that application will be made to the Legislature to allow Vance County to vote on the question of issuing bonds not to exceed \$20,000 to improve the public roads.

The acreage of the spring lettuce crop about Wilmington will be increased fully twenty per cent over that of the previous year and the other truck crops will be increased in like proportion.

The Asheville Gazette News says, that certain citizens of Madison County desire to cut off four townships of this county and make a new county with Hot Springs as the county seat.

Tucker Jarman and J. C. Humphrey went coon hunting in Lenoir County the other day and cut down a tree to catch a coon. A limb struck Jarman and injured him so that he soon died.

Rev. E. E. Gillespie, who recently resigned as superintendent of home mission work for the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina, has gone to the theological seminary at Richmond to take a special course.

Some time between Saturday night and Monday morning burglars entered the office of Mr. R. V. Brawley's root and herb house and rifled all the drawers, but nothing was missed except some stamped envelopes. The safe was untouched, says the Statesville Mascot.

In Robeson County last week Alva Edmund killed Henderson Martin, both colored. They fell out about the ownership of some hogs and it is said that Martin was advancing on Edmund with a gun when the latter shot and killed him. Edmund is in jail.

Frank Leonard, a white employe of the Phoenix mine in Cabarrus County, was instantly killed at the mine Thursday afternoon. While coming out of the mine he was struck in the head by a falling bucket, knocking him many feet to the bottom of the mine shaft.

Dr. F. P. Venable, president of the State University, was elected president of the American Chemical Society at its meeting in Philadelphia last week. This it is said is the greatest honor that can be bestowed upon an American chemist, and Dr. Venable is the first Southerner to win the honor.

A Union County man proposes to apply to the Legislature to enact a law to prohibit "eaves dropping" over telephones—that is, holding your 'phone to listen at the conversation of others. Such a law would doubtless interfere with the habits of a good many people who have nothing better to do.

Fire Monday night destroyed the Alberta Chair Works at Ramseur. The origin of the fire could not be learned. The loss is probably \$20,000, says the Siler City Grit.

J. H. Fuller, an industrious farmer of this township, reports about the best average on porkers, according to age. He has just killed 6 shoats, 10 months and 10 days old which averaged him 223 pounds each, says the Louisburg Times.

Grand Secretary John C. Drewry, of the Grand Lodge of Masons, states that his report to it would show eight new lodges formed and one older one revived, and six old ones dropped, leaving at present 335, the increase in membership of the year just ended having been 860.

Mr. W. P. Gabriel, who lives west of town a short distance, has a saddle he rides that he rode all during the Civil War. He was a member of Company A, Second N. C. Cavalry. The saddle is in good condition and will see many more years of valuable service, says the Mooresville Enterprise.

Two boys were at play at Goldsboro and they had an air rifle, of course. One stuck his nose through the crack of the fence and told the other to shoot. The boy at the crack of the fence has a hole through his nose and will carry a disfigured nasal organ for the balance of his days as a reminder of the incident.

Mr. W. B. Fitzhugh's gin house, near Thomas' store in Northampton County, was accidentally burned Wednesday of last week. Mr. Fitzhugh's loss is \$500, and customers lost \$500. No insurance on any of the loss. Origin of the fire is not known as the gin was not running at the time the fire occurred, says the Weldon News.

The 17-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bailey, of Walnut Cove, was scalded to death last week by pulling a bowl of boiling water on itself. It appears that the father was shaving and had a bowl of water on a table when the child came up and caught hold of the table or bowl. The little one only lived an hour or two after the accident.

After a night of intense suffering from cold, clinging to the masts of a ship-wrecked vessel, with heavy seas breaking over the decks, the captain and crew of six men of a coal laden schooner en route from Newport News to Charleston, were brought to Wilmington Wednesday. The vessel was wrecked on the Fry's Pan shoals, on the North Carolina coast.

Sherman Hood, colored, 22 years old, met death in a peculiar manner on the Funderburk farm in Providence township, Mecklenburg County, Tuesday morning. Hood climbed a tall tree after a squirrel, lost his footing and fell. A sharp, jagged limb lower down on the tree impaled his body. He hung there in midair and died, in view of several companions who were powerless to assist him.

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

Bills of General Interest Introduced Since Our Last Issue.

SENATE.

By Mr. Toms—For the protection of growers of ginseng.

By Toms—To repeal the merchants' tax.

By Webb—Resolution that the committee on rules make inquiry and report number of employes and pay they receive.

By Ward—To permit married women to make contracts.

By Mr. Bragaw—Resolution to establish a committee on immigration.

By Mr. McLean—To incorporate the Durham and South Carolina Railroad Company.

By Mr. Webb—To amend Section 135 of the Code relative to the taking of depositions.

By Mr. Wright—To amend Section 9, Chapter 640, Public Laws of 1903, so as to make it indictable for one partner to convert the partnership property.

By Mr. Wright—To make it a felony for one partner to wilfully and fraudulently appropriate partnership funds or property to his own use with intent to cheat and defraud his company, partners or company partners.

By Mr. Webb—To protect livery stable keepers. This allows the keeper to detain a horse when the board is unpaid and after ten days' notice sell the animal to satisfy the debt.

By Mr. Odell—To enable a married man whose wife is insane or a lunatic to convey his lands, freed of dower, upon certificate of superintendent of asylum of the woman's insanity.

By Wright—To impose a penalty on telegraph companies for failure to deliver a message.

By Mr. Ward—Resolution adopting additional rules for the Senate.

By Mr. Ward—To amend Section 505 of the Code of 1883, in relation to homesteads.

By Turrentine of Alamance—To amend the charter of the Chapel Hill Trolley Company.

By Aaron of Wayne—To amend the Code and exempt all persons over sixty years of age from jury duty.

By Mason of Northampton—To amend Sections 4 and 10, Chapter 273, Laws of 1903, for the relief of Confederate soldiers and widows. This allows county pension boards to place on the pension lists veterans who own as much as \$500 worth of property under certain conditions.

By Turner of Catawba—For the better government of the Deaf and Dumb and Blind Institution. This bill provides that the number of directors shall remain eleven as at present.

By Turner of Catawba—For the benefit of the institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind. This bill carries an appropriation of \$12,500 for permanent improvements.

HOUSE.

Mr. Young of Ashe—To amend the Constitution of North Carolina.

Mr. Gayle of Halifax—To regulate the laws of labor in manufacturing establishments.

Mr. McFarland of Polk—To authorize and direct the Governor to appointment inspectors of tan-bark, extract wood and paper-pulp; wood at all tanneries, extract works and paper pulp mills.

Mr. McQueen of Moore—Resolution to have a committee of five ascertain the number of insane confined in the jails and poor-houses of North Carolina. Placed on calendar.

Mr. Sentelle of Wake—To repeal Chapter 982, Laws of 1903, relative to seining in Little River, Wake County.

Mr. Cunningham of Person, by request to amend Chapter 403, Laws of 1903, and to prescribe certain educational qualifications and other regulations for regulations for children working in manufacturing establishments.

Mr. Warren of Jones—To amend Chapter 516, Laws of 1903, relating to the oyster industry.

Mr. Murphy of Buncombe—To amend the laws of evidence relating to written documents.

Mr. Feimster of Catawba—To amend Chapter 47, Laws of 1879, giving the intendant of police or the chief officer jurisdiction of a justice of the peace over all criminal matters made so by said act or ordinance thereunder.

Mr. Feimster—To amend Chapter 107, Laws of 1883, for same purpose as above.

Mr. McGill of Cumberland—To amend Chapter 402, Laws of 1903, making appropriations for State institutions.

Mr. Hasten of Forsyth—To amend

Section 1027 of the Code, relating to false pretense.

Mr. Daniel of Warren—To confer on justices of the peace jurisdiction to try and determine offenses of unlawful riding on railroad trains.

Mr. Olive of Wake—To change the name of the Baptist Female University to the Baptist University for Women, amending Chapter 132, Private Laws of 1891.

Mr. Lockhart of Anson—To amend Chapter 25, Laws of 1903, and fix the status of certain kinds of personal property for taxation purposes.

Mr. Woodard of Wilson—To amend Section 2067 of the Code, relative to the withdrawal of complaints before answer of demurrer is made by defendant.

Mr. Alexander of Mecklenburg—To regulate the sale of liquor.

Mr. Koonce of Onslow—To incorporate the Dover Southbound Railroad Company.

Mr. Fowler of Sampson—To protect farmers and farm laborers.

Mr. Little of Pitt—For the benefit of the North Carolina Institution for the Education of the Deaf, Dumb and the Blind.

Mr. Stronach of Wake—To validate deed from State to P. H. Hughes.

Mr. Butler of Sampson—To provide for the election of county boards of education by the people.

Resolution by Mr. Fowler of Sampson to cut off unnecessary expenses of running the General Assembly.

Mr. Murphy of Rowan, by request—To re-enact Chapter 29, Laws of 1889, in relation to divorce.

Mr. Graham of Lincoln—To amend Section 571 of the Code relating homesteads.

Mr. Biggs of Durham—To amend the charter of the Southern Conservatory of Music.

Mr. Warren of Jones—To procure speedy trials in civil actions.

Mr. Warren—To amend Sections 3733 and 3734 of the Code, increasing the salaries of Judges of the Superior Courts and Justices of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Warren—To amend Sections 869 and 870 of the Code, increasing the pay of jurors in courts of justices of the peace.

Mr. Winborne of Hertford—Relating to justices of the peace and notaries public, requiring their certificates to show when their term of office expires.

Mr. Winborn—Fixing liability of common carriers, making the shipping party liable for loss en route.

Mr. Winborn—To permit non-residents to hunt on lands owned by them in this State without license.

Mr. Sentelle of Wake—To authorize the County Board of Education of Wake County to make appropriation out of the school fund to aid the Woman's Association for the betterment of Rural School Houses and Grounds.

Mr. Woodard of Wilson—To amend the law relating to seduction under promise of marriage.

Mr. Winborne of Hertford—To empower the executors, administrators, with the will annexed and administrators de bonis non with the will annexed to sell land bid in for the benefit of the estates they represent.

Mr. Mitchell of Bertie—To amend Section 1, Chapter 245, Laws of 1895, relative to fishing industries.

Mr. Gower of Johnston—To prohibit dealing in futures in North Carolina.

Spoiled Her Beauty.

Harriet Howard, of 209 W. 34th St., New York, at one time had her beauty spoiled with skin trouble. She writes: "I had Salt Rheum or Eczema for years, but nothing would cure it, until I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve." A quick and sure healer for cuts, burns and sores. 25c. at all druggists.