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Work of Both Branches of the Legislature in Detail. ADJOURNED IN HONOR OF LEE.

The Microbes All Killed, and the Members Settle Down to Work Better Satisfied.

SENATE. Thursday—Senate met at 12 o'clock. Lieutenant-Governor Reynolds presiding. Prayer by Mr. Boyer.

Reports of standing committees were received, among them a substitute by the judiciary committee for the "resolution in regard to the independence of Cuba."

The following bills and resolutions were introduced and referred: Mr. W. H. H. Smith—A bill to prohibit the sale of liquor near Missionary church, in Rockingham county.

Mr. Robertson—A bill regulating proceedings in justice courts. Mr. Sharp, of Wilson—A bill to abolish the office of cotton weigher in Edgecombe county.

A bill to license foreign associations and other corporations. Mr. Zarker—A resolution looking to the re-organization of the public printing.

Enrolled—A bill to amend the law prohibiting the sale of tobacco to minors; also a bill relating to hunting in Haywood county.

To amend the Code, in relation to probate of deeds. Parker—A bill relating to corporations in Wilson county.

The calendar was taken up and the following bills passed this reading: To incorporate the town of Millbank, in Wilson county.

The resolution relating to bribery and corruption was passed, ratified and the following committee appointed on the part of the Senate: Messrs. Atwater and Smathers.

The following bills were taken up under suspension of the rules and the punishment for the same: To allow physicians until March 10th to register; to define misdemeanor and the punishment for the same.

A bill to amend the constitution of the United States in regard to the right of suffrage, and to prevent delay in criminal actions.

The following is the Cuban resolution substitute of the committee on Federal relations: The Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, that where in sympathy with the people of Cuba, who are struggling for the freedom of their country, and we are our Senators and Representatives in Congress that they take looking to the interests of Cuba will meet with our hearty approval.

Friday—The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant-Governor Reynolds. Prayer by Rev. H. W. Norris, announced to non-residents, etc., will be charged for at legal rates, except when they exceed a certain limit of space, in which case we reserve the right to fix our own price.

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MAJORITY OF ONE.

Pritchard Gets Eighty-Six Votes on First Ballot. HE'S THE 'DADDY OF FUSION.'

Democrats Voted for Daughton and the Populists for Cy Thompson. Pritchard Received 17 Pop. Votes.

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ELDER BE INAUGURATED.

South Carolina's New Governor Goes In With Considerable Pomp. At Columbia, S. C., at noon Tuesday, in the hall of the House of Representatives, and in the presence of a vast audience, Wm. H. Elerbe, the new Governor of South Carolina, was inaugurated, the oath being administered by the Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court, subsequently the Lieutenant-Governor, James McQueen, was also inaugurated, in the audience were the young ladies of the name colleges, participating in the inaugural procession were justices of the State Supreme Court wearing their judicial robes, the circuit judges, the faculty of the University of South Carolina, the State militia and a large number of the historic mace and sword of state were borne in the procession. Governor Elerbe's inaugural was a most conservative and dignified affair, he was supported by the people in the enforcement of the dispensary law and controlling the liquor traffic.

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GEN. NUNEZ GETS OFF.

No True Bill Against the Prime Mover in Getting Out Cuban Expedition. Gen. Emilio Nunez, the prime mover in getting out Cuban expedition from this country to aid the Cubans in their struggle for freedom, has no more to fear from the grand jury of the United States Court for the southern district of Florida, for the grand jury is reported that it had failed to find a true bill against him. Gen. Nunez had been indicted by the grand jury on September 10 on a charge of aiding in setting on foot the expedition alleged to have been carried out on the Florida coast by the steamer Laurina. Several negro men employed on the steamer were bought by the Spanish agents, and the grand jury, at the hearing before the commissioner, and it was on their testimony that he was held for the grand jury. The same grand jury, however, failed to indict the grand jury last Saturday and gave their testimony. The jury was evidently satisfied with this, for "no true bill" was returned.

Georgia Judges Get Off. The committee which has been investigating the conduct of Judges Seaborn Reese and Joel Sweat has made its report. Judge Reese, who was charged with being drunk on the bench, and the conduct of Judge Sweat, who was charged that there was no ground for the impeachment of either judge, but some of the members will express censure of the conduct of the judges. The report of the grand jury last Saturday and gave their testimony. The jury was evidently satisfied with this, for "no true bill" was returned.

Appeal to the Railroad Commission. The recommendation of the reduction of rates on fertilizers in Georgia is viewed with alarm by railroad employees. It means a reduction in railroad earnings, and they fear as a result a reduction in working time and wages. To avoid such an unfortunate condition, the railroad companies have appealed to the Railroad Commission. The recommendation of the reduction of rates on fertilizers in Georgia is viewed with alarm by railroad employees. It means a reduction in railroad earnings, and they fear as a result a reduction in working time and wages. To avoid such an unfortunate condition, the railroad companies have appealed to the Railroad Commission.

Gen. Craig Fortification. Gen. Craig, chief of engineers, has just returned to Washington from an extensive tour of inspection of fortifications and harbor works in the South Atlantic coast. The principal points inspected were St. Augustine, Miami, Key West, Tampa, and Pensacola in Florida; Savannah, Ga.; Charleston, S. C.; and Wilmington, N. C. Work is going on vigorously at each of these places, either upon fortifications or harbor works, and satisfactory progress is noted generally.

Georgia Jail Deliveries. A special from Athens, Ga., to the Evening Constitution says that six prisoners broke jail and have not been recaptured. One of the escaped men was charged with criminal assault and three others were charged with murder. The fifth was indicted for bigamy and the sixth for burglary. A special from Milledgeville says that six prisoners escaped from jail there, too. They were all under sentences ranging from three to ten years.

Visible Supply of Cotton. The total visible supply of cotton for the world is 4,163,087 bales of which 3,819,787 bales are American, against 4,053,002 and 3,627,802 bales respectively, of 1906 and 1905. Receipts at all interior ports are 242 bales. Receipts from the plantations 171,179 bales. Crop in sight 6,661,393 bales.

To Answer Within a Month. Hon. Wm. J. Bryan has been invited to deliver the final address before the Washington and the Jefferson Literary Society of the University of Virginia. He says he will give a definite answer within a month.

\$4,000 Stolen From Express Car. An express package containing \$4,000 was stolen on Saturday from a Southern Express car on a branch of the Georgia, Louisville and Nashville, and Southern Railway. The route agent has been arrested.

Unconstitutional. The Supreme Court of the United States has decided that that part of the South Carolina dispensary law providing for the inspection of liquor distilleries into the State is unconstitutional.

Kentucky Bank Failures. The First National Bank, of Newport, Ky., has gone under. The bank is in the hands of an examiner, and will be re-organized. The capital stock was \$200,000. The German National Bank, at Louisville, with a capital stock of \$251,500, has also closed its doors.

Brief News Notes. The largest coal mine in the South is located at Attala, Ala. The anniversary of the birth of the great soldier, Robert E. Lee, was observed last Tuesday with appropriate memorial services, etc.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS.

The News of a Week Tensely Told in a Column. MASONIC OFFICERS INSTALLED. Castle Hayne Abandoned—Taxable Values—Gave the Old Man Away—Their Religious Belief.

The Grand Lodge of Masons met in Raleigh last week. The session was intrinsically with business and pleasure. A communication from the grand lodge of Wisconsin was received regarding a uniform system of distressed Masons. It was referred to a special committee and a full report may be made next year. Resolutions of respect to the late Don. Williams, of Tarboro, were adopted by a rising vote. A resolution was adopted to secure a portrait of B. N. Duke and place it in the Duke building at the Oxford Grand Asylum. The next meeting of the grand lodge, which is the 11th, will be held at Oxford the second Tuesday in January, 1897. W. A. Withers, in a neat address, presented a past master's gavel to F. M. Moye. Officers were installed as follows: Walter E. Moore, grand master; Richard J. Noble, deputy grand master; Beverly S. Royster, senior grand warden; H. L. Clark, junior grand warden; William H. Hill, treasurer; John C. Drewery, secretary; Stewart McQueen, grand chaplain; Benjamin W. Hatcher, grand lecturer; Francis D. Winston, senior grand deacon; Thomas J. Reid, junior grand deacon; John L. Curran, grand marshal; F. J. Wilson, grand sword-bearer; M. S. Willard, grand purveyor; William L. London and James F. Griffith, grand stewards; Robert H. Bradley, grand teller.

Castle Hayne Abandoned. The penitentiary farm at Castle Hayne is to be abandoned, and Mr. Leazar, grand warden, has been notified to get the place ready for the State. The farm is very much pieced with his Wadesboro farm and with this increase in force expects great things. He expected last year to lose \$10,000 on it, as it was the first year there and the land had to be opened up and prepared for cultivation; but he only lost \$4,000 and now has on 18,000 of improvements. When he went there he found only 600 acres of cleared land; there are now 1,500 acres prepared for cultivation. Although a flow was set out into the ground in March, over 200 bales of cotton and some 2,800 bushels of corn, besides other small crops, were raised. This year he thinks the yield will be at least 50 bales of cotton and 10,000 bushels of corn. The entire farm comprises 1.3 acres of very fertile soil, suitable to both corn and cotton.

Taxable Values. An abstract of the listed taxable values for