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LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

Monday, February 7.

The bill to incorporate the Orangeburg and Santee railroad company was changed to an act and ratified.

Jesse Smith, treasurer of Newberry, informed the senate that he had collected \$2,277.50 last year for the relief of widows and orphans of persons killed because of their political opinions, and that he had a balance on hand of \$833.79.

Nash, to whom was referred the bill to authorize the funding in consolidation bonds and stocks of certain unpaid bonds and coupons, reported back the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

The senate resumed the consideration of the bill to fix the salaries of certain public officers.

Several amendments were offered, and either withdrawn or voted down. The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading. A message was received from the governor notifying the senate that he had approved the following acts: An act to amend section 19 of chapter 121 of the general statutes of South Carolina relative to the right of surety, who pays debt of principal; an act to recharter a ferry across Broad river in Fairfield and Union counties; an act to amend chapter 23 of the general statutes of South Carolina relative to quarantine; an act to ascertain the indebtedness of the county of Newberry, and regulate the payment thereof; an act to provide for the election of a town weigher for the town of Easley, in Pickens county; an act to provide for the extension of the time for the payment and collection of taxes for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1875, and for other purposes; joint resolution authorizing and directing the county commissioners of Clarendon county to levy and collect a special tax.

Adjourned.

The house was not in session.

Tuesday, February 8.

The committee on incorporations recommended the passage of bills to incorporate the town of Clinton; to alter and amend an act entitled "An act to amend and renew the charter of the town of Abbeville"; to authorize and empower Cyrus Joiner to erect and maintain gates across McCord's Ferry in Richland county; to alter and amend the charter of the town of Spartanburg.

A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of any school house, church or other place of public worship in this state was read the third time, and passed. Section 3 was amended by the addition of the words: "Provided, also, That the provisions of this act shall not apply to the counties of Beaufort or Georgetown."

The governor approved an act to amend section 7 of an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to reduce all acts and parts of acts providing for the assessment and taxation of property into one act and to amend the same.'"

A bill to amend an act to amend the charter of the town of Union was rejected.

The following acts were ratified: An act to establish a ferry across the Wateree River, in Richland and Kershaw counties, and to vest the same in Samuel Boykin, J. E. English, J. M. English and J. L. Thompson, their heirs and assigns; an act to establish by law the voting precincts in the various counties of the state; an act regulating the collection of interest upon certain bonds; an act to incorporate the Greenville Building and Loan Association, of Greenville.

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the settlement and payment of certain claims against the state" was rejected.

A bill to amend section 17, chapter 22, title 5, of the general statutes of South Carolina, and all acts or parts of acts amendatory thereto, relative to circuit courts, and for other purposes, and a bill to empower the judges of circuit courts to issue remedial writs in any part of the state, were referred to the judiciary committee.

Mr. Evans introduced a bill making certain grants to the Cheraw and Chester Railroad Company.

Mr. Cochran—A bill to reduce the fees of certain officers and attorneys, and a bill to amend an act to divide the state into five congressional districts.

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