Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

The total value of the mineral output in the Dominion of Canada for 1897 was $28,-000,000. So. 51.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

A Belfast shipbuilding firm has ordered steel shipplates of an Illinois steel company.

Good Digestion

Waits on appetite, or it should do so, but this can be only when the stomach is in a healthy condition. Hood's Sarsaparilla so tones and strengthens the stomach that it digests food easily and naturally and then all dyspeptic troubles vanish.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is America's Greatest Medicine. Price $1.

Hood's Pills cure Liver Ills. 25 cents.

A Dreadful Assault.

Mr. Justice Ball, an Irish judge, was noted for his amusing manifestations of ignorance, but whether they were real or pretended has never been clearly established. He tried a case in which a man was indicted for robbery at the house of a poor widow. The first witness was the young daughter of the widow, who identified the prisoner as the man who had entered the house and smashed her mother's chest. "Do you say that the prisoner at the bar broke your mother's chest?" said the judge in astonishment. "He did, my lord," answered the girl; "he jumped on it till he smashed it entirely." The judge turned to the crown counsel and said: "How is this? Why is not the prisoner indicted for murder? If he smashed this poor woman's chest in the way the witness has described, he must surely have killed her." "But, my lord," said the counsel, "it was a wooden chest."

RELIEF FROM PAIN.

Women Everywhere Express their Gratitude to Mrs. Pinkham.

Mrs. T. A. WALDEN, Gibson, Ga., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Before taking your medicine, life was a burden to me. I never saw a well day. At my monthly period I suffered untold misery, and a great deal of the time I was troubled with a severe pain in my side. Before finishing the first bottle of your Vegetable Compound I could tell it was doing me good. I continued its use, also used the Liver Pills and Sanative Wash, and have been greatly helped. I would like to have you use my letter for the benefit of others."

Mrs. FLORENCE A. WOLFE, 515 Mulberry St., Lancaster, Ohio, writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—For two years I was troubled with what the local physicians told me was inflammation of the womb. Every month I suffered terribly. I had taken enough medicine from the doctors to cure any one, but obtained relief for a short time only. At last I concluded to write to you in regard to my case, and can say that by following your advice I am now pefectly well."

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"For six years I was a victim of dyspepsia in its worst form. I could eat nothing but milk toast, and at times my stomach would not retain and digest even that. Last March I began taking CASCARETS and since then I have steadily improved, until I am as well as I ever was in my life."

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The Potash Question.

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We have a little book on the subject of Potash, written by authorities, that we would like to send to every farmer, free of cost, if he will only write and ask for it.

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PROFITABLE EMPLOYMENT

COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW

Full Text of an Act Which Goes Into Effect Next Year.

NOT IN PUBLISHED STATUTE,

As Governor Ellerbe has kept it in His Desk Drawer—Goes Into Effect on the 13th of January, 1899.

At the last session of the General Assembly an Act was passed affecting nearly every county in the State, and which changed the entire method o running the county government, except in such counties where the new plan was already in effect. The Act is not to be found in the statute law, among the Acts passed at the last session of the General Assembly, because Governor Ellerbe put the Act in his desk drawer and has kept it there. By the operations of the Constitution the Act goes into effect the third day after the opening of the session of the Assembly in 1899.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of South Carolina, That the office of county supervisor, as now provided by law, shall continue, and the successors of the present supervisors shall be elected by the people at the next general election, with a term of office for two years, and until their successors shall be elected and qualified, and such supervisors shall receive the pay and execute the bonds as now provided by law, except in the counties of Barnwell, Greenville, Kershaw, Marlboro, Newberry, Orangeburg, Chester, Marion and Colleton, where the salaries shall be $600; in the county of Edgefield, where the salary shall be $450; in the county of Sumter, where the salary shall be $500; in the county of Greenwood, where the salary shall be $700, provided the supervisor shall spend his whole time on the roads and in the county; in the county of Chesterfield, where the salary shall be $600; and the board shall have no clerk; that in Abbeville the board shall have no clerk; in the county of Horry, where the salary shall be $300; in the county of Saluda, where the salary of the supervisor shall be $400, and the two commissioners shall be allowed three dollars per diem, not to exceed thirty days in any one year, and in the county of Lancaster, where the salary of the supervisor shall be $300 per annum.

Section 2. That the Governor shall, before the 1st day of February, A. D. 1899, upon the recommendation of the members of the General Assembly from the several counties, or a majority of them, and before the 1st day of February, at each succeeding two years thereafter, appoint two persons from each county, who shall be known as the commissioners of the county and who shall act with the supervisors in the governmental matters of the county, the said supervisor and commissioners together to constitute a board to be known as the county commissioners. That in the counties of Lancaster, Georgetown, Richland and Berkely the appointment of said commissioners shall be made on or before the 1st day of April A. D. 1898. The supervisor shall be the chairman of the board of county commissioners to be constituted, and said board at the first meeting for organization may elect a clerk except in Abbeville, where the board shall have no clerk, who shall receive such salary as shall be fixed by said board at their first meeting, the sum not to exceed $200 per annum, except in the counties of Spartanburg, Richland and Charleston, where his salary shall not exceed $300, and in the county of Sumter, where his salary shall be $150, and in Pickens and Florence the clerk shall receive a sum not exceeding $75, and in Williamsburg not exceeding $50, and in Orangeburg $100. In the counties of Lancaster, York, Georgetown and Oconee the salary of the clerk shall not be more than $200 and in Dorchester $150 per annum; each of said commissioners shall receive the sum of three dollars per day for each day actually in service, not to exceed twenty-five days in each year, except in the county of Spartanburg, where the number of days shall not exceed forty, except in the county of Chesterfield, where they shall receive two dollars per day, and five cents per mile for each mile traveled in going to and returning from the meetings of the board at the Court House, and in the county of Lancaster, where they shall receive two dollars for their services and in the county of Greenville said commissioners shall receive $2 per day for not exceeding one hundred days in any one year, and said commissioners shall upon their appointment qualify as other county officers and receive their commission from the Governor and Secretary of State, without charge.

Section 3. That on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1899, the office of county commissioner and township commissioner, as now provided by law, to be appointed by the governor, shall be abolished, and the jurisdiction, powers and duties now devolved by law upon the appointive boards of county and township commissioners are hereby devolved upon the boards of county commissioners herein provided for, to consist of the county supervisor and the two commissioners, and all claims against the counties to be valid shall be approved in writing by a majority of said board and entered upon their minutes, said board so constituted shall meet at the county seat at least once a month for the transaction of business, provided that the provisions of this section shall go into effect in the counties of Lancaster, Georgetown, Richland, Oconee and Berkeley on the 1st day of April, 1898, and in the county of Aiken on the 1st day of July, 1898.

Section 4. The boards of county commissioners and township commissioners now appointed by the governor, after the appointment and qualification of the commissioners provided for in this Act, shall continue to be the county boards of equalization and township boards of assessors until their successors shall be appointed, and the Governor of this State is hereby authorized and empowered every two years to appoint such boards of county assessors and township assessors as are now provided by law for the appointment of county commissioners and township commissioners, such board shall serve for two years from the time of their appointment and until their successors are appointed and qualified, their terms to be co-terminal with the governor who appoints them, and they shall receive such pay as is now provided by law. The chairman of the special boards of assessors shall be ex-officio members of the county boards of equalization. Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to affect the special boards of assessors as now provided by law; provided, that in Greenville county the township assessors provided for in this Act shall be township commissioners now constituted for Greenville county.

Section 5. That Sections 1 and 2 of an Act approved 9th of March, 1896, entitled "An Act to amend Section 2,375, 2,376 and 2,402 of Vol. I, Revised Statutes of 1893," be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Section 6. The county board of commissioners shall have the same rights and duties with reference to the preparation of jury lists as are now devolved by law upon the present county board of commissioners.

Section 7. The provisions of this Act shall not apply to Bamberg, Barnwell, Chester, Fairfield, Hampton, Spartanburg, Kershaw and Cherokee counties.

Section 8. That all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Section 9. Provided the provisions of this Act shall not apply to the counties of Bamberg, Barnwell Chester, Spartanburg, Fairfield, Cherokee, Kershaw, Hampton and Beaufort. Provided, further, that the provisions of this Act shall apply to the counties of Lancaster, Georgetown, Richland and Oconee on and after the 1st day of April, A. D. 1898, at which time the board of county commissioners provided for in this Act shall go into office in said county; and in the county of Aiken on the 1st day of July, 1898, and in said county the juries shall be listed and drawn by the auditor, the treasurer and the clerk of Court, without extra pay, and they are hereby declared to be the board of jury commissioners for such purpose, with all the powers devolved by law upon such boards.

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THE NATION'S LAW-MAKERS.

Proceedings of the Senate and House Day by Day.

SENATE.

izing the purchase of a site for a Supreme Court building, and this and several other bills were passed. Among them was one for the relief of homestead settlers in Florida, who were driven from their homes by the storm of 1896. The bill reviving the grade of lieutenant general was reached on the calender, but was passed over at the request of Mr. Cockrell. The Senate at 5 o'clock went into executive session and at 5:15 adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY.—The Nicaragua Canal bill held its place as the principal subject before the Senate, the pending question being on Mr. Turpie's motion to postpone until January 10. Speeches were made by Messrs. Harris, Money, Stewart and Morgan. Mr. Harris spoke upon the general features of the bill. Mr. Bacon gave notice of an amendment to the bill providing that work should not be begun on the canal under the bill until the government of Nicaragua should consent to a modification of the treaty granting title to the United States in in perpetuity to the canal right of way, and also eliminating articles 53 and 54 of the concession from that document. Mr. Stewart advocated the bill as a most important step in the progress of the commerce of the world, and urged the Senators to accept it as it stands. The bill regarding the registry of foreign built vessels wrecked on American coasts, was also discussed, but was not disposed of. During the early part of the session, Mr. Vest called attention to private pension bills and entered a protest against their passage without due consideration, as he said the Senate was falling into the habit of doing. The Senate adjourned at 5:25 p. m.

EIGHTH DAY.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill, making provision for the army and navy for the next six months, displaced the Nicaragua Canal bill in the Senate. The deficiency bill was passed after a spirited discussion, turning principally on the point of keeping the volunteer soldiers in service. At the instance of Mr. Harris, the Senate adopted a resolution calling upon the President for information as to the status of the report of the Nicaragua commission. The Senate then went into executive session and at 5:08 adjourned until Monday.

NINTH DAY.—The Senate had a very busy day and there were several important speeches. Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, spoke against the Vest resolution which declares that the United States has no power to acquire territory. Mr. Hoar asked Mr. Platt whether he decried the doctrine that governments derived their just powers from the consent of the governed. Mr. Platt replied that the consent of all those governed was not always necessary. Mr. Hale, from the conference committee on the urgent deficiency appropriation bill, presented the conference report on the bill and it was agreed to. Mr. Proctor, of Vermont, and Mr. Hale, of Maine, exchanged divergent views upon the subject of a commission of Senators to visit Cuba and report upon the conditions prevailing there. Mr. Proctor thought such a commission was necessary, while Mr. Hale said he thought it would be in extremely bad taste and useless. The question was not decided. The Nicaragua Canal bill was up during the latter part of the day and Senators Berry, Allen, Hoar, Caffery and Morgan discussed the measure. At 5:15 the Senate went into executive session. At 5:35 the Senate adjourned.

TENTH DAY. Senator Teller occupied the first half of the session of the Senate with a speech in advocacy of the theory that there are no restrictions upon the right of the United States to expand its borders so as to include far distant territory. Mr. Teller's address, like that of Mr. Platt, was a constitutional argument in the course of which he maintained the right of the United States to acquire foreign territory without entering upon a discussion of the policy of expansion, except, of course, in an incidental and inferential way.

Mr. Allison, of Iowa, reported favorably from the appropriations committee the House resolution provisions for an adjournement of Congress from December 21 to January 4, and it was adopted without division. The remainder of the session was given up to the Nicaragua Canal bill. Senator Caffery was the only speaker on this subject, and he opposed the Morgan bill. Without having concluded his remarks, Mr. Caffery at 4:30 p. m., yielded to Mr. Gallinger and on his motion the Senate went into executive session. At 5:10 the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

SIXTH DAY. The House passed the District of Columbia appropriation bill without a single amendment. The bill carries $6,359,950, which is $176,600 less than was carried by the last bill and $2,831,817 less than the estimates. The House also passed the Senate bill to amend the laws relating to seamen. All the amendments were rejected. On motion of Mr. Hay (Dem. Va.) a resolution was adopted calling upon the Secretary of War for information as to what towns in Puerto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines are required to be garrisoned, how many troops will be necessary for that purpose and how many soldiers will be needed for the United States proper. The House adjourned at 2:10 p. m.

SEVENTH DAY. The House for the second time during this Congress refused to consider the Lodge immigration bill. An interesting but brief debate on the rules was precipitated during the session by Mr. Grow, of Pennsylvania, during which Mr. DeArmond made a speech on the decadence of the privilege of debate in the House. He was exceedingly ironical in his references to the decadence of the old time privilege of full debate. The pension appropriation bill was reported to the House. The Senate bill to regulate the sitting of United States Courts within the district of South Carolina was passed. The House adjourned at 2:05.

EIGHTH DAY. The House surpassed all previous records in the expedition with which it passed the pension appropriation bill. The bill, in days gone by, has been one of the most fruitful themes for partisan debate, but although carrying $141,000,000 more than the act for the current year, it was passed in 20 minutes without a word of criticism. The bill carries $145,253,830. The House then entered upon consideration of the bill to incorporate the International American Bank. This project was recommended by the Pan-American Congress in 1889. The conference report on the bill extending the maratime inspection laws to sailing vessels of 700 tons and over and providing for the licensing of second and third mates, was adopted. The House at 5 p. m. adjourned.

NINTH DAY.—Representative Rixey, of Virginia, introduced a bill for the admission of Confederate as well as Union soldiers to all soldiers' homes and government institutions maintained by the government.

TENTH DAY. The House gave the d[illegible] Indian appropriation bill, [illegible] substantially as reported. This is the third of the appropriation bills to pass and it clears the calendar of the big supply bills. The House adjourned at 4 o'clock.

ELEVENTH DAY.—This was suspension day in the House and several bills were passed, the most important of which was the bill appropriating $350,-000 for the Philadelphia Exposition of 1898. The vote was exceedingly close. It had but two votes more than the necessary two-thirds. Mr. Bailey, of Texas, introduced a resolution in open House, directing the judiciary committee to investigate and report on the question as to whether the members of the House who accepted commissions in the army had forfeited their seats in the House. Mr. Dingley, from the committee on ways and means, offered the resolution for a holiday recess from Wednesday, December 21, to Wednesday, January 4, and it was adopted without division. A bill was passed to authorize the distribution of the assets of the Freeman's Bank. Mr. Lacey, Republican, of Iowa, moved to pass under a suspension of the rules the bill to enlarge the scope of the fish commission to include game birds. The bill was passed. At 2:15 the House adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY. The House listened to the first speech on the subject of the annexation of the Philippines. Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, a Democratic member of the foreign affairs committee, in an hour's speech, stated his opposition to a policy which would bring the islands under the sphere of the United States' influence. He summed up the objections to the annexation of the Philippines. They lay 7,000 miles from our coast. Not a single geographical defensive or racial test could be applied. Annexation would project us 7,000 miles into the melee of the Orient. We would have to hold in subjection 9,000,000 Filipinos, at a cost of $140,000,000 annually, and as the House was considering an agricultural bill, he said, it might be well to bear in mind who would in the end have to pay the increased taxes. Mr. Williams' remarks were listened to with careful attention and his colleagues gave him a hearty round of applause when he concluded. The arricultural bill was than passed. The provision inserted in the bill to be used as a means of retaliating against Germany and other countries was passed with a slight amendment which gives the Secretary of the Treasury discretion in refusing the delivery of goods, adulterated or deleterious to health, instead of making refusal to deliver such goods mandate. The bill carries $3,-696,322, or $187,120 more than the current law. Several resolutions from the river and harbor committee calling attention upon the Secretary of War for estimates as to the cost of certain proposed river and harbor work were adopted. In the list is Deep Creek, Va. The conference report of the army and navy deficiency bill was adopted and at 5 o'clock the House adjourned.

SHAFTER BELLE OF THE BALL.

His Name on Nearly All of the Cards, Altho' He Did Not Dance.

General Shafter was decidedly the belle of the recent peace jubilee ball in Chicago. He received more attention than anybody except the president and Mrs. Palmer and accepted the adoration of the multitude with becoming modesty. Early in the evening his box became surrounded by a crowd of admirers and the general was in a state of siege during the rest of the night. Some pretty girl had a brilliant idea and asked the general to write his name upon her engagement card.

"I don't dance," said the hero of Santiago.

"I know that," returned the caged damsel, "but I want your autograph."

The general took a pencil with a willing air and write his name so large that it covered two lines. Then every other lady around rushed up to him with the same request and kept him busy for an hour or more writing his autograph upon the printed list of names. Some of the prettiest girls in town had him down for waltzes and others for two-steps, and of course they will save the cards as souvenirs and no doubt show them to their grandchildren in the middle of the next century and relate how they danced with General Shafter at the great jubilee ball.

The autograph craze then became general, and nearly all the famous men present were detained until they had written their names upon the engagement cards of hundreds of ladies. Those souvenirs will be doubly interesting because of novelty, but it will require further evidence to convince their friends that they danced two-steps with Secretary Gage and the Chinese minister and waltzes with Governor Tanner and Senator Cullom.

Excepting the president, Archbishop Ireland was perhaps the most popular guest at the jubilee. Like all the other dignitaries, the Archbishop went to the ball, and, of course, was imposed upon by any number of pretty girls. He wrote his autograph along with those of General Miles, General Shafter and other prominent men without noticing the character of the paper that was presented for his signature. It would make a decided stir in the college of Cardinals at Rome if some of the engagement cards that were used at the dance last night were submitted to them, and I fear that the holy father would be shocked to see the name of this eminent prelate written in his own hand upon the engagement list of many a Chicago girl for waltzes, two-steps and other dances which have not usually been included in the accomplishments of ecclesiastics

Right Side Up.

It is said that a French painter once visited the salon in Paris in company with a friend who was a member of the committee of selection, who had been instrumental in securing the acceptance of the painter's work. When the artist came near his picture he exclaimed: "Good gracious! You're exhibiting my picture the wrong side up!" "Hush!" was the reply; "the committee refused it the other way."

A "Health Shake."

A California man has invented a "health shake," or invigorating rattling machine, which is warranted to provide in ten minutes all the exercise a man needs in a day. The candidate for a general shake-up stands on an oscillating platform, and, when all is ready, the current is turned on from a dynamo. The intensity of the motion is under control, and varies from a gentle thrill to dancing a jig. Under a strong current, every muscle is employed in preserving the perpendicular. The legs are rapidly developed, and the effect on the liver is said to be better than that of horseback riding. Whether the machine ever throws the patient or gets into a bucking humor is a point not covered in the description.

Spider in Her Ear.

An elderly Philadelphia woman, Sarah Loura, recently went to St. Mary's Hospital and asked to be relieved of distressing noises in her ears. Experts who were given charge of the case found a living spider that had made a nest of her ear. This was successfully removed and the old lady now hears as well as ever.

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Notre Dame's Towers Uneven.

Most of the thousands of visitors who annually throng Paris-ward would be incredulous were they told that the towers of Notre Dame were unequaled. But the statement is true, nevertheless, and a series of learned papers upon the subject have just been served, for the first time, to bring the circumstance before even the French public.

To that obnoxious person, "the casual observer," the towers, of course, appear exactly equal in size. The "casual observer" seems to have been made for no other purpose than to play the scapegoat for the five senses of humanity. In spite of him, however, there is a difference in the size of the bays, and the reason for this is that originally the cathedral of a suffragan was not entitled, by canonical law, to two towers of equal size. For centuries Paris was suffragan to the Archbishop of Sens.

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