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APPROPRIATIONS GALORE BY THE LEGISLATURE.

THE STATE LEVY MAY BE RAISED TO SIX MILLS THIS YEAR—OTHER MATTERS OF INTEREST.

COLUMBIA, February 6.—When the appropriation bill is presented to the house tomorrow by the ways and means committee the bill will contain several items which had not been agreed on when the summary of it was published in The News and Courier a few days ago.

The appropriations included in the bill will carry the levy to five and one-half mills, and perhaps to six mills. The levy for 1907 is four and one-half mills, which was not sufficient to raise the appropriations. The bill as reported will carry \$30,000 for the new auditorium building desired by the University of South Carolina; also \$43,744 for support and other items, which will bring the appropriation for the University to \$83,569.64, as against \$64,038.93 last year.

For Winthrop College, the sum of \$64,535.23 is given for support, and \$2,000 additional for septic tanks, raising the total amount to \$78,059.82, as against \$74,563.70 last year. This sum does not include the \$24,000 voted for a new dormitory, nor the \$12,500 for practice school already appropriated.

For the Citadel the sum of \$30,000 to repair the recently purchased police station is included, together with the \$7,500 due as second payment on the purchase, making the total appropriation \$62,750, as against \$35,750 last year.

For the industrial school at Florence the sum of \$10,000 is given. For continuing the improvement of the State house grounds the sum of \$10,000 is given, the commission having asked for \$25,000.

The appropriation for the department of immigration is as follows: Salary of commissioner \$1,900, clerk \$1,200, expenses \$3,000, stenographer \$600, handbook \$5,000. Total \$10,700, as against \$14,000 last year.

There are no other important changes in any of the other State offices except that of the attorney general. The salary of the assistant attorney general is raised from \$1,500 to \$1,800, the contingent fund is raised from \$200 to \$300, the litigation fund is placed at \$2,000, and the stenographer is given \$600, making a total of \$6,725, as against \$8,075 last year. The sum of \$1,000 given last year for any prosecutions of State officials, and \$1,000 for prosecuting the Southern Railway merger suit are not included this year. Attorney General Lytle asked for \$5,000 to prosecute the merger suit and requested that he either be given a sufficient amount or be not required to prosecute the case at all. The amount asked is not given.

For water supply the amount fixed at \$3,000, as against \$5,000 last year, and this will likely be increased on the floor.

For interest on State debt the sum of \$300,000 is allowed.

The amount for pensions is fixed at \$250,000, the same as last year and all other items are practically unchanged except those noted above. There are no increases in salaries except small ones already mentioned.

The committee on ways and means has spent a great deal of time on the bill, having several meetings

a day, and Chairman Banks and Secretary Aull have been about the busiest men in the general assembly for the past two weeks.

Bert Barber, of Elton, Wis., says: "I have only taken four doses of your Kidney and Bladder Pills and they have done for me more than any other medicine has ever done. I am still taking the pills as I want a perfect cure." Mr Barber refers to DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. They are sold by W. L. Wallace, M. D.

ANTI-RACE SUICIDE.

Father of Triplets and Twins Said to Be in Need of Financial Aid.

Mr J A Lewis of Gilbert, Lexington county, was in Columbia yesterday soliciting aims for the family of Mr C E Billington, a neighbor, who is the proud father of eight children, all born within less than eight years, five having been born within a period of two years and ten days.

Mr Lewis exhibited a photograph of Mrs Billington and three children, triplets. The triplets were born on January 20, 1908, and on January 10, 1906, Mrs Billington gave birth to twins. The triplets and the twins are getting along nicely and are apparently strong and robust.

Mr Lewis states that Mr Billington is a farmer and that he and his family are in need. He says that Congressman Lever and other high officials have promised aid to the family and that the anti-race suicide features of the family are to be called to the attention of President Roosevelt.

If Mr Billington requests it, or his friends do so for him, The State will gladly receive any voluntary contributions and transmit them to him.—The State.

Rheumatism.

M F Ballantyne & McDonough's Iron Foundry, Savannah, Ga., says that he has suffered for years from Rheumatism, and could get no relief from any source but P P P, which cured him entirely. He extols the properties of P P P on every occasion.

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Notice.

On February 19, 1908, at 12 o'clock M., the County Dispensary Board will publicly open bids to supply the county dispensaries for the ensuing quarter.

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J M PARKER
Co Dispensary,
2-13-1t Bd Williamsburg Co.

Notice.

All persons having claims against the estate of Westly Gamble, deceased, will present the same duly attested. Persons owing said estate will make payment to Dr J F HASELDEN, Qualified Administrator.
2-13-4t Greelyville, S. C.

For coffins, caskets or undertakers supplies day or night call on L. J. Stackley, Kingstree, S. C.

B. J. CHANDLER, SUMTER, DEAR.

Business Man and Citizen of Highest Type Succumbs to Pneumonia.

SUMTER, February 9.—David Joseph Chandler died here this morning at 5 o'clock of pneumonia, after an illness of only five days. He was in the 51st year of his age and was one of Sumter's most substantial and influential merchants, and news of his death will come as a distinct shock to his numerous friends scattered all over this and adjoining counties. A native of this place, he became associated as a young man with the clothing business of the late David S Winn, and upon the death of Mr Winn, in the eighties, took over the business and continued it with much success, it being now one of the largest cloth-businesses of this part of the State. Wherever he was known his name became a synonym of strict business integrity and old-fashioned honesty and the very considerably means that he accumulated stands today as a monument to what may be accomplished by such traits.

He was a consistent member of the Methodist church, of quiet and unassuming disposition; he was a true friend and a conservative and valued citizen. He served the city alderman for two terms and was a member of the present sewerage commission and a director of the Sumter Savings Bank.

Of his immediate family three brothers survive him: Messrs Calvin W and Jas H Chandler, of this place, and the Rev John J Chandler, of the Methodist church.

The funeral services will be held tomorrow at the First Methodist Church at 12 o'clock.—News and Courier.

Mr Chandler was a brother of the late Mrs J S Cunningham of Indian town and had quite a number of friends and relatives in this county who mourn his death.

Auditor's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I or my agent will be at the following places on the days below mentioned for the purpose of taking tax returns for the year 1908. Returns of all personal property must be made by parties owning or in possession of same and all improvements upon real estate, also sales and purchases of same since last returns, must be reported.

All male persons between the ages of 21 and 60 years, unless exempted by law, are liable to Poll tax and must make a return of same, at

All persons liable for Income Tax under Section 335, Act of 1897, are required to make returns for same at time of making other returns.

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Kingstree 1
Greelyville 3
Kingstree 4
Salters 5
Kingstree 6
Gourdins 7
Suttons 8
Trio 9
Harpers 10
Kingstree 11
Scranton 12
Lake City 13
W J Singletary's store 14
Kingstree 15
Cunningham's store 16
Rhems 17
Morrisville 18
Bloomingdale 19
Benson 20

Kingstree 1
Church 3
Rom 4
Lambert 5
Johnsontown 6
Vox 7
Leo 8
Kingstree 9
Cades 10
Gowdy's Store 11
Mouzens 12
Kingstree 13

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The Business of Sympathy.

One of the most valuable items of one's social stock in trade nowadays is sympathy. A little goes a long way, and the great advantage is that it need never be real. People never stop to think whether the seeming interest in one's illnesses, the sorrow or one's domestic worries, the grief in one's long string of w and wories, is simulated. Nor do I honestly believe they really care. The majority of folk just want a listening ear and a fuss for the time being.—London World.

If you have Catarrh, rid yourself of this repulsive disease. Ask Dr Shoop of Racine, Wis., to mail you free, a trial box of his, Dr Shoop's, Catarrh Remedy. A simple, single test, will surely will surely tell you a catarrh truth well worth your knowing. Write to-day. Don't suffer longer. Sold by D C Scott.

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His Pretty Visitor.

"Hear about Blenkinsop?"
"What about him?"
"Left his motor in front of his office, yesterday, was gone half an hour, and when he returned what do you think he found?"
"Motor disappeared?"
"No, my boy. Jolly pretty girl sitting in it."
"What did Blenkinsop do? Tell her to get out?"
"Not a bit of it! He jumped in and took her home with him."
"Great Scott! What did Mrs. Blenkinsop say?"
"She said, 'I'll call for you again tomorrow, dear.'"—London Scraps.

The Minister's Size.

Macaulay was destitute of bodily accomplishments. He could neither swim nor ride nor drive nor skate nor shoot. But he viewed his deficiencies with indifference touched with humor.
When in attendance at Windsor as a cabinet minister the historian was informed that a horse was at his disposal.

"If her majesty wishes to see me ride," said he, "she must order out an elephant."

When the baby is cross and has you worried and worn out you will find that a little Cascasweet, the well known remedy for babies and children, will quiet the little one in a short time. The ingredients are printed plainly on the bottle. Contains no opiates. Sold by W L Wallace, M D.

Not True Love.

Grace (to her bosom friend, who is caressing a bleary eyed poodle)—I hear your engagement with Fred has been broken off.

Bertha (with a sigh)—Yes, I found that his love for me was not the deep, true love which nothing on earth can change, so I was compelled to let him go.

Grace—Why, how did you find it out?

Bertha—Easily enough. He got so angry every time poor Flossie bit him.—London Mail.

At times when you don't feel just right, when you have a bad stomach take something right away that will assist digestion; not something that will stimulate for a time but something that will positively do the very work that the stomach performs under ordinary and normal conditions, something that will make the food digest. To do this you must take a natural digestant like Kodol For Dyspepsia. Kodol is a scientific preparation of vegetable acids with natural digestants and contains the same juices found in a healthy stomach. Each dose will digest more than 3,000 grains of good food. It is sure to afford prompt relief; it digests what you eat and is pleasant to take. Sold by W L Wallace, M D.

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