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## SOME THINGS DONE IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### SALARIES RAISED—REPEAL OF LIEN LAW REFUSED—NEW CIRCUIT'S CREATED WITH NEW OFFICERS.

THE CAPITOL, COLUMBIA, February 16:

The senate, with a great show of patriotism and devotion to duty(?), passed a resolution providing for a continuation of the session to March 2. The house threw away the greatest opportunity of the times by refusing to concur. Had the house called the "bluff," the State would have witnessed a most unusual sight, the senate at work like a colony of bees. However, the house could hardly have acted otherwise than it did, for that body has thrown away a great deal more time this session than the senate, which is exactly contrary to the conditions heretofore obtaining.

In obedience to the law requiring the salaries of auditors and treasurers to be uniform and in proportion to the assessed values of property and the service required, the pay of our auditor and treasurer has been raised to \$1,200 along with an equal increase throughout the State. For the same reason jail fees have been put at 30 cents per day from 20 cents.

Likewise the salaries of all State officers are to be raised—the governor's from \$3,000 to \$4,000, and the other officers increased about \$400 each. The Senate voted down a bill to raise the per diem of legislators from \$4.00 to \$5.00.

The levy for State taxes will more than exceed that of last year by a good deal, probably about one mill, which is a right big raise for a State levy. On the other hand, the levy for Williamsburg is very low—possibly one of the lowest in the State, 2 3/4 mills. This is, of course, exclusive of the one mill levy to repay the \$12000 borrowed a year ago from the Sinking Fund commission to pay the debts of the "Roads and Bridges Fund." Something like \$4,000 of this debt will be paid within the next few days, we understand. The levy last year was 3 1/2 mills. This indicates that, so far as our county is concerned, the extravagance that prevails well nigh universally has not caused our officials to lose their heads. Our county commissioners asked for only \$12,500 to be raised by direct taxation. A little less than 2 3/4 mills would raise this very modest sum, but it was thought best to put the levy at 2 3/4 to allow for *nulla bona* executions and for contingencies that might happen at the most unexpected moment.

The three matters of this session which stand out in bold lines overshadowing all others are, the repeal of the lien law, the labor contract matter and railroad rate proposition. To this a fourth may be added, which most might place first, the liquor question.

Some amendments to the Carey-Cochran act will be passed, and the State convention may be asked to submit the question of State prohibition to the voters at the next State primary and the senate has passed a resolution asking that that be done.

The contract labor bill, which will in all probability pass, cannot be explained in the short space necessary to a letter. Later the full measure as passed will no doubt be published. The act will meet the require-

ment as nearly as possible without violating the constitution or peonage statutes.

The rate matter is quite unsettled yet and final action is too indefinite to warrant a prediction.

The senate refused to repeal the lien law. This action was brought about by the very senators who professed to be most in favor of repeal. Every senator knows that repeal of the lien law will have no practical effect unless chattel mortgages be limited to crops that are up and growing, but several who seemed anxious to repeal the lien act refused to vote for a proviso making such limitation, whereupon other senators declined to be parties to the farce of repealing the lien law and leaving chattel mortgages untouched, and thus the Richards bill was killed.

The bill creating two new circuits passed the senate. The effect of this on Williamsburg, if it become law, will be to take Florence out of the third circuit. This will necessitate a new solicitor. W L B

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.

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"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 Scrap.

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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."

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the Founder of Monte Carlo.

M. Blanc, the founder of the casino at Monte Carlo, was very eccentric.

He was never known to play at the table except on one occasion, and then it was a somewhat costly experience.

While on a visit to the Wiesbaden casino with Mme. Blanc he was in the habit of accompanying her on a morning stroll each day. During one of these walks madame complained of the heat of the sun and requested her husband to buy her a parasol. Accordingly the two entered a shop, where madame selected a very pretty article, worth 80 francs, which M. Blanc, with a scowl and a muttered grumble, paid.

When the casino opened at noon great was the astonishment of the croupiers and visitors to see M. Blanc place 2 louis on the red at one of the trente et quarante tables. The attendants hastened to get him a chair, but this he declined, saying he was only going to remain a few minutes. When the cards were dealt he won, and, taking up his winnings, left the original stake on the table. For a second time he won and had now got back the price of the umbrella. But, not content, he ventured another 2 louis, which this time he lost. Somewhat annoyed at this, the founder of the place doubled the stake and won, thus getting back the cost of the umbrella again.

Determined, however, to regain his 2 louis, he staked it again, only to see it raked in by the bank. Thus he kept on winning and losing, but never able to recover the 2 louis, till at last he found himself 25 louis out, all the gold his pocketbook contained. A thousand franc note he had was quickly changed and swallowed up. Then, becoming exasperated, he cashed his check for a large sum and, sitting down, commenced the battle in earnest. Hour after hour passed by, but M. Blanc, his eyes fixed on the treacherous pasteboards, never budged from his post. He kept on planking down heavy stakes until the last deal was declared, when, calmly rising, he seized his yellow cane and made his way through the gaping onlookers into the open air.

On reaching home he found Mme. Blanc playing "patience" with a pack of cards, the offending parasol being on the table.

"Madame," said the old gentleman, "do you know what that thing has cost me?"

"Mais oui, mon ami. It cost you 80 francs."

"Madame," rejoined he, "you are mistaken. I have just paid the bill—91,000 francs."—London Mail.

**Surprising.**  
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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.

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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.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6
Kingstree	7 & 8
Greelyville	9
Kingstree	10
Salters	11 & 12
Kingstree	13
Gourdin	14
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Trio	16
Harpers	17
Kingstree	18 & 20
Scranton	21
Lake City	22 & 23
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Kingstree	25
Cunningham's store	27
Rhems	28
Morrisville	29
Bloomington	30
Benson	31
February	1
Kingstree	2
Church	3
Rome	4
Lambert	5
Johnsonville	6
Vox	7
Leo	8
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