

# DAILY REFLECTOR.

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## TO CUMULATE OR NOT.

Last night's joint caucus was a lively meeting. The bill prepared by the big five was presented and read.

It provides for five county commissioners to be elected by the people; the cumulative feature being a provision allowing each voter to vote one ballot for five of five ballots for one commissioner just as the voter prefers.

A few of the Rads raged but the Skinner-Butler-Moody-Mott-Guthrie combine were in the saddle and they were riding the old Republican Nag at a break-neck speed.

Speeches were limited to three minutes, but nobody heard of the three minute rule after it was adopted. Mr. Skinner spoke nearly an hour in favor of the cumulative system. He confessed that two out of every three votes he received in the late election were colored votes, but while they might be competent to create a Congressman it would be dangerous to turn them loose in the different counties to elect magistrates and commissioners.

Moody got on the front seat with Skinner in the band wagon of cumulation and declared that Mott, who could see further in the future than any man in the Republican party, was a cumulatist. Fortune offered a substitute providing for a board of audit composed of three members. He spoke a piece, but it was said that he himself scarcely knew where he was at. Cox of Pitt, the county from which Skinner hails, was the first to show fight. He wanted no cumulation in his. He fired some very hot shots into the Skinner camp, and reminded him of the fact that he would to-day be a common, ordinary, Eastern North Carolina agtaor, instead of a Congressman, or words to that effect, but for the colored vote. The caucus went on and on, and got warmer and warmer, while outside the wind blew colder and colder.—*News and Observer.*

## Weather Bulletin.

Snow followed by fair, colder Saturday night.

## THE LEGISLATURE.

### WEDNESDAY.

The chief new bills presented in the Legislature to-day were: To provide for a general insurance law; to incorporate the People's Fire-Insurance Company; to change the name of the Great Falls Company to the Roanoke Rapid-Power Company; to allow the people of Buncombe county to vote on whether liquor shall be sold in Asheville. The bill to take away the \$10,000 appropriation to the Oxford Orphan Asylum was tabled, and that to appropriate \$2,500 to the Lindley Reform School for girls was postponed for ten days.

The bill to turn over to the Board of Education the \$26,000 balance of the direct-tax fund in the treasury, for division among the public school children passed.

## Tobacco Cloth at Lang's

### Stuck Out For His Side.

A right amusing conversation occurred between two of our boys in the REFLECTOR office, Thursday, and we caught this part of it.

*First Boy*—"I tell you, Miss So and So is"—

*Second Boy* (interrupting) Oh, put that in the pie box. There is not any Miss So and So. She is Mrs. now."

*First Boy*—"Well, if she is married, I reckon she is ex-Miss So and So, ain't she?"

Billie parted them with a column rule.

President Valentine, of the Wells-Fargo Express Company, says the United States produced last year \$45,802,000 worth of gold, \$11,000,000 more than in 1893, which produced the largest amount in twenty-five years.

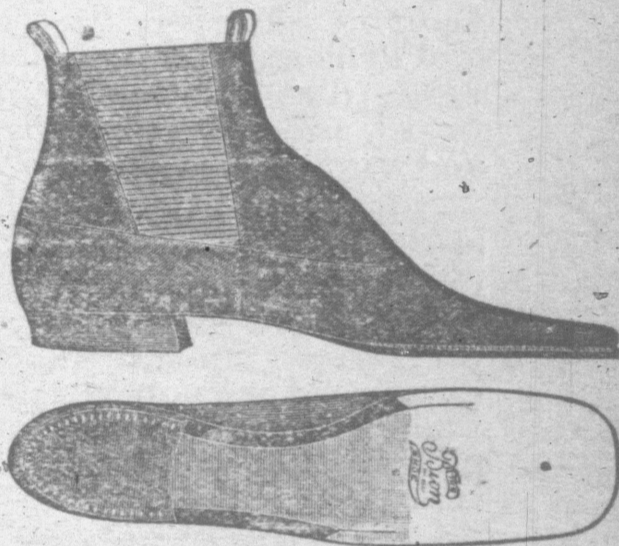
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