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The Northern Mail failed yesterday from Mobile.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The return of the period for the annual session of our Legislature is usually deemed a favorable opportunity for inculcating upon the wisdom of the State a perfect system of good advice. The truth is, the intervals between one session and another is many occasions present themselves for noting defects in the law, imperfectly drawn statutes, and the absolute necessity for legislation in reference to a large number of important topics, that the anxiety of the people to specify the various subjects of legislation at all astonishing. There are numerous evils in the State which have been again and again been urged upon the attention of the General Assembly, but with such success that we wonder at the courage which can stand in the face of difficulty and sometimes boldly to recommend their solution. Hardly a year passes without a unceasing sedulous attempts to introduce tinkers to apply the pruning-knife to some and fungous excrescences in the Mortgage system, the Commutation and Forced Homstead. But the Legislature